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# Republicans struggle in Orange elections

#### **Republicans rarely** succeed in Chapel Hill or Carrboro elections.

By Zhai Yun Tan Senior Writer

In a county where 48 percent of voters register as Democrats and 35 percent as unaffiliated, running as a Republican for municipal elections in Orange County can be hard.

In the past 10 years, the elected mayors of Hillsborough, Chapel Hill and Carrboro have been registered Democrats. In those 10

years, no Republican has won a seat on Chapel Hill's town council or Carrboro's Board of Aldermen. More Republicans and unaffiliated candidates have won in Hillsborough and for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education seats, although they are few and far between.

As a result, some Republicans are forced to consider switching parties in order to obtain political office.

Gary Kahn, a candidate for Chapel Hill mayor, and Evelyn Lloyd, an incumbent of over 20 years for Hillsborough town commissioner, changed their party registrations from Republican to Democrat ahead of the November municipal elections.

Adam Jones, who is running for a seat on the Chapel Hill town council, is the only Republican.

"I talked to several previous council members, or people who ran in the past, and one of them told me that I was never going to win as a Republican in Orange County," Jones said. "If I was serious about running, I would have to change my affiliation to at least Independent, if not Democrat."

Jones said he decided against doing so because he didn't want to lie to the public.

Lloyd believes party registrations don't affect the vote, but she said

she changed her party affiliation this year because her opponents within her party, whom she said were more conservative, had drastically different opinions from her. She also wasn't satisfied with the Republican Party's decisions in the state legislature.

"The environment has been hurt a lot," she said. "In Raleigh, the Clean Water Fund money has been cut -I'm against fracking."

Municipal elections in Chapel Hill are nonpartisan. This means candidates don't run on a party platform, and their party registrations will not show up on the ballot. The biggest disadvantage for candidates who run as Independents or Republicans

might be the access to resources.

"The only glaring difference was there was a democratic forum that came up a few weeks ago that I didn't get an invitation," Jones said.

"There is an Orange County Democratic Party and they endorsed three other candidates in the Hillsborough town race and I was not one of those," said Ashley DeSena, a Hillsborough town commissioner candidate who switched from Republican to Independent. "There is a pressure to appear like something that I'm not, but I'm just not willing to do that."

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# ALL GREEK WOMEN CAN BE DELTA ADVOCATES



Mishana Sturdivant, the president of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., and a communications and journalism major, sits outside of Coker Hall on Monday.

## Assault awareness advocates offer support within sororities

By Anyssa Reddix Senior Writer

The Greek community is increasing sexual assault awareness by expanding the Delta Advocate program to include the Greek Alliance Council and the National Pan-Hellenic Council.

"They are really just kind of liaisons in the community for any women who experience sexual assault or interpersonal violence of any sorts, so they can talk to a peer, someone their age who understands," said Julia Mullendore, president of Panhellenic Council.

The Delta Advocate program was proposed within Panhellenic Council in spring 2014. Applications for the new cohort are due Oct. 21.

"The application is live for women in Panhel and for women in the other two Greek Councils who have women — NPHC and GAC, Mullendore said.

Mishana Sturdivant, president of the UNC chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., has taken the lead in involving National Pan-

Hellenic Council with the program. She said interest was stirred in response to a Daily Tar Heel editorial pointing out the Greek Alliance Council and National Pan-Hellenic Council's lack of participation.

"The editorial made the point that NPHC didn't really care about the issues with domestic violence," Sturdivant said. "We wanted to be taken more seriously by getting the training from One Act and partici-

pating in these campuswide events." Sturdivant said although the council was not involved in Delta

Advocates, it has proven its passion for sexual violence prevention through various events held by the sororities and fraternities within the council, including One Act for Greeks.

The small size of National Pan-Hellenic Council organizations compared to those of the Panhellenic Council can serve as a barrier for involvement in programs such as Delta Advocates.

"We're trying to manage a

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## Hookah bars are a thing of Chapel Hill's past

#### **An Orange County law** closes down the smoke lounges across Chapel Hill.

By Zhai Yun Tan Senior Writer

After Hookah Bliss closed in 2010, hookah bars have all but disappeared in Chapel Hill — and it's likely to stay that way.

The 2012 Orange County Smoke-Free Public Places Rule effectively prohibited smoking in any indoor premises where the public is allowed. The rule came at the heels of a statewide smoking ban in public places passed in 2010.

Certain places, such as cigar bars,

tobacco shops and private clubs, were exempted in the county ban as long as the businesses met specific requirements set by the law. A business can create smoking rooms if it doesn't sell food or beverages.

But hookah bars are not considered tobacco shops.

"We don't have a specific ban against hookah, but the Orange County ban is as comprehensive as it could be," said Coby Jansen Austin, tobacco prevention and control officer for the Orange County Health Department. "If there is any place inside where the public is invited or allowed, then the establishment is not allowed to allow smoking."

Smoking hookah involves heating tobacco mixed with various flavorings. The smoke is passed through

water and inhaled through a pipe and a mouthpiece. Hookah bars, which are gaining popularity in many parts of the world, allow customers to puff away either in a room or outdoors. Many restaurants also offer hookah as part of its services.

There are three shops on Franklin Street that sell hookah sets -Hazmat, Expressions and Smoke Rings Smoke Shop. But all three locations do not have smoking rooms or hookah bars. Hookah Bliss, the last known business in the area to offer hookah bars, closed down when the statewide ban was implemented.

Chapel Hill Zoning Enforcement Officer Mike Klein said he has only received one business inquiry about

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Hazmat, a shop on Franklin Street, offers a wide variety of hookah sets.

# NC public defenders face budget change

#### The legislature quietly changed authority over funding.

By Corey Risinger Assistant State & National Editor

After the state budget passed in September, some say a shift in control of funding for North Carolina's public defenders might have passed through the legislature without a fair trial.

Part of the 429-page state budget, the change denies the Office for Indigent Defense Services — which oversees the state's public defense — the ability to determine its own budget. That authority, which was not mentioned in either the House or Senate versions of the budget, now belongs to the executive director of the Administrative Office of the Courts.

"It wasn't something we were fighting because it didn't exist quite frankly," said Thomas Maher, executive director of the Office for Indigent Defense Services. "It's kind of buried in the budget."

Elliot Engstrom, an attorney with the conservative-leaning Civitas Institute, said he could see the budgeting change as a part of N.C. Supreme Court Chief Justice Mark Martin's rethinking of the court system.

"It's likely that they're trying to kind of have the ability to really have all the pieces at their disposal," Engstrom said.

Regardless of political opinion, he said it is a clear move to take power away from the public defenders' office.

Though nothing has changed in practice yet, Maher said indigent services could feel a new pressure to shift funding away from certain cases, like capital ones.

"That's a decision, that's a legitimate decision but should be made by an agency that's only concerned about the defense function and not concerned about prosecutors and judges," he said.

This would be a shift from the state's once model indigent defense services, Maher said.

Susan Brooks, a state public defender administrator, said what troubles her is the precedent being challenged — the defense as an

independent entity. Now in competition with other court programs, Brooks said clients might see effects of potential fund-

ing shortfalls firsthand. "I do worry that if indigent defense is reduced to just another court program and has to compete with the court programs, the  $\hat{\text{clients}}$  will suffer because there's nobody else really looking out for them," she said.

Andrew Wells, deputy attorney

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#### Halloween costumes for all our political junkies

By Kylie Marshall Staff Writer

As it is currently mid-October, one single task looms over the typical college student. Hint: It isn't midterms.

Deciding on a Halloween costume.

Of course, there are the cliches. Gals this season (like any other season) will inevitably be sexy hippies, sexy cowgirls and, of course, sexy cats.

However, those of us who prefer not to freeze to death on Oct. 31 use the opportunity to get creative and impress our peers with witty costumes that usually involve puns. And, of course, it's campaign season. The number of Donald Trump doppelgängers walking on Franklin this year will probably surpass the number of Romney grandchildren. So herein lies the problem for us political junkies: Dress like Ben Carson and swim in a sea of GOP superstar lookalikes or find another costume and wait four years for the next election?



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a short documentary profiling a leader of a student activist group.

June Beshea, a senior biology and chemistry major at UNC, is one of the leaders of The Real Silent Sam Coalition, a group of activists who work to dismantle white supremacy. This short documentary examines why Beshea chooses to speak out against racism on campus and what students are doing to express their

> To see this documentary and past videos, head to dailytarheel.com/ multimedia/video.

#### **POLICE LOG**

 Someone broke into and entered a business at 109 N. Graham St. at 4 p.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person broke the glass door of a business to gain entry, causing \$500 worth of damage, reports state.

• Someone broke into and entered a residence and damaged property on the 600 block of Caswell Road between 4 p.m. and 7:34 p.m. Sunday, according to

Chapel Hill police reports. The person pried open a window and stole a television, a jewelry box and a silver dollar,

valued at \$421, reports state.

• Someone committed larceny at the Whole Foods at 81 S. Elliott Road at 4:40 p.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person stole a windbreaker from someone else, valued at \$50, and then trespassed, reports state. The windbreaker was later recovered.

 Someone committed larceny from a vehicle on the 1100 block of N.C. Hwy. 54 at 7:46 p.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person removed Nike

soccer cleats, valued at \$75, from the locked vehicle, reports state.

• Someone drove while impaired at the intersection of Estes Drive and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard at 8:59 p.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

• Someone committed larceny at the Rite Aid at 1800 E. Franklin St. at 5:10 p.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person stole Heineken beer, valued at \$15.99, reports state. It was later recovered.

#### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

#### **TODAY** Free Clogging Lessons: Cane

Creek Cloggers are offering free lessons for beginning to advanced cloggers on Tuesday nights from Oct. 20 until Nov. 10. Meet at the Teen Center under the old Franklin Street post office. Comfortable shoes are recommended. Brownies will be provided. For more information, visit canecreekcloggers.com or call 919-960-1047. Time: 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Location: 179 E. Franklin St.

Benjamin Hedin discusses "In Search of the Movement": Join author Benjamin Hedin as he talks about his book, "In Search of the Movement: The Struggle for Civil Rights Then and Now."

The book explores the civil rights movement and current state of the U.S. This event is free and open to the public. Time: 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. **Location:** Flyleaf Books

**Halloween Vinyl Perk Night** at B-Side Lounge: Every

first and third Tuesday of the month, B-Side Lounge and Vinyl Perk team up to celebrate Vinyl Perk Night. They will bring out discounted records and brand new arrivals. This week's event theme focuses on Halloween.

Time: 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Location: 200 N. Greensboro St.

**WEDNESDAY** 

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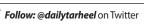
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# Pumpkin dearth this year in US

#### Crops were damaged by rainfall, but North Carolina is in the clear.

By Sierra Dunne

Reports of a pumpkin shortage in the "Pumpkin Capital of the World" have concerned the orange fruit's enthusiasts — but a local farmer said North Carolina has nothing to fear.

The shortage primarily affected Morton, Ill., which grows most of the world's pumpkins.

A majority of Morton's pumpkins are sold to Libby's Pumpkin, owned by Nestle and operated in town. Nestle's plant, according to the Morton Pumpkin Festival Website, processes 85 percent of the world's canned pumpkin used for baking.

Nereida Garcia, consumer services representative for Libby's Pumpkin, said pumpkin fans shouldn't worry about a shortage of cans on the shelves.

"Due to the critical rain that occurred during critical growing months, we are disappointed that our yield this season appeared to be less than we anticipated," she said. "However, we expect to have enough to meet the needs of our consumers for all of their fall and holiday Libby's Pumpkins recipes."

Milton Ganyard, owner of Upchurch Farm in Cary, said shortfalls of pumpkins for canning in Illinois are unlikely to affect North Carolina's ornamental pumpkin sales. He said his farm experienced a record crop of 39,000 pumpkins. "In our case, there's no shortage," he said.

"We've got the best crop ever." But even Illinois's ornamental pumpkins

were threatened by the long rainy season.

"It was a very challenging growing season," said John Ackerman, owner of Ackerman Farms in Morton, Ill. "Even though we came out of it in not too bad of a shape, I still feel like I lost maybe 20 or 25 percent of my usual production."

Ackerman said his family-operated farm raises pumpkins for Libby's Pumpkin plant in town, but it primarily sells ornamental pumpkins. Because there was so much rain during late

spring and early summer — the two planting seasons — Ackerman's pumpkins were too wet. "Pumpkin plants do not like to have wet feet,"

he said. "They're prone to diseases, and they also don't set their fruit very well when they're wet." Due to issues with earlier crops, Ackerman said his farm's staggered planting is now delayed. He said he was still planting pumpkins July 4, which

is the latest he has ever planted pumpkins. He said buying wholesale pumpkins to compensate for losses and shorter harvest seasons can take money out of farmers' pockets.

Ackerman said there are a lot of management and irrigation practices farmers can use to prevent a similar shortage in the future.

"I mean, it wasn't a great crop at all, but we came out OK," he said. "I know some fellow farmers who had some very, very bad luck with their pumpkins, and we feel sorry for them."

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# Housing digs compost bins



Claire Lorch, the garden manager and education coordinator for UNC's community gardens, works on one of the new compost bins.

## Community garden grows produce to feed employees

By Elizabeth Barbour Staff Writer

The Residence Hall Association has expanded the dorm composting program from four residential communities to nine.

In spring 2014, the only communities with the program were Hinton James, Connor, Manning East and Ehringhaus. The program now includes every residence hall on South Campus, plus Cobb and Connor. Taylor Bates, RHA president, said he hopes the program will grow even more.

"Hopefully by the end of the year or very early next year, every single community on campus will have composting," he said.

Natalia Posthill, recycling coordinator at the Office of Waste Reduction and Recycling, said 2,015 pounds of compost were collected from dorms last year.

Posthill said she worked with students to start the program three years ago with the help of a grant from the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality. OWRR matched 25 percent of the grant, and the overall cost for supplies and employee salaries was about \$5,000, Posthill said.

"Whenever you start a new program, the first question is, 'Who's gonna pay for it?' she said. "The fact that we got grant funding helped alleviate some of those concerns."

Posthill said she aims to educate people about compost to combat the idea that compost is gross. "This is the same stuff that would be going into your trash can," she said. "We're just putting it in a different can."

Bates said RHA chose to implement this program by gauging student interest through community events, polls and voting. He said if students are interested in having compost bins available at their dorm, they should contact their community governor.

Bates said students in participating communities can ask for a compost bin at the front desk.

Sean Henderson, the director of special projects for RHA, said he teaches sustainability officers in each campus community how to run the compost program and explains how to teach students about composting.

"We want every residence to be able to have the ability to help us, to have the opportunity to do it," Henderson said. "That's why it's one of my goals to bring it to every single community on campus."

All compost collected goes to the Carolina Campus Community Garden, a local garden where staff, students and members of the community can volunteer.

Claire Lorch, the garden manager and education coordinator, said the food goes into a compost bin along with leaves and mulch. Volunteers water the pile and mix it occasionally, and in anywhere from six weeks to six months, the fertilizer is ready.

The completed compost, called "black gold," nourishes plants in gardens. The food grown there is given to UNC housekeepers.

"It's easy, and it produces this absolutely wonderful food for the soil which then turns around and makes for beautiful plants," Lorch said. "So why create waste when you don't have to?"

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Mipso performs at Musical Empowerment's second annual benefit concert at University United Methodist Church in April 2014.

# Mipso's new album tops Billboard charts

#### The band, made up of UNC graduates, has gained success since 2010.

By Chloe Lackey Staff Writer

When UNC graduates Wood Robinson, Joseph Terrell and Jacob Sharp originally founded their band, Mipso, in 2010, they didn't know where the opportunity would take them.

Now, five years and one new band member later, Mipso has topped the Billboard Bluegrass chart starting the week of Oct. 24 with their latest album, Old Time Reverie, which debuted Oct. 2.

'Our journey has been long, inspiring, fulfilling and completely grueling," Robinson said. "I'm very happy about it."

With 180 shows a year, the UNCbased band is enjoying great success. In addition to their success on the Bluegrass charts, Mipso discovered they were also No. 20 on Billboard's Folk Chart, as well as in the top 25 of the "Heatseekers" Chart. Their new album

features songs that have been in the works since December 2014.

'It's an amazing feeling of validation. It feels really really good," said

Robinson, who is the string bass player. 'We're so proud that people are enjoying it and that enough people are digging it that we can make a living with music."

*Old Time Reverie* is the third LP from Mipso and consists of 11 songs written by band members Sharp, Terrell and new full-time member Libby Rodenbough.

Rodenbough has collaborated with the band in the past, but the band is happy to have the fiddle player and singer as a permanent part of the group.

"She's one of our closest friends and such a unique talent," said mandolin

player Sharp. "We thought we benefited from having her to broaden our music." The musicians are popular all along the east coast, but particularly have fans

in the Chapel Hill community. "They write about stuff that's pretty relatable, and they're obviously very tal-

ented," said junior Devin Holman. Mipso intends to spread their music

beyond the east coast, with a range of

shows in the Midwest starting today. The band hopes to continue making music for a long time.

"I hope that we continue to grow and let ourselves change musically. This is a nice progression from our last album, and we've learned more specifically what we want to do and how to accomplish that in our music," Sharp said. "We want to be a more national band."

Mipso's success is a testament to the strength and support of the Chapel Hill

When all four members first met at UNC, they were not music majors and did not intend to go into music professionally. A performance for a charity event was the first step to launching the Americana band to the top of music

"Chapel Hill has a tremendous history of music and a tremendous community that supports music," Robinson said. "We were shown early on that a life in music is neither a scapegoat for not getting a job nor a difficult and unachievable pursuit."

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# Historic Colonial Inn faces owner change

#### A Hillsborough inn will begin eminent domain proceedings.

By John Foulkes Staff Writer

On Oct. 12, the Hillsborough **Board of Commissioners** unanimously voted to begin eminent domain proceedings in order to acquire the historic Colonial Inn.

This vote comes in response to the property's disrepair under the current owner, Francis Henry, who bought the property in an auction in 2002.

Under Henry's ownership, the inn has received numerous demolition-by-neglect complaints from neighbors leading to a nearly decadelong feud with the town's Board of Commissioners.

Eminent domain was not the first choice of the town government to repair the Colonial Inn.

Henry was fined \$2,500 in 2005 and again in 2011 for \$5,000, both times for not making court-ordered repairs.

"I think it's fair to say elected officials ... are loath to exercise the right of eminent domain," **Orange County Commissioner** Barry Jacobs said.

The inn's disrepair became apparent when neighbors reported a fire at the inn this past July.

"I made sure to try and be open-minded and work things out with the owner," said Eric Hallman, a Hillsborough Town Board commissioner.

"But after the fire, that was it." Hallman said the owner was burning materials in the fireplace, which led to reports of a

fire by neighbors. Following the incident, the town fire marshal ordered evacuation, banning everyone except licensed contractors

from entering the property. "We had to take drastic

"We had to take drastic action. It had become a threat to public safety."

Eric Hallman Hillsborough commissioner

action," Hallman said. "It had become a threat to public

The Hillsborough Board of Commissioners hired the UNC School of Government's Development Financial Initiative to advise the town on how to redevelop the property. The initiative reported the property would require \$2.9 million from a public-private

partnership to be repaired. The initiative's study found the best use of the property would be a mixed-commercial space, with a restaurant,

event room and office space. The study recommends seeking historic landmark status for the property to decrease the taxable value by 50 percent.

Longtime local resident Alice Hunt Seelye said her mother managed the Colonial Inn's kitchen in the 1910s.

"We all used to go to the restaurant," said Seelye. "We're all grieving for the inn's current state of disrepair by the owner."

Seelye said she supported the plans for eminent domain.

Now that the town Board of Commissioners has voted to begin proceedings to take control of the property, the town attorney will send a letter of notification to Henry, giving him 30 days to decide how to respond.

Hallman said that after these 30 days, it could take up to another 120 to completely negotiate new ownership terms for the 177-year-old inn.

'It's been there long before I was, and hopefully it will be there long after I'm gone,"

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# All up in your business

Part of a periodic update on local businesses.

Compiled by staff writer Alexa Papadopoulos. Photos by Kasia Jordan.



#### **Cold Stone to reopen on Franklin Street**

Visitors may see an empty Cold Stone Creamery on Franklin Street since the outside has been unchanged after the franchise closed last year, but the ice cream shop is coming back.

"Officially, it will be the first week of November," said operation manager Emad Ali.

The location closed suddenly and with no explanation in the winter of 2015.

Ali said when the franchise closed, it was not because the business was struggling, but because the previous owner was having personal issues and decided he could no longer operate the store.

"We decided to reopen because there is a lot of potential in Chapel Hill," Ali said.

He said the franchise is excited to come back to Franklin Street and be close to the University again.

He added they are rebuilding the entire inside of the store and adding a new coffee element to the traditional ice cream shop. Ali said they are also adding espresso drinks and pastries.



#### Sawasdee Thai restaurant improves

Sawasdee Thai Restaurant opened a new location in Chapel Hill, and manager Sam Nanitikorn said he wants to be the problem-solver.

Nanitikorn said he is new to Sawasdee, but looks at its other existing locations to learn about the restaurant.

"When I got here, we were not quite ready to open yet," Nanitikorn said. "Now I'm working with the

owner to fix our problems."

He said the issues surround the speed that food is made and served to customers.

"My job right now is trying to solve the problems," Nanitikorn said. "Our problems will be going away soon."

The manager said they have put out special deals to attract new customers and have sent out many flyers to the local community.

Nanitikorn said the flyers have already started to bring in new customers and servers have already improved.

He said they have already started using their hibachi grill. Nanitikorn also said he wants to teach more people about Thai food.



#### LocoDisco bargain app looks to expand

LocoDisco helps users find local discounts in 27 cities across the country.

One of the founders and creators, Matt Kirby, is a UNC graduate and the company has hired several interns from the University.

Paige Schafer, a senior at UNC, said she found the position on Careerolina. The company wanted a student to work on brand marketing. She said they are working to grow their social media following, however the business is still fairly new.

They are in active user growth mode right now, but Schafer has big plans to expand to other locations.

"Now it is completely free," Schafer said. "Interns who find the deals log it on the site for free for the restaurant."

She said they plan to eventually charge restaurants for their services, but right now they are trying to expand their user base.

"Pay could equal more exposure," Schafer said.

The company is also working on developing an app, but it is not ready for users yet.

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# Chapel Hill police to ticket residents for good, lawful behavior

By Anna Cooke Staff Writer

Getting pulled aside by a police officer normally spells bad news, but Chapel Hill's upcoming "good ticket" initiative might make it a good

"It's a good opportunity to thank those for following the law," Chapel Hill Police Lt. Celisa Lehew said.

Lehew said good tickets are exactly what they sound like: a reward for residents who obey the law.

Pedestrians using crosswalk signals, bicyclists following roadway signs and drivers obeying motor vehicle laws would all qualify for good tickets. The tickets would include a coupon and brief information on safety

Demetrius Williams, a Chapel Hill resident, said the initiative would benefit the community.

"You reward someone for doing good," Williams said. "When someone's doing something wrong, officers

stop them to give a ticket, but when someone does something right, it's never acknowledged."

Williams said he believes the initiative will strengthen the police department's relationship with the community.

"The only time you get to talk to them is when something went wrong," he said.

The initiative will not only promote positive interaction with police officers, but also create opportunities for local stores and restaurants as well.

Franklin Street's Noodles and Company and The Yogurt Pump have both partnered with the initiative. The promotions are restricted not to include alcohol, tobacco products and drug paraphernalia.

The program, which originated in Greenville, is a collaboration between the Chapel Hill Police Department and UNC's Department of Public Safety.

Lehew said she hopes to have the tickets completed by the last week in October. While no end date for the program is planned, the ticket initiative is expected to continue throughout the year.

Lehew said the good tickets will be distributed at set times, days and locations that will be listed on Facebook, Twitter and the Chapel Hill town website.

Chapel Hill Town Council member Maria Palmer said she would love to receive a good ticket and the incentives would create goodwill between the public and law

enforcement.

"You cannot do anything in Chapel Hill illegally without getting caught," Palmer

"Most people in Chapel Hill don't break the law. This is a way to show that police officers are here to enforce the law and, when you do the right thing, that they are on your side. Police are there to serve you, and the community appreciates this."

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#### **ADVOCATES**

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sorority, a business, an organization, and it's kind of harder when you have smaller numbers, but we try the best we can," Sturdivant said. "That should be taken into account when validating whether or not we care about domestic abuse or relationship violence."

Michelle Leung, president of the Greek Alliance Council,

said in an email a representative from Delta Advocates came to a general body meeting and sparked interest in both the sororities and individual members.

She said because Greek Alliance Council numbers are low, the individuals trained will serve the entire Greek Alliance Council community as well as the UNC community, not just their individual chapters.

Advocates report all information they hear from survivors to a leadership team made up of University officials.

When someone goes and talks to a Delta Advocate, they would be communicating with the Delta Advocate leadership team," Mullendore said. "But it's still confidential. Nothing would be reported without the student's consent."

The leadership team is comprised of Cassidy Johnson, Gender Violence Services coordinator for the Carolina Women's Center;

Jenn Scott, Title IX program coordinator; Audrey Walker and Cherie Michaud in the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life and Kelli Raker of Student Wellness.

"The program is meant to kind of be that first step before they report so they can understand the process and feel supported," Mullendore said.

Training for Delta Advocates is changing with this second cohort this year to include more comprehensive methods.

"Delta Advocates have to complete HAVEN and One Act training," Scott said. "Then we are going to try to do a retreat that really focuses on the knowledge and dynamics of sexual assault."

evening trainings about prevention and resources for survivors. The program will be around 30 hours total.

Advocates will go through

"This is the first year of the program. I think it's been really successful and really

well-received in the community," Mullendore said. "It's very much still in the building stage of really figuring out how the program is really going to work."

Mullendore and Scott both said what's next for the program has yet to be deter-

"As we continue to expand, we're looking how to include men," Scott said.

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#### REPUBLICANS

The dominance of Democratic candidates in Orange County races, however, has not resulted in a lack of diversity in opinion, said Eric Hansen, a UNC political science graduate student.

"We usually think about state or national level debate issues like same-sex marriage, gun control where there is a clear partisan divide," he said. "You don't see any of those issues being debated quite as often at the local level in North Carolina because local governments are very restricted on what they can do under state law."

He said the situation in Chapel Hill is typical of many small towns in the country.

We see different types of political divides popping up rather than just the Democrat-

Republican one," Hansen said. "In Chapel Hill, there is sort of pro-growth and slow-growth - two camps popping up in

this election. The 16 percent of registered Republicans in Orange County still have their picks now and then. Augustus Cho, former chairman of the Orange County Republican Party, ran for Chapel Hill town council and mayor seats in 2011 and 2009, losing against candidates like current Chapel Hill Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt.

Jimmy Carroll Dearing, a resident of Hillsborough for ten years, identifies as a Republican, but has never voted in municipal elections.

"It's not enough for Republicans to win anything, he said. "The only chance for Republicans to win is through state and federal races.'

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#### DEFENDER

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general for UNC's honor system and an aspiring public defender, said those who require a public defender are a very convenient population to disempower and assume guilty — given frequent guilty verdicts.

"It's more inconvenient to assert that the people who are trying to defend them regardless of their intentions are overworked, overburdened, understaffed," he said.

Maher said factors like salary have driven many young public defenders to take second jobs to pay off law school debt.

"People don't go into this work for money, but you've got to make a living on it," he said. "And if you can't, then people have to cut corners on their appointed

work to spend more time on retained work."

To improve representation, Engstrom suggested a public defender voucher system, not unlike the state's private school vouchers. Then, he said defendants could choose any public defender or attorney they deem the most experienced.

'Instead of government throwing a lawyer at you, (vouchers) give you the power to choose which lawyer you have representing you," he said.

Maher said ultimately you can't underfund a system and not expect to see changes.

"Paying for public defense is always a battle," he said. "It's never the most popular thing and that's sad because I think it's incredibly impor-

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#### HOOKAH

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hookah bars in recent years. For Chapel Hill residents who want to smoke hookah in public, they might have to go to Raleigh or Durham, where rules are less stringent.

**UNC senior Lauren Ashley** buys hookah sets from Chapel Hill, but she goes to Raleigh to visit the hookah bars.

"I usually go to Paradise (Hookah Lounge) in Raleigh," Ashley said. "Maybe once every month.

Shahrazad Hookah Lounge and Coffee in Raleigh is one site that draws visitors from many towns in North Carolina. Customers are free to smoke anywhere.

"I know people come from other cities to visit our hookah bar because we are the biggest in the Triangle," manager Amber Lilly said. "I used to go to a (hookah) bar in Raleigh and a lot of regulars are from Chapel Hill."

While many argue that hookah is safer than cigarettes, the Center of Disease Control and Prevention said on its website that hookah smoking is as risky as cigarette smoking. The secondhand smoke from hookahs comes from the burning tobacco and charcoal used to heat the tobacco, therefore posing health risks to nonsmokers.

Austin said Orange County's strict ban of smoking in public places was made following a comprehensive survey in 2012, public hearings and presentations from involved parties.

What we heard was people wanted us to pass a rule that was more restrictive," Austin

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Aries (March 21-April 19) Today is a 9 — Friends are a big help today and tomorrow. Unexpected breakdowns

hold your focus. An illusion dissipates. and communication difficulties don't help. Maintain balance amid upheaval. Take a time out when necessary. You can afford to

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Today is an 8 — Stay steadily on course. A formidable barrier blocks the path, so take care. Wait to see what opens up. Work with someone who sees your blind spots Career opportunities show up today and tomorrow. Advance when you can.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) Today is a 9 — Innovations upset the routine, although joyfully exciting. Physical exercise reduces stress. Care for your people. Don't pick a fight with someone bigger. Be firm, yet gracious. Manage exist-ing responsibilities and resist temptation to accept new ones. Wait.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) Today is a 9 — There's a solution. Wasting money is unnecessary and gives the wrong impression. Reduce insistence on getting your own way. Postpone an outing until the job is done. Figure out what skills you lack. Focus on your goals.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Today is an 8 — Enjoy a two-day partner-ship phase. Spend time with an attractive person. Ideas flow freely. Emotions go haywire. If at first you don't succeed, try again with modifications. You could learn more than you wanted to know. Work interferes with play.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today is a 9 — Dig into a big job. The work is in the details. Profit from meticular lous service. Focus on your work today and tomorrow. Balance chaos with peace; noise with quiet. Rely on a rigorous schedule.

Today is an 8 — Enjoy some fun and relax-ation today and tomorrow. Proceed slowly or break something. Fact and fantasy clash Harsh words could easily fly. Decrease clutter. Go for clarity. Include tranquil moments in beauty. Spend time near the water.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Today is a 9 — Family matters need attention now. Perfect your environment. Play with long-range ideas, and dabble in elements like color, form and line. Take notes. Chart site plans. Budget to conserve resources while nurturing your clan.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is an 8 — Emerge from your cocoon over the next two days. Take advantage of changes. Clean up messes. Consider an older person's feelings. Don't try a new idea. Give away stuff you don't need. Take things slow and easy

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today is an 8 — Let things cook. Your morale rises along with your income over the next few days. Work more and make more. Watch your step ... conditions seem unstable. Let things percolate over a slow

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Today is an 8 — Strike out in a new direction. Follow the path directly ahead. You're powerful and confident over the next two days. Work out the numbers for a new personal project. Strategize. Drop old assumptions for uncharted territory.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) Today is a 7 — Take a few days for peaceful planning and introspection. Putter, cook, clean and speculate. Do some daydreaming You know the difference between probable outcomes and fantasies. Don't take on new challenges yet. Decrease stress and rest.

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# From students to cinematographers

By Zoe Hazerjian Staff Writer

Few students wouldn't want a week to play around with high-tech movie-making equipment with friends and produce a short film that could win \$15,000 in cash grants. Fewer wouldn't want to do this for free.

That's what Campus MovieFest is offering students. With help from the Carolina Film Association, Campus MovieFest is coming to UNC for the first time since its inception in 2001. While at UNC, students can sign up for the weeklong intensive moviemaking extravaganza and participate in the world's largest student film festival.

Campus MovieFest launches today. Students can pick up equipment needed to make their movies in the Union Art Gallery.

Available equipment includes Apple MacBook Pros loaded with the Adobe Creative Cloud, Panasonic HD cameras, Sennheiser sound gear and 500 GB portable hard drives.

Promotion manager Alex

McGill said providing these tools gives students a leg up in producing great films.

"We want to give students every opportunity to tell their story and make their films," she said.

First-year Jacob Wishnek, a communication studies major and vice president of the Carolina Film Association, plans on directing two short

"I enjoy making films, so I jumped at the chance to participate and lead in filmmaking projects," Wishnek said.

But Campus MovieFest is not just for those who plan on going into the film industry.

"It allows people that are new to the interest of filmmaking to get experience with good equipment and learn from others," Wishnek said.

Films must be made by students, less than five minutes in length, filmed in the week provided and contain no nudity or copyrighted material. Students can film as many movies as they want and work with as many people as they want. The movies can also be about whatever they want and in any style.

Junior Jay Haran does not

plan on filming a movie for the Campus MovieFest, but he said he believes the wide range of subjects open to students is interesting.

"I think it's great that students have full creative freedom to just sort of make whatever movie they want, instead of promoting something," he said.

Organizers will collect the videos Oct. 26. Before the winners are announced on Nov. 5, an anonymous panel of students, faculty and staff will judge the movies and decide which movies will advance to the next round of judging.

The top 16 films will be shown at a red-carpet showcase, and the top four movies of the multi-school contest will move on to the grand finale. Prizes include cash grants, equipment and the opportunity to have the film showcased at the Cannes Film Festival and as in-flight entertainment with Virgin America.

Campus MovieFest is a chance for students to express themselves creatively through a different type of medium.

"We want people to hear



(Left) Melissa Cordell, Sia Kennedy, Sidney Morris, Jenny Kim and Courtney Staton plan their movie.

your story, and we want people to care about what you care about," McGill said.

**HEAR PUTZEL'S TALK** 

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ing and events manager at

Bull's Head Bookshop, said

"It seems like this generation

of students, which includes me

when I was in school ten years

ago, doesn't have as much first-

hand contact with people who

"Maybe hearing someone

share those details will help

students can benefit from

Putzel's perspective.

were in wars," he said.

share perspective."

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# UNC graduate speaks about war book

By Cate Alspaugh Staff Writer

UNC graduate and journalist Michael Putzel was covering the War in Vietnam for the Associated Press when he first met Major James T. Newman.

They were on the combat base in Khe Sanh and a helicopter of photojournalists had just been shot down. When Putzel heard that Newman saw the shooting, he approached Newman to see if anyone had survived.

"He kind of smiled at me, and said, 'You want to see?'

Newman flew Putzel to the spot of the shooting. After seeing what Putzel said was a "burn mark in the grass," he knew there were no survivors.

Putzel and Newman kept in touch for years after this first meeting, and Putzel's new book, "The Price They Paid: Enduring Wounds of War," which he will discuss this after-

noon at Bull's Head Bookshop, was originally about Major Newman's honored military career. But as Putzel continued researching Newman's life, his story took a major turn.

"(Newman) was known as a man that never left anyone behind, but he had an entire family from his prewar life that he kept as a secret," Putzel said.

By telling the story of Major Newman and the Vietnam flight crews that experienced the most intensive helicopter warfare to date, Putzel's book explores the true costs of war, like the emotional problems and mental illnesses that veterans and their loved ones face.

His first story for The Daily Tar Heel covered the integration of University of Mississippi in October 1962, when James Meredith enrolled as the university's first

African-American student. "I was lying in the grass trying to prevent the tear gas from getting in my eyes, and I thought, 'You know, I think I want to do this," Putzel said. He has covered the

Watergate scandal and the White House under former President Jimmy Carter. He was also a few feet away from former President Ronald Reagan when he was shot.

"It was the golden age of journalism," Putzel said.

Now, Putzel is a full-time author. He said he hopes his reading at Bull's Head will inspire a conversation surrounding the true costs of war.

Junior Dionna Graves, an advocate for mental health reform, said there is a need for public discussion about postwar mental health.

"When you don't talk about mental health in a public forum, people tend to feel shame, and they tend to feel silenced and alone," she said. Kyle McKay, market-

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#### InstaHeels is back

Want to know what UNC student-athletes are up on Instagram? See the From the Press Box blog for more.

#### **UNC student activists**

The DTH explores why activist June Beshea chooses to speak out about racism on campus. See online for video.

#### The great pumpkin

A rainy year has caused a pumpkin shortage in the pumpkin capital of the world. See pg. 3 for story.

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# UNC football eyes Virginia, looks to keep up hot start

A Wake Forest player grabs Marquise Williams by the jersey during Saturday night's UNC victory.

By Pat James **Sports Editor** 

After a combined 3-9 record at the midway point of the past two regular seasons, the North Carolina football team sits at 5-1 entering Saturday's contest against Virginia.

It marks the first time since 2011 that UNC has opened the season at 5-1, as well as the best start for Coach Larry Fedora during his four-year tenure.

And having grown accustomed to such poor starts over the past two seasons, he confessed there's a sense of relief surrounding him and his team.

"It feels a whole lot better," Fedora said Monday. "It's a confidence booster for a football team. It makes them feel better about everything that we're doing — everything." But while Fedora and the

Tar Heels have welcomed their hot start, they're even more focused on ensuring it continues.

Following its 5-1 start to the 2011 season, UNC dropped four of its next five games and eventually fin-

ished with a 7-6 record after falling to Missouri in the Independence Bowl.

Quarterback Marquise Williams, who redshirted in 2011, admits the team's achievements so far feel good. But the team can't be content. "Everybody is patting you

on your back, because that's what you want," said the fifthyear senior. "You're not human if you don't care about how nobody is telling you 'good job' or anything. At the same time, I tell the guys, 'Don't get complacent. We still have to keep moving forward."

Having won five consecutive games, a win on Saturday against the Cavaliers (2-4, 1-1 ACC) would hand the Tar Heels their longest winning streak since reeling off eight straight victories in 1997.

Fedora said the team's approach remains consistent with how it's been in the past, even when things weren't going well. And in order for UNC to seal its sixth win in a row, he's emphasized continuing to

home in on the finest of details. "We continue to keep doing

the same things," Fedora said. "I talked about it with them the other day: 'Don't forget what it took to get to this point, what you've done, what you've put into it. It didn't just happen. You didn't just walk out here and it happened like this.' We want to keep doing that."

DTH/KATIE WILLIAMS

With all four of the Cavaliers' losses coming against teams that were ranked at one point this season, Fedora says UVa. shouldn't be underestimated.

And even though a couple of players have missed time due to injury or suspension, the Tar Heels must maintain the same intensity they've played with up until this point.

You can't lose that edge just because you're six or seven games into the season and you're kind of banged up," sophomore tailback Elijah Hood said. "You've still got to be physical, run hard, block hard, give everything you've got on every special teams play and just do everything we've been doing."

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#### **Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle**

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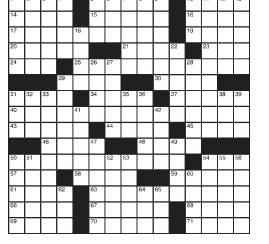
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## Do not assume about majors

he woman sitting next to me on the flight collapsed into her seat. exhausted. She slid her carryon under the seat and introduced herself. We did the regular small talk: "Where are you from? Were you in Louisiana for business?" She slid into a story about the constant travel she does at her job as a pharmaceutical representative.

She told me she hated hotels, and the only place in them where she didn't feel like she was "going crazy" was in the hotel gym. Travel stresses me out, and I could never do her job. I told her as much.

Next, she asked about my major. I braced myself instinctively. This never went well.

"Women's and gender studies!" I told her, smiling.

"Oh, no," she said, furrowing her brow. She was no longer just tired; she was angry. She began  $\,$ to lecture me about the impracticality of my major. How it was a nice idea but not a serious major for a career. I was a sophomore at the time, and when she heard this she brightened.

"You still have time to change to something better!' She was probably having

a bad day, worn down from constant travel and a job she didn't enjoy. This exchange probably wouldn't have bothered me if it weren't so routine.

It's an exhausting choreograstep. I'm ashamed to say I've lied a few times because I could tell the person asking would react poorly. Usually though, I tell the truth. But before I open my mouth, I brace myself for all possible reactions. Will I tell the truth? And if they react poorly, will I challenge them on it?

I'd gotten so used to condescension and insults that I used to try to beat them to it. I would roll my answer and apologies for those majors into one breath, "Women's and gender studies and communication, I'll be so unemployable!" or, "I'm looking forward to a future of unemployment!" Then they would laugh with me, revealing they agreed that my course of study had little "real world" value.

But this summer, a stranger asked me, so I tried something new. Our conversation was friendly. When he asked me, I told him, "Women's and gender studies," smiling. And I said nothing. No apologies or jokes. He was silent for thirty seconds. I let the silence sit.

I can count on one hand the number of positive reactions people have had to my major.

But I'm done apologizing for my course of study. Women's and gender studies is just one of several majors which are dismissed out of hand as lacking value. African, African American and Diaspora studies, Latino/a studies, sexuality studies, Asian studies — all of these tend to evoke similar reactions, especially in light of the academic-athletic scandal.

These academic disciplines exist because of years of agitation on the part of women and people of color.

I could list the things that I have learned from my WMST classes. And the many career paths that they prepare me for. But why bother? That gender is worthy of study is obvious. I'm excited to answer questions about my major, but I'm done apologizing for or defending it.



EDITORIAL CARTOON By Drew Sheneman, The Star-Ledger



**EDITORIAL** 

# Partying afoul

#### **UNC should stand** in solidarity with #BlackBruinsMatter.

o one was killed. No one was arrested. This was a different kind of injustice.

Two weeks ago, a much more subtle line was crossed when students wore blackface to a "Kanye Western" themed party, hosted by members of UCLA's Omicron chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity in affiliation with Alpha Phi sorority, Beta Delta chapter.

The Los Angeles Times reported that partygoers, along with charcoal smeared on their faces, were seen clad in do-rags, padded bottoms imitating the Kardashians (West and Kim Kardashian are married) and other representations of the black stereotype.

While these students had the right to wear a costume to a themed party, in no way was it OK to appropriate black culture for the sake of a good time.

Our campus's minority activist groups and the entire campus community should stand

in solidarity with the #BlackBruinsMatter movement led by UCLA's Afrikan Student Union, a body equivalent to UNC's Black Student Movement. Furthermore, the Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils ought to train members on ethics and inclusivity to prevent racist and discriminatory party themes from appearing on our campus. These issues do not just happen on the West Coast.

Two years ago, UNC's chapter of DKE hosted a "Vietnam cocktail," according to social media photo captions, where attendees dressed in straw hats, Army camouflage and similar garb representative of the Vietnam War. The fraternity publicized it as a "1960s and 1970s party," but the costumes suggested otherwise. The people who chose to humorize the theme offended both people of the Vietnamese culture and descendants of U.S. soldiers who died in the war.

Surely, students intelligent enough to get into UNC ought to be able to discern when party themes and costumes

not to mention UNC's history of Halloween costumes - are offensive, racist and unwise to wear.

As UCLA's public statement put it, "Just because you can do something, does not mean you should." That's basic home training.

In response to the DKE party, the IFC said it could not punish fraternities for their party themes. But if cultural and social ignorance has already proven a problem on campus, a training on ethical responsibility is necessary for Greek organizations on campus to realize the impact their choices have on the campus community.

UCLA's Afrikan Student Union has protested and held a rally denouncing the choices of Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Phi.

UNC should stand with them to work toward a day when students who join our campus community from different backgrounds aren't seen as so different from one another that it becomes entertainment for one to put on a costume of the other.

#### **ADVICE COLUMN**

## You Asked for It

#### In which we mock poor, poor Lincoln Chafee and get to snugglin'

Kelsey Weekman (majority whip) and Drew Goins (majorly whipped) are the writers of UNC's premier (only!) satirical advice column. Results may vary.

**You:** I feel so overwhelmed with all the politicking going on these days. How do I get more engaged?

**You Asked for It:** For the civically uninitiated, election season can seem like a grand ol' party that you're not invited to. Add in the presidential election around the corner, and it's easy to feel like Andy Dwyer plopped into an episode of "The West Wing."

Leaves are falling from trees while signs for Pam Hemminger for Mayor of Chapel Hill are sprouting from the earth, and student volunteers with forms and clipboards lurk around every corner. In the immortally memed words of Sen. Bernie Sanders, the American people are sick and tired of hearing about your damn voter registration, Pit canvassers!

If you're looking for the 1) knowledge and 2) stubbornness to hold your own in discussions, join a politically affiliated group on campus like the rightleaning College Republicans



#### Kelsey Weekman and Drew Goins

Online managing editor and copy chief.

Submit your questions: bit.lv/dthvafi

or Kenan-Flagler Business School, or - solidly on the left — Young Democrats or the Campus Y.

Listen, we know that deep down you want to make America great again by becoming a political maven, but we also know that reading more than two articles on Politico is more herculean a task than switching this country to the metric system. We also know you're already probably more informed than Lincoln Chafee anyway.

Our advice? Just change your profile picture to a Mr. or Ms. UNC candidate, and call it a day.

**You:** It's starting to get really cold, and my roommates refuse to turn on the heat. How can I stay warm?

**YAFI:** No one polices the spending of money on basic human needs quite like

college students who just started living off campus, as evidenced by your Craigslist couch with that suspicious stain and the amount of ramen in your cabinets.

Cranking up the heat for winter can be relatively the same price as just lighting a wad of money on fire and setting it by your bedside at night. Snuggle up with your significant other. If one is not available to you, watch someone else do it. Let the flames of your hatred warm your lonely, frosted heart.

Swaddle yourself in blankets like a burrito, and your body temperature will increase to at least verde. In fact, just eat your weight in burritos. Curl up to sleep inside

your heated oven, after baking seasonal Christmas tree cookies. Nine out of 10 fairytale witches recommend this method. Listen to our warm-

weather playlist that starts with "Heat of the Moment" by Asia and ends with "Fireball" by Pitbull. Where there is Pitbull, there is a boy in khaki shorts and a Hawaiian shirt holding an energy drink — the symbol of endless summer.

If all else fails, just envision yourself someplace warm, like the beach or the stairwell in Greenlaw.

@youaskedforit

#### **QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"Pumpkin plants do not like to have wet feet. They're prone to diseases, and they also don't set their fruit very well when they're wet."

John Ackerman, on a pumpkin shortage caused by heavy rain

#### FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

"We are now protesting the protest of a protest. I think I need a vacation."

**srsbusiness**, on a letter to the editor responding to criticisms of University Day protests held by The Real Silent Sam Coalition

#### **LETTERS TO** THE EDITOR

#### Hemminger has been a proven leader

TO THE EDITOR: I support Pam

Hemminger for Chapel Hill mayor. I have been associated with Pam since 2005 when we shared time on the Rainbow Soccer board of directors. Pam was always the balance in the room and her financial awareness allowed the organization to grow and flourish.

In the past three years, I have worked with Pam on several commercial real estate endeavors and believe her understanding of long term planning coupled with her knowledge of finance will serve our community well.

During our work together, I have always appreciated her keen awareness and attention to the effects that decisions will have on those who will be impacted — whether it be children on the soccer field or employees in a renovated building. I have no doubt that Pam will bring that same level of considerate decisionmaking to Town Hall.

Additionally, the citizens of Chapel Hill will benefit from Pam's vast experience, including her work as a member of the Chapel Hill Board of Education and as an Orange County Commissioner. Bringing these perspectives to the role of mayor, Pam is poised to help our town, county and school governing bodies make progress by working collaboratively to support each other while ensuring that their own interests and

> Mike Hickey Chapel Hill

#### DTH editorial was a betrayal of values

TO THE EDITOR: Shame! The Daily Tar Heel contradicts itself and is irresponsible in its defense of the University.

Calling for Governor McCrory to sign a bill (S670), demanding more legislation, and inserting the legislature's will further into the governance of the University, only exacerbates the partisan politicization of the institution.

If "democratizing" the President search process is the DTH's goal, demanding a precedent for additional diktat is not how it is done. It is naive to believe that replacing the misguided will of the Board of Governors with the misguided will of the legislature will do anything more than further legitimize misguided governance of the University. The UNC-system Faculty

Assembly has steadfastly opposed the many illadvised actions of the board. But as we noted in our letter to Governor McCrory urging him to veto S670, there is no possible circumstance where we would counsel a bad legislative solution to a problem that bad legislation has created.

The governance of the University needs to be depoliticized by insulating the Board of Governors from party politics. Then, perhaps, the Board of Governors can be free of partisan pressures, and consult more effectively with students, staff, faculty, administrators and citizens who seek best practices to promote the goals of public higher education.

The University of North Carolina is arguably one of the most important assets of our state, and the talents of our students are among the most significant drivers of our economy and civic life. The University is not a political commodity for the majority party of the legislature, and appointment to the Board of Governors is not a political trophy to be awarded to friends, donors and party loyalists.

By advocating for inappropriate legislative interference in the governance of the University - no matter how laudable the goal sought — the DTH merely endorses a legal precedent that is antithetical to the promotion of public higher education in this state.

> Prof. Stephen Leonard Political science

#### Hemminger would be a good mayor

TO THE EDITOR:

I strongly support Pam Hemminger for mayor. Having known her for more than 25 years, I trust Pam to know what is right and to do what is right for Chapel Hill. Pam's commitment to our community and environmental stewardship have helped shape change in ways that are good for our town, county and region.

Pam and I first met at a Sierra Club function. Pam was a strong environmentalist then, and now, and has served in leadership roles in this club, the Triangle Land Conservancy, as well as many other community roles.

I admire Pam's knowledge of air/water quality, and energy conservation.

Regionally, she is making a difference as chair of the Upper Neuse River Basin Association — a collaborative effort to address water quality and water resource planning for Orange, Durham, Wake and several

other counties. Additionally, because I am an avid bike rider, I appreciate her balanced support for all modes of transportation including biking and walking. Importantly, Pam understands the value of planning for a cohesive town and I am thrilled there is someone running for mayor that "gets it". We are not 'Sim City', where you can add a seven story building here and there. Those decisions affect real people and they effect the character of Chapel Hill.

Pam Hemminger is smart, and a hard worker, and would be a great leader for Chapel Hill.

> Kay Schlegel-Pratt Chapel Hill

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