

Former AFAM chairman indicted

Julius Nyang'oro will appear in court in Hillsborough today.

By **Amanda Albright**
University Editor

The class was titled Blacks in North Carolina. AFAM 280 was supposed to be a face-to-face lecture course during the summer of 2011. And Julius Nyang'oro

was supposed to be the professor. But the class never met.observer.com/2012/06/08/2123750/unc-football-players-flocked-to.html

Nyang'oro was even paid approximately \$12,000 to teach the course, which comprised only student athletes. Grades went out to students enrolled. The class never met.

Nyang'oro, the former chairman of the recently renamed Department of African and Afro-American Studies, was indicted Monday by a grand jury for obtaining \$12,000



Julius Nyang'oro is the former chairman of the renamed Department of African and Afro-American Studies. He was asked to retire in 2011.

worth of property under false pretenses, a class H felony, according to the document. He will appear in court at 2 p.m. Tuesday.

A person cannot knowingly

accept money with the intent to defraud a person under North Carolina general statutes.

The University asked Nyang'oro to retire in 2011 after officials discovered he helped form academic courses taught irregularly or not at all, some which had a disproportionately large number of student athletes enrolled.

It's a scandal that has wracked the University during the last three years and Monday's indictment was the result of a year-and-a-half-long State Bureau of Investigation probe.

Orange County District Attorney Jim Woodall said there could be one more indictment of a former academic employee in January, but that even if Nyang'oro is found guilty, the likely punishment will be probation.

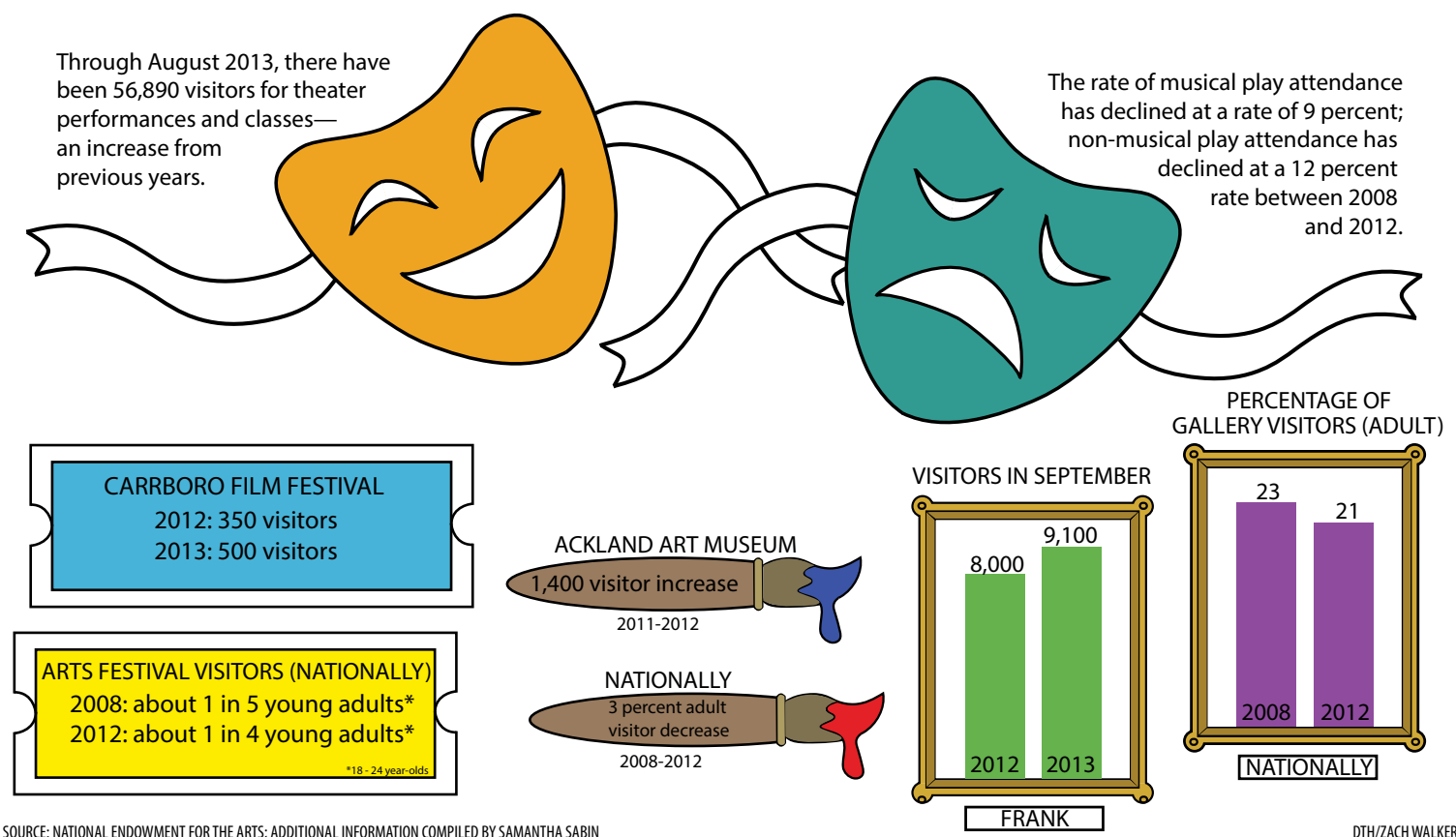
"We weren't seeing a lot of criminal activity here," he said. "There may have been academic fraud and improprieties, but that's not illegal."

Woodall said the reason indictments have taken more than a year

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Fine arts doing fine

Comparison of local and national arts consumption



Chapel Hill and Carrboro arts venues see steady numbers

By **Samantha Sabin**
Assistant Arts Editor

Sophomore Em Wilson went by herself to see her favorite band, Stars, at Cat's Cradle during her freshman year. At the show, another concert attendee stepped on her backpack, cracking the case of her laptop.

But the night took a turn for the better when Wilson was dancing and singing along to the last song and the lead singer decided to throw a drum stick into the crowd — which landed right on top of Wilson's backpack.

"I can listen to them all day in bed, while ordering take-out, but going to that show was magical," Wilson said.

"Staying at home is great but there's more to life than that."

But many Americans don't seem to agree with Wilson. In September, the National Endowment for the Arts released its 2012 Survey of Public Participation in the Arts, which found that most people would rather watch live theater performances in the com-

fort of their own homes and look at photos of art on the internet instead of in person. But the arts venues in Chapel Hill and Carrboro might be an exception to this nationwide trend.

A community experience

According to the NEA's survey, festivals have become promising entry points into the arts. One in four respondents aged 18 to 24 said that they have attended a festival in 2012, an increase from 22 percent in 2008.

The Carrboro Film Festival, which expanded from a one-day to a two-day event for its 2013 festival Nov. 23 and 24, sold about 350 tickets in 2012 compared to the 500 tickets it sold in 2013.

Tim Scales — founder of Triangle-based arts marketing company Wagon Wheel Arts, which worked with the festival — also said people come to the festival to engage with others in the community who care a lot about film.

"With something like film, there's no reason why you can't watch that on your computer at

home by yourself," Scales said.

"What makes the festival special is this feeling of participating in this large group watching these films, together and with the community, is drastically different than watching it by yourself at home. People come for the experience."

Go to the theater

The NEA's survey also saw a 9 percent rate of decline from 2008 to 2012 in musical play attendance. Non-musical play attendance also dropped to 12 percent rate over the same period.

The ArtsCenter in Carrboro has not seen the same drop.

From August 2012 to August 2013, the ArtsCenter has seen almost 56,890 people visit for both theatrical performances and for classes. Numbers from earlier years are not on file, but Executive Director Art Menius said he believes this is an increase.

"For concerts and performances, I believe

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Pi Lambda Phi pledges arrested for larceny

The October arrests came after "pledging activities" at the Student Union.

By **Caroline Leland**
Assistant University Editor

Five students were arrested in October for misdemeanor larceny and vandalism in connection with pledging activities to Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity — a fraternity currently under investigation by the University.

According to UNC Department of Public Safety records, the arrests are linked to a Sept. 27 incident in which \$407 worth of paper towels and household goods were stolen from the Student Union. The incident report records \$3,133.20 in damage to three paper towel dispensers and one toilet paper dispenser.

Alexander Mitchell, 21, was arrested on Oct. 18 and Taran Casper, 18, Matthew Newman, 18, Renwick Atkins, 19, and David DeGenova, 18, were arrested Oct. 21 — each on misdemeanor counts of larceny and vandalism to the Union.

"Although we (brought) it all back (and) apologized, I don't think DPS could write it off as a 'fraternity prank' or other frats would not learn a lesson," DeGenova said in a Facebook message Monday.

All of the men have upcoming appearances scheduled in Orange County District Court — Atkins and Mitchell for Dec. 19, Newman for Jan. 13, Casper for Feb. 3 and DeGenova for Feb. 11.

One of the arrested men, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said he felt some blame lies with Pi Lambda Phi.

"They led us to believe that this was necessary for us to be initiated in the fraternity," he said in an interview. "I personally see it as a hazing issue."

The student said he decided not to continue pledging after being dissatisfied with the fraternity's response to the situation.

"We just kind of feel like we were thrown under the bus," he said.

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Student government group procedures criticized

A member is saying the committee violated NC open meeting laws.

By **Amanda Albright**
University Editor

A member of a student government committee that handles tens of thousands of student fee dollars says that the group has broken open meeting laws and lacks transparency.

The Student Safety and Security Committee, part of student govern-

ment, has appropriated \$21,724.05 in student fees to groups this semester.

But the committee has often failed to publish the location of its meetings online, not taken meeting minutes or not published those minutes online.

North Carolina open meeting laws require public bodies to make their minutes available.

David Goldberg, a law student who serves on the committee, said the way in which money is appropriated — and other committee activities — have violated the meeting laws, which apply to any UNC stu-

dent government committee.

In October, the committee also appropriated \$4,000 to Campus Health Services for condom purchases and \$4,800 to the Executive Branch for "Safetober Fest" T-shirts.

Those appropriations votes were taken online after attendance issues left the committee without the necessary quorums for votes, said committee chairman Tyler Jacon.

"I'll admit, I was not doing what I was supposed to do ... but that's not widely done in student government," Jacon said.

Jacon said he was not adequately informed about the required pro-

cesses when he became chairman this year. He said he acted similarly to past chairmen of the committee.

"The only literature I was supposed to go over was chapter eight of the student code that has a tiny thing on student practices," he said.

Goldberg said these practices have led to transparency issues — most recently with a \$11,692.05 appropriation for an HIV post-exposure prophylaxis medication for UNC sexual assault victims.

He said there was not enough discussion about the appropriation for

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SSSC APPROPRIATIONS

\$21,724.05

Total SSSC appropriations this year

\$11,692

Money for HIV post-exposure prophylaxis medication

\$4,800

Given to the Executive Branch for "Safetober" T-shirts generated in ticket sales

Inside SAY, "YES!" TO AFRICA

A Durham nonprofit is working to benefit villages in Sierra Leone through the arts. **Page 5**



CARRBORO'S PTA THRIFT SHOP OPENS

After undergoing some new developments, PTA Thrift Shop reopens its Carrboro store, and hundreds turn out for bargains in support of the local school system. **Page 7**

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

DECEMBER 3, 1776
General George Washington crosses the Delaware River into Pennsylvania. Washington soon decided to confiscate and burn boats along the river to prevent the British troops from crossing.

Today's weather



Bracing for a harsh dose of reality.
H 60, L 46

Wednesday's weather



But first, LDOC.
H 66, L 55

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EDGAR DEGAS

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TODAY
How The Grinch Stole Christmas: Get in the holiday spirit with an annual bilin-gual reading of the Dr. Seuss classic, “How the Grinch Stole Christmas.” One professor will read a version in English and another professor will read in Latin. Free cookies and hot chocolate will be offered at this free event.
Time: 4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Location: Bull’s Head Bookshop

Measuring Happiness and Wellbeing (panel discussion): Learn from an expert panel about how measures of happi-ness are used in public policy. Free pizza will be served.
Time: 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Location: Hyde Hall

WEDNESDAY
Gingerbread house making: Celebrate the last day of classes by building a gingerbread house with a colorful assortment of

candies. Prizes will be awarded for the most spirited, most fes-tive and biggest disaster houses.
Time: 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Location: Student Union Great Hall

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DAILY DOSE

Making it snow

From staff and wire reports

When a person throws dollar bills your way, it is generally not common protocol to arrest them. But a man trying to get into the holiday season on Black Friday was arrested at the Mall of America for dropping money from the balcony onto shoppers to the tune of “Let It Snow.”

Between his divorce and losing his business, it has been a rough year for Serge Vorobyov, who said he wanted to use his “last \$1,000” to spread some cheer. No fun.

NOTED. When you hit Manchester United Road in Guyana, Venezuela, just keep going straight for a mile and you’ll hit MileY Cyrus Road.

A person with too much time to spare recently found the street on Google.

QUOTED. “This could either be the best decision of my life, or the worst.”
— Rebecca Black, infam-ous one hit wonder, dis-cusses her choice to watch the music video for “Friday,” nearly three years after its release. Feel our pain.

POLICE LOG

- Someone trespassed at Top of the Hill restaurant at 100 E. Franklin St. at 1:03 a.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.
- Someone trespassed at Southern Seasons at 201 S. Estes Drive at 2:29 p.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.
- Someone reported credit card fraud at 1002 Willow Drive at 6:51 p.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.
- Someone damaged prop-erty at a business at 1106 Environ Way between 9:05 p.m. and 9:16 p.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.
- Someone reported fight-

ing and damage to property at Pita Pit restaurant at 115 E. Franklin St. at 2:32 a.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

Someone also trespassed at the business and a countertop valued at \$100 was damaged, reports state.

- Someone reported a sus-picious condition on Finley Golf Course Road at 3 p.m. Saturday, according to the UNC Department of Public Safety’s police log.
- Someone vandalized property at Morehead Planetarium at 6 p.m. Wednesday, according to the UNC Department of Public Safety’s police log.
- Someone committed lar-ceny of a bicycle at the Health Sciences Library at 7:47 p.m. Wednesday, according to the UNC Department of Public Safety’s police log.

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System officials invite comment on safety

A UNC-system task force met Monday to discuss campus safety.

By Lucinda Shen
Assistant State & National Editor

Officials of the UNC system invited the public to offer policy recommendations on Monday in the latest step to improve system-wide campus safety.

About 80 task force members, campus administrators, students and parents gathered in groups to discuss alcohol and drug use and sexual assault reporting. The system group posed questions about the link between sexual assault and alcohol consumption, as well as whether students should sit on the panel of sexual assault cases.

The task force will take the recommenda-

tions into account when formulating the final draft of its campus safety proposal, said Kandace Farrar, academic and student affairs program assistant for the system.

The campus security group plans to present the recommendations to system President Tom Ross by April.

Most forumgoers recommended panels on student sexual assault or other serious offense cases should not include students, but that students should be allowed to sit in on honor court proceedings, provided that they receive training.

In November, UNC-CH's Sexual Assault Task Force recommended that students no longer sit on sexual assault adjudication panels.

Judy Haas, director of student conduct at Appalachian State University, said students on sexual assault panels have often come out

of those hearings in need of therapy and long-term help because evidence can be graphic.

"You look at your campus differently," she said. "You didn't buy into that when you came to Appalachian ... it's not easy to go back to student life."

Many also agreed that education of students, administrators and even potential perpetrators is essential in preventing alcohol and drug abuse and sexual assault.

Monika Johnson Hostler, executive director of the N.C. Coalition Against Sexual Assault, said campuses need to redefine sexual violence and overcome gender stereotypes to fairly acknowledge all victims.

"(We need to) begin to change our culture and subculture on campus, and change the way we understand sexual violence," she said. "It's not just women, but it's also men."

Some of the participants also pointed out

the importance of peer pressure, both as a driving force behind — and as a tool to reduce — student drug and alcohol use.

And some suggested that campus administrators reach out to student groups, starting with sports teams and Greek life, to use peer pressure intervention against irresponsible drinking.

But the diverse cultural niches and sizes of each system campus could make it difficult to implement a standard set of campus safety policies across the system — but not impossible, said Joanne Woodard, vice provost for institutional equity and diversity at N.C. State University.

System schools will be able to mold the policies to fit their individual campus, said N.C. Agricultural & Technical State University Chancellor Harold Martin, co-chairman of the initiative.

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CAROLING TO CAROL



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From left to right, junior Neal Siekierski, graduate student Mike Dimpfl and sophomore Shannon Brichsing worker's rights-themed carols in Chancellor Carol Folt's office in the South Building at noon on Monday. They are members of the UNC organization Student Action for Workers, or SAW. Members of SAW spent the afternoon caroling to encourage Folt to require UNC apparel factories in Bangladesh to join in on a five-year legally binding agreement called the Accord for Fire and Building Safety in Bangladesh. The agreement would require the brands to fix unsafe factories that are used to make UNC apparel. "We feel that we have a big chance to impact Chancellor Folt's decision," said Brien.

Light rail project moves forward

The light rail should be completed within the next 13 years.

By Patrick Ronan
Staff Writer

Plans to build a light rail connecting Durham and Orange Counties will continue as scheduled, whether Wake County wants to participate or not.

The proposed 17.3-mile light rail would connect UNC Hospitals to East Durham via N.C. Highway 54.

Earlier this year, Wake County hired outside help to evaluate good transit options for the county after its commissioners crafted another light rail plan that would connect the cities of Raleigh, Cary and Wake Forest.

Since working with the transit experts, who opposed any light rail options for Wake County, it seems the commissioners have stopped any light rail discussion that might have connected the three counties.

But David Bonk, the long range and transportation planning manager for Chapel Hill, said Wake County's decision will have no effect on the light rail project for Orange and Durham Counties.

"The project is moving forward because it can stand alone without the Wake County program," said Bonk. "The money for the light rail isn't affected in any way, shape or form by what Wake does."

Bonk said the two projects are related but aren't dependent

on each other. The light rail connecting Durham and Orange Counties would be separate from another light rail that would serve Wake County.

Barry Jacobs, the chairman of the Board of Orange County Commissioners, said both counties want to move forward — and it's up to Wake County to decide if they will also progress with a light rail plan.

"I know they're trying to do the best they can, but it would be best if they'd make a decision because we need to get started one way or another," Jacobs said. "Hopefully with them, but we could start without them."

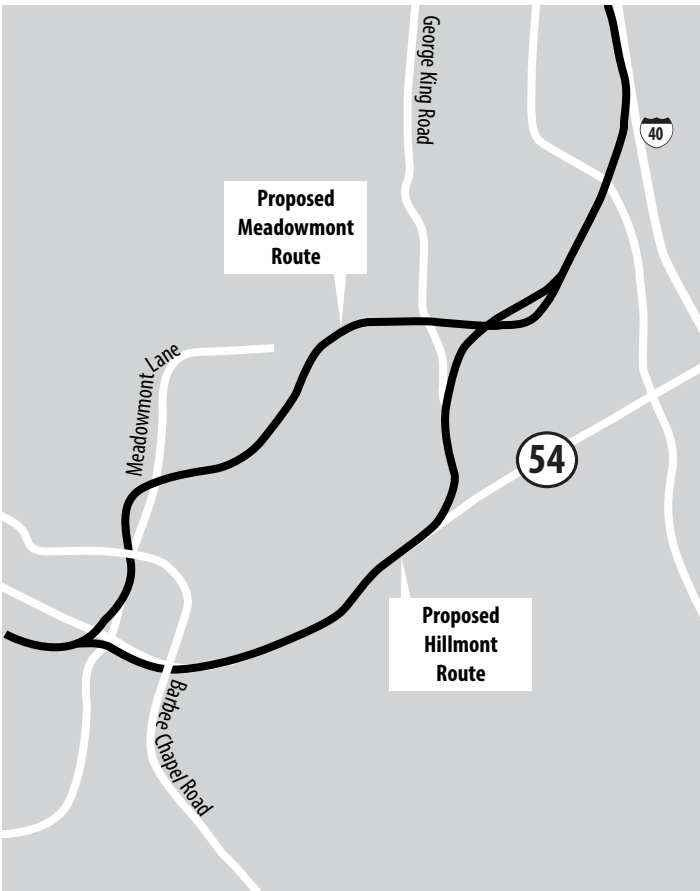
The proposed Durham-Orange light rail is part of a project that will fund a light rail, a commuter rail stationed in Hillsborough and improvements to the current bus system, according to public meetings hosted by Triangle Transit in November.

Jacobs said Durham and Orange counties can get the ball rolling and the light rail system will grow over time.

Some residents in rural areas are upset that tax dollars will be going toward something that won't affect the entire county, but Jacobs said the light rail will be a county-wide benefit.

"If you can enhance public transportation for people who are going to and from employment centers in Orange County, that's a benefit for us economically and environmentally," Jacobs said.

The next step toward a light rail is the environmental



assessment, which is part of the process of applying for federal funding. Jacobs said the counties should be sending in their application in the next six to nine months.

Applying for federal funding will cost Triangle Transit \$30 million.

As for an expected date for the light rail's opening, Bonk said they hope there will be a system up and operating in 13 years.

Jacobs said he is hopeful within 10 years they will either have something on the ground that looks like a light rail or an up and running light rail.

However, he said he is a little hesitant to make any end date predictions.

"I once joked that we would have light rail before Duke went to a bowl game, but I was wrong about that too," he said.

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Conservative group seeks professor's records

The Civitas Institute has requested professor Gene Nichol's documents.

By Paul Best
Staff Writer

UNC faculty have come to the defense of University law professor Gene Nichol after the conservative Civitas Institute filed a large public records request Oct. 25 targeting him.

Civitas asked UNC for all of Nichol's email, phone correspondence and calendars from Sept. 14 to Oct. 25, offering no specific reason for the move.

In response, Eric Muller and Maxine Eichner, both UNC law professors, wrote a letter, signed by 28 other current and retired UNC faculty, defending Nichol that ran in The Chapel Hill News last week.

Gene Nichol is a law professor and the subject of a public records request by the Civitas Institute.



"We deeply admire Gene Nichol's commitment to protecting and speaking for the state's poor and disempowered," the letter said. "The only comfort we take from this sorry request by Civitas is our confidence that it will increase his passion."

Muller said Civitas is simply relying on the fact that they have the legal right to make the request through the Freedom of Information Act.

"I don't see an explanation for why they are choosing to make this request other than to push back at him as a result of his outspoken opinions," he said.

Eleven days before the request was filed, Nichol, also the director of UNC's Center on Poverty, Work & Opportunity, wrote an op-ed in The (Raleigh) News & Observer criticizing Gov. Pat McCrory.

"The Civitas move is, unfortunately, an easy ploy," Nichol said in an email. "You don't like what someone writes, so you hit him or her with one of these massive open records requests."

Mitch Kokai, a political analyst at the conservative John Locke Foundation, said it is unusual for a public university professor to be the subject of this kind of records request. Still, he said any public employee who chooses to be politically active should be aware of the possibility.

Though UNC must legally comply, there is no defined timetable for doing so, Kokai said.

Francis DeLuca, president of the Civitas Institute, wrote a post on the Civitas website citing actions by Nichol that he said were questionable.

"Nichol's nastiness and increasingly unhinged partisanship — legally allowable but an embarrassment to the University of which he is a part — reflects an arrogance and radicalism that have been building for years," DeLuca wrote.

DeLuca could not be reached after multiple attempts Wednesday and Monday. Civitas was closed Monday morning.

Nichol said the whole situation is "a pretty classic, old-fashioned free speech issue."

"You don't like what someone says about the way things are being done. Then, lo and behold, your paid thugs over at Civitas go out and decide to teach your critic a lesson or two."

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CITY BRIEFS

Incoming council members Maria Palmer and George Cianciolo sworn in Monday

Council members-elect George Cianciolo and Maria Palmer were sworn in Monday during the council's organizational meeting. Incumbents Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt and Council members Sally Greene and Ed Harrison also took their oaths of office after being re-elected last month.

The council also elected Greene to be its mayor pro tempore, the council member responsible for running town council meetings when Kleinschmidt is unable to attend.

Police looking for man who stole items from a purse at Chapel Hill Public Library

Chapel Hill police asked for the public's help in identifying a man who stole money from a bag at the Chapel Hill Public Library on Nov. 26.

Anyone with information about the crime can contact police at 919-968-2870.

— From staff and wire reports.

UNC considers Smith Center renovations

Luxury seating and more student seats could be added.

By Sara Salinas
Staff Writer

Several major universities have made changes to their basketball arenas in recent years, and UNC could follow suit.

While talks surrounding renovations to the Dean E. Smith Center have included the addition of luxury seating, they will also include possible upgrades to the student section, said Athletic Director Bubba Cunningham.

"People have asked if we can get more students closer to the court," Cunningham said.

While Cunningham said renovations are in the early stage of discussion, some are wary of changes to student seating.

Tyler Tew, special projects chairman for the Carolina Athletic Association, said bringing students closer to the court might sacrifice the stadium's authenticity. It could lead to the addition of luxury suites in order to compensate for the loss of court-side alumni seats.

"Putting in luxury suites puts the upper level really far from the court," he said. "The Dean Dome feels special because our upper level is very close to the court."

"It's like 21,750 people are right on top of you when you're playing," Tew said if the athletic department wants to put more students closer to the court, it should find another way to appease Rams Club members.

The University of Michigan added luxury seating and lower bowl seating during renovations to its bas-

ketball stadium, the Crisler Center, throughout the last two years.

"The fan experience has greatly improved," said Associate Athletic Director of Facilities and Operations Rob Rademacher. "It's an amazing facility now."

In addition, Mark Cohen, the assistant athletic director for media relations at Texas Christian University said the Daniel-Meyer Coliseum in Fort Worth will experience similar changes as renovations take place in the next year.

"We're going to be lowering the court and the seats will be lowered," he said. "It'll be a more intimate atmosphere."

But not all universities are on board with making dramatic changes to student seating.

Mike Cragg, Deputy Director of Athletics for Operations at Duke University, said the upcoming renovations to Duke's basketball arena, Cameron Indoor Stadium, would not affect student seating or alter the game day experience.

"Cameron itself will not change," he said.

Cragg said Duke gradually renovated aspects of the arena, which seats more than 9,000, starting in 2000. In 2009 Duke repaired the end-zone bleachers reserved for graduate students in order to maximize numbers.

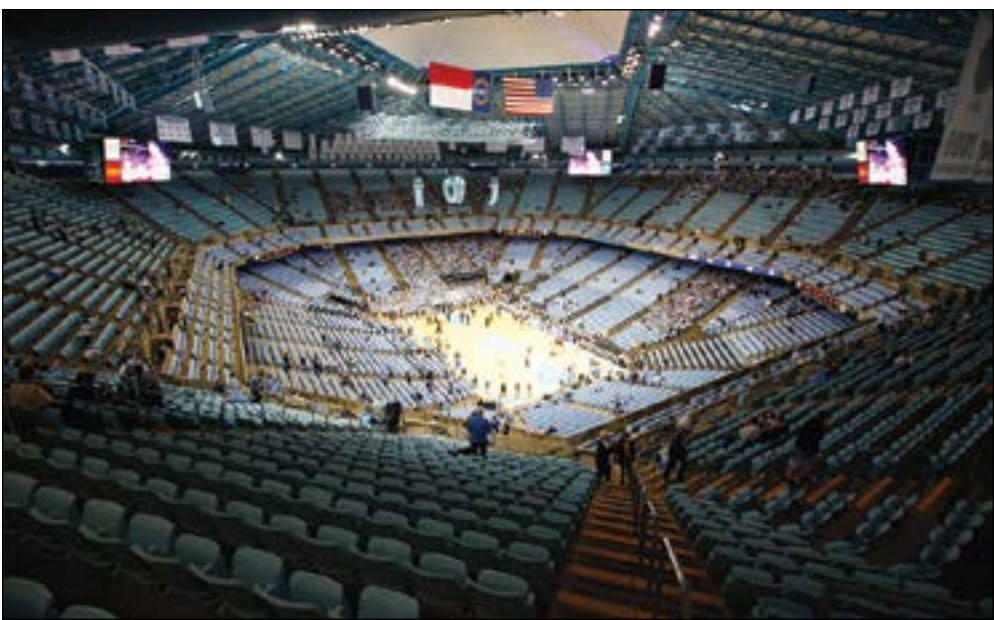
Tew said he felt Duke's arena shares the collegiate feel of the Smith Center and that Duke would work to preserve that.

"Duke would never consider altering the way Cameron is set up," he said.

Tew said he hoped the potential Smith Center renovations would maintain the collegiate feel the stadium currently boasts, rather than setting it up like an NBA stadium.

"When you're in the Dean Dome, you truly feel like you're in a college stadium."

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DTH FILE PHOTO

The addition of luxury seating to the Dean E. Smith Center is one part of the discussion surrounding potential Dean Dome renovations. The stadium currently can hold 21,750 spectators.



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African artist's work benefits village

Africa Yes! helps Sierra Leone after an 11-year civil war.

By Katie Hjerpe
Staff Writer

While change has to come from within, it never hurts to have a little help.

Africa Yes! is a Durham-based nonprofit started by former Peace Corps volunteer Steve Cameron, whose goal is to help communities in Sierra Leone rebuild after an 11-year civil war. Though the organization provides funding and supplies to the villages, Cameron said the projects are always community-driven.

"One of the main things that gave me so much respect for a particular group of people was that they had lots of problems, but they also had solutions," he said.

"They're not just sitting back and saying, 'Give me something' or 'Help me out' — they're coming with ideas saying, 'Hey, we want to do this to improve our situation, and we're willing to do all

the work and provide all the native materials. We just need some tools and some materials that can be purchased. Can you help us?" That's the kind of attitude that made me really want to help."

Africa Yes! funds a variety of programs in several villages in eastern Sierra Leone including rebuilding houses, creating a micro-credit loan program to create businesses, funding health clinics and schools and fostering sustainable agriculture.

"What I really want Africa Yes! to achieve is building on the needs of the people, to have programs that sustain themselves," said Braima Moiwai, co-founder of the organization who moved to Durham from Sierra Leone in 1986. "That's what Africa really needs."

One Sierra Leone native, F.A. Sonnie, is helping his village, Gbeworbu, through his artwork, which is on sale through January at The Palace International, a restaurant in Durham, and will also be present at the city's annual Kwanzaa celebration. While he will be privately compensated for his work,

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When: Now until Jan. 6

Location: The Palace International Restaurant in Durham

Website: www.africayes.org

100 percent of sales and donations will go toward rebuilding the Gbeworbu community.

"He does get some compensation out of it, but the other reason is he can see what those projects are doing for his village, and he wants to be able to fund those projects," Cameron said.

Sonnie's paintings depict rural bush village life, and despite changes that war brought to Sierra Leone, Cameron said his artwork is timeless.

"In my two years in Sierra Leone, he was the only one I ever saw painting there," he said.

"Kids love to crowd around and watch him paint — it's almost like TV or something. Anyone who's visited rural Africa or lived there at any time, it kind of resonates — it's like a little piece of home



COURTESY OF BRAIMA MOIWAI

Africa Yes!, founded by former Peace Corps volunteer Steve Cameron (center), helps rebuild Sierra Leone following a civil war. Africa Yes! funds a variety of programs in several of the Sierra Leone villages.

that you never see any of here."

While Africa Yes! has several volunteers in Durham, the majority of involvement comes from the people of Sierra Leone. Juliet Jensen, a Durham volunteer, hopes that Sonnie's paintings will help local involvement grow.

"We're hoping that the show will bring awareness to the nonprofit and that we can cultivate a support basis of people that are interested in helping these people in eastern Sierra Leone," she said.

"Just the fact that an artist would roll up his canvases and send them off and say, 'Please sell them to raise money for the village,' is pretty special. It takes a special person and it also, to me, demonstrates how great the basic needs are that he'd want to do that."

Moiwai said he hopes Sonnie's artwork will promote the larger initiatives of Africa Yes!, as well as gain more support in the Triangle.

"Sonnie's paintings are one little thread in this project," he said. "(His art) is introducing Africa Yes! to the community, to the Triangle, to our friends. We want them to spread the word."

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Durham art gallery holds holiday exhibit

"Gatherings" will run at Pleiades Gallery until January.

By Tat' yana Berdan
Staff Writer

One Durham art gallery is letting the holiday spirit loose in its latest exhibit.

The artists at the Pleiades Gallery are putting their own spin on the holidays in "Gathering," their new gallery show that runs until Jan. 5. A reception for the exhibit will be held on Dec. 20.

James Adams, a member artist, said his sculptures try to depict the stress and chaos that the holiday season often induces.

"I try to be really honest in my work," he said. "I try to find beauty in all of life."

Kim Wheaton, who co-founded the gallery, said her work is also much darker; one piece, a painting titled "Homecoming," relies heavily

on the use of deep, brooding colors. She said her work tries to portray feelings of being overwhelmed, something she has always associated with this busy time of year.

Wheaton said running the gallery is a collaborative effort, with each of the 10 member artists responsible for paying part of the gallery's rent, taking work shifts at the gallery to sell paintings and serving on various committees.

"We wanted a gallery that's run by artists," Wheaton said. "Being an artist is kind of a lonely occupation."

Both Wheaton and the other co-founder Renee Levery have worked with galleries based on similar models and decided to bring the idea to Durham.

Wheaton said the gallery runs featured artist shows, which typically run for three weeks and showcase the work of two of the member artists. These are alternated with themed shows, like "Gathering," for which each

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artist contributes work.

The themed exhibits are housed in the front of the gallery, while the back is reserved for nonrelated artwork by the member artists.

Emily Cox, one of the member artists, said she mainly worked with clay as her medium and created a couple of ceramic pieces for the show using raku, a Japanese firing method.

Cox said that for a long time, she never considered art as an option, mainly because her mother was an artist, and being an artist was her mother's thing. Once she let go of that idea, she said she was able to pursue her passion for art.

"My advice would be challenge yourself to capture your



COURTESY OF KIMBERLY WHEATON

One of the artworks included in the Durham art exhibit "Gathering," done by artist Kimberly Wheaton, is titled "Homecoming" and is a mixed media piece on a 24" x 24" canvas.

desires and your curiosity about the world, and don't let your fear of judgment stop you from doing anything," Cox said.

Cox said the group picks themes that are broad and universal enough to ensure that different audience members will find the exhibit relatable and that each of the artists can produce work for it.

"We are honoring the gathering spirit of the holidays," Cox said.

"We hope people will learn to appreciate the personal stories of local people who are making the art and consider the value of handmade art."

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Chancellor talks fundraising plans

Her committee discussed goals for the major campaign.

By Sarah Moseley
Staff Writer

Chancellor Carol Folt and her advisory committee are working to plan a comprehensive fundraising campaign for the University by developing a strategy that includes both private donors and state support.

At Monday's Chancellor's Advisory Committee meeting, Folt said the committee will make a more concerted effort toward fundraising in the coming months.

University administrators began talks about the largest fundraising campaign ever in early 2012 with former Vice

Chancellor for University Advancement Matt Kupec.

At the time, the goal was to raise more money than UNC's most recent major fundraising campaign, Carolina First, which brought in \$2.38 billion in eight years and ended in 2007.

The plans were delayed after Kupec resigned last year. He admitted to improperly using \$17,000 of University foundation funds for personal travel expenses.

The search for Kupec's replacement lasted about a year, and Folt decided to split Kupec's former position into two roles. She named David Routh UNC's vice chancellor for development on Sept. 26.

Routh said in September that it could take more than a year before a major fundraising campaign is launched.

"These multi-faceted arms are what actually make us a service to the state."

Carol Folt,
chancellor

But Folt said in the meeting Monday that they aim to begin formally planning the campaign soon.

Folt said there were people being engaged with the campaign as they were speaking, and she plans to meet with chancellors and deans of other universities to discuss campaign possibilities.

"Our hope is that at the beginning of January we'll do more strategic planning for the campaign," Folt said. "UNC hasn't been in a comprehensive campaign since the early 2000s."

Folt said the University also needs to better com-

municate its message to the state in order to obtain funds. She hired Joel Curran to fill the other half of Kupec's former position — now the vice chancellor of public affairs position — in order to better communicate UNC's value.

"We need to be clear about the benefits coming from the University," Folt said. "We aren't just a dorm and a football team. We're working on promoting oneness. These multi-faceted arms are what actually make us a service to the state."

Joseph Ferrell, a professor in the School of Government, said education has done well

in the state.

"It's a difficult job creating balance," he said.

To get more input about campaign strategies, Folt wants to get feedback from faculty and alumni groups.

Dr. Bruce Cairns, director of the North Carolina Jaycee Burn Center, said they should consider how they can make sure the campaign does not interfere with the state's mission of funding the University.

Folt said she is looking forward to the future and the new strategies that will arise from the campaign.

"There are a lot of things we're dealing with that are really old. People are feeling stalled since that's all they're able to talk about," she said.

"That's not happening anymore."

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FUNDRAISING EFFORTS

UNC has talked about another fundraising campaign for more than a year

● The last major campaign was Carolina First, which spanned from 1999 to 2007 and raised \$2.38 billion.

● In February of 2012, then Vice Chancellor for University Advancement Matt Kupec spoke of a new campaign aimed to beat the previous campaign's record.

● In September of 2012, Kupec admitted to improperly use of \$17,000 in University foundation funds.

● Chancellor Carol Folt hired two new positions to replace Kupec this fall.

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HOROSCOPES

If December 3rd is Your Birthday...

Love is this year's holy grail. Embark on an adventure for philosophical and financial growth. Capture springtime creativity. With respect and focus, partnerships grow and your career thrives (especially late summer). July 25 and 26 bring luck. Mix passion with contribution and fly on golden wings.

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

Aries (March 21-April 19)
 Today is an 8 -- Today could mark the beginning of something wonderful. Push beyond old limits. Your brave acts may also push someone else's buttons. Understand their point of view and stay respectful.
Taurus (April 20-May 20)
 Today is a 7 -- From the ashes, the phoenix rises. New opportunities open up in your education. Do the homework to succeed. You have the resources to try something you've always wanted to do. Accept support and acknowledge your team. Give thanks.
Gemini (May 21-June 20)
 Today is an 8 -- Tackle a renovation or makeover project. Do what you promised, even if it seems impossible. A friend or partner would love to tell you how. Gather up info and customize to suit. Contemplate advice from an elder.
Cancer (June 21-July 22)
 Today is a 9 -- Show your appreciation to someone. Start a new phase this week by completing an old one. Get rid of the dead wood and discover forgotten treasures. Clean, sort and organize. Connect with neighbors. Allow yourself a reward.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)
 Today is a 7 -- Get into the competition. You're learning quickly. Write down what a wealthy, older person told you. Respect the advice you receive. Turn down an expensive proposition, though. Be humble, and you'll score. You're radiant.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 Today is a 6 -- Keep long-term goals in mind. Each ending allows a new beginning. Your team is making advances quickly, and your applause is greatly appreciated. Sing out praises! You're respected for your common sense. Soak in the love.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 Today is a 7 -- Your mate helps you get your message out. Give a final mighty push. Discover another fringe benefit. You're determined to succeed; keep the momentum going and victory is natural. Celebrate, then get right back to it.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 Today is a 9 -- You want to be finished. Do the research so you'll know the best path. You're making money for others. Your mind is clear, and a shift in priorities arises. Lead your team to victory. Archive what worked.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 Today is a 9 -- A dream reveals a completion and a new beginning. Work a little magic; believe you will succeed, even without proof. The pressure's on to finish up, and there's a call to action. Revise your routine. Keep sharing ideas.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 Today is a 6 -- True love's worth the cost. Compromise and take action. Begin a new course of study, or pursue a passion. New skills look good on you. You're motivated to learn more. A new personal phase begins.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 Today is a 7 -- You've been contemplating the future. List desired domestic improvements; the odds are good to accomplish them. Don't let a grumpy mood spoil the moment. Push to finish a job. Get the family to help and the work will go faster.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
 Today is a 7 -- Bring out your secret power. Talk about how it can be applied to a work project for long-lasting results. You're learning as you go along, and a brilliant discovery changes the game. Celebrate what you've accomplished.

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Merry exam season, y'all!

Gather 'round, kids. It's almost that most wonderful time of the year: exam season! In the spirit of the season, I thought I would devote my final column to the most inspirational story of utter exam failure that I know.

A. E. Housman (who was, yes, the subject of my first column) was a brilliant student. He attended St. John's College at Oxford on a scholarship and studied the classics. At Oxford, rather than being graded on a semester-by-semester basis, there were two big sets of exams that determined a student's entire academic fate: Mods and Greats. The first set of exams, the Mods, were held about midway through Housman's tenure, and he took First (aka he aced them).

Greats: the final set of exams, at the end of his third year, went a little differently. One of his professors said he did "so ludicrously bad as to show that he had not made any effort." He had failed completely. Housman ended up graduating with a "Pass Degree" — which seems to be the B.A. equivalent of a GED.

There has been a lot of speculation about why Housman failed these exams so miserably. Some say he became hopelessly distracted by his love for his housemate, Moses Jackson. Others say that he became too obsessed with his incredibly ambitious side-project, the creation of his own edition of Propertius. Still others say that he just wasn't well-suited for the final exams, which focused on philosophy and history. As for me, I've always believed that if people are arguing over which of many different factors was the cause of something, the best answer is probably "a combination of all of them." But I don't want to devote this column to failure. Instead, I want to look at what happens afterward.

Grades like the ones Housman received would normally end a career in scholarship. Alfred Edward Housman refused to let that happen.

Instead, Housman served in a short stint as substitute teacher before packing up and moving to London to work for the patent office (probably because that is where Moses Jackson was working). For 10 years, Housman worked at the patent office by day, and by night toiled away at his scholarship. Even without any institutional backing, Housman managed to get articles published in the most prestigious journals.

In fact, he published so many high quality articles that when he applied to become Chair of Latin at the University College of London, 15 of the best classicists in the world each wrote him a glowing recommendation. He got the job. He would eventually get the highest Latin professorship at Cambridge.

I doubt I need to tell you to try not to fail your exams. But I thought I would share this story to show that it won't be the end times if you do.

Now, Housman didn't really enjoy himself in the patent office, and he had to work twice as hard to get out of it, but he did manage to achieve his goals, despite the fact that he failed those crucial exams.

There may be such a thing as do-or-die moments, but they are much more rare than we think. Good luck on your finals.

EDITORIAL CARTOON By Nate Beeler, The Columbus Dispatch



EDITORIAL

Presence matters

Safety committee should be required to vote in person.

It is imperative that Student Congress votes today to approve a bill to clarify open meeting requirements for the Student Safety and Security Committee.

It is wrong that the SSSC has been conducting meetings and votes online and through email.

Under the North Carolina Open Meetings Law, it is required that all meetings related to the public should be conducted openly. Conducting votes online and via email appears to break this law.

In addition, students have the right to see how their money is being spent and why. They also should have the ability to be in these meeting and to give their input.

By voting online, the SSSC is not being transparent. This inherently hinders the democratic process. It does not demonstrate good self-representation and self-governance.

The chairman for the SSSC has stated that votes have taken place online because the committee has had issues with attendance and meeting the quorum requirement to conduct activities. This is not a legitimate excuse. It

is the privilege of the SSSC to serve UNC students, and they should give their utmost to the committee by attending the meetings in person.

The bill to clarify opening meeting requirements for the SSSC would ensure that all official business of the committee would only be conducted when a majority of members are physically present.

This vote is a no brainer. The SSSC, and Student Congress, should be as transparent as possible. Students, who are the constituents and the source of the fee's funds, have the right to know what is going on in these meetings.

EDITORIAL

Nursing the demand

UNC's new nursing degree expands opportunities.

The new degree program being offered by the UNC School of Nursing this academic year should be applauded.

The Doctor of Nursing Practice program will provide nursing students with an additional opportunity to expand their knowledge of the profession.

The DNP is slated to become the highest form of education for a nurse. The continued education the students will receive will develop them as stronger leaders and team members that can impact

any role they are placed in.

After the University was forced to cut nursing school enrollment by 25 percent in 2011, it was unclear in which direction the program would be heading.

The new degree shows a real commitment by the University to higher education nursing programs and the future of nursing in the state.

This pledge to nursing will reap benefits for UNC and the state as a whole. The added program and additional experience at UNC's hospital will increase the incentive for nursing students to work in North Carolina hospitals after graduation.

The program will also give us a competitive edge over East Carolina University, which is just implemented a DNP nursing program.

An expansion like this will allow the University to attract the highest talent nurses in the state and country. With technology always changes, it is important for nurses to continue their education.

The Doctor of Nursing Practice program allows aspiring nurses to become masters in their field.

If the demand for nurses continues to increase, the introduction of this program at UNC will help students get better jobs and ensure better nurses.



QuickHits



The end is nigh

The rapid increase of all-nighters and serious considerations of foregoing college and establishing a drug empire instead can only mean that final exams are starting. With this will also come an increase in coffee sales and the annual trotting out of perverts that stare just a little too much at the library streakers.



Giving thanks

The past week saw the observance of one of the most quintessential American holidays — Thanksgiving. With that came the equally American practices of overeating, family arguments and getting hit on by a cousin from the weird side of the family. The best part is everyone gets to do it again in a month.



A dark day

The holiday also saw some of the best examples of competition and violence America has to offer. Unfortunately this wasn't on a football field, but at a Wal-Mart. Black Friday was calmer this year with only 15 injuries, showing that maybe people's lives are more important than a cheap television.



The future is here

Online retailer Amazon has announced that they are planning to use airborne drones to deliver lightweight packages in 30 minutes or less. Now customers will be able to even avoid the mailman's prying eyes when they order that sex toy and fungus cream they were too embarrassed to buy in the store.



Never be optimistic

Just as crews were starting to raise another national championship banner after the basketball team's victory over the Louisville Cardinals, they lost to the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Despite having a dragon as a mascot, we've been assured this is an actual school and not some sort of awful joke.



Snitches get stitches

Despite not being recognized as an official club sport, the UNC Quidditch Team is on its way to the International Quidditch Association's World Cup after it won the Minerva Cup to secure the Mid-Atlantic Region. Somehow these are all real things. Now if only this school started winning in real sports.



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"They led us to believe that this was necessary for us to be initiated in the fraternity. I personally see it as a hazing issue."

Former Pi Lambda Phi pledge, on his arrest

FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

"The centuries old social stigma associated with people with disabilities is outdated and inappropriate."

Mitch, on the new club fighting for visibility for students with disabilities

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

It's time to unite for affordable housing

TO THE EDITOR:

As many of you know, there is currently a critical discussion in the Town Council of Chapel Hill about affordable housing. The importance of us students getting involved in this issue has already been underlined in an excellent Nov. 22 article, so I wanted to let you know of a student organization that is already working hard to increase affordable housing in the area.

The UNC Habitat for Humanity club is heavily involved in building affordable houses in Chapel Hill, educating others about the importance of affordable housing and advocating for those affected by this issue. As a club, we are uniting students who are passionate about providing housing for those that need it, and we would like your help.

We currently have the opportunity to win \$10,000 that would go directly to building houses in Phoenix Place, the Habitat for Humanity neighborhood off Rogers Road in Chapel Hill. This money would come from a video competition that includes submissions from student organizations all over the country. We wouldn't want a club from Duke or N.C. State beating us, would we? You can vote for our video at tiny.cc/ja936w.

Thanks for your help! To get involved in other ways, email unchfh@gmail.com.

Josh Ellis '15
UNC Habit for Humanity

U.S. businesses don't need more taxes now

TO THE EDITOR:

While our economy is in such a fragile state, it seems counterintuitive to harm the companies that provide so many jobs, particularly domestic oil and gas companies. Several members of Congress are hoping to eliminate standard tax deductions for American oil and gas companies. This makes no sense, as these companies already pay a tax rate of more than 41 percent of their net income. In comparison to other S&P companies, who pay an average of 26 percent, this rate is extremely high.

As students, we take pride in voting and hope our representatives go to Washington, D.C., ready to make the tough decisions that will help our country. Ensuring American businesses are provided with the necessary advantage to succeed will ensure a better economy when we enter the workforce. We are already on the road to economic recovery, and the way to stay there is not by excessively taxing gas and oil companies.

The tax code should be fair, and I am worried the federal tax code changes will become partisan instead of creating change where it is

truly needed. I hope Senators Burr and Hagan will urge the North Carolina delegation to improve our economy and support American oil and gas companies by not increasing their taxes.

Ian Richardson '14
Political science
History

Diverse Title IX Office would be a safe space

TO THE EDITOR:

I fully stand behind Tomiko Hackett's Nov. 25 letter titled "UNC's Title IX Office needs more diversity." Despite her sincere appeal for a more diverse, inclusive Title IX team in future hiring, her letter was met with harsh criticism and dangerous language, which continues to marginalize the voices of survivors on our campus and activists' calls for much needed change.

Calling for future hires to include female-identified staff members is not marginalizing men, especially given UNC's hiring of several men for the position. Rather, it is a move to reduce the difficulty in reporting for both male and female survivors, creating an inclusive, safe space that provides both female-identified and male-identified staff members for survivors to speak to.

Survivors face enormous stigma and challenges in reporting instances of assault, including emotional, psychological and social barriers in revealing their survivor status. To reduce the difficulty in reporting by allowing for both male-identified and female-identified staff is not discriminatory, nor marginalizing. It is simply creating a safe space for survivors. Creating this safe space is essential in stemming the tide of interpersonal violence and assault on our campus — a cause I am sure we can all stand together on.

I stand with Tomi, and numerous activists in the Carolina community, calling for a more inclusive hiring process in looking to the next two positions within the Title IX Office.

Liz Hawryluk '14
Coalition for Human Rights

Carrboro can and should be walkable

TO THE EDITOR:

Bernadette Keefe's efforts, and her understanding of what a pedestrian-friendly Carrboro needs, are to be applauded. That restaurants and bars would not have championed the effort for more user-friendly sidewalks is amazing. If the locals were better able to walk to their establishments at night, they'd have more dinners and fewer drinkers with DUIs — good for all.

Plus, spending \$100,000 to study parking? ... Please get some volunteers to count cars for free.

I am an ex-New Yorker who's lived many years in (very walkable) France so I know it can be done.

Alicia Alan
Carrboro

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