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Police File Charges in UNC Pedestrian Death

By **KATIE ABEL**
University Editor

University Police filed misdemeanor charges Tuesday in connection with a car accident that resulted in the death of a UNC Dental Fellow.

Fusayoshi Matsukawa, 34, of 201 Connor Drive in Chapel Hill died Saturday from significant head injuries as a result of the accident that occurred Thursday on Manning Drive.

"We charged the driver of the car with one count of misdemeanor death

by a vehicle," said University Police Chief Derek Poarch.

"It alleges that the driver failed to yield right-of-way to a pedestrian in the crosswalk."

Matsukawa was struck by a 1995 Toyota driven by Greensboro resident Aousa Bashardoost, a UNC dental hygiene student.

He had been walking in the crosswalk between the Mary Ellen Jones Building and Tarson Hall near the Thurston Bowles Building, according to police reports.

"A tragedy of that magnitude affects all faculty, staffs and students at the School of Dentistry and the Dental Research Center," said dental school Dean John Stamm.

"This was a young man with a promising career. This tragic accident extinguishes a life and a promising career."

Stamm said Matsukawa had come to UNC from Osakawa Dental University in Japan, where he was a faculty member. He worked in the dental school's research center as a post-doctoral fellow.

"He was really expanding in his field and becoming a scientist," he said.

Stamm said the accident was also a tragedy for the driver. "She must not be forgotten," he said.

The accident follows a campuswide initiative focusing on campus pedestrian safety that started last spring.

Officers distributed warnings to those who did not use crosswalks and drivers who refused to stop for pedestrians.

Poarch said that although a formal campaign was no longer in place, University Police continued to remain

focused on the issue.

"We're doing the same thing; we're just not advertising," he said.

"Although we had emphasized education, and we're going to continue that, we're going to take a very firm stance and issue citations when necessary."

Poarch said two University Police officers frequently patrol Manning Drive, one for speeding and one for pedestrians.

The South Campus construction adds

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2 Men Rob Store at Gunpoint

Police are searching for two suspects in the third armed robbery in less than a week, all of which are unrelated.

By **JENNY ROSSER**
Staff Writer

Police are still searching for two unidentified men who entered a Chapel Hill business and held the manager and two customers at gunpoint, marking the third armed robbery in the area in less than a week.

According to police reports, the robbery occurred at 6:46 p.m. Monday at Fred's Beds, which is located at 117 Ram Plaza in Chapel Hill.

"Two men came in and began talking with the manager and asked about putting a bed on layaway," said Chapel Hill police spokeswoman Jane Cousins.

The assailants then left the store, claiming they needed to get money out of their car.

"When they returned, one of the men had a black revolver," Cousins said.

"He told the manager to get on the floor and the two women who were shopping in the store to go into the back office."

The men then led the manager into the office where they took cash.

Jack Moody, the owner of Fred's Beds, said very little money was actually taken.

Cousins said police had no leads or suspects in the case so far.

She said police did not have a description of a getaway car because no witnesses saw the men drive away.

"As far as we know, when they left, they could have been on foot," Cousins said.

She said the witnesses did not have detailed descriptions of the assailants, except that they were men who appeared to be in their 20s.

No one was injured in the assault.

Monday's armed robbery came just after two armed robberies occurred during the weekend.

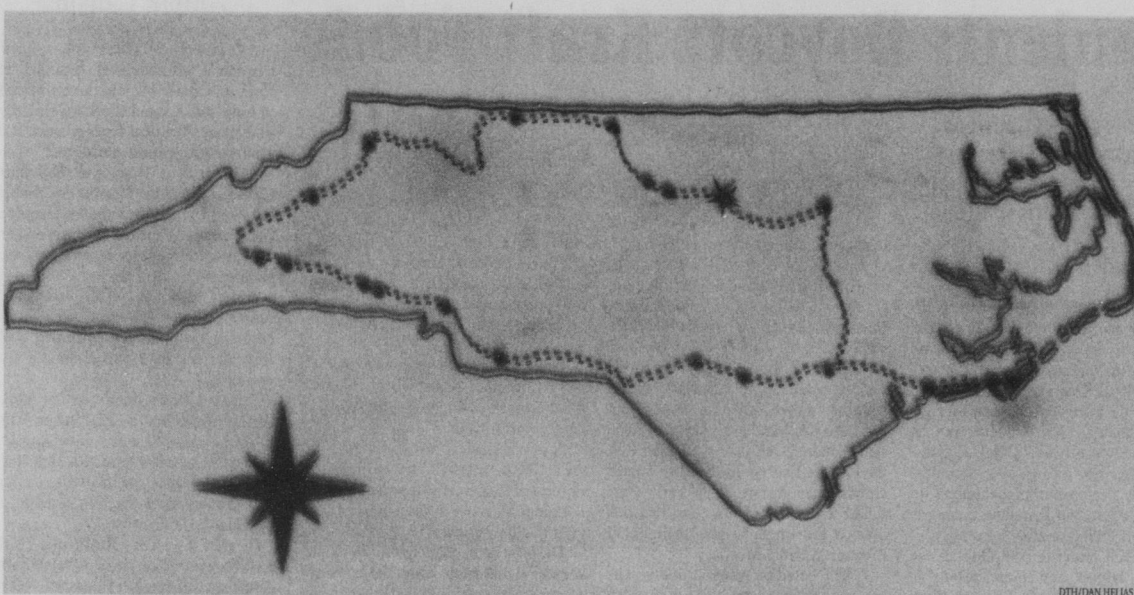
One incident occurred at the Harris Teeter at Carr Mill Mall in Carrboro early Sunday morning when an assailant attempted to rob a man at knife-point. The suspect was later apprehended by Carrboro police.

The other robbery left one man in the hospital. Carrboro police have no suspects in the case.

The victim was later released from UNC Hospitals after being treated for a gunshot wound to the leg.

Neither police department said they thought the incidents were related.

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The University of North Carolina was founded on the principle of higher education for all the state's people. Three DTH reporters and a photographer took a 1,187-mile road trip to find out just how that education affects citizens' lives. Their stories begin on Page 5.

In the Hands of the People

By **MATTHEW B. DEES**
State & National Editor

Intense lobbying efforts, political gaming and natural disasters have made the push to secure funding for the UNC-system's capital needs somewhat muddled.

UNC-system administrators now might have to face public scrutiny in addition to the political battles that have kept the bond proposal mired in the state legislature since June.

Last February, a private consultant identified \$6.9 billion in capital improvements that would be needed over a 10-year period to accommodate an expected enrollment growth of 48,000 and modernize aging laboratories and classrooms.

But UNC-system leaders ran into several obstacles when they took their

proposal for a \$5 billion bond package to the N.C. General Assembly this summer.

With 2000 elections looming large on the horizon, most Republicans and some Democrats were wary of approving such an expensive initiative without a vote of the people.

The dichotomy resulted in two very different proposals from both houses that were never reconciled before the session ended.

It also left many of the system's needs in limbo and leaders with months to mull possible scenarios for reaching their long-term capital goals.

Many possibilities exist, but if state

"The difficulty we will have is to reach out to those across our state, from Manteo to Murphy."

—Clifton Metcalf, UNC-System Lobbyist

lawmakers decide in May that the billion-dollar bond proposal should be approved by the people of North Carolina, the crux of the issue will be reduced to two simple questions:

What does the UNC-system do for the state, and what kind of financial commitment is needed to ensure the system will continue contributing to the state economically and socially?

UNC-system leaders have already answered these questions for them-

selves.

The 16-campus public higher education system has created a strong economic infrastructure and is largely responsible for the economic boom the state is enjoying, proponents say.

"If North Carolina aspires to be one of the top states in the country through its economy, its business environment and the quality of its life, its best chance of providing that is through its higher education system," said Clifton Metcalf, head of state governmental affairs for the UNC system.

System leaders are equally convinced of the urgent needs that are plaguing campuses statewide, from

dilapidated science facilities to a public television station struggling to comply with Federal Communications Commission standards.

But convincing state voters of their role in remedying such needs will not be nearly as cut and dried.

Metcalf said residents with more tangible ties to the UNC-system, such as parents of students, alumni, businessmen and community leaders would be tapped to garner support for the bond proposal.

The unofficial ambassadors would be encouraged to push the system's selling points and convince voters that higher education benefits everyone, not just degree holders. "We need to persuade them that its in the best interest of their communities and fam-

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High Court To Examine College Fees

The court ruling could keep public universities from using student fees to fund ideological campus groups.

By **CHERI MELFI**
Staff Writer

University of Wisconsin officials and student leaders have debated the constitutionality of using student fees to fund political and ideological organizations for the past few years.

Now the decision lies with the U.S. Supreme Court, which heard arguments on both sides of the issue Tuesday.

The court is expected to announce a verdict in June on whether public universities can use mandatory student fees to fund campus groups that back politi-

UNC's Student Fee Distribution

Student Activity Fee Rate Per Semester 1998-99

Fee Name Undergraduate Charge

Student End. Library Fund	\$2.50
Student Legal Services	\$4.86
Need-Based Scholarships	\$0.50
Safety and Security	\$0.85
Campus Recreation	\$8.25
SRC Operating Expenses	\$2.25
Student Union Operating Expenses	\$33.00
SUTA	\$0.75
a.p.p.l.e.s.	\$1.95
Student Government*	\$10.00

*In accordance with the Student Constitution and Code, this fee is divided as follows:

- One-third to the Carolina Union Activities Board
 - 5 percent to Student Television
 - 4 percent to WXYC
 - From the remaining: \$30,000 to the Student Activities Fund Office and \$2,500 set aside for summer appropriations to student groups.
- The remaining amount goes into the Student Government General Reserve, which is allocated to more than 90 student groups, including the Black Student Movement, Campus Crusade for Christ and Sangam.

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cally contentious ideas.

Scott Southworth, a former UW student, filed a lawsuit in 1996 claiming that the use of mandatory student activity fees to subsidize campus political

organizations violated students' First Amendment rights by forcing them to fund organizations that they might not

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2 More Arrests Made In Halloween Brawl

By **BRIAN MURPHY**
Sports Editor

University Police arrested two more suspects Tuesday in the Halloween night brawl that already had led to the arrests and suspensions of North Carolina basketball players Ed Cota and Terrence Newby.

Arrest warrants were issued for Chapel Hill residents Trayon Lamont Bolden, 25, and Edward Franklin Capel in connection with the brawl, University Police Maj. Jeff McCracken said. He said both men lived at 300 Caldwell St.

McCracken said police expected no further arrests in the incident.

Bolden, nicknamed Y.G., was served and released on written promise Tuesday. Bolden is charged with two counts of assault inflicting serious injury.

McCracken said Capel had not yet been served with his papers but that he faces two charges of simple assault.

Cota, a senior point guard, said in an

interview with The (Durham) Herald-Sun on Monday that he would not hire an attorney in the case.

"I don't need a lawyer," Cota said. "This is a whole bunch of nonsense."

But in the same interview, Cota indicated that Bolden, whom he identified as Y.G., exchanged punches with David Spaulding, who is listed as a victim in the incident report.

University students Godwin A. Ogunmefun and Tracy D. Monroe and former UNC students Evan D. Sloan and Jason B. Sloan also were listed as victims in the case.

University Police arrested Cota and Newby on Nov. 2 for their part in the incident. Each was charged with three counts of assault inflicting serious injury and two counts of simple assault.

The pair, released on \$1,000 unsecured bonds, will make their first appearance in Orange County District Court on

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INSIDE Wednesday

Sun Seekers

The Chapel Hill Town Council voted unanimously to increase the use of solar energy in the town. Officials say the program's implementation is part of a proposal by President Clinton to make the country more energy efficient. See Page 4.

Honor a Hero

Be a part of the finale of The Daily Tar Heel's Destination 2000 project by casting your vote for the "Tar Heel of the Decade." Who has indelibly left his/her mark on UNC or Chapel Hill within the past 10 years? Tell the UNC community about your hero. E-mail DTH Editor Rob Nelson at rnelson@email.unc.edu or cast your vote at our Web site, www.unc.edu/dth.

Today's Weather

Sunny;
High 70s.
Thursday: Sunny;
Low 70s.

One sees great things from the valley; only small things from the peak.

G.K. Chesterton