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HANSBROUGH'S NOSE BROKEN, BUT HE'LL PLAY:

Roy Williams corrected himself Monday and said sophomore Tyler Hansbrough's nose is, in fact, fractured.

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Budget crunch causes strife

Some requests denied altogether

BY PATTY KUO
STAFF WRITER

Most student groups saw 10 percent cuts from their requested funding at the annual Student Congress budget hearings this weekend, but one organization walked away with nothing.

The Renewable Energy Special Projects Committee asked Congress to fund a new magazine that would discuss environmental issues, but it was turned down, said Val Tenyotkin, finance committee chairman.

RESPC gets its regular funding from a \$4 student fee. The money goes toward renewable energy projects and buying power from renewable energy providers.

"I believe that any projects they want to undertake relative to renewable energy should come from that fee," Congress Speaker Luke Farley said of the proposed publication.

But RESPC officials said the fee goes only toward concrete projects and not publications. One such project the organization has undertaken is supporting the installation of solar panels on the roof of Morrison Residence Hall.

"Maybe they don't understand that a magazine is not the same as a wind turbine or a solar panel," said Jesse Prentice-Dunn, co-chairman of RESPC.

But Farley said educating people on conservation by way of the magazine is within the fee's purpose.

To get funding for the publication, RESPC can appeal to the Student Supreme Court or start another organization solely devoted to the magazine, Student

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Top five funded groups from Student Congress

1. Student Government Executive Branch — \$30,775.03 requested amount: \$31,627.03
2. GLBTA — \$21,066.70 requested amount: \$33,382.75
3. BSM — \$16,150 requested amount: \$29,733
4. UNC Young Democrats — \$10,714 requested amount: \$39,849
5. CAA — \$10,000 requested amount: \$20,000

TAHERI-AZAR THROWN OUT OF COURTROOM



UNC alumnus Mohammad Taheri-Azar gestures to the media as he arrives to Superior Court in Hillsborough on Monday for a hearing requiring Taheri-Azar to complete a psychological evaluation. Instead of cooperating, Taheri-Azar interrupted the judge with several outbursts during the hearing, shouting obscenities and denouncing his public defender, America and

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Taheri-Azar walks into the courtroom and immediately disrespects the court by calling his public defender a "moron." He was dismissed before sitting down at the hearing.

PIT ATTACKER YELLS OBSCENITIES BEFORE BEING SENT TO HOSPITAL

BY SARA GREGORY
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HILLSBOROUGH — The Iranian-born alumnus charged with injuring nine people after he drove a rented sport utility vehicle through the Pit last March was removed from the courtroom Monday after several outbursts.

At his hearing in Superior Court in Hillsborough, a motion was presented to require Mohammad Taheri-Azar, 23, to complete a psychological evaluation to determine his ability to participate in his defense.

But during the proceedings, Taheri-Azar ignored multiple requests to be quiet from Superior Court Judge Kenneth Titus.

Taheri-Azar instead yelled obscenities and religious slurs.

"What the (expletive) is this (expletive)?" he said as he walked in the courtroom.

Later, after public defender James Williams began to speak, Taheri-Azar burst out again.

"Who is this? Who is this moron?" he said in a Southern drawl.

Titus responded by requesting that Taheri-Azar be quiet during the proceedings. Titus said he would have Taheri-Azar removed if he were not quiet, adding that he wanted the

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UNC to host gala concert

Milestones Festival put on with Duke

BY KATHERINE LATSHAW
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Putting old rivalries aside, UNC and Duke University have teamed up to present the Milestones Festival, a five-day concert series of modern music composed and performed by local and nationally renowned musicians.

The series, which began Friday at Duke, will run through Wednesday. The festival will include performances on both campuses and will feature everything from jazz performances to sets from string quartets.

Tonight's performance is being presented as part of the Carolina Performing Arts Series' Music on the Hill series, which will feature two more performances before the end of the school year.

ATTEND THE SHOW

Time: 7:30 p.m. today
Location: Memorial Hall
Info: www.carolinaperformingarts.org

The Memorial Hall show will feature UNC faculty musicians, the UNC Symphony Orchestra and the UNC Chamber Singers. Tickets for the gala concert are \$10 for students and \$15 for general public.

Closing the festival on Wednesday is the Minnesota-based ensemble Zeitgeist, which will play music by Scott Lindroth and exhibit visual media by Anya Belkina, both Duke professors.

The free concert will be held at The Space at the Smith Arts Warehouse at Duke University.

Now in its fourth year of existence, Milestones brings together 173 musicians to play contemporary works of music. Diversity abounds in this year's series,

where jazz will be incorporated for the first time, said Allen Anderson, a featured composer and UNC coordinator for the festival.

"There is great aesthetic and instrumental variety to the programming, ranging from the performance art of Pamela Z to the semi-improvisational music of Todd Hershberger to the deeply expressive and emotionally charged string quartet of Mario Davidovsky," Anderson said.

A major objective of Milestones is to share modern music that the public might not otherwise hear, as such works are often eschewed in favor of playing established classical pieces.

"Music is a living art with new works continually created by our contemporaries," Anderson said.

"Art music, like the visual arts,

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Easley wants to alter lottery beneficiaries

BY LIZ GILLIAM
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Need-based scholarships and school construction would take a hit under Gov. Mike Easley's proposal to redistribute an expected \$438 million in revenues from the N.C. Education Lottery.

Easley's proposal would increase funding to a program for at-risk 4-year-olds at the expense of school construction and need-based scholarships in higher education.

"That's probably not a bad redistribution because I think if we can start our kids off on a good education before they get into school, I think that's a worthy goal," said Sen. Ellie Kinnaird, D-Orange.

More at Four, a community-based pre-kindergarten program, will receive nearly \$145 million under the proposal, up from about \$87 million.



Gov. Mike Easley is calling for additional funds to go to the More at Four program.

The governor anticipates the increase will provide 10,000 more seats in More at Four classrooms.

To achieve that growth, scholarships and school construction will receive millions less.

Beyond redistributing the funds allocated for education, the proposal will decrease funds for education overall, while increasing prizes for winners.

The lottery was more than \$200 million behind in expectation.

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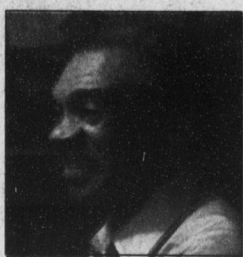
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SAVORY STREETS

The Chapel Hill Downtown Partnership is considering allowing street vendors, such as Squeaky, the hot dog vendor, to return to downtown streets.



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CLASS ACTION

The senior class has garnered about 5.5 percent participation in donations to the Carolina Covenant, but must reach 25 percent to get an anonymous gift.

this day in history

MARCH 6, 1955 ...

The chancellor and dean of students refuse to comment on a Supreme Court ruling against the University's practice of racial segregation.

weather

Sunny
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