

Lab to open can of worms in staging 'Pandora's Box'

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"Pandora's Box" is about the struggles of a woman whose sexual orientation is "beyond the pale of normality." In other, de-Victorianized words, Frank Wedekind's tragic heroine, the Countess Geschwitz, is a lesbian.

This same character who shocked Wedekind's 19th century contemporaries into censoring the play has inspired UNC student director Paul Dawson. His Lab Theatre production

of the play will preview at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, in Graham Memorial Hall, with regular performances also scheduled for 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Dec. 3 and 4, and at 5 p.m. Dec. 5.

The play lends itself well to a feminist interpretation, a critical approach to drama which is still "very hot," Dawson said.

"This is a very important play for women. We still need to learn about the treatment of women and homosexuals in our society. This play challenges us to understand," Dawson said.

But the play is not limited to feminism. "Her ostracization shows us the plight of all minorities with incredible sympathy," he said. "Wedekind has introduced a very lust-driven world in which she (Geschwitz) is an outsider to society because of her sexual orientation."

Junior Kristine Watt, who plays Geschwitz, is quick to point out that her character is different from others in more ways than her lesbianism. "There's an absence of soul among the other characters, and Geschwitz sees

this. She stands out because she doesn't get sucked into cheaper Wall Street values of the other characters.

"Her love for Lulu (another character in the play) is genuine and isn't lessened even though she is repeatedly insulted and treated like an animal."

Though Watt has been inspired by the self-sacrificing nature of her character, she has also had to struggle with it. "One of the struggles I had with this was, why does this woman take this? But then I realized that she pities the ignorance of society — their idea of

love is meaningless. Hers is more real and more pure."

Lulu, the object of Geschwitz's unrequited love and the source of many of the insults she receives, is played by sophomore Jennifer Davis. "Lulu only knows how to find value for herself through men, yet she doesn't get any pleasure from men."

Like the mythical Pandora, Lulu can be seen as both a source of evil and innocence, Davis said.

In addition to its interesting theme,

the play also has historical significance, Dawson said. "This play led the theater away from the fourth-wall realism of Ibsen and foreshadowed the absurdists. It has an interesting and very modern dream-like quality."

But the most compelling reason to see the play, Watt said, is that it provokes thought about human sexuality.

"Pandora's Box" will be performed in Graham Memorial Hall on Dec. 2, at 8:00, Dec. 3 and 4 at 4 p.m. and 8 p.m., and Dec. 5 at 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Sports

Volleyball out of NCAA tourney

From staff reports

ARLINGTON, Texas — The North Carolina women's volleyball team saw its season end Thursday night at Texas Hall on the University of Texas-Arlington campus.

The Tar Heels, seeded seventh in the South region, battled valiantly to win the first game of the match but then dropped the next three to second seed UTA, falling 15-13, 6-15, 13-15, 6-15.

The Mavericks, who won their 23rd straight match and improved their record to 29-3, will go on to face the winner of the LSU-Houston contest to be held Dec. 7.

North Carolina, which won the ACC Tournament championship Nov. 20, dropped to 21-9.

As they have done all season, Sharon German and Liz Berg starred in UNC's losing cause. German and Berg combined for 55 of the Tar Heels' 64 kills, with German leading all players with 29. Berg, who had 26 kills, still outthit UTA's top gunner,

Amita Allgood, who had 22.

Overall, however, Texas-Arlington had 97 total kills to UNC's 64, and that was the difference in the match.

"We knew everything about Texas-Arlington, and we knew what we needed to do," UNC coach Peggy Bradley-Doppes. "We just didn't execute."

Said UTA coach Cathy Olson-George, "You've got to give credit to North Carolina. They were prepared and gave us a really tough match."

The trip to Arlington marked the second year in a row that UNC has played its NCAA first-round match in the state of Texas. The Texas Longhorns eliminated the Tar Heels in three games at Austin last season.

Thursday's match was also the fourth NCAA appearance for the Tar Heels and the second under Bradley-Doppes. UNC has never won an NCAA match, losing at Pacific in 1982, at Kentucky in 1983 and at Texas last season.

Women hoopsters set for tourney action

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UNC women's basketball coach Sylvia Hatchell was very busy Wednesday afternoon getting ready to take her Tar Heels on the road to play in the Princeton Tournament at Princeton University this weekend.

The Tar Heels face the Wisconsin Badgers in the opening round on Friday at 6 p.m. then play either the Bucknell Bison or the host Princeton Tigers on Saturday.

The Tar Heels are 2-0 on the young season, most recently defeating Towson State Monday, 95-62.

The combined record of the Tar Heels' opponents this weekend is a less than stellar 2-5, but Hatchell is not deceived by this.

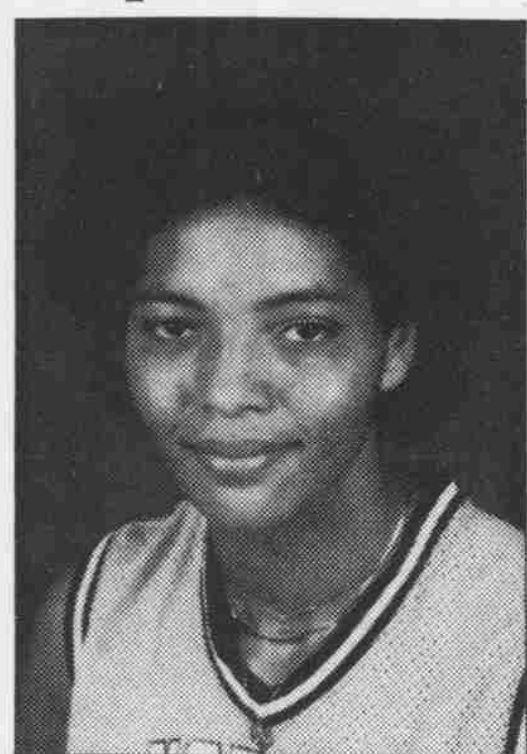
"Wisconsin had played two really good teams, Texas A&M and Drake," she said. "They get in your face on defense, and they're a tough team."

What does Hatchell think of her own team right now?

"We move up and down the court well, and our scoring has been balanced. So far, everything has been pretty good," she said.

"We do have too many turnovers, though. Wisconsin is going to play in your face defense, so we have to handle the ball better, because I'm sure no one is going to play defense on us like they're going to play."

Through two games, the Tar Heels are led in scoring by senior guard Sheri Anderson, who has a 19.5 points



Kim Oden

per game average. Junior center Kim Oden is averaging 9.5 rebounds to lead her team in that category.

Wisconsin (1-2) most recently defeated the University of Illinois-Chicago 76-66. Wisconsin's main threat is 6-foot-1 sophomore forward Michelle Kozelka, who leads the Badgers in both points (21) and rebounds (11) through their first three games.

The Tigers are 1-0 after defeating Fairleigh-Dickinson, 67-63. They are led by 5-6 senior guard Sandi Bittler, who scored 20 points in the first game and may become Princeton's career

leading scorer by the end of this season.

Bucknell (0-3) is led by its frontcourt. Freshman forward Julie Bachman is averaging 20 points per game, and sophomore forward Kirsten Ellison is pulling down 10 rebounds.

Wrestling in Penn State Duels

Head coach Bill Lam takes his Tar Heels up north to the Penn State Duels this weekend. UNC, ranked 10th in the nation, is 1-0 in dual meets this year after a 24-17 win over Oregon St. Sunday.

The Duels are a one-day team tournament featuring Penn State, UNC, Morgan State, Maryland, Virginia, Syracuse, Clarion and William & Mary. The Tar Heels face Morgan State in the first round Sunday at 10 a.m. and if successful will face either William & Mary or Clarion in the semifinals at 1 p.m. The finals are at 4 p.m.

This will not be an easy tournament for the Tar Heels to win. Penn State is ranked seventh in the nation. They Nittany Lions are 0-1, but the loss came at the hands of No. 1 Oklahoma State. William & Mary, Maryland and Clarion are all ranked in the Top 25.

"The semifinals will be a real tough match for us," Lam said. "We hope we can get by them so we can wrestle Penn State, who we feel will make the finals."

The Tar Heels will be led by seniors Doug Wyland and John Welch. The tournament will also see the debut of

freshman heavyweight Shawn Hocker.

Swim teams travel to Penn State

The UNC men's and women's swimming teams also head north this weekend to swim in the Penn State Invitational Thursday and Friday.

The men face Penn State, St. Bonaventure and their old archrival from down the road, N.C. State.

The men's squad, captained by seniors Jed Guenther and Tony Monasterio was ranked 18th in the nation before losing to 9th-ranked Florida Nov. 16.

The top performers for the Tar Heels in the Florida meet were sophomore Tod Schroeder, who won the 50-meter freestyle against Florida, junior Mark Ferguson, who won the 1,000-yard freestyle, junior Nunzio Esposito, who won the one-meter springboard and senior Ted Hautau, who won the three-meter springboard.

The women will swim against Penn State, Brigham Young and N.C. State. (Long way to go to face a team that's only 45 minutes away, huh?)

Sophomore diver Heather Clevely has performed well for UNC this year, winning both the one- and three-meter springboard events against the 3rd-ranked Lady Gators.

Other Tar Heel winners were freshman Sarah Perroni in the 50-meter freestyle and sophomore Susan Leupold in the 100-meter butterfly.

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"We had an offensive cold spot just before that, and part of us getting back on track was for me to post up," Cheatum said. "I got the ball down low and felt real comfortable shooting it."

UNC's Pete Chilcutt, a junior from Eutaw, Ala., scored 12 points and grabbed a team-high 12 rebounds in his "homecoming" game.

"This is a big disappointment, but we gave it everything we had," Chilcutt said. "When you play hard and the other team plays hard and beats you, it's nothing to be ashamed of."

Alabama coach Wimp Sanderson said some unique preparation went into the Tide's matchup with the Tar Heels.

"I showed them the James Madison tape, when they were up by nine with less than a minute to play," he said. "Carolina does the best job in the country of extending the game — by fouling, defending inbounds plays, and scoring quickly — so we had to be prepared for that."

"We had only one turnover in the entire second half with only one point guard. That has to be some kind of record. Also, our scout team spent the last two days simulating the UNC offense about as well as it can be done."

Of course, whether or not any team

Thursday
Alabama 101, UNC 93

Alabama — Horry 4-13 7-9 17, Cheatum 9-17 5-6 23, Webb 6-11 0-0 12, Waites 1-3 0-0 3, Lancaster 3-7 9-11 15, Askins 6-9 3-3 19, Benoit 4-7 4-4 12, Campbell 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 33-67 28-33 101.

UNC — Madden 3-4 0-1 6, Fox 7-15 4-4 20, Rice 2-6 1-1 5, Chilcutt 5-10 2-2 12, Williams 6-11 3-4 18, Lynch 4-7 0-8, Davis 7-8 0-19, Rodi 1-2 0-2, Denny 2-3 0-5, Wenstrom 0-0 0-0, Harris 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 37-66 10-12 93.

Halftime Score: Alabama 44-41. Three-point goals — Alabama 7-12 (Askins 4-5, Horry 2-5, Waites 1-2), UNC 9-13 (Fox 2-3, Denny 1-3, Rice 0-1, Williams 1-1, Davis 5-5). Rebounds — Alabama 33 (Horry 7), UNC 37 (Chilcutt 9). Assists — Alabama 21 (Waites 9), UNC 12 (Fox 6). Fouls — Alabama 17, UNC 25.

really wants to simulate the UNC offense is another question altogether.

North Carolina forgot to leave its first-half woes in Hawaii when they hit the comeback trail numerous times in the Maui Classic, and Alabama responded to UNC's sloppy ball-handling with a 14-4 run. Lancaster hit three mid-range jumpers before Cheatum nailed a 16-footer to put the home team up by a 16-10 score.

The Tar Heels fought back, closing to 40-39 when Scott Williams hit a short hook with 1:26 in the first half.

Central Florida, Towson St. hit big time

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A couple of basketball's not-so-heavyweights, Central Florida and Towson State, visit the Smith Center to take on 12th-ranked North Carolina this weekend.

Now it would be a pretty safe bet that over 95 percent of the UNC student body does not have the foggiest idea as to the locale of these two opponents' campuses. It would also be a safe bet that UNC will win both games.

The boys from UCF are the first test of the weekend in a game set for a 2 p.m. Saturday tip-off. The Knights enter the contest with a 1-1 record, having lost to Queens College of Charlotte 73-68 and defeated Texas Wesleyan 80-79.

Those first two games for first-year coach Joe Dean did not mark a particularly auspicious start. Queens College is just starting its basketball program, and the one-point win over Texas Wesleyan is not exactly a performance worthy of much praise.

The Knights, who lost two of their top three scorers from last year's 7-20 team, have reason to be intimidated coming into the mammoth Smith Center. In the Knights' home-opener against Queens, only 475 fans showed up. Last season, in a 105-103 double-overtime loss to Florida International, the teams could have dedicated each point to a particular fan and still have a few points left over, since 208 points were scored and only 201 fans were in attendance.

For a little perspective, the probable number of no-shows for the game in the sold-out, 21,564-seat Smith Center may easily exceed Central Florida's best home attendance mark this year.

As would be expected along with a much bigger arena, North Carolina has much a much bigger team. The Tar

Heels' size particularly stands out when looking at the Knights' answer to Muggsy Bogues, 5-foot-5 sophomore guard Vernon Pinkney. Nevertheless, UCF has some size of its own in 6-8 Ken Leeks. The sophomore center averaged 14.7 points and 7.4 rebounds last year and opened this season with a 16-point, 9-rebound effort against Queens.

UCF returns its starting back-court in seniors Bob Blackwood and Edsel Bester. Blackwood finished just behind Leeks with 14 points in the game against Queens.

In that game, Queens exposed a UCF weakness by using a full-court press and forcing 22 turnovers. That weakness should play right into the quick hands of a North Carolina trapping defense, which can frustrate Top 20 teams — let alone a team like Central Florida.

While UCF must battle as an independent, Towson State, belongs to the East Coast Conference. If an "all-nickname" conference is ever named, the ECC should be bestowed the honor.

The Towson State Tigers, whom the Tar Heels square off against at 2 p.m. Sunday, are the conference favorite this year but would finish last with their rather mundane nickname. The Lehigh Engineers and Rider Broncos are not particularly exciting either, but how about the Hofstra Flying Dutchmen and Delaware Blue Hens? Alliteration is also very popular, considering the Lafayette Leopards, Bucknell Bison and Drexel Dragons.

Towson State coach Terry Truax, personally also a good candidate for an alliteration award, led his team to a 19-10 record last year, the Tigers' first winning season since moving to Division I-A 10 years ago.

UNC accounted for one of those 10

losses, winning 102-74. Although the score might indicate otherwise, the game was not a picture post-card effort for the Tar Heels, who had 25 turnovers, their second-worst total of last season.

Towson State should at least provide UNC somewhat of a challenge with returning ECC Player-of-the-Year Kurk Lee, who was the 12th leading scorer among Division I-A players last year at 25.4 points per game.

As far as the question of the location of the campuses, Central Florida is obviously the easier one to guess since one has a clue as to the state. Orlando, in this case, would be the answer. As a side note, things are not always quite so

obvious. For instance — believe it or not — there is actually an Indiana University in Pennsylvania.

Towson State — not TOWNSon State — is a little tougher. An informal poll around the dorm registered Ohio, New York, Texas, California and Pennsylvania as possible home states. In fact, Towson State is located in Towson, Md., a suburb of Baltimore.

The Tar Heels should win both of the weekend's games. However, they might want to think of a lesson learned so often in that sunny paradise from which they have just returned, where a tiny Hawaiian school named Chaminade has proven that occasionally the little guy does win.

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on the committee."

Minority groups have criticized Cell as being inaccessible to students and not dedicated to the acquisition and retention of minority faculty members, Lumsden said. "The rumor mill has generated a bad image of her and made her out to be an ogre."

Cell said neither the BSM nor the National Congressional Black Caucus had ever contacted her to address the University's apparent lack of concern for minority affairs. "I have not been asked by the BSM or the National Congressional Black Caucus to meet with them, but the allegations of inaccessibility persist."

BSM president Kim McLean, president of the BSM, said she thought Cell was only acting now because of the recent publicity. "This new accessibility comes at a very peculiar time. From what I've seen of Dean Cell, she does things only when she has to."

Lumsden said the new committee

would be able to address the lack of communication. "I feel that Dean Cell has made some wrong decisions in the area of minorities, and this could have been stopped if she was under the advisement of minorities."

McLean expressed skepticism of the committee's chances at success. "The last time there was a student advisory committee, when Dean Cell was restructuring, the committee was totally disregarded, and Dean Cell went ahead and tried to do what she wanted to do."

"I don't want to be critical of any student committee that might be formed — I think it's a good idea — but I'm skeptical of whether the committee will be effective."

Lumsden stressed the importance of student-administration cooperation. "This is not just a black thing — it's a student thing. Issues that affect the minority students will eventually affect the entire University."

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