

Let's get it straight: answers to questions nobody's afraid to ask

Now that I've wiped most of the egg off my face from last week (I picked Duke over UNC and several guards over King Rice), I would like to take a moment to thank all of the people who cared enough to send their very best.

That is, those who called me and told me exactly what they think of me and my column. I learned several new words, found out that a lot more people read the DTH than I thought and honed my oh-so-necessary debating skills. I love input from my dedicated readers.

So, as they say on talk shows everywhere, let's go to the phones. "Hello, Brutus, you're on the air."

Question No. 1: "Who the @#! do you think you are?"

This was perhaps the most popular query, and I'm glad you all asked. After all, a person's self-image is very important to his development as a loving and caring human being; I just had to know who I was.

It all started 17 years ago, when I was in kindergarten. All of the kids in the class had to draw a picture of someone. Naturally, I chose my hero and all-time favorite coach, Dean Smith.

Then we all had to tell what we liked about all of the different pictures (This is when I find out who I am).

You see, at the age of five, I was already a sportswriter at heart. So when little Queen Rice (no relation) asked me what I thought of her creation, I boldly replied, "Well, it's not bad, but there are at least six kids in this class who are better artists than you are."

To this, the little freckle-faced brat responded, "Dave Glenn, you're a poophead."

It was then that I knew who I was — Dave Glenn — and I have little Queen Rice to thank for it. Boy, do I owe her a lot.

For years after that episode — perhaps the turning point in my life — I've had many a person say, "Dave, you're an idiot" or "Good article, Dave" (strange but true).



Dave Glenn
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Writer

After enough times, I began to think that either I really was Dave Glenn or the whole thing was just one big cosmic joke. I took a chance and went with Door Number One.

So that's who the @#! I think I am. I could be wrong, but thanks for asking.

Question No. 2: "Why don't you see how well you could do against King Rice?"

Well, I never said Rice was bad — I simply said I thought other players were better than he — but I'll answer the question anyway.

After the NBA decided that Magic Johnson and Michael Jordan were not allowed to compete in a \$1 million game of one-on-one, the promoters came flocking to Chapel Hill. They wanted Rice and Glenn.

They wanted me to go around the country, sign autographs and promote an inaugural "The King And I" basketball tour.

Rice accepted graciously, almost drooling.

The problems started when Lloyd's of London backed out on the \$1.3 billion insurance policy for my left (writing) arm.

Then, Al Davis of the Los Angeles Raiders told me he liked the fact that whenever I predicted the Tar Heels would lose, they ended up kicking the @#! out of their opponents. He offered me \$2 million to come to L.A. and do the same for the Raiders. The basketball offer looked less appealing.

But Dean Smith knew he couldn't watch his motivational tool fly the coop; he countered with a \$2.5 million offer.

Suddenly, with all these dollars flying around, I felt like a major league pitcher with a lifetime record of 26-30.

I told Smith I would do it only if he changed the team colors to silver and black. He said "No way." I thought he was bluffing; he wasn't.

I leave for L.A. in May.

Statement No. 1: "David Glenn, if you ever want to show your face around here again, you'd better stop writing bad things about the Tar Heels."

I really loved this one. If there's one good thing that has come out of my candid criticism of the Tar Heels, it's that it really gets those emotions flowing. Repression can be hazardous to your health, you know.

So now that the general population of North Carolina is in better health (thank me later), I'll respond.

The caller, a brilliant sort no doubt, forgot to tell me who he or she was. So how was I supposed to know where I wasn't allowed to show my face?

When I heard the word "David," I thought that I knew who it was who had such intense feelings for me.

You see, only certain people call me "David" — my mom, Dean Smith, Mack Brown, my grandmother and certain professors who don't appreciate my sense of humor when it comes to handing in papers.

But my mom has always said that she'll love me no matter what I do; that counted her out. Ditto for my grandmother.

Dean Smith? Too busy winning. Mack Brown? Too busy recruiting.

So I still don't know where I'm not allowed to go. I've been ducking in and out of classrooms, supermarkets and bars all week. In case you're wondering, I'm the guy in the raincoat and dark glasses.

In closing, let me say that I am going to continue to write whatever the @#! (I'm starting to like those little things) I want about the Tar Heels. Some people actually like it. If nothing else, it keeps things interesting and gives people something to talk about.

But let's relax a little bit. Debate is fun; arguments and threats are not.

If you find yourself getting a little bit too worked up about things, try to remember this modified version of an old adage:

"If you can't laugh at yourself, laugh at your local sportswriter."
I won't mind.

Wrestling

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and UNC's Shawn Hocker was on his back on three separate occasions. But the Wolfpack's Sylvester Terkay could only register a 10-5 decision, which left the Tar Heels to breathe a sigh of relief and celebrate the victory.

"I'm happy with (the victory)," Lam said. "We used six freshmen, and they're

going to get tight the first time you wrestle State."

Lam only celebrated the victory briefly, as he was already looking toward the next Tar Heel opponent, the Clemson Tigers, another tough ACC team, next Friday night in Carmichael Auditorium.

Campus Calendar

WEDNESDAY

11 a.m.: Y Horizons will be held in the Pit until 1 p.m. Come by and see all that the Campus Y has to offer!

3 p.m.: Career Planning and Placement Services will hold Job Hunt 101: Basic information on how to use the UCPS Office for seniors and graduate students in 210 Hanes Hall.

The Black Cultural Center and Department of Music will sponsor Grammy-winning saxophonist David Murray in Hill Hall for a Saxophone Clinic. Open to all students!

3:45 p.m.: UCPS will hold Job Hunt 102: Resume Writing Workshop for seniors and graduate students in 210 Hanes Hall.

4 p.m.: The Soviet Exchange Program will hold a full organizational meeting in 205 Union. All new faces welcome. It's not too late to earn a free trip to the USSR this summer!

5 p.m.: The Japan Club will meet in 407 Dey. Come find out more about Japan. Everyone is invited. UCPS announces a presentation by Prudential in the Black Cultural Center.

The UNC Vegetarian Society sponsors a FREE vegetarian dinner every Wednesday from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Homemade meals, recipes and general info. All are welcome! Gerrard Hall.

The Women's Forum of the Campus Y will be meeting in the Campus Y. Please come and help plan the annual Take Back the Night March for campus and community safety.

GALA/Global Issues, a Committee of the Campus Y, is having its first meeting of the semester in 209 Union. Topics include the World game, T-shirts and speaker ideas! All are welcome!

Hanes Art Center Glass Gallery announces the opening for the first-year MFA candidates exhibition. It has been rescheduled for today from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

6 p.m.: The Wesley Foundation will have a New Student Dinner at 214 Pittsboro St. Come and join in an evening of Christian fellowship and worship. All students are invited.

The Asian Students Association will meet in 009 Gardner for the first meeting of the semester. Nominations for new officers will be made and details of the Chinese New Year dinner on Saturday, January 27th at Mandarin House Chinese Restaurant will be discussed.

The Black Pre-Professional Health Society will meet in 210 Union. Come hear representative, from UNC, ECU and Wake Forest talk of their summer programs.

7 p.m.: The UNC Bridge Club will hold an organizational meeting for all those interested in 205 Union. Come prepared to play.

ChimeraCon VI will have its first meeting of the year in Frank Porter Graham Lounge in the Union. Anyone interested in helping organize ChimeraCon

VI is welcome.

LDSSA Meeting/Institute will meet at the LDS Church on 400 Country Club Rd. Study of the Doctrine and Covenants. All are welcome!

The Pre-Law Club welcomes all majors to come and help us plan the semester's activities. Meet in 206 Union.

7:30 p.m.: Maranatha Christian Fellowship will meet in 226 Union. All students are welcome.

Amnesty International Group 84 will hold its monthly discussion meeting at the Chapel of the Cross on Franklin St. Can we expect governments to uphold standards of human rights in these turbulent times of drug cartels, armed rebellion and political upheaval?

All welcome; parking at Morehead Planetarium.

The UNC Shag Club will show "Shag — The Movie" free of charge at its first meeting of the semester to be held in Carmichael Dorm's Ballroom. All students interested in shagging should come. No experience necessary.

8 p.m.: Women's Club Tennis Meeting in 210 Union.

The Jesse J. Morehead Angel Flight is holding an informational rush meeting in the Union. Check at the Union desk for room numbers.

Bill Hildebolt's Campaign Staff will meet in 103 Gardner. All are invited to contribute their energy and ideas to the group!

TAR HEEL SPORTS SHORTS

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