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CROWNED: as Australian Open champion for the second consecutive year, the United States' Jim Courier, who defeated Sweden's Stefan Edberg 6-2, 6-1, 2-6, 7-5. With the win, Courier retained his No. 1 ranking and secured his fourth Grand Slam title. Monica Seles defended her title by edging Steffi Graf 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.

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The Moody presidency: Broken promises or a broken mold?

By Marty Minchin
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As Student Body President John Moody prepares to wind up his final months in office, he comes under fire from many students who are left to wonder if he actually did "Break the Mold."

Moody ran his campaign on the platform that he would work for little things such as extending the hours of the Union Station and placing more bicycle racks around campus.

Moody portrayed himself as the outsider in last year's campaign and was the only candidate who had no previous experience in student government. He also stood apart from the other candidates as the only one to advocate a multicultural center rather than a free-standing black cultural center.

But after the campaign, Moody seemed to disappear from the public eye, choosing to be a quiet student body president, less inclined to express his

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opinions and publicize his work. Moody has placed much less emphasis on public relations than previous student body presidents.

Moody: Just a 'normal guy'

Moody, who brought no political inclinations to office, has served more as a "regular student" rather than a high-profile politician.

Carl Clark, a member of Student Congress and a candidate in this year's student body president election, said of all the student body presidents he had worked with, Moody was the most approachable.

"I think he comes from the perspective of a student," Clark said. "I'd feel very comfortable approaching him and sharing my concerns with him."

Although bringing a student's perspective to Suite C did seem to have its

advantages, Moody seems also to have discovered that the highest student office on campus requires more than just working to fulfill campaign promises.

Student Congress Speaker Jennifer Lloyd, also a candidate for student body president, said she thought Moody had discovered that student government was an institution that did not welcome outsiders with open arms.

"I think that definitely he has been put off by student government and has not enjoyed many aspects of the job," she said. "He is definitely a non-political, regular student in office."

Mark Shelburne, a senior from Durham who ran against Moody last year, said that he thought Moody had put a lot into his campaign but that he did not fully realize what the full spectrum of his duties involved.

"I don't know that he put a whole lot of thought into the nuts and bolts of being president," he said. "His promises were pretty ambiguous."

"His general statement was 'Hey,

Moody promises action during final three months

By Marty Minchin
Assistant University Editor

Student Body President John Moody said the product of almost nine months of relative silence in his office would be a flurry of activity in the remaining three months of his term.

Moody said he was not prepared to discuss his plans in detail, but his administration had been working to make responses to various issues, such as the proposed tuition increase and the recent tenure battle.

"The whole reason I have been less visible is because we wanted to finish up our product before talking to people about the little bits and pieces of what we'd like to do on any given issue," he

look. I'm not like those other guys."

Where was John?

said.

"We've mainly reacted to the concerns that have been raised and are trying to find solutions for those issues. It's my hope that the final product of what we come up with in the next couple of months justifies the time that's been spent on it."

Moody said his policy of being less vocal on campus issues than past student body presidents was a result of his belief that his administration should know all of the details about the issue



John Moody

before reacting to it.

"I think it's just one of the things we've tried to stress — is the need for people to try to listen to all sides of the argument... and to research the issues and not simply jump on the bandwagon or start advocating the first thing that comes to mind," he said.

"Rallies and other public relations events held by past student body presidents have been good for their image, but the events may have not been their most successful accomplishments," Moody said.

"Rather than focus on results, what students think they have to go on is basically visible activity towards

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no Pit appearances this year, and he

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MONDAY IN THE NEWS

Top stories from state, nation and world

U.S. troops returning home from Somalia

MOGADISHU, Somalia — Nearly 3,000 American soldiers and Marines are returning home this week in the biggest pullout since U.S. forces landed in Somalia, a military spokesman said Sunday.

Marine Col. Fred Peck said 2,700 servicemen and women were being sent back to the United States because of a command restructuring that shifted supply duties from the Marines to the Army.

About 1,000 combat Marines went home earlier in January. The United States currently has 24,361 troops in Somalia.

Iranians set conditions for new ties to West

TEHRAN, Iran — President Hashemi Rafsanjani said Sunday that he would not consider improving ties with the West unless it freed up frozen Iranian assets and does more to help Muslims in Bosnia's civil war.

Rafsanjani used his first meeting with foreign reporters in two years to underscore Iran's isolationist policy.

He seemed especially pessimistic about relations with Washington. "At the present juncture, we are still witnessing the animosity of the United States toward our country, and therefore, I see no new avenues to explore for cooperation," he said.

He said growing trade ties with the United States would not necessarily mean better diplomatic ties.

Wisconsin hate-crimes law garners support

NEW YORK — Wisconsin is getting support from all 49 other states in its effort to restore stiffer sentencing guidelines for hate crimes, New York's attorney general said Sunday.

Robert Abrams said the other states and the District of Columbia would be part of a planned joint brief urging the U.S. Supreme Court to rule in Wisconsin's favor.

The high court has agreed to review a ruling by the Wisconsin Supreme Court that struck down the hate crime law. A black man challenged the law after his sentence for beating a white youth was doubled because of racial epithets.

Former Gov. Martin returns to private life

CHARLOTTE — Former N.C. Gov. Jim Martin has returned to the private sector to oversee the James G. Cannon Research Center at Carolinas Medical Center.

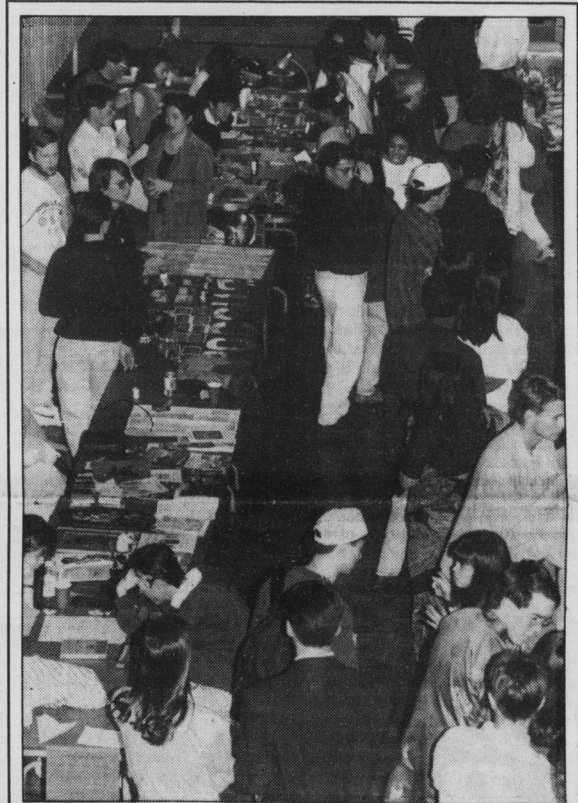
"I expect to stay tuned in to politics," Martin said.

For the time being, he will coordinate research and teaching activities at the \$13 million research facility, which opened last year. He also will use his persuasive skills to help raise funds.

Meanwhile, Martin has accepted an offer from Gov. Jim Hunt to continue as the chief cheerleader for the proposed North Carolina Global TransPark.

At 57, Martin did not shut the door to future public service.

—The Associated Press



DTH/Justin Williams

Festive fair

Hundreds of students swarmed into the Great Hall Sunday for the International Festival, at which more than 20 groups danced, sang and displayed artifacts of their culture.

Bus driver suspect in heist of vehicle

By Kelly Ryan
Assistant City Editor

A bus driver from a Tennessee-based leasing company stole her employer's bus Saturday night from the parking lot of the Hampton Inn after learning that she was going to lose her job, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

TLC, the opening band for Saturday's Bobby Brown concert, discovered at about 7:45 p.m. Saturday that the pink and silver bus the group leased had been stolen, according to Chapel Hill Police reports.

The bus, which was leased from Little David Leasing, was parked in the Hampton Inn lot with the keys in the ignition before it was stolen, police reports stated.

The coach bus is valued at about \$350,000, Little David Leasing owner David Wilkens said.

The Hampton Inn is located on Highway 15-501 in Chapel Hill.

Pat Velke, who had been driving

buses with Little David Leasing for about six months, found out she was going to be fired and took the bus to think about the situation, Wilkens said.

"We were going to replace her with another driver and she got all upset and panicked and she drove off with the bus," Wilkens said.

Little David Leasing is a Nashville, Tenn.-based company.

Authorities still have not located the bus, but Velke called Wilkens Sunday to tell him she planned to return the bus to him in Nashville by today, Wilkens said.

Chapel Hill Police Lt. Tim Pressley said police reported the bus stolen through the National Crime Information Center, which will inform police all over the Eastern seaboard that the bus was stolen.

"Being as it's a large pink bus, it seems like someone would have seen it," Pressley said.

Wilkens said members of TLC told Velke Saturday that she was going to be replaced because she was having trouble keeping up with the touring schedule.

"I just feel like from talking to her that she went off the deep end, and then she went off with the bus," he said.

Velke probably could not handle the band's schedule because she was tired, Wilkens said.

Wilkens said he had not contacted his attorney so he didn't know whether he would press charges against her.

Velke did not tell Wilkens where she drove the bus, he said.

Velke discovered some TLC luggage on the bus after she had left Chapel Hill, Wilkens said. Little David Leasing

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Plant neighbors sue UNC, cite racial bias

By Leah A. Campbell
Assistant City Editor

Merritt Mill Road residents have filed suit against UNC and charged that University officials ignored residents' complaints about the power plant because of its location in a predominantly black neighborhood.

The six plaintiffs claimed that the University-owned power plant, located on Cameron Avenue, posed a serious health threat to nearby residents because of the pollution and noise it emitted.

Darryl Lee, a Wake County school teacher, said he initiated the suit because he was fed up with the University and its unresponsiveness to neighborhood complaints.

"That administration has a biased, redneck, plantation attitude regarding the whole thing," he said. "I sit right in the shadows of this thing. They would have never put (the power plant) near Dean Smith's house."

Lee said he thought the University built the plant in its present location because surrounding residents were mostly working-class blacks who would not have the power to oppose it.

"We've gotten 500 letters of apology from them but they won't do anything about it," he said. "I think they could care less about the people in the community and it doesn't help that I'm black."

But Power Plant Superintendent Raymond DuBose said he thought the plant's location, which was decided in

1939, was chosen because the railroad tracks, electric sub-station and steam-tunnel converged in one location.

Chapel Hill Town Council member Joe Herzenberg said he did not think the issue was racially motivated.

"I don't think this is a racial issue because there are some white residents who live on Cameron Avenue who are also affected by the plant," he said.

Lee said he thought it was hypocritical for the University to claim to teach responsibility and integrity while violating the rights of black community members.

Lee acknowledged that the power plant's neighbors stood little chance of winning the suit because the odds were

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Sex materials distributor to move to Hillsborough

By Jackie Hershkowitz
City Editor

The Carrboro-based PHE Inc., a company that sells contraceptives, vibrators and adult videos, will move to a larger facility in Hillsborough sometime this year to meet an increasing demand for its products, Hillsborough Mayor Horace Johnson said Sunday.

PHE Inc., which distributes sex materials by mail-order under the trade name Adam & Eve, will expand to create 100 more jobs at its new location, Johnson said.

PHE Inc. owner Phil Harvey could not be reached for comment.

The new facility is expected to open by September, Johnson said.

Johnson said PHE Inc. would pay employees about \$11 an hour at its new facility, well above wages most compa-

nies pay for unskilled labor.

"It's much more than you can make sweeping dormitories at the University," he said. "It's 30 percent more than the county average."

Although PHE Inc. has been the target of numerous complaints, Johnson said he would welcome the business to Hillsborough.

"I'm not in the business of setting moral standards," he said. "People need jobs, and as long as (PHE Inc.) is a legitimate business, we have no reason to question."

In addition to creating new jobs, PHE Inc. will provide the town of Hillsborough \$20,000 per year in tax revenue, Johnson said. "Who in their right mind would profess to be a Christian and stop something like this?"

Carrboro Mayor Eleanor Kinnaird said that although PHE Inc. was based

outside of Carrboro, the town's tax base would not be affected by the move because the company's tax revenues went to county coffers.

"It really won't make any difference except that we won't get nasty letters from people all over the country asking us why we support that business," Kinnaird said.

Kinnaird said if Harvey had applied to the town of Carrboro for permits to expand his business, his request would have received serious consideration.

"You can't pick and choose according to morals," she said. "The law has to be equally applied."

Kinnaird said she didn't know why Harvey didn't apply for Carrboro zoning permits before deciding to move to Hillsborough.

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Race relations top student concerns

Editor's note: The following is the first in a four-part series investigating what issues students consider the most important and what solutions the candidates for student body president have proposed.

Staff Report
With Election Day getting closer, students are beginning to form opinions about the issues and the candidates.

In 129 telephone interviews conducted by The Daily Tar Heel last week, students were asked about their voting habits, the campaign issues and the performance of the current student body president.

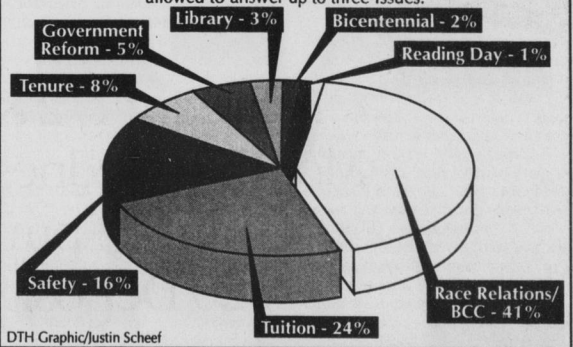
Forty-two percent of students interviewed could not name the current president, John Moody. When asked about Moody's performance, most students did not have an opinion, but some were disappointed with his year in office.

"I think he has done a decent job, but someone else could do better," freshman Julie Vanhellemont said.

Junior Sonya Armstrong agreed.

What are the most pressing issues in the student body president election?

The DTH conducted a random informal poll of 100 students. Each was allowed to answer up to three issues.



DTH Graphic/Justin Scheef

"Moody has been too quiet," she said.

Karen Abner, a senior, said she thought Moody's term was "status quo."

"But he hasn't done a lot of bad things either," she said.

Some blamed the media's coverage of Moody's administration.

"President Moody has done an ad-

equate job," sophomore Mac Abrams said. "The newspaper is giving him a bad reputation."

Other students named some of Moody's accomplishments.

"I've seen more bike racks," junior

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A converted cannibal is one who, on Friday, eats only fishermen. — Emily Lotney