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IN THE NEWS

Top stories from the state, nation and world

Russian Jetliner Hijacked, Forced to Land in Norway

ULLENSAKER, Norway — Three hijackers brandishing grenades and explosives forced a Russian jetliner with 52 people aboard to land in Norway on Wednesday. Police said the air pirates, believed to be Iranians, asked for political asylum.

Regional Police Chief Knut Austad said all 10 women and seven children aboard were let off the Aeroflot aircraft two hours later. The Tupolev-134 jet was en route from Azerbaijan when it was seized over southern Russia. It was forced to land near Kiev to take on fuel and an English-speaking Ukrainian navigator, before landing at the Gardermoen charter airport, in the town of Ullensaker, 25 miles north of Oslo.

Ukrainian and Azerbaijani officials said the hijackers were Iranians, linked to the radical Shiite Muslim Hezbollah militia of Lebanon, but no government spokesmen could confirm that.

Opponents of Peace Plan Create Rift in PLO Ranks

TUNIS, Tunisia — Palestinian opponents of Yasser Arafat's fledgling peace deal with Israel pursued their campaign against it on Wednesday, hoping to overturn it by democratic or violent means.

Arafat, facing the deepest split in the Palestine Liberation Organization since it was formed nearly 30 years ago, returned to his headquarters and called immediate meetings on how to rally support and heal the leadership rift.

He also was to call meetings soon of the PLO Executive Committee, which has suffered five defections because of the accord and the 18-member ruling Central Committee of his own mainstream Fatah faction.

Latest Cease-Fire Accord Fails to End Bosnian Strife

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — A new cease-fire accord failed to curb fighting on Wednesday in central and southwestern Bosnia, where civilians appeared to be bearing the brunt of the attacks.

Presidents Alija Izetbegovic of Bosnia and Franjo Tudjman of Croatia signed an accord Tuesday in Geneva calling for fighting to stop "immediately and by no later than" Saturday.

Serbs, who control 70 percent of Bosnian territory, were not party to the agreement.

State-run Bosnian radio reported heavy shelling around Mostar, the main city in southwestern Bosnia, where 55,000 Muslims are under siege by Croats. U.N. officials say 10 to 15 people were dying daily from shelling and sniper fire.

Somalian Attacks on UN Headquarters Wound 11

MOGADISHU, Somalia — Gunmen wounded 11 people inside the U.N. peace-keeping headquarters in the Somali capital on Wednesday, and helicopter-borne American forces killed two Somali militiamen in a separate encounter. Other mortar attacks by Somalis killed a Somali child and wounded 17 other Somalis, U.N. peacekeepers said.

The State Department, meanwhile, warned Americans not to travel in the country after receiving reports that Somali warlord Mohamed Farrah Aidid had ordered his militia to take U.S. citizens hostage if he was captured. Stockwell said the attackers who fired on the U.N. compound Wednesday were believed to be followers of Aidid.

Senate Votes to Retain Federal Art Endowments

WASHINGTON — Senate backers of federal aid to the arts brushed aside an attempt by conservatives Wednesday to end taxpayer-supported grants to individual artists.

The Senate voted 65-30 to defeat a motion to prohibit aid to individual artists. It also voted 57-38 to kill an attempt to require that no less than 70 percent of NEA funds should be sent to the states for redistribution by local officials.

The action came in connection with a pending \$13.3-billion measure to finance the operations of the Interior Department and related agencies in the new budget year starting Oct. 1.

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Weather

TODAY: Partly cloudy, 30-percent chance of showers; high low 80s.

FRIDAY: Partly cloudy, chance of thunderstorms; high 80-85.

Filming on Franklin



MTV VJ Kennedy films a segment for "MTV's Guide To Higher Education" in front of the Alpha Tau Omega house Wednesday morning. The fraternity helped MTV film for the "Rude Awakening" program that will air Monday.

MTV Invades Campus for Inside Glimpse at Higher Education

BY KRISTI TURNBAUGH
STAFF WRITER

MTV video jockey Kennedy had never been to Chapel Hill.

But at 9:50 a.m. Wednesday, the bespectacled brunette stood outside the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity house, clad in a shin-length UNC nightgown. A crew of about eight people scurried around, setting up, while curious passers-by gawked at the scene.

Jumping up and down, her wild hair pigtailed firmly in place, Kennedy waited for the crew to give the cue.

"We've made it to North Carolina!" she said. "They dragged my ass out of bed this morning and put me in this stupid outfit! We've got a video from those Seattle guys of gloom where a kid blows all the other kids up. Here's Pearl Jam with 'Jeremy.'"

Cut.

"Let's do it again," the producer said. All in a minute's work for MTV.

And all for the sake of the 24-hour music video channel's latest attempt to reach the people. UNC is one subject of MTV's latest project, "MTV's Guide To Higher Education," a series of segments to be filmed on college campuses across the country. This is the first stop on the 16-day journey to four colleges where the crew will film wacky collegiate happenings and air them next week for all to see.

On Wednesday, Kennedy stormed into the room of a sleeping fraternity brother and surprised him with a "Rude Awaken-

"I can see my mom saying, 'My son - I paid for three years of college to see him like this!'"

CHRIS JOHNSON
Recipient of MTV's "Rude Awakening"

ing," the title of the early morning segment to be aired Sept. 20. Amidst shouts and laughter, Chris Johnson, a senior from Wilmington, awoke to find the MTV host jumping on his bed with the crew filming the action.

After Kennedy remarked that his eyes were red, Johnson muttered, "I can see my mom saying, 'My son - I paid for three years of college to see him like this!'"

On the lawn, other students shoved whipped cream, chocolate syrup and creamed carrots into their mouths and spit the mixture out onto posterboard to create "Spew Art." The participants received "Beavis and Butthead" T-shirts for their masterpieces.

Designed by MTV writer John Ten Eyck, "Spew Art" is one of the many "disgusting games" MTV has planned for students, said Suzanne Preston, the show's producer.

After leaving the fraternity house, the crew moved on to the Pit, where VJ Randy Kagan chatted with students at the Black

Student Movement table. Bill Bellamy, another VJ, ventured into Lenoir Dining Hall for the fine cuisine. Later, the crew and VJs stopped off at WXYC for interviews.

MTV plans to hold "The Best Student Body Contest" Friday at a local bar. "It's not a strip show," Preston said.

The game will be like "Jeopardy," played between fraternities and sororities, she said. The crew will wrap up filming at Saturday's football game.

With "MTV's Guide To Higher Education," the music channel continues its aim to interact with its audience, said Preston, who has been the associate producer of MTV's "Totally Pauly" and "The Big Picture."

"We wanted to keep with the 'Beach House' vibe," she said, referring to the popular summer show where VJs hung out at a New Jersey house and talked to beachgoers. "The ratings were great."

With the summer almost over, the next logical step was to focus on schools, said Unit Manager Greg Choa.

MTV chose Chapel Hill as one of its stops because it was attractive to film and because there was a lot happening on campus because of the University's Bicentennial, he explained.

Kennedy said, "It's nice here. I want to meet Mac (McCaughn, singer-guitarist of Superchunk). Can we go see him?"

She added that another local band also

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Professor: Tenure Report Was Altered

BY MICHAEL WORKMAN
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An English professor who was denied tenure but claims that her tenure report was altered will take her appeal to the Board of Trustees next week.

The BOT is scheduled to hear the appeal of Mary Kemp Davis, an assistant professor on leave from the University, next Thursday.

Davis said Wednesday that the report of the English department's Committee on Rank and Tenure had been altered before being sent to Stephen Birdsall, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Birdsall later rejected Davis' tenure appeal in May without knowing of the alteration, Davis said, adding that she knew who changed the report but would not name the person.

Several officials — including Birdsall, English department Chairman Laurence Avery and rank-and-tenure committee Chairman George Lensing — declined to comment Wednesday night. All three said they were constrained by state laws that prohibited them from commenting on ongoing personnel matters.

On Feb. 17, the English department faculty voted not to recommend Davis for tenure. That vote was based on the rank-and-tenure committee's original report. After Birdsall rejected an appeal of the faculty decision, the Faculty Hearings Committee turned down another appeal in July. The BOT appeal is the next step in the tenure appeal process.

Davis said she felt the original report was biased against her because she was black.

"One of the things that is evident is that the committee and the faculty were much more inclined to think the worst of me,"



MARY KEMP DAVIS has been denied tenure at three levels.

she said.

The committee had been much more receptive to the tenure applications of two white colleagues, she said. "They bent over backwards trying to help those candidates make tenure."

One of the white candidates, who had similar qualifications, had been treated differently by the committee, she said.

"It did not seem to me that the department was as willing to acknowledge my strengths as they were to acknowledge the other candidate's strengths," she said.

"I believe that because I was black it was a lot easier to believe that I really wasn't that good after all."

The report itself reflected the

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UNC Bicentennial Project To Stress Community Ties

BY JOHN BLACKWELL
STAFF WRITER

Two hundred years ago, UNC was founded when the community came together.

So, in 1993, the Town of Chapel Hill and the University will celebrate the Bicentennial with a community-oriented project to commemorate the 200-year union.

"The idea of community is tied in with UNC being the first state university," said Kevin Moran, Student Bicentennial Committee chairman.

"We'd like this to be a single project involving the town and students."

The UNC Bicentennial Planning Committee will appear before the Chapel Hill Town Council Sept. 27 to invite the council to participate in a town-gown community-service project.

Moran said that although no specific plans had been drafted, potential projects included the construction of a community-service center or a Bicentennial park.

"We felt a need to do something this year that would be lasting," Moran said. "We had conversations with a lot of students, and we came up with a community focus."

The community service project will be one of 40 events and projects highlighting the community focus of the Bicentennial year. Many student groups have expressed interest in taking part, he said. "Because it's not solid, it's hard for anybody to wholeheartedly endorse it," Moran said. "We

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KEVIN MORAN, Student Bicentennial Committee chairman

Leader of the Chop: Ward Nation's Top Signal Caller

BY JOHN C. MANUEL
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In all of college sports, there may be no bigger-name athlete than Florida State's Charlie Ward.

He led his football team to a 12-1 record and Orange Bowl victory against Nebraska last season.

He was the starting point guard and most irreplaceable player on the Florida State basketball team that reached the Elite Eight.

And he's the odds-on favorite to win the Heisman Trophy.

Is there anything left? Try a national championship.

"That's my goal and the team's goal," Ward said Tuesday as he and the Seminoles prepared for Saturday's matchup with North Carolina.

"We're looking forward to a very tough opponent. They gave us some problems last year. We should find out this week what type of team we have."

Ward, a former student-body vice president in Tallahassee, is as unassuming dur-

ing a conversation as he is dominant on the field. His prodigious talents, both running and passing the football, have not lent themselves to an ego but rather to a quiet confidence.

"It's just been one of those years for us so far," he said of his team, which has outscored its opponents 144-7. "We're just thankful that we've played well, and we're looking forward to this game on Saturday."

His teammates are not so modest. Ask cornerback Clifton Abraham, who has worked against Ward and the first-team offense in practice.

"Charlie gave us fits when we scrimmaged, and I'm sure we gave him some fits," Abraham said. "But you know most of the time Charlie prevailed because that's the type of guy he is. Charlie is the most dangerous person on the field anytime. He can run, he can throw and he just does so many things, it amazes me sometimes."

Ward will probably come to Chapel Hill trying to prove Abraham right. He struggled at times last season but had his last bad day on a football field Oct. 10 against the Tar Heels in Doak Campbell Stadium.

Ward completed 10 of his 22 attempts and threw two interceptions without throw-

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Countdown to FSU



Previewing UNC's Saturday matchup with the Seminoles

Meatless Munchies



Members of the UNC Vegetarian Club serve a free vegetarian dinner on McCorkle Place on Wednesday evening. The club serves the free picnic every Wednesday at 5 p.m.

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I hate quotations.

Ralph Waldo Emerson