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The Year in Review

JANUARY

- The UNC football team, in its first trip to a postseason game in six years, defeats Mississippi State 21-17 in the Peach Bowl before 69,125 fans in Atlanta.
- President George Bush and Russian President Boris Yeltsin sign START II, a nuclear proliferation pact that will reduce both countries' strategic nuclear arsenals by 75 percent.
- The Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools are named the top district in the state for the second consecutive year.
- Iraqi troops enter a border zone in Kuwait and seize arms. The U.S. threatens military action against Iraq.
- N.C. Gov. Jim Hunt is inaugurated for his second term as governor.
- Allied forces launch an air strike against Iraq for violations of peace terms of the Gulf War. President Bush sends 1,200 troops to Kuwait.
- During Senate confirmation hearings, Clinton's first nominee for U.S. Attorney General, Zoe Baird, admits to employing Peruvian immigrants and failing to pay social security taxes on their salaries. Baird withdraws herself from consideration for the position three days later.
- Bill Clinton is inaugurated as the 42nd president of the United States.
- The UNC women's basketball team shocks No. 5 Maryland 85-80 in Carmichael Auditorium. It is UNC's first win against a top-10 team since 1986.
- Retired Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall dies at age 84.
- Clinton doubles back on his campaign promise to lift the ban on gays in the military by announcing his "Don't ask, don't tell" policy.

Campus election campaign season begins with six candidates running for student body president.

FEBRUARY

- Carrboro-based sex-materials distributor PHE Inc. — also known as Adam & Eve — first announces its plans to expand and relocate to Meadowlands Office Park in Hillsborough.
- Clinton's second nominee for U.S. Attorney General, Federal District Judge Kimba Wood, withdraws from confirmation proceedings after background checks reveal that she hired an undocumented Trinidadian baby sitter.
- Tennis legend Arthur Ashe dies from AIDS-related pneumonia. He was 49. Ashe contracted the HIV virus from a blood transfusion in 1983. He was the only black man to ever win the U.S. Open and Wimbledon.
- UNC senior Roland Thornqvist defeats Mike Sell of Georgia to win the ITA Rolex National Indoor Tennis Championships, the third leg of the Collegiate Grand Slam. He becomes the first Tar Heel to capture a Grand Slam event.
- Former Student Congress Speaker Jen Lloyd and Jim Copland earn enough votes to gain spots in a runoff election for student body president.
- Chapel Hill is ranked the fifth-best town in the nation in a Norman Ford book, "The 50 Healthiest Places to Live and Retire in the United States." The ranking was based on a survey that looked at air quality, crime and climate.
- Clinton nominates Janet Reno to be U.S. Attorney General. She was Clinton's third nominee.
- The chancellor's working group endorses a free-standing Sonja Haynes Stone Black Cultural Center.
- Copland wins the student body president race.
- Clinton delivers his economic plan during a televised address. He says

the plan will trim the budget deficit by \$500 billion over a five-year period.

- Five hundred people protest PHE Inc.'s proposed relocation to an office park in Hillsborough, saying that although the company would bring jobs and tax revenue to the northern Orange County town, it would have a negative effect on the community.
- Students in the radio, television and motion pictures department challenge a proposal to combine the RTVMP department with the speech communication department for a new communication studies department.
- The Daily Tar Heel celebrates its 100th birthday with a special centennial edition of the paper.
- Hillsborough Board of Adjustment officials deny PHE Inc. a permit to relocate to the town, saying that the proposed office would be too close to residential neighborhoods.
- A noon explosion rocks the World Trade Center in New York, killing six people.
- The North Carolina swimming squads sweep the ACC Championships at Koury Natatorium.
- Officers from the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms raid cult leader David Koresh's Branch Davidian compound near Waco, Texas. Four agents are killed and 16 are wounded.

MARCH

- The Chapel Hill Town Council unanimously approves a recall bill, asking N.C. General Assembly officials to allow local residents to remove elected officials from office.
- The BCC working group recommends two sites — Coker Woods, between the Bell Tower and Coker Hall, and the Wilson-Dey site, between Wilson Library and Dey Hall — to Chancellor Paul Hardin for a free-standing BCC.
- A faculty committee begins to formulate a restructuring report for the RTVMP department in accordance to suggestions in a non-University study.
- Investigators make the first key arrest in the World Trade Center bombing: Mohammed Salameh, a devotee of Muslim fundamentalist Sheikh Omar Abdel-Rahman. Salameh was arrested after attempting to get the \$400 refund for the van he rented to carry the bomb into the Trade Center.
- Dr. David Gunn is shot and killed by a pro-life activist demonstrating outside of his Pensacola, Fla., abortion clinic. The alleged murderer was a member of the pro-life group Rescue America.
- The "Storm of the Century" ravages the northeastern United States, leaving as much as 50 inches of snow and making it difficult for UNC students to get back for classes March 15.
- LaVonda Burnette, a 22-year-old single mother, announces her candidacy for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education, citing graduation from Chapel Hill High School and her status as a UNC student as her main strengths.
- The AIDS Service Agency of Orange County is denied federal funding to build a six-person group home in Carrboro. The agency is told it can reapply for a grant in June.
- Michael Seagroves shoots and kills 15-year old Jamal Elliot, whom Seagroves found attempting to steal a motorcycle from his garage, sparking a debate over how much force is appropriate to defend one's property.
- T.J. Jaworsky becomes UNC's third NCAA individual champion by beating Penn State's Cary Kolat in the 134-pound division in Ames, Iowa.
- Stephanie Lawrence hits a 3-pointer with 5.6 seconds remaining in overtime to lift the UNC women's basketball

team to a 74-73 win against Alabama in the second round of the NCAA Tournament. The Tar Heels later lose to Tennessee in the Sweet 16.

Duke loses. Bobby Hurley's career ends. Mike Krzyzewski cries. But somehow, somehow, life manages to go on.

The Russian legislature votes to strip Boris Yeltsin of his power, sending a clear message that Parliament, not a president, should have control over the country.

Deadheads descend on Chapel Hill to see the Grateful Dead play a two-night stint at the Smith Center.

The Academy Awards ceremony provides some surprises. Clint Eastwood wins best director, and his "Unforgiven" wins best film. Al Pacino finally picks up a best actor award for "Scent of a Woman," and Emma Thompson wins another first with her best actress statue for "Howards End."

APRIL

- Students supporting a free-standing BCC begin a sit-in in South Building demanding that Hardin speed along the deliberations.
- UNC beats Michigan 77-71 at the Superdome in New Orleans to win its third NCAA Championship, and second under Dean Smith. Donald Williams is named the Final Four MVP after scoring 25 points against both the Wolverines and Kansas.

Chapel Hill Mayor Ken Broun bets Ann Arbor Mayor Liz Brater that the Tar Heels will win the national championship. Because Brater loses the bet, she is forced to wear a UNC T-shirt to the next Ann Arbor City Council meeting.

Chapel Hill police begin searching for a suspect in a hit-and-run accident that occurred after the Tar Heels' championship win. Greensboro resident Navdeep Singh Dhessi is seriously injured in the late-night incident on Church Street.

Rev. Jesse Jackson visits UNC and shows support for the BCC struggle. Jackson encourages students to continue the protests.

The Hillsborough Board of Adjustment again denies PHE Inc. a site-plan application to relocate in Hillsborough.

Sixteen students are arrested in Hardin's South Building office during a BCC rally. A Chapel Hill-Carrboro City School teacher also is arrested.

L.A. police officers Stacey Koon and Laurence Powell are convicted on federal charges that they violated the civil rights of black motorist Rodney King.

At least two people are shot in a small riot on West Franklin Street while about 2,000 look on. The shootings occurred at about 7 p.m. and involved automatic weapons.

The Waco Branch Davidian compound begins to burn after ATF officials bombard the compound with tear gas and punch holes in the walls. The fire eventually kills more than 80 cult members, including leader David Koresh.

Rev. Leon White, pastor for United Church of Christ in Vance County, anoints the Wilson-Dey site as a "holy" site and claims it for the BCC.

Chapel Hill police arrest Durham resident Theodore Edward Mosier in connection with a hit-and-run accident that occurred April 5 after the Tar Heels won the national championship.

More than 300,000 rally in Washington to demand equal rights for homosexuals. It is one of the largest demonstrations ever held in the nation's capital.

Former N.C. State men's basketball coach Jim Valvano dies of bone cancer. He was 47. Valvano led the Wolfpack to the NCAA title in 1983. He resigned in 1990 and became an ESPN color commentator. Valvano continued



Chancellor Paul Hardin awards President Clinton with an honorary doctorate of law on University Day, Oct. 12.

working for the network until a few weeks before his death.

Clinton nominates Lani Guinier to be chief of the Justice Department's civil-rights division. A month later, Clinton withdraws the nomination after a national uproar over Guinier's unconventional views on minorities.

Tennis star Monica Seles, the world's top-ranked women's tennis player, is stabbed during a changeover in her quarterfinal match against Magdalena Maleeva at the Berlin Open.

MAY

At Hardin's request, Orange-Chatham District Attorney Carl Fox recommends that charges be dropped against the 17 BCC supporters arrested in South Building.

The Cat's Cradle closes its doors on West Franklin Street.

The 275th and final "Cheers" episode airs after 11 seasons and quite a few beers.

The Seawell Elementary School Head Start program is issued a provisional license and a \$450 fine for charges of child neglect.

Syracuse's Matt Riter scores the game-winning goal with eight seconds left to give the Orangemen a 13-12 victory against the UNC lacrosse team in the NCAA Championship at College Park, Md.

JUNE

A man was fatally shot in the Carrboro Burger King parking lot in Carrboro's first homicide in 18 months.

The season of summer blockbusters begins with the opening of Steven Spielberg's "Jurassic Park." Dino-mania makes the film the highest-grossing of all time.

John Paxson's 3-pointer with just a few ticks on the clock lifts the Chicago Bulls to their third-straight NBA championship. The Bulls, led by playoff MVP Michael Jordan, beat the Phoenix Suns in six games.

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education supports a proposal to distribute condoms at Chapel Hill High School as part of an AIDS-prevention plan.

Lorena Bobbitt, a Manassas, Va., manicurist, chops off her husband's penis with a kitchen knife. Bobbitt accuses her husband of submitting her to years of physical abuse.

U.S. cruise missiles hit Baghdad in retaliation for what the United States claims was a Hussein-backed plot to murder former President Bush.

In a report to Hardin, the Buildings and Grounds Committee recommends the Wilson-Dey site as a more acceptable site than Coker Woods for the BCC.

The Los Angeles Lakers draft former UNC forward George Lynch with the 11th pick in the first round of the NBA draft.

JULY

PHE Inc. is granted an appeal to move to Hillsborough.

New Jersey's attorney general names Hardin in a mismanagement suit involving Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co. Hardin was a member of the company's board of directors.

The N.C. General Assembly approves a 3-percent tuition increase for in-state students and a 6.5-percent increase for out-of-state students.

NASCAR driver Davey Allison crashes in his helicopter while trying to land at the Talladega (Ala.) Speedway. He dies the next day. Allison's brother, Clifford, passed away after a fatal crash at Michigan International Speedway.

Early morning jogger Kristin Lodge-Miller is shot and killed on Estes Drive after an attempted sexual assault.

Chapel Hill High School student Anthony George Simpson, 18, is arrested and charged with first-degree murder and first-degree attempted rape. Orange-Chatham District Attorney Carl Fox later decides to seek the death penalty for Simpson.

The AIDS Service Agency of Orange County reapplies for a federal grant to build a six-person group home at the intersection of Robert Hunt Drive and Greensboro Street.

Deputy White House Counsel Vincent Foster Jr. is found dead in a Virginia park after apparently committing suicide.

The UNC Board of Trustees approves the construction of a free-standing BCC on the Coker Woods site after two hours of discussion behind closed doors.

AUGUST

The body of James Jordan, father of basketball star and UNC graduate Michael Jordan, is found floating in a swamp near Bennettsville, S.C. Two N.C. men later are charged with James Jordan's murder.

Congress passes President Clinton's \$496 billion deficit reduction bill. The UNC-system Board of Governors approves an increase of \$92.80 in student fees for UNC-CH after a two-year moratorium on fees.

Hollywood madam Heidi Fleiss is arraigned in Los Angeles on pandering and drug charges. She claims that she will reveal the names of some of her big-shot clients.

The Senate confirms Clinton's nomination of Ruth Bader Ginsburg for the Supreme Court. Ginsburg becomes the second woman to serve on the nation's highest court.

UNC graduate student Charles Tyndall Herring Jr. is arrested and charged with shooting a Carrboro man Herring says tried to steal his bicycle.

California police search pop star Michael Jackson's Neverland Valley Ranch for evidence after a young boy accuses Jackson of sexually abusing him.

Stephen Birdsall, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, dissolves the RTVMP and speech communication departments and creates a new communication studies department.

The freshman class of 3,500 breaks 120 UNC enrollment records. About 120 female residents are placed in triple occupancy rooms originally designed for only two people.

Chapel Hill, Carrboro and University police start a Chapel Hill-Carrboro Crimestoppers hot line to involve local residents in stopping the upward spiral of violent crime.

The UNC football team defies tradition by downsouthern Cal 31-9 in the Disneyland Pigskin Classic in Anaheim, Calif. In the process, the Tar Heels unveil two new faces in the faces in the backfield, Curtis and Leon Johnson, who trudge on to 1,000-yard seasons.

David Letterman returns to late-night television with a \$42 million contract from CBS. The most notable change is the renaming of Larry "Bud" Melman to his original moniker, Calvert DeForest.

Hurricane Emily brushes by the N.C. coast and veers northward after causing a fair amount of damage to the Outer Banks and beaches.

The local Head Start program, located at Seawell Elementary School, meets the highest state standards and is issued a new license after facing charges of child neglect and operating with a provisional license.

SEPTEMBER

Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Hillsborough residents pack the Chapel Hill Town Council chambers at a public hearing on gun-control laws that would make the

town's strictest in the state. The proposal arose after a morning jogger was murdered in July and other incidents of violent crime skyrocketed.

Arkansas pediatrician Joycelyn Elders is confirmed as U.S. Surgeon General.

Administrative Law Judge Brenda Becton rules that UNC housekeepers may sue the University as a group. The ruling comes 2 1/2 years after the housekeepers first filed a grievance.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Yasser Arafat, leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization, sign a historic peace treaty during a meeting at the White House.

BCC Advisory Board members ask the UNC Board of Trustees to reconsider their site decision at their next meeting.

A grand jury drops attempted murder charges levied against UNC pharmacy student Charles Tyndall Herring Jr., who says he was defending himself when he shot a Carrboro man trying to steal his bicycle.

MTV's Kennedy comes to UNC and hosts a variety of intellectual pursuits such as "spew art."

Chapel Hill resident James McEnery hands in 2,694 signatures supporting the recall of Chapel Hill Town Council member Joe Herzenberg for willfully failing to pay state taxes. McEnery just makes the 30-day deadline for initiating a special election when he hands in about 80 petitions to the Orange County Board of Elections.

Maurice Julian, the longtime downtown businessman who owned Julian's College Shop on East Franklin Street, dies of heart failure at age 77.

The new \$4.5 million Student Recreation Center opens. About 1,200 students visit the center on opening day.

Residents in six dorms vote to allow 24-hour visitation of guests of the opposite sex in their dorms. The policy, part of a pilot program, emphasizes roommate rights and requires residents to escort guests to and from the residents' rooms. Complaints from parents, concerned citizens and local newspapers on the morality of the pilot program soon follow.

President Clinton unveils his plan for universal health care in a televised address.

Forty-seven die when an Amtrak train wrecks outside of Mobile, Ala. It is the worst train wreck in Amtrak history.

Chapel Hill Town Council member Joe Herzenberg, the only openly gay elected official in the state, resigns his council post after months of controversy over his willful failure to pay state taxes and a resident's effort to recall him from office.

South Africa's parliament votes to allow blacks to participate in the national government and approves the creation of a multiracial council to oversee the country's first universal election.

The UNC Board of Trustees decides not to revoke on the site of the BCC and sticks with the Coker Woods site.

The Rosemary Street Parking Deck opens to the delight of downtown merchants who said the lack of parking affected their business. The facility offers 315 spaces and was under construction for about four years.

The UNC football team breaks a five-year drought against its most heated pigskin rival, spanning N.C. State in Raleigh 35-14. It is the first win for the Tar Heels against the Wolfpack since Mack Brown became head coach.

The state drops charges against the Carrboro man a UNC pharmacy student shot after determining the Carrboro resident was trying to steal his bicycle.

James Earl Holeman Jr. was shot by Charles Tyndall Herring Jr. on Aug. 11 and later arrested and charged with two



Euphoric fans celebrate after the UNC men's basketball team wins the national championship April 5.