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## National Champions Greet Clinton

BY JAMES WHITFIELD  
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WASHINGTON, D.C. — President Clinton gave a big pat on the back to North Carolina athletics Wednesday afternoon when he honored the Tar Heel women's basketball team for its 1994 National Championship in a reception in the East Room of the White House.

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"The thing I have always admired in North Carolina is that they always emphasized both academics and athletics," Clinton said during the ceremony.

Clinton said Charlotte Smith's 3-point shot that beat Louisiana Tech at the buzzer was a rallying point for the United States. "I can tell you I've been in a lot of tough

fighters around here, and I've often looked for someone to take that shot," Clinton said.

Smith's shot came with just 0.7 seconds left on the clock in the women's basketball national championship game with the Tar Heels trailing by two points. The 60-59 win at the Richmond Coliseum gave UNC its first-ever women's basketball championship.

In line with the tradition of past championship sports teams that have visited the White House, head coach Sylvia Hatchell presented Clinton with a championship T-shirt and jogging shorts. Hatchell also gave the president a jersey with "H. Clinton" on the back to give to the first lady, who was not present.

Hatchell also gave the president a bit of advice.

"As coach of UNC, when you get in a pressure situation, with one second on the

clock — go for the win and not the tie," Hatchell told Clinton.

The day also was special for UNC Athletic Director John Swofford, who accompanied the team to Washington, D.C.

"I hope we have a script about what the president said," Swofford said after the ceremony. "Our university is about excellence, and anytime our athletic program can play a small part in that, it's great."

This was Swofford's second trip to Washington in as many years. Swofford accompanied the men's basketball team to the White House after they won the championship in 1993.

"Coming two years in a row is very special for the University and the athletic program," he said.

The UNC team flew into Washington from all over the country Wednesday morning.

Sophomore point guard Lori Gear flew

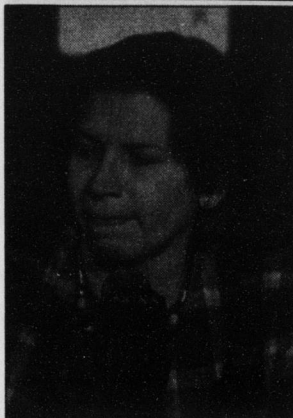
in from her home in Canada. Junior forward Stephanie Lawrence flew from Tennessee, where she was visiting relatives, and senior forward Charlotte Smith and last year's senior center Sylvia Crawley flew in from Charlotte where they were participating in an exhibition game against the U.S.A. women's basketball team bound for the Goodwill Games later this month.

The UNC team toured the capital city in a chartered bus Wednesday morning before eating lunch at the Senatorial Office Dining Room.

After lunch, the team took a behind-the-scenes tour of the East Wing of the White House.

The highlight of the tour might have been when the Clintons' cat, Socks, joined the team on the tour.

Senior N.C. Sen. Jesse Helms and N.C. Rep. David Price joined the president in honoring the team in the East Room.



North Carolina women's basketball coach SYLVIA HATCHELL and the Tar Heels met Clinton Wednesday at a ceremony honoring the team for winning the 1994 Women's Basketball National Championship.

## UNC's Smith Gets to Heart Of Problems

BY CHRIS NICHOLS  
ARTS AND FEATURES EDITOR

UNC's Dr. Sidney Smith already has a date for Feb. 14, 1996.

But there will be no roses. No chocolates. No candlelight dinner. No moonlight stroll through the garden.

Instead, Smith plans to go jogging. With President Bill Clinton.

Smith, chief of cardiology and a professor of medicine at the University, has been named president-elect of the American Heart Association and will be doing what has become a tradition for people in his position. The AHA president always meets with the U.S. president on Valentine's Day, but because Clinton jogs, he and Smith will push healthful living by example, not just words.

Smith was elected June 17 in Minneapolis, Minn., and will begin his one-year term in June 1995. Smith was nominated by a 19-member volunteer committee, members of which come from all across the country. Presidential nominations can be made by any of the 56 affiliates or by individual members.

"Paradoxically, I am working for an organization that if it succeeds, will put me out of business," he said in a phone interview Tuesday.

The 53-year-old Smith has been with the heart association for 20 years and will continue his work at UNC heading the cardiovascular unit and a new center in cardiovascular medicine.

Smith grew up in Delaware, where his father was an engineer with DuPont.

"As I was growing up, it was always in the back of my mind, becoming a physician," he said. "I was interested in sciences, but only when it affected the lives of people around me."

Now Smith's charge is to find ways to ward off the complex nature of cardiovascular disease, which affects roughly 1 million people a year throughout the nation.

Over the last two decades, Smith's interest in the association has allowed him to focus his sights on specific areas of concentration.

"I think there are several areas of interest that I have," Smith said. "One will be to continue to emphasize the need for funding and support for biomedical research and education, both in terms of national programs that may evolve and also through the heart association to support students who may want a career in biomedical sciences."

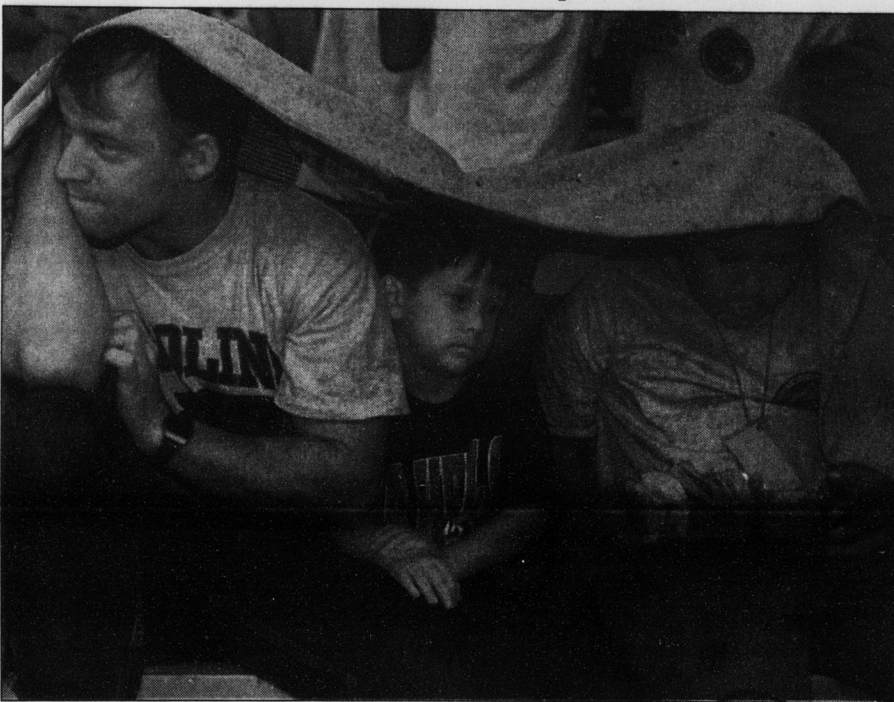
Some of these programs allow undergraduates to spend their summers in research laboratories and biomedical settings, Smith said.

Previously, he chaired the Educational Program Committee, which supports young students with a career interest in medicine.

"I think that, particularly with the

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## Rain, Rain Go Away ...



DTH/KATIE CANNON

Danny Brinson, Marc Brinson and Nick Riddick wait in hopes of seeing the Bulls play at the Durham Athletic Park Tuesday evening. After a 1-1/2 hour delay, fans were able to see Durham take on Prince William. See story, page 6.

## Alumni: Leader Should Know UNC

BY KELLY RYAN  
EDITOR

UNC's next chancellor should be an articulate, visionary leader who understands the University — not just in the Chapel Hill campus's educational ideals, but also in its role in state politics.

That's the message five UNC alumni representatives and the president of the General Alumni Association delivered to the chancellor search committee last Thursday. The committee is charged with finding a replacement for Paul Hardin, who announced in January that he planned to step down by June 30, 1995.

"We're tottering on the brink. We're equally poised for future greatness and future decline," said Justice Willis Whichard of Durham. "Leadership has something to do with either side."

"The frontiers of the human mind and

spirit are before this University if it has the energy to pursue it."

Whichard, like his alumni counterparts, urged the committee to look to a child of the University — a chancellor who would lead the University as a labor of love.

After holding several meetings for faculty, staff and students to air concerns, the search committee offered alumni the chance to give some input on the campus's next leader. Last Thursday's meeting was the committee's fifth.

Committee Chairman and Board of Trustees member Johnny Harris said in a phone interview Tuesday that the committee had not set a timetable for the search, adding that the process never would close officially. If a candidate comes forward after interviewing has already begun, he or she still will be considered.

All other qualifications being equal, Harris said he agreed with the alumni speak-

ers that familiarity with the state and the Chapel Hill campus would give one candidate an edge over another.

"I think it's incumbent upon the search committee to look at the best qualified people in academia in the country," he said. "To do that, you don't start out with limits."

Besides Whichard, the other four alumni representatives who attended the session were GAA Chairman J. Allen Adams of Raleigh, J. Dewey Dorsett Jr. of Charlotte, James Exum Jr. of Greensboro and Ray Farris of Charlotte. GAA President Doug Dibbert also attended the meeting.

"We are the model for public universities that take pride in and choose to build upon the special history that is ours," Dibbert said in a phone interview Monday. "It's deeper and richer than you can

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## DWI Charge Reduced Against Wrestling Coach

BY JOHN C. MANUEL  
SPECIAL TO THE DTH

Leave your hands at 10-and-2 on the steering wheel. Keep your eyes on the road.

They're basic rules for safe operation of an automobile.

On a wet April night, Bill Lam was driving home from a party at a local restaurant, Slug's at the Pines. He had one hand on the wheel, one hand on his car phone and his eyes off the road. And soon, his Toyota was also off the road.

"I was going down the road, put the car phone back in the holder, and I looked down to put it in," Lam said. "It was a country road with no shoulder. My right tires went off the highway, and I looked up and tried to pull myself back on the road."

"The grass was wet and the road was dry and I lost control of the truck. It started to flip. I wasn't wearing a safety belt and was thrown through the windshield. Once through the windshield, I remember saying, 'Somebody help me. I'm hurt.'"

That night — ironically, April 1 — Lam, who had just completed his 21st season as UNC's wrestling coach, crashed his car and suffered broken ribs and a collapsed lung on Barbee Chapel Road off N.C. 54. Nearby residents heard his cries for help.

A 911 emergency call sent an ambulance to the scene, and just 15 minutes after his crash, Lam was about to be taken to UNC Hospitals when the highway patrol

*"I wasn't wearing a safety belt and was thrown through the windshield. Once through the windshield, I remember saying, 'Somebody help me, I'm hurt.'"*

BILL LAM  
UNC wrestling coach

arrived.

An officer smelled alcohol on Lam's body in the ambulance. By the time Lam got to UNC Hospitals, he had charged been charged with driving while impaired by alcohol.

Days later, area newspapers picked up the story. The charge stung Lam and the UNC athletic community.

"Every thing in the papers has been kind of negative," Lam, 50, said in a June 25 interview. "I don't blame the newspapers — that's what seems to sell papers these days. Look at the O.J. Simpson case. Everybody watches it, that's what society is asking for."

"As a public figure, I'm willing to accept the responsibilities for my actions. That goes with being a public figure, a role model."

But Lam argued that his actions did not include driving under the influence. He challenged his DWI charge and won.

At Lam's June 1 court appearance, the initial charges against him were reduced. Durham District Attorney Jim Hardin Jr. said he hadn't had the evidence to prove a DWI.

"We had no evidence of operation of the vehicle other than a wreck, no admis-

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UNC Wrestling Coach BILL LAM says his car accident will not affect his coaching duties.

## UNC Employee Wins Grievance Judgment

BY LYNN HOUSER  
CITY EDITOR

The State Personnel Commission ordered the reinstatement Monday of a UNC employee fired in April 1993 because of his response to a practical joke gone awry.

Everette Newton, a crew leader in the UNC Physical Plant's Electrical Distribution Department, was fired after he pulled out a pocketknife to defend himself when another employee gave the impression of having a snake in a bucket.

The SPC accepted most of the decision recommended by Administrative Law Judge Robert Roosevelt Reilly Jr. and ordered that Newton be reinstated to the same or a similar position. It also awarded him back pay and attorney's fees.

UNC's attorney, Assistant Attorney General Anne Brown, said Wednesday that she had not spoken with anyone yet about whether UNC would appeal the decision.

Newton said he was happy with the

decision but not with the grievance process. "I'm very pleased, but it's been a long time coming," he said. "The whole grievance procedure, as far as I'm concerned, is a farce. It looks good on paper, but it's a farce. Even though I've been through it and won, (the dismissal) never should've happened."

Alan McSurely, Newton's attorney, said he was concerned that it had taken the SPC administration office almost four months to issue the decision after the SPC met on April 6. Because of the delay, taxpayers will be paying Newton for that period, in which he had provided no work in return. McSurely said members of the SPC administration staff had told him the delay had been due to the lack of a typist.

Patsy Smith Morgan, SPC administrator, said Tuesday that her office had undergone some staff changes and that after the SPC met in April, the staff had done what was necessary to get the decision out.

The incident, which occurred April 21, 1993, began when Ralph Terry, a power

distribution electrician, set a cloth-covered bucket beside another employee, who was afraid of snakes, according to testimony recorded in the decision. Newton, who was eating lunch about 10 feet away, stood up and opened his pocketknife, which he used on the job.

"Mr. Terry didn't have to say what it was because he was known to play pranks on people with snakes from time to time," Newton said Tuesday. Once Terry removed the cloth and revealed a squirrel, Newton put his knife away and sat down.

The SPC found that Newton's reaction to the prank had not been just cause to dismiss him.

Newton said that his boss, Jerry Lloyd, had told him he had been fired because he had not been remorseful for what he had done. Lloyd's supervisor, John Laetz, who made the decision to fire Newton, said the case had been an unfortunate one from the beginning. "Considering the potential of this occurring in the future, it was the only decision I could justify at the time."

## Lack of Funds Halts Law School Plans

BY RACHAEL LANDAU  
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The UNC School of Law has plans to improve its facilities, but the process may take longer than expected because the General Assembly did not allocate as much funding as the law school needed to proceed.

The money allocated to UNC in the General Assembly's 1993-94 budget is \$25 million less than the school requested for construction. The Board of Trustees approved plans for a \$12 million addition to the law school last summer but only received \$1 million from the General Assembly this month.

State legislators voted to allocate the UNC system \$47.3 million for systemwide projects. Of that money, UNC received the \$1 million for planning the law school's expansion, \$700,000 for renovating the Institute of Government, \$850,000 for an addition to Hill Hall and \$100,000 toward building a leadership academy.

The General Assembly also passed an increase in state employee salaries.

"While the \$1 million is appreciated, it is not enough to allow us to construct the addition to the law school," UNC Provost Richard McCormick said.

Despite the fact that UNC did not receive as much funding as it had requested, McCormick said he was pleased overall with the appropriations.

"Sure we are disappointed, but it's important to remember that our top priority was an increase in faculty salaries," he said.

"People have the perception that UNC didn't need more money for buildings,

which helps explain why the General Assembly didn't provide much for it."

Ellen Smith, director of public information for the law school, said that officials in the law school expected that it would take a while to get all the funds they needed for the new building. "We are encouraged about the outlook for building the addition to the law school because we feel the legislature made a positive commitment," she said.

Smith also said law school officials felt positive about the progress the law school had made in the last year.

The law school has responded to the American Bar Association's comments this spring regarding being reaccredited and is waiting for the ABA's next response. High on the list of priorities for the law school is increasing space and resources.

The Student Bar Association's Board of Governors and the UNC Board of Trustees approved a student fee increase of \$500 to help improve the law school's programs. To compensate for the lack of state funds at the moment, the law school will rely on the new student fee to provide money for improvements in the law school.

Smith said the law school also had received some major gifts to the library.

"We're looking at it as a good sign that

the General Assembly recognized the need and that it will result in a sufficient appropriation to construct the building in the not-so-distant future," said Wayne Jones, vice chancellor for business and finance.

McCormick said the University not only needed money to expand the law school but that it also had hoped to move the Drama Department to Paul Green Theatre.

The University plans to convert Graham Memorial into the Center for Undergraduate Excellence, which it already has private funding to start. McCormick said that now all the University needed was for the legislature to fund the drama department's move.

He said the current appropriations were a recognition on the legislators' part that UNC needed those facilities.

UNC still could get more funding, however, as legislators also approved a \$33 million allocation to the Board of Governors for unspecified renovations and improvements. "The people of North Carolina have supported higher education very well; this year's session of the General Assembly was no exception," McCormick said. "I believe as resources permit the people of North Carolina will continue to provide well for public higher education."

### Editor's Note

You're reading the last summer issue of The Daily Tar Heel.

The DTH will publish its welcome back issue Aug. 22 to update the University community on summer events and the news between the end of second summer session and the beginning of

fall semester.

The daily publication schedule begins Aug. 24 with the first day of classes.

The advertising and editorial staff will be back in the office Aug. 15.

Until then ... ciao.

The opinion of the strongest is always the best.

Jean de La Fontaine