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## IN THE NEWS

Top stories from the state, nation and world

### Laboratory Charged With Homicide in Cancer Deaths

MILWAUKEE — A laboratory was charged with reckless homicide Wednesday for allegedly misreading Pap smears that could have saved the lives of two women.

District Attorney E. Michael McCann brought the charges against Chem-Bio Corp. of suburban Oak Creek in the case of Dolores Geary and Karin Smith.

They died of cervical cancer after the laboratory missed what experts testifying at an inquest said were unmistakable signs of cancer on their gynecological exams. When detected early, cervical cancer can be cured easily.

During the weekend, the inquest jury had recommended reckless homicide charges against the laboratory as well as against a technician and the doctor who oversaw the lab.

### 31 Killed, 51 Hurt in Raids On Rwandan Refugee Camp

NAIROBI, Kenya — Raiders with assault rifles and grenades killed 31 people at a Rwandan refugee camp and on a Zairian island in Lake Kivu, a U.N. agency said Wednesday.

Fifty-one people were wounded in the attacks, 10 seriously. Many were women and children housed in the Birava camp on the western shore of the lake, which separates Rwanda and Zaire.

The area has been the scene of numerous cross-border attacks, some ascribed to bandits, others to former Rwandan soldiers and militiamen in exile in Zaire.

U.N. officials were unsure whether the attacks Tuesday night were conducted by Rwandan Tutsis in retaliation for raids into Rwanda by extremist Hutus, many of whom are housed in Zairian refugee camps.

### Mortar Hits Downtown Sarajevo; Seven Wounded

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Sarajevans got a bleak reminder of war's worst days Wednesday when a mortar shell slammed into a crowded city street, wounding seven people.

An Italian journalist, Maurizio Cucchi, later was slightly wounded when his minibus came under fire as he drove on an exposed section of the road to the city's airport. The airport remained closed for a fifth day after 10 shots hit a U.S. plane flying for the United Nations.

International mediators scrapped a visit to Sarajevo because Bosnian Serb rebels failed to guarantee safety for their plane, and they gave no sign their talks in neighboring Croatia and Yugoslavia had yielded any hope war would end soon.

### Lee Iacocca Group Offers \$22.8 Billion for Chrysler

DETROIT — Chrysler Corp.'s biggest shareholder and former Chairman Lee Iacocca teamed up Wednesday to make a stunning \$22.8 billion cash takeover offer for the No. 3 automaker.

The \$55-a-share proposal from casino-entertainment billionaire Kirk Kerkorian and Iacocca was more than 40 percent higher than Tuesday's closing stock price. It would be the biggest American corporate acquisition since the \$25 billion takeover of tobacco-food conglomerate RJR Nabisco Inc. six years ago.

The group, organized by Kerkorian's Las Vegas-based Tracinda Corp., is offering to buy the 90 percent of Chrysler stock not already owned by Tracinda.

### Judge Dubious of Ousted Juror's Claims of Racism

LOS ANGELES — The judge in the O.J. Simpson trial wasn't impressed with an ousted juror's claim that a white panel member had kicked her and had stomped on another black juror's foot, according to court documents released today.

The judge also told attorneys that he not only would interview dismissed juror Jeanette Harris and the two other jurors but that he might talk to each juror individually in private.

Harris was subpoenaed to meet privately with the judge late Wednesday afternoon after further testimony by police criminalist Dennis Fung.

In the sidebar, defense attorney Johnnie Cochran Jr., who opposed Harris' ouster, cautioned the judge to be sensitive to her claims.

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## Weather

TODAY: Partly cloudy; high low 70s.  
FRIDAY: Mostly sunny; high upper 60s.

# Consultants, Residents on Same Track

BY RYAN THORNBURG  
CITY EDITOR

UNC consultants seemed to generally agree with members of Chapel Hill and Carrboro advisory panels about the future of the University's Mason Farm and Horace Williams tracts when they met Wednesday night at the Friday Center.

Representatives from the Ann Arbor, Mich.-based consulting firm Johnson, Johnson & Roy suggested that much of the University's future development should occur on the Horace Williams site instead of the larger Mason Farm location.

"It's a real good feeling to know we're

not going to be at loggerheads with the University at every step of the way," said Chapel Hill advisory panel member Jim Ward after hearing JJR's presentation.

While the consultants have not begun suggesting specific uses for all of the 2,200 acres on the two sites, they have identified sites that would not be suitable for certain types of development.

The consultants divided the sites into five categories: previously committed land on which there is already some type of development, protected lands such as wetlands and thick forests, open space buffer that should protect surrounding neighborhoods from noise and light coming from

the developments, primary use areas, and restricted use areas.

The amount of land available for primary use on the Mason Farm tract is limited to 31 acres, 2.4 percent of the whole tract. The space is so limited because much of the land on the tract is either already developed or is environmentally sensitive. Much of the usable area is in the northeastern half of the tract adjacent to Raleigh Road.

The Friday Center, the N.C. Botanical Garden, a biological preserve and several UNC fraternities already take up 560 of the 1,300 acres, according to JJR representatives. Finley Golf Course was not desig-

nated by the consultants as committed land, meaning that it could be developed for other use if so desired by University officials.

Some talk was made Wednesday night about either relocating the golf course on the Mason Farm site or moving it to the Horace Williams tract.

"The issue of potentially moving the golf course from Mason Farm to Horace Williams has been of great interest," JJR representative Dick Rigerink said. "As a result, JJR has put together a rationale for a way of thinking about the golf course."

Rigerink suggested that relocating the golf course to Mason Farm's floodplain,

which has the potential to flood at least once every 100 years, would give UNC more space for building. But he also said the issue had been discussed with officials and still remained unresolved.

The Chapel Hill advisory board concurred with the JJR advisers for the most part about the usability of Mason Farm. The town panel was concerned with transportation problems that could arise if more development were added along the already-congested N.C. 54 Bypass.

Of the 970 acres on the Horace Williams site west of Airport Road, 320 acres

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## Whoos's There?



A fledgling owl tries out its wings in an Upper Quad tree Tuesday afternoon. A family of owls has made the campus trees its new home, to the dismay of some pedestrians and the delight of others.

DITHERIK PEREL

## Student Vandals Caught Trashing Art on Campus

BY LEAH MERREY  
STAFF WRITER

A team of 17 undergraduate art students announced Wednesday that it believed that fellow students were vandalizing artwork displayed outside of Hanes Art Center.

Members of the eXperimental Art Research Terminal of Chapel Hill said in a press conference Wednesday morning that they had set up a surveillance system to observe vandalism of sculptures in the grassy courtyard on the south side of Hanes Art Center.

XARTCH surveyed the sculptures from March 22 to 25 and from April 5 through Saturday. Unfortunately, the vandalism of the sculptures was not limited to these dates. On Tuesday night, a piece valued at \$250 was stolen.

Team member Jim Webb said students had watched from the second floor of Hanes Art Center as passers-by carried out both violent and nonviolent acts on the sculptures.

"We spent eight evenings observing 11 sculptures between the hours of 10 p.m. and 3 a.m. We surveyed for a total of 44 hours and witnessed 11 acts of vandalism," Webb said. "Six of the 11 sculptures were destroyed."

He said the team thought that most, if not all, of the vandals were University students.

Team member Carolyn Payne said the sculptures were set up to make surveillance easy for the group.

"We placed the pieces with the whole thing in mind," she said. "We had a powerful halogen lamp illuminating the sculptures."

Team members recorded the vandalism, using black-and-white still photography as well as video cameras. The members also took turns observing the sculptures and writing their observations in logbooks.

The creation and surveillance of the art was part of a performance art project supervised by Minnesota-based performance artist Billy Curmano, the art department's spring semester "artist-in-residence."

"Some of the team's participants actually interviewed the vandals immediately after the acts were committed," Curmano said.

Two female team members hid in the bushes surrounding the courtyard and witnessed a vandal attacking a sculpture with a screwdriver, Curmano said. The team members confronted the vandal, asking him why he was destroying their art projects.

"They told him that he was ruining their grade in art class, and they asked him why he did what he did," Curmano said. "Then the vandal said something to the effect that since he didn't see anyone around, he thought he would have been able to get away with it."

Murat Dirlik, a project participant, said XARTCH had pictures of several people destroying the artwork.

"We observed punching and kicking, and somebody stabbed my sculpture with a screwdriver," Dirlik said. "We may file felony charges and/or demand monetary compensation."

Kathy Ching, whose work was also vandalized, said it would not be difficult to identify the students who had vandalized the sculptures. "We have videotapes of the vandals with sound,"

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## Re-Accreditation Final Report Released

BY WILL SAFER  
STAFF WRITER

With little fanfare, the official report on the University's self-study was introduced at a press conference Wednesday morning. Chancellor Paul Hardin said the report, the result of a two-year review process, highlighted "the teaching mission of the University."

"Our goal is for an already superb University to become even greater, year by year," Hardin said.

The report, introduced by Darryl Gless, professor of English and chairman of the report's steering

committee, has already been available in draft form for several months. Gless said that with the official version available, the University could finally begin the process of exploring the 17 recommendations and 73 suggestions it contained.

"I would be surprised if, by this fall, we didn't start seeing an elaborate process of change in the way people think about what is necessary to improve the University," Gless said.

He also said that with the official version available, members of the General Assembly would have concrete facts available to them as they considered cuts to the University's budget. "People

have been going around trading stories, anecdotes, and most are inaccurate," he said. "Now they'll have the facts."

Gless said the greatest threat to the University was the possibility of losing money for programs. "We've had a lot of difficulty funding graduate education."

Jane Brown, professor of journalism and mass communication and chairwoman of the Faculty Council, said that the next likely step for the self-study process would be a parsing out of different

## Carrboro Mulls Plans For Town Hall Growth

BY JENNIFER MARSHBURN  
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Lack of space in Carrboro's town hall was a topic of discussion at Tuesday night's Board of Aldermen meeting. Members explored possible solutions to a growing problem concerning the nearly 80-year-old building. The building, which was built in 1917, is too small to accommodate Carrboro's needs, Alderman Jacquelyn Gist said.

The aldermen heard from Dan Huffman of Cherry Huffman Architects PA, who spoke about ideas for the building's renovation. Huffman presented an analysis of the current structure, which included several areas in need of repair. Among these areas were the electrical and plumbing systems, which are outdated, Huffman said.

Huffman's study also included space needs for the building through the year 2010. The building now consists of 22,141 square feet for the town and 10,126 square feet for the police department. The projected space need for 2010 is 46,600 square feet, Huffman said.

The talk included suggestions about how the renovated space could be allocated most effectively to the town departments occupying town hall. Huffman presented

three schemes to the aldermen that demonstrated the options for renovation.

One scheme involved no off-site building but rather an addition of three floors — at a cost of \$3.7 million. The second scheme consisted of an off-site structure for the police department — at a projected cost of \$2.7 million. The third scheme consisted of all on-site renovations with the exception of the recreation and parks department, which would move to an off-site location; that plan would cost \$3 million.

"We heard several different plans for the renovation," Alderman Jay Bryan said. "We are not at the point where we are making decisions yet. We are still weighing the options in order to come up with the most favorable plan."

The board did not decide to have immediate plans drawn up because of budget restrictions, Gist said.

Bryan said none of the plans was official yet.

Gist said that although no specific plan had been selected, some type of renovation was inevitable.

"The fact is that we have outgrown our town hall," she said. "We can't go on in the current building without some change."

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## Panel: Children Misunderstand Sexuality

BY ERIKA MEYERS  
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Children have access to a plethora of information through the media that might cause them to be poorly socialized and full of misconceptions about sexuality, gender roles and violence, according to a presentation Wednesday night.

"The Media, Sex and Children," a multimedia presentation on the sexualization of children in the media and its effects, occurred in the Hanes Art Center auditorium.

Jane Brown, a professor in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication, and Linnea Smith, a Chapel Hill psychiatrist, made the presentation, and Jeannie Newman of the School of Social Work moderated the forum.

The presentation focused on the ways the media institutionalizes children through images of gender roles and sexuality. This was reinforced through studies that included statistics that demonstrated the impact of the media on adolescent subjects.

With increased media use, children have been having sex at earlier ages, according to the studies. By age 17, more than 70 percent of adolescents have already had sex, the studies showed. Although contraceptive use has become more prevalent



Dr. Linnea Smith and Professor Jane Brown, chairwoman of the Faculty Council, presided over a discussion about the effects of sex in the media on children Wednesday night in Hanes Art Center auditorium. Smith presented a slide show illustrating examples of child exploitation in famous magazines and national advertising campaigns.

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*If you won't leave me alone, I'll find someone who will.*

Unknown