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## Shooting Suspects to Appear in Court Today

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Probable cause hearings for three suspects allegedly involved in the early Sunday morning shooting in front of Fetzter Gymnasium will be held this morning at Chapel Hill District Courthouse, University Police said.

Resting at his Durham home after being released from UNC Hospitals on Monday, victim Shon Chambers, 24, said the 1:35 a.m. Sunday shooting followed a heated

argument between Chambers' cousin and another male.

"My cousin was just talking to a couple of girls about how this guy was acting crazy in front of the cops," Chambers said Monday. "Then the guy comes up, asking like, 'What's up?' and yelling at him."

An argument then ensued between the man and Chambers' cousin. After a while, Chambers and his cousin turned away from the argument and began to walk to their car. When they reached the crosswalk in front of Fetzter Gymnasium, the man who

had accosted Chambers' cousin drove up to the traffic light at the intersection of Raleigh and South Roads with his friends, Chambers said.

The confrontation between the man driving the car and Chambers' cousin continued, and the driver eventually pulled out a semi-automatic handgun and fired three shots at the victim and his cousin.

Chambers was struck once in each leg. North Carolina Highway Patrol officers later apprehended Plimpton Lee Robinson, 25, and Anthony Lamont

McEachin, 23, of Raleigh and Zell Everette Harris Jr., 16, of Apex on I-40 after University police issued a statewide bulletin for the suspects' vehicle, a 1995 red, two-door Honda.

Robinson was charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and driving while impaired, as he was believed to have been under the influence of alcohol at the time he was stopped.

He is being held at Orange County Jail under \$50,000 bond. McEachin and Harris were released Sunday after posting

\$2,000 bond each.

It is still unknown whether the three suspects, none of whom are college students, attended Saturday night's annual step show, which drew about 3,000 people to Carmichael Auditorium and ended without incident at 1:30 a.m.

The dance exhibition was open to the public, Director of Greek Affairs Ron Binder said, unlike parties held inside the Student Union Great Hall.

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## No 'Girls' On Town Streets

■ The state will support the town's decision to ban "Kiss the Girls" from filming.

BY ERIC FLACK  
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The N.C. Department of Transportation will not override the Chapel Hill Town Council's decision to deny Paramount Pictures permission to block off local sidewalks and streets to film the upcoming motion picture, "Kiss the Girls."

John Watkins, the department's division engineer, said that although his division had the authority to overturn the town council's decision, he would not intervene.

"It would be my opinion that this is a state-system street, and we would have the authority to control it," Watkins said. "But, since it is a local issue, I would not try to overturn the decision."

Paramount Pictures hoped to shoot "Kiss the Girls" at sites all over the Triangle area, but many local residents and politicians objected to the plot of James Patterson's best-selling novel about two serial killers who kidnap and rape female students.

However, the movie's content is irrelevant to the town's decision, said Shelly Green, director of the Chapel Hill Visitor's Bureau.

"Paramount's request involved blocking off Franklin Street and the sidewalks," Green said. "The town has a policy against closing off public streets for private use. It was a policy decision and the policy is clear: You don't inconvenience all of your citizens so a private interest can make money."

Paramount did not offer Chapel Hill any money in return for temporarily closing down the 100 block of East Franklin Street.

Paramount has had more success filming in Durham, but roadblocks still remain. Most recently, the Durham County Board of Commissioners vetoed Paramount's request to film a scene outside the old county courthouse downtown.

Orville Powell, Durham city manager, has approved shoots in about 80 locations. Powell, who acknowledged the city council's right to overturn any of his decisions, said his decisions were based on upholding the Constitution and for the benefit of Durham's residents.

"We wanted to protect the First Amendment rights and free speech of the Durham residents," Powell said. "We've encouraged movies to be shot in our area because of the economic gain. We've found our citizens enjoy watching the movies being made and the bit parts that come with them."

Reyn Bowman, head of the Durham Convention and Visitors Bureau, said that "Kiss the Girls," the 16th major motion

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## Gore: Young Voters Key In '96 Race

■ The vice president said college students could be the deciding vote in this district.

BY ROBYN TOMLIN HACKLEY  
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In a trip that focused on current issues in education, Vice President Al Gore stressed area college students' important role in the upcoming election season during a 30-minute forum with N.C. college journalists.

"Students have a very important role to play in helping our country make decisions about the future," Gore said.

The vice president said the importance of students' voices in the political arena was most evident during the congressional debate over proposed cuts in student aid funding. Gore said college students, from both ends of the political spectrum, banded together to fight the proposed cuts.

Gore spoke with five student journalists in a roundtable discussion at the Kenan Center. Pointing to the 67,000 college students in N.C.'s 4th Congressional District, Gore said the college population could be the deciding factor in the congressional race between U.S. Rep. Fred Heineman, R-N.C., and former U.S. Rep. David Price, D-N.C.

"The future of our country could be very different depending on who wins on Nov. 5. College students can really determine the outcome of the election," Gore said.

Gore said one reason students should be concerned about the November election's outcome was that student loans and federal Pell Grants were "very much at risk in this election." Gore predicted education and environmental funding as two main funding cut targets if Republicans maintained control of Congress.

"We proposed an increase in funding for Pell Grants. It has not kept up with inflation," he said. "Inflation in tuition costs has been higher than the inflation rate generally."

Gore touted the administration's sup-



Gov. Jim Hunt reads a story to a group of children at the Community School for People Under Six in Chapel Hill while Vice President Al Gore looks on. Gore was in the Triangle on Monday to promote the Clinton administration's interest in education issues.

port of the Direct Lending program and the establishment of the AmeriCorps public service program.

Using the administration's legislative successes as a road map, Gore said he and President Bill Clinton would look to the future during the 1996 campaign.

"We will run on the basis of the president's prospective agenda, and we will talk, as the president did during the State of the Union address in January, about the challenges facing America," he said.

"We will cite some of the accomplishments of the first term as examples of why we think it is realistic to believe that the general approach we're taking offers the prospect of success in meeting these challenges that the president will lay out."

Gore said a retrospective campaign was

significant only because it illustrated why it was reasonable to believe the approach toward the future was a good approach.

"There are inherent weaknesses in campaigning on what we have done. We are painfully aware of how much we have left to do."

"I think that the election of '96 is a little different from past elections in that the voters are really confronted with a stark contrast between two visions of change," Gore said.

Gore stumped hard for the Clinton-Gore ticket, saying voters could choose to stick with "the president's vision of a balanced budget with increased investments in education and the environment."

Or, he said, voters could choose the Republican "wrecking crew that has put forward an agenda of slashing Pell Grants

and aid to education."

Gore said: "What I'm finding is that Democrats, Republicans and Independents are all dismayed by the Gingrich-Dole agenda and reassured by the steady leadership that President Clinton provides our country and excited by the prospect of meeting the challenges he's laid out."

Gore took on campaign and public policy questions tossed at him during the forum.

When asked whether he thought the passage of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, a bill that bans "indecent" and "patently offensive" materials from the Internet, violated free speech regulations and threatened college newspapers on the World Wide Web, Gore waffled.

"I don't see how the Telecommunications Act will have an impact on college

newspapers," he began. But after clarification, Gore said he understood the dilemma more clearly.

"We said from the outset that we would let that provision stand or fall in the courts and that it will be stricken by the court," he said.

The administration hoped that Internet access providers would come up with private-sector solutions to the problem, Gore said.

Gore said parents had legitimate concerns that their children be shielded from Internet material that violated their family values.

Using the catch-phrase "extremist" six times to describe the Republicans in Congress, Gore said that since the Republicans

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## Lawyer: Student Should Not Be Charged in Assault Case

BY ANGELA MOORE  
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A 16-year-old Chapel Hill High School student made his first appearance Monday in Orange County District Court to answer to charges that he took part in a sexual assault on another student.

Patrick Moore and two 15-year-old CHHS students were accused by a 15-year-old female student of sexually assaulting her April 4 in the school's cultural arts building. The female student told school officials about the incident, who then reported it to the police.

A warrant for Moore's arrest was issued Friday, along with petitions against the two 15-year-old students. Moore is charged with aiding and abetting sexual assault.

After the appearance in District Court Monday morning, Moore's attorney Carlton Mansfield said the case against Moore did not have enough evidence to progress to trial in Superior Court.

Mansfield said he was present when Moore was arrested and the charges were explained to him by Chapel Hill Police Officer Cathy Williams. He said Williams explained to Moore that he was being

charged as an aider and abettor to the assault.

"She said the theory behind this charge was that he was present during the assault and had a duty to stop the other guys and didn't," Mansfield said. "But the North Carolina courts have only said a parent has that duty."

"This is the only time in the state anyone other than a parent has been held to that standard."

Mansfield said the charges of aiding and abetting sexual assault should not be applied to Moore. "He should have never even been charged."

Chapel Hill police spokeswoman Jane Cousins said she could only confirm that Moore was indeed charged with aiding and abetting assault, and not actual assault.

She said the police could not comment further on the case because it is still under investigation.

Moore's probable cause hearing will be in Orange County District Court on April 26. There, a judge will determine if there is enough evidence against Moore for the

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## Loreleis Capture National A Cappella Award, Appear on TV

BY MARISA FERGUSON  
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The National College A Cappella Championships might not get the same attention as March Madness, but UNC's female a cappella group, the Loreleis, has made a name for itself nonetheless.

The Loreleis won the National Collegiate A Cappella Championship on Sunday at New York City's Lincoln Center. They had advanced to the finals from a field of 53 university groups nationwide.

The Loreleis were the only all-female group in the finals, which was made up of five teams. The group sang several contemporary tunes to capture the \$2,500 first place prize.

Following their win, the Loreleis secured an impromptu appearance Monday on ABC-TV's "Good Morning America," where they sang En Vogue's "Hold Onto Your Love."

Loreleis' President Christy Parker, a senior from Wilmington, said she thought the accomplishment meant a lot to the group and to all a cappella groups.

"It's the ultimate satisfaction for all the work we've put in," she said. "It's also good for a cappella groups across the nation, and that was one of the objects of the competition."

Chancellor Michael Hooker and his wife, Carmen,



The Loreleis, UNC's only all-female a cappella group, captured first place Sunday at the National A Cappella Championship in New York City.

have extended support to the Loreleis since their arrival last year. Carmen Hooker accompanied the group to New York City this weekend.

"The Loreleis' accomplishments bring national exposure to another part of excellence within the University,"

Carmen Hooker said. "Their unique, exciting approach is going to send a message to other groups across the nation."

The style of the Loreleis was much more dynamic and

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*There is no end to the laws, and no beginning to the execution of them.*

Mark Twain