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Terps dump No. 1 UNC in overtime

■ The loss was coach Bill Guthridge's first since he took the reins in October.

BY ALEC MORRISON
SENIOR WRITER

Top-ranked North Carolina's confidence and sharpshooting poise evaporated in the chaos of Cole Field House on Wednesday night, and Maryland wasted no time jumping on the opening.

The unranked Terrapins handed the Tar Heels their first loss of the season with an 89-83 overtime win before a crowd of 14,500 as Maryland (10-5, 3-2 in the ACC) exposed a soft Tar Heel interior defense, and UNC (17-1, 4-1) failed to connect on three straight shots while trailing by three in the waning moments of overtime.

"I've been (saying) all year, you can't afford to make no UNC mistakes," Maryland forward Antawn Jamison said. "Tonight we did. Tonight we took a giant step back."

After trailing by four points at half-time, UNC led by as many as six in the second half before the Terrapins steadily, persistently began to close that gap. Maryland erased a 70-66 UNC lead with five minutes left in regulation on a jumper by reserve center Mike Mardesich and two free throws from forward Laron Profit.

The teams seasawed from there, with Mardesich sending the game to overtime by following a Rodney Elliot air ball to tie the game at 76 with less than a minute remaining in regulation. Mardesich and fellow freshman Terrence Morris saw critical minutes because Elliot and center Obinna Ekezie carried four fouls each. Ekezie fouled out with 2:27 left in regulation, and Elliot followed suit at 4:01 of overtime. UNC forward Antawn Jamison hit one of two free throws after Elliot exited, and UNC led 80-78.

But the Terrapins, who repeatedly mustered the energy to recover when the Tar Heels pulled away, again summoned the will to set UNC to task.

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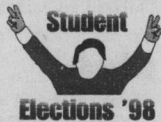
Web campaigning sticky issue for board

BY JESSICA GALAZKA
STAFF WRITER

The Elections Board is finding itself entangled in the World Wide Web.

Shortly into the student elections season, the board has had to address Internet-related campaign issues, specifically about campaigning on the Internet.

"This is the first year we've done this," said Joe Kledis, board chairman. "It's a great use of technology and a place for students to seek out candidates."



The Student Code has no rules about using the Internet and e-mail.

When campaigning officially starts Jan. 28, the board will activate candidates' web pages, featuring platforms, for student access.

But this convenient source of information is forcing the board to sort through some tough Internet issues.

Students, too, have come face-to-face with these issues. Students checking e-mail or surfing the Web on the Student Union computers Tuesday were hit with a barrage of elections mania.

Computer screens were set to default to a web page created by Anne Neville's campaign for student body president. Students wanting to go onto the Internet first saw a Web survey inviting students

to share their concerns with Neville.

The board had the computers fixed to return to the UNC web page and issued no fine to Neville's campaign.

"It's a great idea, and we don't want to hinder creativity. But it's not a level playing field to everyone else," Kledis said.

The board passed an administrative decision Tuesday night, stating, "No campus computers may be preset to candidate information pages."

Policing information distributed electronically is difficult, Kledis said. The board has fielded a number of phone calls regarding policies.

"My mailbox is full of messages," he said.

"I've had almost every campaign call

me about possible infringements."

The problem with having no rules to regulate Web use is that candidates have no direction as to what can be done.

"We've been going off what Joe has been telling us," said Brad Matthews, Neville's assistant campaign manager. "We're definitely going to have to come up with clean-cut guidelines."

A framework established Tuesday provided candidates with some rules. The administrative decision stated that candidates could have Web pages posted from the campus server and linked to the Elections Board's web page.

Lacey Hawthorne, a potential candidate for student body president, said, "This is a creative, innovative way to get information out."

"(Web pages) are free and a big concern of candidates is to fit in creative ideas and stay within the budget."

JOE KLEDIS
Elections Board Chairman

Potential student body president candidate Rob Dalton, said he'll have a web page for his platform.

"It's another avenue to get information out to the voters, but other than that

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Students to receive new ONE Card soon

■ Summer school students will be the first to use safer ONE Cards in mid-May.

BY MONICA DEV
ASSISTANT UNIVERSITY EDITOR

It is almost time for students and faculty to part with their trusted old UNC ONE Cards for a newer version.

The new ONE Cards will be handed out in April to all returning students, ONE Card Office manager Jim Clinton said. The location is not definite, yet.

"All your money you might have in an old account will be transferred to the new account," he said.

The campuswide transition to the new cards will take place in mid-May, before summer school begins, Tufts said.

Tufts said the kinks in the new system would be easier to fix during the summer when fewer students were here.

"By the time folks return for fall semester, all problems will be ironed out," he said.

The ONE Card Office will use the digitized pictures saved for students' current cards, but students who want a new picture should go to the ONE Card Office before late February, Tufts said.

The new ONE Cards can be used everywhere they are now accepted.

The only difference is that a 16-digit number, which cannot be used to access personal information about the cardholder, will replace social security numbers, Director of Auxiliary Services Rutledge Tufts said.

Lacey Hawthorne, executive assistant to the student body president last semester, helped push for new ONE Cards whose numbers could be easily replaced if the card were lost.

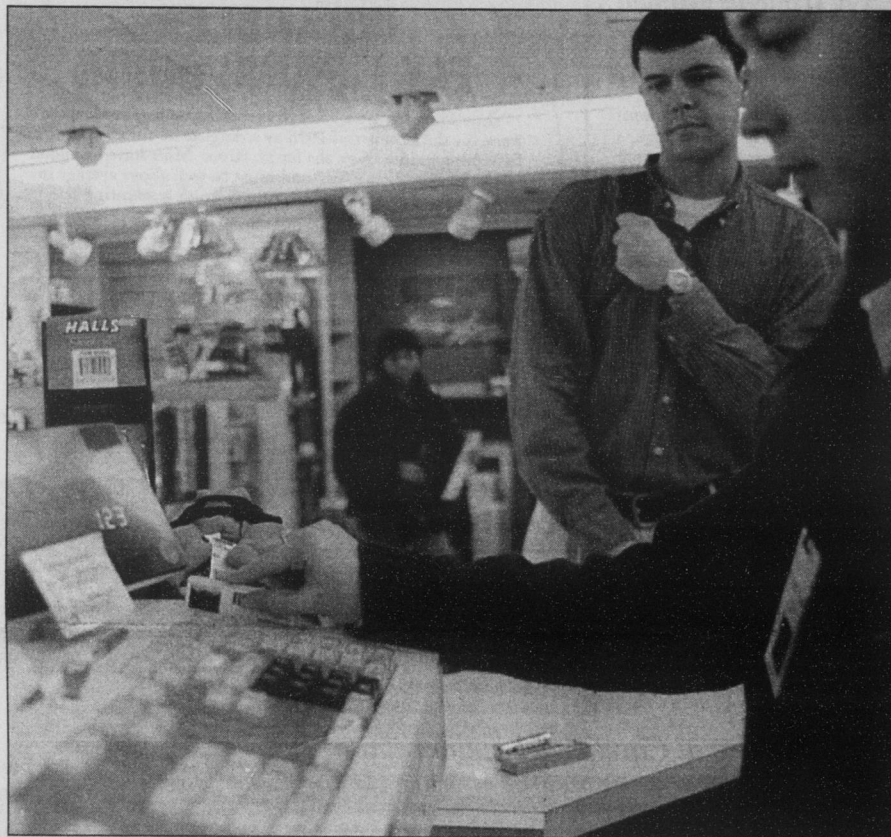
Hawthorne said she realized the importance of switching to the 16-digit number after working in the ONE Card Office during the summer.

"(It was) very easy for a person to access financial information," she said. "This (new card) ensures a safer environment for monetary transactions."

The University is phasing out social security numbers in all other records, as well. They will be replaced by PID numbers, which will only be used for registration and accessing all other personal information held by the University on students and faculty, Tufts said.

Hawthorne said her only concern was that students may confuse the new ONE Card numbers with the PID numbers that will take the place of social security numbers in the University record system next year.

"By fall, the things you normally used your social security number for, you will be using your PIDs."



Student cashier Jammie Tschupp, a sophomore psychology major from Cary, rings out a purchase at Student Stores for a customer with his UNC ONE Card.

Officials say report results not accurate

■ One category that rose was the number of attacks on school personnel.

BY JOHN GARDNER
STAFF WRITER

Despite a recent report that revealed how violence in Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools has risen dramatically over the past year, area officials insist the problem is not as serious as the numbers indicate.

A report released Tuesday by the N.C. Board of Education stated the rate of violence in the district ranked second in the state.

But Chester Preyar, assistant superintendent of support services for the school system, said the figures were not an accurate assessment of the level of violence in the schools.

"Crime isn't up here any more than in other places," he said.

"The standardization of reporting causes the numbers to appear high."

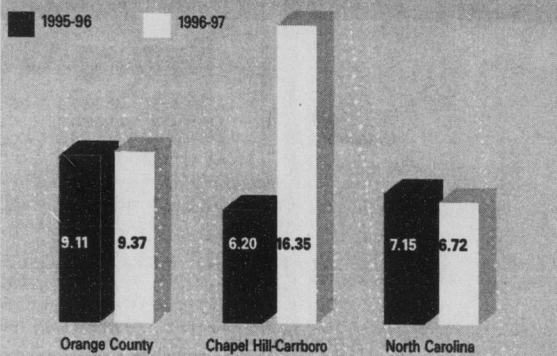
The report showed an increase in the number of violent incidents reported from 48 to 131 as well as an increase from 6.2 incidents per 1,000 students to 16.3 per 1,000 for Chapel Hill-Carrboro Schools.

One of the individual categories that rose dramatically was the number of assaults on school personnel.

According to the report, this number

Violence on the rise

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools saw a dramatic increase in the number of violent incidents reported since the 1995-96 school year.



skyrocketed from six in 1995-96 to 33 in 1996-97.

Despite the rise in this rate, Kim Hoke, spokesperson for the school district, called this figure a bit deceiving.

"Out of the 33, (assaults on school personnel) twenty-some came from one elementary school student," she said.

Hoke said these incidents did not cause serious harm, but they were reported in the same fashion as the rest of the assaults.

Although school officials minimized the significance of the increase in violence stated in the report, they all agreed it was very important to prevent all forms of violent incidents in the school system.

"We have implemented a number of programs to reduce anti-social behavior in the schools," Preyar said.

"These programs focus mostly on

prevention and begin in elementary school."

Another category that saw a sharp increase between 1995-96 and last year were cases of drugs on campus.

This number increased from 22 to 40 and caused school officials to advance their methods of drug prevention, Preyar said.

"The school system has implemented the use of police dogs in an attempt to eradicate substance abuse," he said.

Carlotta Armstrong, interim principal at Chapel Hill High School, said she agreed with Preyar.

She said programs to prevent anti-social behavior were very important in addition to the method by which they were reported.

"We take acts of violence very seriously and are serious about our reporting method."

Federal court rules in favor of former Va. Tech student

■ The former student was allegedly raped by two football players in 1994.

BY MATT DEES
STAFF WRITER

The 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled last week in a 2 to 1 vote that former Virginia Tech student, Christy Brzonkala had the right to sue both the university and the former VT football players who allegedly raped her.

The decision upheld the 1994 Violence Against Women Act, which allows victims of hostile gender-based crimes to sue in federal court, and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which makes sexual discrimination illegal within federally funded colleges.

"We're trying to make the schools as free of discrimination as we want the workplace to be," said Eileen Wagner, attorney for Brzonkala. "We asked the court to apply the sexual discrimination rules used in the workplace to the schools and they agreed."

Brzonkala claimed that Antonio J. Morrison and James L. Crawford raped her in her dormitory room in April 1994. She did not report the incident to university officials, however, until

March 1995.

David Paxton, Morrison's attorney, did not return any phone calls. Virginia Tech did not charge Crawford, who said he did not have sex with Brzonkala.

The university initially suspended Morrison. However, it reduced his punishment following a series of appeals and allowed him to return to school in fall 1995 on a football scholarship.

"They did everything right at the beginning," Wagner said. "Then they did an about face and treated my client very badly."

Wagner said the original decision to suspend Morrison satisfied Brzonkala.

The court based the decision on the university's failure to report the incident to police. The court also questioned whether the university acted firmly enough after learning of the incident.

"With colleges and universities, we have a right to expect more from them," said Daniel Carter, vice president of Security on Campus, a Tennessee-based organization which promotes safety on college campuses across the country.

But the court's ruling may not be final. Crawford's attorney said he planned to ask the Court of Appeals to review the decision. Virginia Tech has not officially decided to ask for a review, but the possibility remains that they will do so.

"In some respects, we have no problem with this going back to court so all the facts can be heard," said Larry Hickens, associate vice-president for university relations at Virginia Tech.

"I think it's a little unfair the university is taking so much heat for a single incident."

INSIDE Thursday

Simply the best of 1997

Who were the best entertainers in movies and music? The answer is in

Diversions, where we comment on this past year's top draws. Page 5

Wrestlers drop ACC opener

N.C. State defeated UNC 18-17 on Wednesday, halting the Tar Heels' 24-match ACC winning streak. Page 11

Clinton likely to stand trial

President Clinton plans to give a deposition Saturday in the civil suit brought against him by Paula Jones. Page 4

Today's weather

Rain;
low 40s
Friday: Cloudy;
low 50s

The time is right

Come on down to The Daily Tar Heel in Suite 104 of the Student Union to pick up a staff application. The applications are due back on Friday by 5 p.m. Call 962-0245 with questions.

People are not against political jokes — they just wonder how they get elected.

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