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## Weekend Break-ins Plague Parking Lot

Fire department officials want the parking lot's security gate to be unlocked so they can have access.

By DAVE PREMARDHANA  
Staff Writer

About 40 cars parked in the PR lot on Estes Drive were broken into Saturday night.

University Police Lt. Lori Palazzo said five of the vehicles also had property stolen. She estimated the total damage to be \$10,000 in property damage and \$2,000 in stolen goods, which were mainly car stereos.

This fall, the price of a PR lot permit increased from \$30 to \$128 per year, Student Body Vice President Emily Williamson said.

She said University officials pitched the price increase saying the gates would improve security, she said.

However, early last week, fire department officials determined the gate should remain unlocked, Palazzo said.

"They do not have gate access so they deemed that they do not want it closed," she said.

Chapel Hill Fire Marshal Larry Johnson, however, said he did not know

anything about the request to unlock the gates.

Regardless of the reasoning behind the unlocked gates, Ryan Burton, a sophomore from Mooresville, said he was awakened Sunday morning by a call from the Chapel Hill Police Department explaining what happened to his 1988 Acura Legend.

"I had a passenger car window busted out," he said. "But nothing was taken."

Burton said he noticed a couple times last week when he went to the PR lot that the gate was not locked.

Although his car was damaged, Burton said he felt very fortunate he was not one of the five people who had property stolen from their vehicles.

"I got new tires and fixed everything up before coming to college," he said. "So I was very happy that the damage was just the window."

The police department has one suspect in the case, Palazzo said.

Detectives are determining whether fingerprints found at the crime scene

match those of a man arrested last week for another breaking and entering incident. That man was later released, she said.

Two separate break-ins also occurred this weekend at an off-campus park and ride lot.

Both occurred at the Southern Village Park & Ride lot. One will cost the owner about \$850 in damages.

The other incident involved the breaking and entering of a Saturn at the same lot. A \$400 CD player and \$200 cellular phone were reported missing.

Burton's parents, who were visiting for Parents Weekend, took the vandalized car back home with them for repairs.

When he returns with the car, Burton said he would feel more confident about the security of his car while it was in

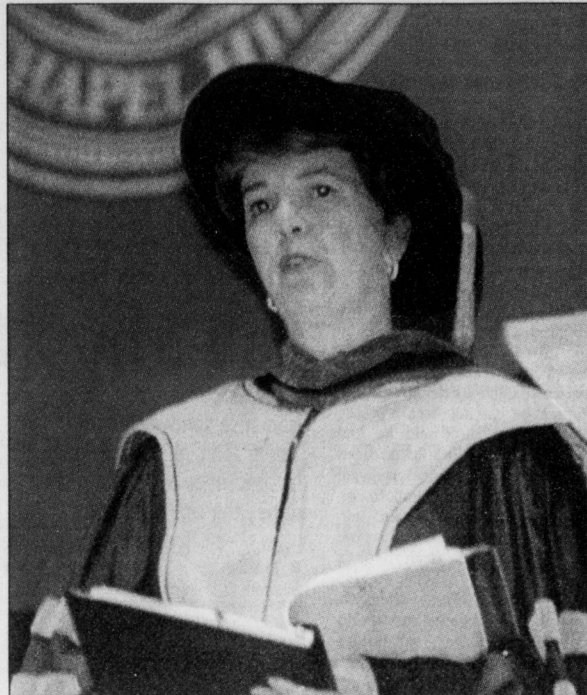
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RYAN BURTON  
Sophomore

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UNC-system President Molly Broad, shown here at last October's University Day, has headed the system for more than a year.

## Change Marks Broad's 1st Year

By WARREN WILSON  
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Molly Broad likes barbecue.

That might not seem incredibly odd to most Southerners or even UNC's Yankee-expatriates, but it is new for her.

Just one year ago, the UNC-system president gave her first official speech on University Day — three months after her move from California.

Since then, Broad has worked to prepare for the system's future enrollment growth, pushed technology to the cutting edge and improved faculty salaries, while adapting to the region's delicacies.

Enrollment growth occupied Broad a great deal over the past year. "It would be fair to say that trying to position the University for enrollment growth has been my number one goal achieved," she said. "We are undertaking a careful study of building and technology infrastructure at all of the campuses."

She also expressed optimism about system plans for distance learning. The goal of reaching students who cannot physically attend one of the 16 campuses ties in with her initiatives on technological advancement of the schools.

A year ago Broad recognized technology as one of her top priorities, and she maintains her belief in its importance. "I am confident that information technology can enrich the quality of the students' experiences," Broad said.

She said the system was currently trying to identify each campus' infrastructural needs and supporting each school's effort to formulate a comprehensive plan for technology growth.

But not all aspects of the job have been easy for Broad.

"Gaining a comprehensive knowledge of a university that has so many different dimensions has been very frus-

trating," Dooley said.

He said minor crime issues were also factored into the decision to curb store hours.

But Chris Dodson, the store manager for the Wal-Mart on 15-501, said the decision at his store had nothing to do with crime or the decrease of business.

"It is to better serve our customers," Dodson said.

Both Dooley and Dodson said the reduced hours would not include staff cutbacks.

Pope said changing stores from 24 hours was not a company-wide trend.

The decision to change store operating hours was made by the store manager, district manager and regional manager.

Dodson said the store had not received any negative feedback from customers concerned with the decrease of hours.

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## Lineman Pleads No Contest

By ASHLEY STEPHENSON  
University Editor

Suspended UNC football player Jon Hall, who was not found guilty of any charges in Orange County District Court on Friday, now must wait for a decision regarding his playing status.

Hall pled no contest to charges of assault and was issued a prayer of judgment, said Hall's attorney, James Butch Williams.

Hall now has no final conviction on his record, Williams said.

The second charge of verbal assault was dismissed in court, Williams said.

Football coach Carl Torbush and UNC Athletics Director Dick Baddour will meet this week with Chancellor

Michael Hooker to discuss possible reinstatement, said Kevin Best, assistant director of sports information.

Hall was suspended Sept. 15 from the football team by Torbush when Torbush learned Hall had been issued a Sept. 9 arrest warrant for misdemeanor counts of communicating threats and domestic assault of a female, UNC student



Jon Hall received a prayer for judgment and now awaits possible reinstatement on the UNC football team.

Katherine Stanley. "Jon wants to put his life back on track and that's what he's going to do," Williams said.

With his legal battle behind him, Hall now awaits reinstatement onto the team.

On Friday, Steve Kirschner, director of media relations for the football and men's basketball team, told The Daily Tar Heel that no decision on Hall's position on the team would be made until the case was resolved.

But with the court case over, Best said the Department of Athletics had still not made a decision. "Nothing has changed since Friday," he said.

But Torbush said no definite time had been established for the meetings

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## CAN I GET A WITNESS?



The Rev. Jesse Jackson urges attendants at the North Carolina Black Family Rally to use their voting power. The rally was held in front of the Legislative Building in Raleigh on Saturday. See story, Page 5.

## UNC Plans Growth 'Road Map'

Officials hope the master plan will unite North and South campuses and improve transportation.

By CARRIE CALLAGHAN  
Staff Writer

The buzzing sounds of construction will not soon fade from campus with the number of projects and plans the University has in the works.

"Priorities are to try to create a road map for the campus so it can grow in beauty and quality," said Adam Gross with Ayers Saint Gross, the Baltimore-based contracting firm formulating a master plan for the future of the University. Begun earlier this year, the master plan will lay the foundation for future campus development.

Gross emphasized the firm's desire to focus on the South Campus area. "North Campus is about as well-loved as any campus in America," he said.

"We want to create a better living and learning environment in South Campus. Part of the issue is how to create a much better walking campus as well as accommodating bus and auto needs."

The plan has just completed the observational phase, said Jonathan Howes, special assistant to the chancellor. There will be five phases to the whole process running until the end of 1999, Howes said. The next phase, the conceptual phase, will involve identifying specific areas for improvement.

To unify the campus, Gross said the company wanted to focus on the areas south of the George Watts Hill Alumni Center and north of the UNC Hospitals complex. "We have begun to imagine how future quadrangles could be developed," he said.

In addition to building changes, increased student enrollment is also on the horizon, Howes said. The University's Enrollment Task Force Committee is investigating additional enrollment, which could include an increase of 5,000 students by the year 2008. The results of their findings, not yet completed, will have an impact on any future construction.

"Increased enrollment is one of the forces driving (the master plan)," Howes said. "The question of how much we will grow is ultimately in the hands of the trustees (who determine funding and growth)."

Ayers Saint Gross is considering this factor as it formulates its plan.

"We try to explore the idea that growth can be a good thing," Gross said.

Additionally, Gross expressed an interest in student housing and residential life. "It would be nice if future UNC freshmen did not have to rely on luck to live in beautiful spots (like North Campus)," he said.

Director of University Housing Wayne Kuncl said growth would affect the housing situation. "Any increase in the size of enrollment would require us to plan for student housing," Kuncl said.

Right now, however, Kuncl is not concerned with erecting new buildings.

Next year, the University will be able to house about 6,700 students, he said.

"There's more renovation than construction needed," he said. "But if we are going to grow in enrollment, we are going to need additional buildings."

A total of 43 projects were in design as of July 1998, ranging from lecture hall improvements to the possible construction of an Institute for the Arts & Humanities building, according to a report from the Department of Facilities Planning and Design. "They are a list of needs," said Gordon Rutherford, director of facilities planning and design. "Capitol improvement funding is not a straightforward process."

The N.C. General Assembly decides how much money will be given to the University. Since officials cannot predict funding from the state, it makes describing future construction on campus difficult, Rutherford said. "If I had a crystal ball to see when the legislature would fund it, I'd be working somewhere else."

Nonetheless, officials agreed construction lies on the horizon. "It will never be finished," Howes said. "There will always be renovation and construction."

Aside from speculated development, many of construction projects are being conducted on campus. "I've got 31 projects right now that will be finished at a variety of times," said Ed Willis, construction management director.

The projects range from the construction of a new neuroscience

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## Wal-Mart Cuts Back On Hours

The U.S. 15-501 and Roxboro Road Wal-Marts in Durham will open at 6 a.m. and close at 11 p.m.

By JESSICA JONES  
Staff Writer

Late-night Wal-Mart customers will soon have to curtail their browsing and be out before midnight.

The two Wal-Mart stores in Durham, one on the U.S. 15-501 Bypass and another on Roxboro Road, will change their 24-hour schedule to open at 6 a.m. and close at 11 p.m.

Laura Pope, a national spokeswoman for Wal-Mart, said the stores were changing their hours to better service customer needs.

The stores need the extra time between closing and opening to restock shelves and clean up for the morning customers, Pope said.

"The primary time customers shop is during the day," she said.

"We didn't have enough time to recuperate, and we feel this is the best time for our customers."

Jeff Dooley, co-manager for the Roxboro Road Wal-Mart, said the decision to change hours was for business purposes.

"We didn't feel we got the business we needed," Dooley said.

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## INSIDE Monday

Rocketman Takes Off



Elton John pounded away on his piano keys for over two hours Friday night at the Smith Center. More than 13,000 fans showed up to see the legendary pop singer perform his classic hits. See Review Page 6.

## Returning to Teach

A pending bill in the state Senate would allow retired teachers in North Carolina to return to the profession without losing any of their retirement benefits. See Page 4.

## College Cuisine

Jimmy Johns, a gourmet sandwich shop, will open on Franklin Street this month. Shop owner Faisal Ghani says the restaurant will be open late and offer affordable fare. See Page 2.

## Today's Weather

Sunny and clear;  
Mid 70s  
Tuesday: Partly cloudy;  
upper 70s.

All our reasoning ends in surrender to feeling.

Blaise Pascal