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## Ex-Senator Defends Clinton

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WASHINGTON — In a plea to former colleagues, retired Sen. Dale Bumpers told senators Thursday they must resist a House effort to remove President Clinton in a drive that "is dangerous to the unique mix of pure democracy and republican government."

In a speech that mixed self-deprecat-

ing humor, emotional descriptions of his friendship with Clinton and repeated references to his own reverence for the Constitution, Bumpers closed out the White House opening defense argument with a personal appeal after the president's lawyers relentlessly attacked the evidence.

"You have taken a solemn oath to be fair and impartial. I know you all, I know you as friends and I know you as

honorable men and I am perfectly satisfied to put that in your hands, under your oath," said Bumpers, who retired from the Senate in December after 24 years.

He denounced Clinton's behavior in the Monica Lewinsky controversy as "a breach of his marriage vows" and a "terrible moral lapse" — but not a crime that was impeachable. He spoke eloquently of the human toll the president's mistake

had on Clinton's family, while chiding House prosecutors for a lack of compassion.

He warned the senators that the idea of removing Clinton for such offenses is "dangerous to the political process and is dangerous to the unique mix of pure democracy and republican government."

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## The Senate Trial

Senators will begin a 16-hour questioning period today after hearing summaries from attorneys defending President Clinton in his impeachment trial Thursday. Clinton's private lawyer David Kendall and former Arkansas Sen. Dale Bumpers made the closing arguments.



Clinton Attorney David Kendall

"The direct evidence disproves the charges. The rule of law is more than rhetoric. It means that in proceedings like these ... evidence matters. Fairness matters. ... The presumption of innocence matters."



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## B-GLAD, Youth To Join for Event

Conference workshops will focus on leadership, health and organization.

By Andrew Meehan  
Staff Writer

UNC will host a conference teaching 13- to 24-year-olds how to promote activism in their communities for gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgenders.

The 4th annual conference is sponsored by the National Youth Advocacy Coalition, North Carolina Lambda Youth Network and Bisexuals, Gay men, Lesbians and Allies for Diversity. The conference, which runs through Sunday, will feature activities ranging from a panel discussion on the state of the gay activist movement to a late-night dance party.

Ten members of B-GLAD will attend the conference, said Sara Levin-Richardson, a freshman from Raleigh and member of B-GLAD. Levin-Richardson said people in B-GLAD would also house out-of-town attendees.

But the conference might not be without its dissidents. Anti-gay activist Fred Phelps might protest the conference. Phelps protested at the funeral of Matthew Sheppard, a gay man murdered in Wyoming in October.

The events begin today with a benefit concert. Local acts Butchies, Hip Hop Nation and Amanda Maris will perform, B-GLAD co-chairman Ian Palmquist said.

The events on Saturday begin with a welcome to the event and a keynote speaker, Tammy Rae Carland, a photography and video professor at UNC. Saturday's workshops will cover a range of topics from activism to health issues, said Hez Norton, director of the youth network.

Palmquist said the conference would be a great opportunity for youth to get more involved in organizing around gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered issues.

Norton said the conference would help activists no matter what issue they want to advance. "The work may be around a gay issue or it might not be," she said.

The conference will also provide one of the few safe spaces that many of the attendees have known, Norton said. "It may be the first time they are around that many people that affirm their identity," she said.

Norton said a protest would not affect the conference. "I'm sure (a protest) will bring more press."

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Junior Christine Williams, chairwoman of the National Queer Student Caucus, is helping organize a conference to support lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youths.

## Out in the South

By Sharon Liao  
Staff Writer

Christine Williams will not be silenced by adversity.

"You can't be silent," said Williams, a junior international studies and women's studies

major from Nashua, N.H. "You have to stand up for what you believe in and have a voice."

Williams' voice for social equality will resonate

campuswide Friday to Sunday in a Southeastern conference she helped organized supporting lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youths ages 13 to 24.



"Reaching Out in the South" is sponsored by North Carolina Lambda Youth Network and Bisexuals, Gay men, Lesbians

and Allies for Diversity. The conference focuses

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## Reserve Items Cause Hassle For Professors

Library officials say some of the materials have taken a while to post because professors have brought them in late.

By Katie Abel  
Staff Writer

After several University professors expressed concern that reserved reading material was not yet available for their classes, library officials said delays were due mainly to the creation of an electronic reserve system.

Undergraduate Librarian David Taylor said the library staff had been automatically placing new reserve materials for the spring semester in the databases of the four reserve computers.

He said hard copies of reserved reading materials would still be placed in folders behind the reserve desk after they had been converted to electronic format.

Taylor said the library staff had finished lists for nearly all of the professors who had submitted their reserved lists and materials before a deadline in early December.

"Most of these professors have had material for their classes posted since the first day of classes," he said.

But Richard Talbert, William Rand Kenan Jr. Professor in the Department of History, said he submitted his reserved materials to the library in late December and only part of his list had been available to students in the past several weeks.

"It is just a tough situation for everybody and I do not have an ideal solution," he said.

Taylor said delays were common right now because so many professors had waited until the last minute to turn in their lists and materials.

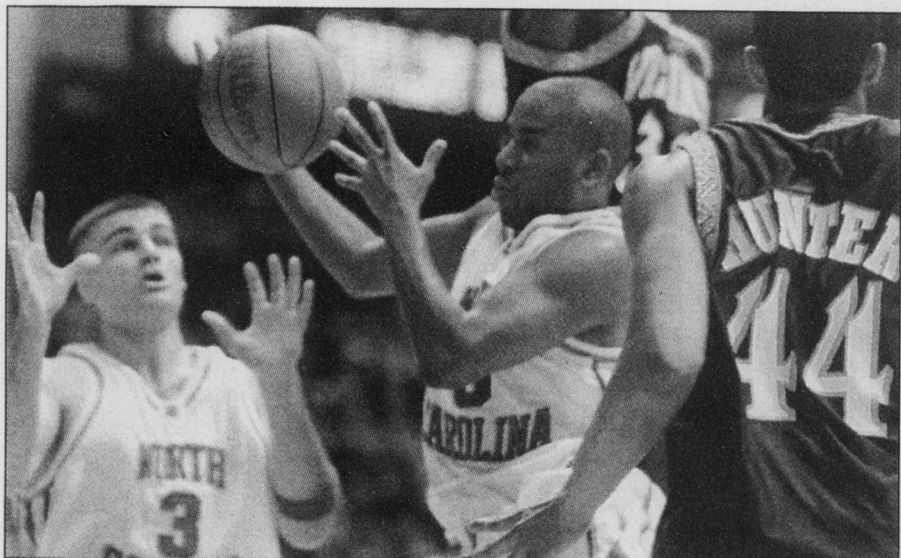
But Taylor said any professor who needed to make material immediately available for student use could request for it to be rushed. "We put these requests up immediately," he said.

Stephen Leonard, associate professor in the Department of Political Science, said it was hard for students to get assignments finished on time when they did not have access to readings. "I think all of us are suffering from the shorter break over Christmas," Talbert said. "There was less time to prepare for the semester."

Taylor also said the new system had caused a major increase in the amount of work required by the library staff. Each item had to be scanned before it could be placed on the electronic database, he said. "We only have two people who are responsible for scanning all these documents and our scan-

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## I'M OPEN



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North Carolina point guard Ed Cota drives against two Virginia defenders while forward Vasco Evtimov awaits a pass. Cota dished out a game-high six assists and scored five points in the Tar Heels' 71-47 victory against the Cavaliers at the Smith Center on Thursday night. See stories, Page 5.

## Mall Managers Say Businesses Will Stay

Mall owners say they are not concerned about losing businesses to a mega-mall project in Durham.

By Kim Dronzek  
Staff Writer

Managers of local shopping malls are optimistic about keeping their stores despite increasing pressures from the proposed Southpoint mega-mall in Durham.

James Dolan, general manager for South Square Mall, said there was a possibility that the department stores would move into Southpoint when it's completed in 2002 on Interstate 40 near Fayetteville Road. The Durham City Council approved rezoning requests for the site of the mall Wednesday.

"We haven't given up on South Square," he said. "We are still negotiating with the department stores to re-sign

their leases."

If Hudson Belk, J.C. Penney and Dillard's left South Square Mall, it would be difficult to keep the mall open, Dolan said. The smaller stores would also be harder to relocate into the new Durham mall and could eventually close, he said.

"We are a retail hub in south Durham, and it is a possibility that a lot of retail (smaller shops) couldn't relocate if the mall was to close," Dolan said.

University Mall in Chapel Hill is undergoing \$8.5 million in renovations to attract and maintain customers, said Dominic Ranelli, division director of Steven D. Bell & Co., the mall's owners.

Ranelli said he did not feel the threat of losing University Mall department stores to the Southpoint mall. "Don't pay any attention to (the idea of losing stores)," he said. "Disregard that."

The building of Southpoint mall would not affect the business of University Mall, Ranelli said.

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## INSIDE Friday

### Potatoe for President

Former Vice President Dan Quayle announced Thursday night that he would run for his party's nomination in the 2000 presidential election. Quayle said on CNN's Larry King Live that he was the best candidate for the office. See Page 4.



### Today's Weather

Mostly sunny;  
Mid 70s.  
Saturday: Rain; 68.  
Sunday: Mostly sunny; 52.

## 9223

That's the lucky number for Saturday's basketball ticket distribution. CAA handed out wristbands numbered 8,801 through 14,504. Line up at the Smith Center Saturday morning and be ready for a line check at 6 a.m.

*Inconsistency is the only thing in which men are consistent.*

Horatio Smith