

The Daily Tar Heel

Wednesday, February 17, 1999
Volume 106, Issue 163

News/Features/Arts/Sports 962-0245
Business/Advertising 962-1163
Chapel Hill, North Carolina
© 1999 DTH Publishing Corp.
All rights reserved.

105 years of editorial freedom
Serving the students and the University
community since 1893

Heinke Hooks Presidency

Nic Heinke defeated Brad Morrison by 125 votes Tuesday to become the next student body president.

By KATIE ABEL
Staff Writer

Nic Heinke nabbed the most votes for student body president after a monthlong battle between seven candidates came down to a runoff sprinkled with partisan politics.

According to unofficial results Tuesday night, Heinke accumulated 1,505 votes, while candidate Brad Morrison got 1,380 votes.

Although 2,912 students voted in Tuesday's runoff elections, this number was less than last year's high turnout of over 3,100 students for the runoff races.

Heinke and Morrison beat out five other candidates in last Tuesday's election to reach Tuesday's runoff race.

"We had an amazing turnout, and it was a good, fair race," Heinke said. "Everything is just beginning."

Heinke said he would work for everything he had outlined on his platform.

"It is all about making it real for students," he said.

"I want to make these things matter."

Heinke's platform called for monthly State of the University addresses, free printing in computer labs and organization of a University Day of Action where students, faculty and staff devoted a day to service.

STUDENT '99 ELECTIONS

Student Body President

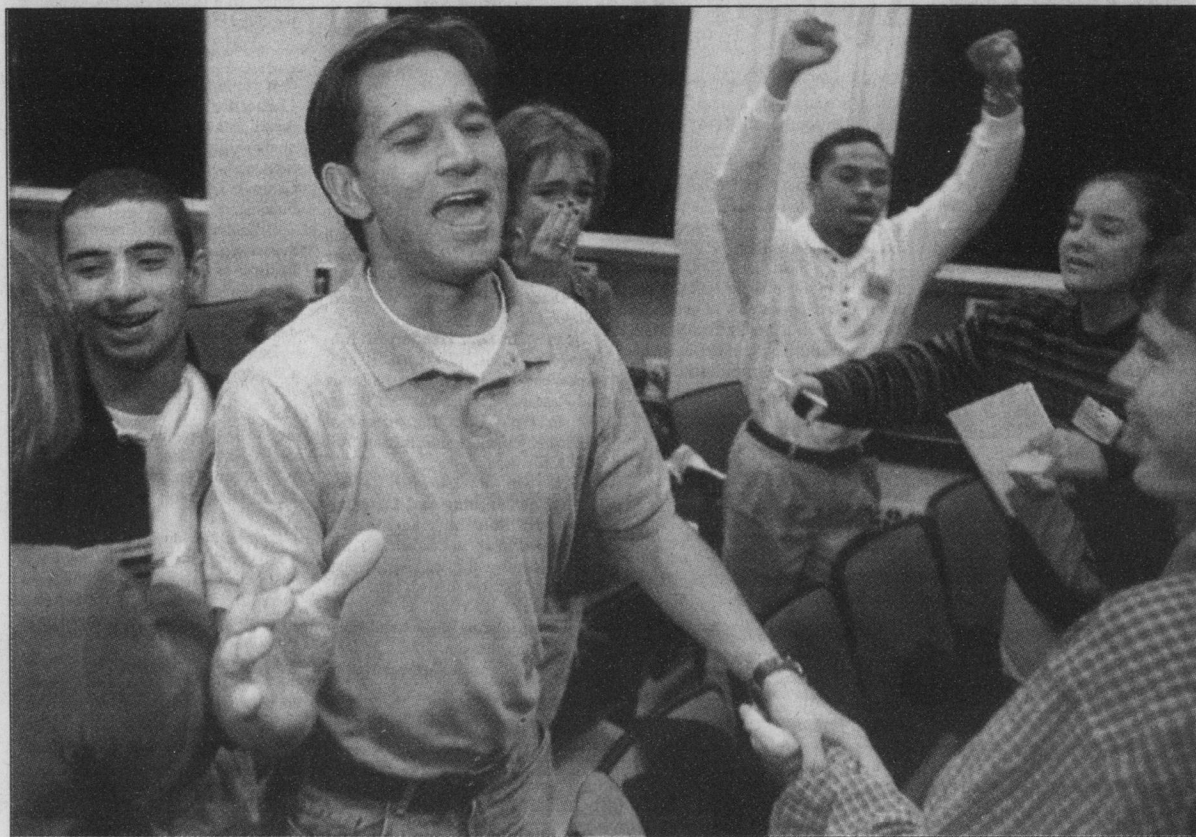
Unofficial Results



Nic Heinke
1,505 votes
52.2 percent



Brad Morrison
1,380 votes
47.8 percent



DTH/JENNIFER GUTHRIE

Student Body President-Elect Nic Heinke shouts in celebration after the election results were announced Tuesday night. In the grand total, Heinke secured 1,505 votes, while opponent Brad Morrison won only 1,380 votes. Heinke will be sworn into office in April.

Morrison said while he did not agree with everything on Heinke's platform, he still thought Heinke would do a good job as student body president.

"Obviously the students decided who they wanted as their leader," he said. Morrison said the campaign had been a clean one until the last few days. "I think things turned into a partisan attack," he said.

"The office of (student body president) should be a non-partisan one. I think this election has shown that the campus is very divided."

Though the runoff campaign lasted for less than a week, Morrison attributed partisan tendencies to the endorsements from several student groups.

Progressive groups like Bisexuals, Gay men, Lesbians and Allies for Diversity and the Black Student Movement endorsed Heinke, while the conservative Carolina Review endorsed

Morrison. Confusion also arose last Thursday after rumors circulated that ex-student body president candidate Amanda Greene would support Morrison in the runoff race.

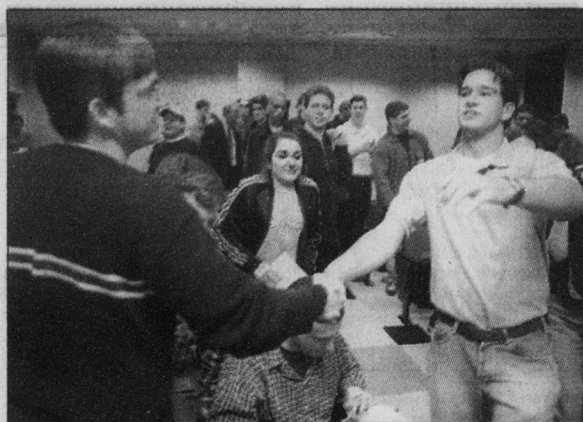
But Greene denied the rumors and said that she and her campaign had not made plans to endorse either candidate.

Morrison said he still wanted to address the issues he had brought out in his platform, but said he would not serve on the executive branch next year.

"Right now I am just going to step back and see how I can accomplish these things," he said.

Heinke said chalked his victory up to the support he received from his campaign staff. "My first priority is to thank a lot of people."

The University Editors can be reached at udesk@unc.edu



DTH/SEAN BUSHIR

Brad Morrison shakes hands with Student Body President-Elect Nic Heinke just after receiving the election runoff results Tuesday evening.

Students Approve 25-cent Fee

Students voted to help fund the N.C. Renaissance outreach program on Tuesday's referendum.

By AMY STEPHENS AND PATRICIA WRIGHT
Staff Writers

A referendum to increase student fees by 25 cents for the N.C. Renaissance program overcame opposition from some student leaders and passed in Tuesday's election.

Unofficial vote results Tuesday night were 1,474 votes for the referendum and 919 votes against it.

Ellen Greer, director of the NCR program, said she was happy with the results.

"We're so excited that students have shared our vision for serving the state," she said. "We have gotten past our first hurdle."

The NCR program, which relies on private donations, encourages rural high school students to attend college by bringing them to the University during the summer.

Sixty-two percent of the votes supported the referendum. But Student Body President Reyna Walters did not support the referendum because even though she said it was a good program, she said it should not be supported by student fees.

She said the program had to be approved by the Student Fee Audit Committee and the Chancellor's Committee on Student Fees before final approval by the Board of Trustees.

"Next year's president will have to put a lot of work into the program and take the lead," Walters said.

STUDENT '99 ELECTIONS

Referendum
Unofficial Results
N.C. Renaissance Program
Yes 1,474 votes
61.6 percent
No 919 votes
38.4 percent

See REFERENDA, Page 4

Frosh Trio Turning Heads for UNC

The ACC debut tour of Jason Capel, Ronald Curry and Kris Lang continues tonight as UNC hosts N.C. State.

By AARON BEARD
Senior Writer

It's a right of passage, a long-standing tradition that spans high school and collegiate athletics — upperclassmen keeping precocious youngsters in their place.

The elders pick on the newcomers. They challenge them to contests to prove the merits of maturity over youthful zeal. They fervently look to protect their spot atop the feeding chain and make the youths wait for their turn.

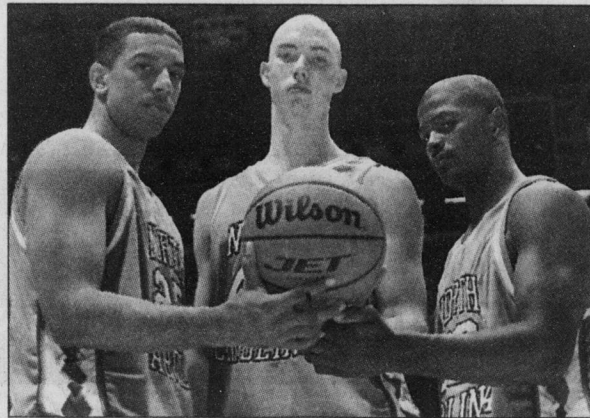
In the case of the North Carolina men's basketball team, the challenges came in 3-on-3 pick-up games prior to this season. One team always featured a mix-match of Tar Heel veterans.

The other featured freshmen Jason Capel, Ronald Curry and Kris Lang.

"They always challenge the freshmen," Lang said with a smile. "We beat everybody. They couldn't handle us."

Sensing a reporter's skepticism, Lang turned toward the court after practice Tuesday and shouted to Capel.

"J! Tell him who we beat in 3-on-3!"



DTH/MICHAEL KANAREK

Tar Heel freshmen (from left) Jason Capel, Kris Lang and Ronald Curry have accounted for 28 percent of UNC's offensive output this season.

"We beat everybody, man," Capel shouted back. "Everybody."

"Thank you," Lang smiled, satisfied he had proven his case.

Throughout Capel and Lang's boisterous conversation, Curry quietly worked on his jumpshot in a corner of the Smith Center — isolated as if on another planet.

The scene did more than just capture their personalities — the verbose Lang, fun-loving Capel and reserved Curry. It also epitomized the season for the trio. Capel and Lang have been starters for the majority of the season. Curry has found significant time off the bench.

See MEN'S BASKETBALL, Page 7

Students to Gain 419 Parking Spaces With Reallocation

By SHANNON SNYPP
Staff Writer

This fall, 419 additional University-subsidized parking spaces will be available to students in the Chapel Hill and Carrboro Park-and-Ride lots because of a reduction in the number of spaces allocated for University and UNC Hospitals employees.

Students will be given a total of 914 parking spaces in the Park-and-Ride lots in comparison to the 495 spaces students filled last year. The additional spots will be located in the N.C. 54, Southern Village/Eubanks, Carrboro Plaza and Estes Drive lots, according to a memo from Cheryl Stout, assistant director of parking services for the University.

Hospital employees are facing a net loss of 166 subsidized spaces, while University employees are losing 343 subsidized spaces due to the increase in demand for student parking next year,

Stout said.

She said she recommended that the Transportation and Parking Advisory Committee allocate Park-and-Ride spaces to students and employees based on the percentage of the commuting population they made up.

Though the reallocation has not made employees happy, Director of Public Safety Derek Poarch said hospital employees would still be able to park in Park-in-Ride lots, but it would come at a cost.

"Though the hospital and University See SPACES, Page 4



Director of Public Safety Derek Poarch said hospital employees could still buy permits to park in the lots.

INSIDE Wednesday

Rock Me Amadeus

The music of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart will receive royal treatment at the Camerata Academica Salzburg's concert tonight. The world-renowned chamber orchestra will give its first North Carolina performance in Memorial Auditorium. See Page 6.

Back Talk

Negotiators sent an ultimatum to the president of Yugoslavia on Tuesday demanding that he sign a U.S. peace agreement. Though the penalty for not signing was not articulated, officials say the threat was clear. See Page 9.

Head of the Class

Gov. Jim Hunt has called on the N.C. business community to aid in his plan to make state schools the best in the nation by 2010. Hunt says stronger ties between the two will lead to a better education system. See Page 5.

Today's Weather

Increasing clouds;
Lower 70s.
Wednesday: Clearing,
Lower 60s.

I've got to follow them — I am their leader.

Alexandre Ledru-Rollin