

# University Alumni Divided On Student Seating Debate

Several alumni called for more participation and cheering in the alumni seating sections at games.

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Who sat where didn't seem to matter much at the Smith Center on Thursday night as all fans focused on the final suspense-filled minutes of the game.

But the debate about student seating - a continuing argument that gained momentum after last week's Maryland game - is by no means over.

Students cheered and stood throughout the game from their designated sections, calling for the alumni to "stand up." Several alumni recognized student complaints but saw no easy solution.

"This thing (Smith Center) was built by the donors - it never would have been built without the donors," said season ticket holder Marshall Cooper, one of the original donors for the Smith Center.

"So they got to look after those people. The only way I can see (getting students closer) is to redo the whole thing."

Alumnus Keith Bentley acknowledged the student argument that more

enthusiasm and spirit were needed on the lower level. "They'd have a lot of atmosphere if the students moved down, but the University has to honor its commitments."

Duke Steinemann, 1970 UNC graduate, said it was important that alumni participate during the game.

"We need a lot of enthusiasm near the floor," said Steinemann, who gave away three of his four lower level tickets to students. "Post or clear out."

Dennis Werley, president of the Carolina Athletic Association in 1984 when the Smith Center was being constructed, said the seating situation had improved since he attended UNC.

"What was in the paper today is the same story that was in the paper 14 years ago," Werley said. "There has been some improvement - it used to be worse."

In the past, students did not have seats in section 110, and athletes from other sports sat in section 109, Werley said. "It has improved immensely, but the whole thing is they have obligations that were made."

Bob Bilbro, an alumnus from Raleigh, said he would be willing to give up his tickets for students, even for the Duke game.

"I would be all for moving alumni back and letting students near the court," he said. "I think a lot would move, but I wouldn't move them back all the way."

Bilbro suggested the first 12 to 15 rows of seats around the court be reserved for students, with alumni sitting behind them.

But Dick Cozart of Wilson said the alumni had earned the rights to their seats.

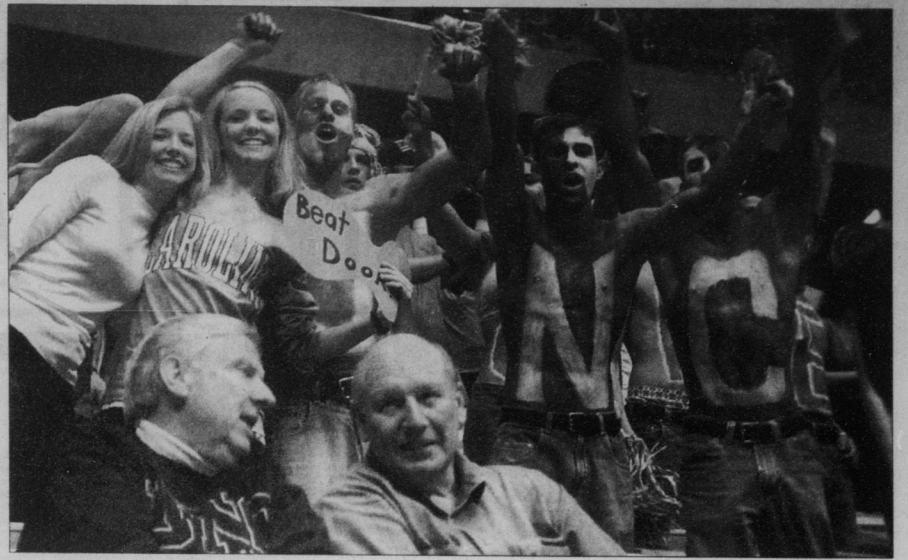
"There should have been more student representatives when they sold the seats," Cozart said. "I'm very sympathetic that we don't have enough

students to make the noise, (but) I think we make the same amount of noise we did when we were in school."

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Two alumni sit and talk among empty seats as rowdy, painted students jump to their feet to cheer for the Tar Heels at the UNC versus Duke basketball game Thursday night.

## LEADERSHIP From Page 1

In the second half, Carrawell's surge and Battier's affinity for HORSE-like baseline trifectas killed the Tar Heels. Battier's first one came with 11:43 to go in regulation - 19 seconds after freshman guard Joseph Forte cut Duke's once-19 point lead to 13 with a short jumper.

Battier's second trey all but finished the Tar Heels. His 20-plus-footer - in the exact same spot as his last shot - made sure UNC would come no closer than one point with 2:36 to go in overtime.

That designed triple gave Duke an 82-78 lead.

"I really wanted to float and get baseline looks," said Battier, who finished with 23 points and 10 boards. "The shooting hasn't really been too kind to me lately, but it was pretty good to me tonight."

Carrawell was the fork that made sure the Tar Heels were done. After scoring 14 in the second 20 minutes, his three-point play with 56 seconds to go put the Devils up 87-80.

"(Krzyszewski) has done a tremendous job melding those freshmen in with Battier and Carrawell," UNC coach Bill Guthridge said. "I think they're the best team in the country."

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL From Page 1

The shot sent the more-than-capacity crowd of 21,750 in the Smith Center into a feverish pitch, so much so that most missed Duke forward Chris Carrawell's attempted game-winner. Fortunately for UNC, so did Carrawell.

But the Blue Devil senior didn't misfire on many opportunities. He scored 23 points, second only to teammate Shane Battier's 25 for game-high honors.

Carrawell battled Forte all night, and in the end it was the senior who won the war. Leading 84-80, Carrawell ended much of the suspense when he took Forte to the basket on a clear out, hitting the shot and drawing a foul. After draining the free throw, the Blue Devils led by seven with 44 seconds to play.

The Tar Heels gave it one more run. Trailing 88-83, Orlando Melendez made a free throw, missed the second on purpose and grabbed the rebound. Forte sank a shot to close the lead to two. But Duke's Mike Dunleavy delivered on the free throw line and sealed the contest.

"I thought our comeback was great. We just got in too big a hole," Guthridge said. "The first half was maybe the worst half we've played all season."

Foul trouble plagued the Tar Heels all night. Haywood and Capel had three fouls in the first half, and both fouled out. Haywood's absence in the middle was especially devastating for UNC.

Without the big man in the middle, Duke's Carlos Boozer scored seven points in overtime, six on dunks or layups.

**Duke 90, UNC 86 (OT)**

Box Score

Duke	41	32	17	90
UNC	24	49	13	86

Duke (90)	min	fg	ft	rb	a	pf	tp
Carrawell	44	8-15	6-8	1-6	5	1	23
Battier	42	8-9	7-9	4-10	1	3	25
Boozer	34	5-14	5-7	2-7	1	3	15
James	23	3-7	0-0	1-2	0	5	7
Williams	43	5-16	1-6	2-3	6	2	12
Christensen	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0	0
Dunleavy	23	3-8	2-2	0-3	3	3	8
Horvath	2	0-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Total	225	32-70	21-30	11-33	16	18	90

Percentages - FG 46.7, FT 70.0, 3-point goals - 6-23, 217 (Carrawell 1-3, Battier 2-3, James 1-4, Williams 1-8, Dunleavy 0-4, Horvath 0-1). Team rebounds - 5. Blocked shots - 3 (James 2, Battier). Turnovers - 12 (Williams 5, Battier 2, Carrawell 2, Boozer, Christensen, James). Steals - 11 (Williams 3, Battier 2, Boozer 2, Carrawell 2, Dunleavy, James).

UNC (86)	min	fg	ft	rb	a	pf	tp
Capel	33	4-9	2-2	2-9	4	5	12
Lang	38	7-14	1-6	5-8	0	0	15
Haywood	29	4-5	1-4	5-10	0	5	9
Forte	41	9-19	0-1	2-6	4	4	20
Cota	44	9-23	0-0	4-7	6	1	21
Peppers	16	1-2	0-0	1-3	0	4	2
Owens	22	2-7	2-2	0-3	2	2	8
Wentley	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Melendez	1	0-0	1-2	2-2	0	0	1
Total	225	38-79	7-16	21-48	16	21	86

Percentages - FG 48.6, FT 43.8, 3-point goals - 7-16, 438 (Capel 2-2, Forte 2-4, Cota 3-9, Owens 0-1). Team rebounds - 5. Blocked shots - 6 (Haywood 4, Lang, Cota). Steals - 19 (Cota 7, Forte 5, Capel 3, Peppers 3, Haywood). Turnovers - 5 (Forte 3, Cota 2).

Technical fouls - UNC bench. Attendance - 21,750. Officials: Duke Edsall, Steve Gordon, Robert Donato.

"Boozer had a tough time scoring on me. I felt I had him bottled up," said Haywood, who fouled out with 2:50 to play in regulation. "Just to see him scoring in overtime really hurt me."

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He said he wished the "Stop for Pedestrian" signs had not been removed, that lighting would be improved and that police would have a more visible presence.

Other students said the intersection of Manning Drive and Skipper Bowles Drive was still particularly dangerous, and that the construction in the area impaired visibility.

"The construction makes it really hard to see oncoming cars and for the cars to see the pedestrians," said Kara Mannix, a freshman from Long Island, N.Y.

"It's getting worse. I see close calls every time I go over to Chase (Hall)."

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# Clemson Looks to Hold Haywood Down

The Tigers have collapsed in the paint in their last two wins, forcing opponents to shoot from the perimeter.

Staff Report

After being among the most-criticized players in the nation for much of the season, North Carolina center Brendan Haywood has stepped up his game.

Entering Thursday's game with Duke, the Tar Heels' 7-footer was averaging almost 17 points and nine rebounds per contest in his last four games.

But beware, Brendan. After a hard-fought game in the pivot against the Blue Devils, Haywood and UNC will come face-to-face with a collapsing Clemson defense that has put the wraps on opposing big men as of late.

The Tigers (8-13, 2-6 in the ACC), who have won two of their past three games by shutting down their opponents' low-post game, host the Tar Heels (13-9, 4-4) at 4 p.m. Sunday at Little John Coliseum.

In Wednesday's 70-58 victory at Georgia Tech, Clemson employed a five-on-one strategy in the pivot and held 7-foot Jason Collier and 6-11 Alvin Jones to a combined 17 points - 11 below their combined averages coming into the contest.

The Tigers worked the same magic, but on a larger scale, in a 59-42 upset against then-No. 21 N.C. State on Jan. 27. The Wolfpack's starting big men, Damon Thornton and Kenny Inge, managed only two points apiece.

By shutting down their opponents' big men, the Tigers forced N.C. State and Georgia Tech to try to win the game from the perimeter.

Neither team was up to the challenge. The Tigers harassed the Wolfpack into a 15-50 (.300) performance while holding the Yellow Jackets to an equally dismal 20-58 (.345).

But even if Clemson breaks out a surge protector to keep Haywood from

## THE LOWDOWN ON SUNDAY'S GAME

**C BRENDAN HAYWOOD, 7-0**  
Leads the nation in FG percent (72.3) and ranks third in the ACC in blocks (2.5 bpg).

**F KRIS LANG, 6-11**  
Had 12 points and three boards in 25 minutes last time against Tigers.

**F JASON CAPEL, 6-8**  
Tallied 12 points, nine rebounds and four assists against the Blue Devils.

**G JOSEPH FORTE, 6-4**  
Scored 15 points and grabbed five boards in first meeting with Tigers.

**G ED COTA, 6-1**  
Scored 21 points and set a career high with nine 3-point attempts vs. Duke.

**North Carolina (13-9, 4-4 in the ACC)**  
vs.  
**Clemson (8-13, 2-6 in the ACC)**

**G EDWARD SCOTT, 6-0**  
Clemson playmaker averages 5.7 points and 2.4 assists a contest.

**G WILL SOLOMON 6-1**  
Held to 5 of 19 shooting effort in Clemson's 65-45 loss to UNC on Jan. 6.

**F DUSTIN BRADDICK, 6-5**  
Scored a career-high 14 points in Thursday's win against Georgia Tech.

**F ANDRIUS JURKUNAS, 6-9**  
Hit four 3-pointers on way to a career-best 21 points against the Yellow Jackets.

**C CHUCKY GILMORE, 6-8**  
Leads the Tigers with 6.7 rebounds a game but has fouled out of 8 of Clemson's 21 games.

**Game:** UNC at Clemson  
**Time:** 4 p.m.  
**Location:** Clemson, S.C.  
**Radio:** 100.7 FM, WCHL 1360 AM  
**Television:** Raycom/JP Sports  
**Series Record:** UNC leads 106-16.  
**Keys for UNC:** The Tar Heels need to avoid a letdown following the emotion of Thursday's Duke game. UNC lost by 15 points at Clemson last year, causing coach Bill Guthridge to verbally lash out at his team during a timeout. The Tigers have already caught N.C. State napping this year, beating the Wolfpack by 17 points.  
**Keys for Clemson:** Center Adam Allenspach missed the Georgia Tech game with a bulging disk and might sit out Sunday's contest. Dustin Braddick stepped in against the Yellow Jackets and scored a career-high 14 points. Clemson needs Will Solomon to carry more of the offensive load than he did in a 13-point effort against the Tar Heels earlier this season.  
**UNC Bench:** Power forward Julius Peppers had his coming-out party against the Tigers on Jan. 6, scoring eight points and grabbing 13 rebounds. Max Owens adds 10.3 points per game off the bench.  
**Clemson Bench:** Guard Pasha Baines is Clemson's fourth-leading scorer (6.5 points a game), but he has hit only 21 percent of his 3-point tries. Center Arturas Javokas has left the program for personal reasons.  
**Prediction:** UNC 72, Clemson 59.  
Compiled by Bret Strelow

blowing up, the Tar Heels could avoid suffering the same fate as their ACC compatriots.

UNC leads the league in field goal percentage (50.8) and has the shooters in Joe Forte, Jason Capel, Max Owens and even Ed Cota (who leads the ACC in 3-point percentage) to make the Tiger defenders

pay for hovering around the paint. While UNC should be able to knock down its open looks, it was Clemson's leading scorer, Will Solomon (20.5 ppg), who struggled in a 4-for-12 effort in a 65-45 loss to the Tar Heels on Jan. 6.

If Solomon shoots that poorly again, Clemson could again find itself on the

wrong end of lopsided score no matter how well it contains Haywood.

## PEDESTRIAN From Page 1

pedestrian safety, but Poarch said the committee had met only once and had no recommendations as of yet.

"It's just too early to say (what's in the works)," he said.

Some students said the increased safety measures had not been enough to guarantee peace of mind.

"There aren't any speed bumps or enough stoplights (on Manning) so cars can just zoom through," said Alex Changho, a freshman from Cary.

"At some corners, pedestrians can't see, and cars might not be able to stop in time."

UNC Hospitals surgeon and Critical Care Fellow Bruce Chaires, who said accident victims were often under his charge, said he was concerned that the accidents would continue and that not enough was being done.

"If they don't do something, this is just going to keep happening again and again and again," he said.

"I cross that road everyday, and there's not a time that I don't think about it."

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