

Trio of Tar Heels Earn All-ACC Honors

From Staff and Wire Reports

Duke's Chris Carrawell, who made the smooth transition from role player to leading scorer on a team that lost four first-round draft choices, was a unanimous pick to The Associated Press All-ACC team released Tuesday.

Carrawell was joined on the first team by teammate Shane Battier, Maryland's Juan Dixon and Lonny Baxter, and Clemson's Will Solomon.

Battier was the only player named on this year's preseason All-ACC first team to make the end-of-the-year first squad.

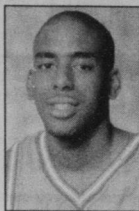
Maryland's Terence Morris, the pre-season player of the year, headed the second team and was joined by Ed Cota and Joseph Forte of North Carolina, Donald Hand and Chris Williams of Virginia, and Jason Collier of Georgia Tech.

Forte and Williams tied for the final spot on the second team.

The third team consisted of Jason Williams of Duke, Darius Songaila of Wake Forest, Brendan Haywood of

North Carolina, and Ron Hale and Damous Anderson of Florida State.

UNC's Jason Capel received honorable mention status along with N.C. State's Anthony Grundy, Duke's Carlos Boozer, Wake Forest's Robert O'Kelly, Maryland's Steven Blake and Virginia's Travis Watson.



UNC point guard Ed Cota was named to the All-ACC second team Tuesday for the third consecutive year.

3 UNC Tracksters to Jump at NCAAs

DeAnne Davis, Ola Sesay and Joy Ganes will represent the UNC track and field team at the NCAA Championships in Fayetteville, Ark., on March 10-11.

Davis will compete in the triple jump and long jump with qualifying marks of 44 feet, 6 inches and 20-9 3/4, respectively.

Sesay will participate in the long jump (21-2 3/4), and Ganes will compete

in the high jump (6-0).

Davis enters the meet with the second-best mark in the triple jump, and Sesay's mark in the long jump is third-best.

"We figure that in the top two or three spots the teams will have a lot of points and be out of reach or whatever," Davis said. "But we figure that after those top two or three, everybody's going to be scratching and trying to grab. If we do well in our events, we should be up there."

"That's the way we see it. We don't really know how realistic it is, but that's our goal right now."

Men's Lacrosse Climbs Up Rankings

The UNC men's lacrosse team moved up three spots this week in the Inside Lacrosse Men's Division I media poll. The Tar Heels are eighth after beating Navy in overtime 11-10 this past weekend to improve to 3-0 this season.

UNC's next test will come this Saturday, when the Tar Heels meet No. 19 Delaware at Fetzer Field at 1 p.m.

UNC Golfer Ranked 17th Nationally

North Carolina golfer Max Harris, who plays No. 1 for the Tar Heels, was

ranked 17th in the latest MasterCard Collegiate Golf Rankings. UNC junior Rob Simmons made the list at No. 83.

Harris, Simmons and the rest of the UNC men's team checked in as the 46th best squad nationally. The Tar Heel women's team was ranked No. 28, led by senior Marcy Newton. Newton earned an individual ranking of 58.

Men's Soccer Wins Exhibition

The UNC men's soccer team began its spring season games with a 4-0 shutout in Virginia Beach, Va., against the A-League's Hampton Roads Mariners Pro Soccer team.

During the first of three 35-minute periods, Chris Carrieri put the ball in the net in the second minute of play after Matt Crawford played a ball through the Hampton defense.

Caleb Norkus added an unassisted goal in the 30th minute when he dribbled across the box and finished with a left-footed shot in the lower corner of the goal.

Stephen Cash and C.J. Steffen each added a goal in the second period to make it 4-0 after 70 minutes.

Embezzlement Scandal Surfaces at Ky. Schools

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The third embezzlement scandal in the Kentucky educational system in recent weeks has forced officials to re-examine its business practices.

Some say the misdeeds indicate a trend within the system, while others claim they are isolated incidents.

In the most recent incident, a mysterious check discovered by Kentucky State University officials in February triggered an investigation revealing \$600,000 in embezzled funds.

Carson Smith, KSU vice president of finance administration, said the school had a suspect who had been placed on administrative leave without pay.

Smith would not release any more details about the suspect.

The investigation started when university officials received a call from Marriott International, Inc. claiming they never received \$196,000 owed them by the university. But both university records and a canceled check showed payment to the corporation.

University officials and state police then discovered the \$196,000 check had been deposited in another account and changed to reflect payment to Marriott.

Since then, the auditor's office has discovered a series of checks meant for

various vendors but deposited in an account totaling more than \$600,000.

But State Auditor Ed Hatchett said the total amount of embezzled funds could still increase.

On Jan. 19th, an official with the Kentucky Department of Education was indicted on charges of embezzling more than \$500,000 from educational funds. The University of Kentucky is also investigating alleged embezzlement of about \$100,000 from its College of Pharmacy.

Hatchett said the fact that this was the third embezzlement scandal showed a problem in Kentucky's educational system. He said government officials knew a financial problem existed in the state's educational system and the scandals just brought the problems to light.

But KSU Attorney Guthrie True said the most recent incident was only a reflection of misconduct by one employee. "If you have someone that's intent on stealing, they're going to steal," True said.

Smith said the embezzlement scandals could only be prevented by having scrupulous employees. "There is no substitute for personal integrity for your employee base."

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the plan by an 17-11 vote.

"We've got to fight the battles we can win," he said. "Our strongest support will go to the financial aid program."

Perhaps confirming the ASG strategy, Metcalf said the financial aid package would be the hardest of the initiatives to pass and therefore the hardest sell. "That proposal requests the largest amount of money in what will hopefully be a temporary budget shortfall," he said.

But Metcalf said a strong network of legislators with ties to the university system should ease passage of the initiatives. "Fortunately, the leaderships of both houses and the General Assembly at large understand the universities' needs very well," he said. "We have many friends in both chambers."

Metcalf said personal contact with legislators would ultimately determine the initiatives' future. "We will meet individually to review our needs and seek their support," he said. "Joining us in making the case will be some BOG members and chancellors."

UNC-CH Student Body President Nic Heinke said student strategy would grow more specific and involve more students as the initiatives progressed through the legislature.

He said strategy would likely involve two aspects: assisting administrators to illustrate universities' needs and explaining why investing in the University benefits the state by providing economic growth for North Carolina's people.

"Instead of saying we need a certain amount of money, you need to show what we do for the state," he said.

Bill Friday, former UNC-system president who held that post for 30 years, said both administrators and students should emphasize the system's ties to the state.

"One thing that never fails is to advise the public what you want and why it's important," he said. "Tens of thousands of people went to these schools, love them and don't want to see them hurt. It may take extra work, but those people should be kept informed."

Friday said these efforts would pay off in the long term because alumni voted in large numbers, forcing legislators to pay attention to their opinions.

And student leaders recognized the need to expand their support base.

Nieman said he planned to include students' families in the fight.

"Students can have a lot of influence, but parents pay more taxes and vote more," he said. "Students sometimes can sound like whiny students, but people don't think of parents as whiny."

"No one's going to question the validity of their concerns."

Nieman said it was also vital in these early stages of the initiatives to focus attention on specific legislators.

"We want to target legislators who have institutions in their districts and who are alumni, which covers a lot of them," he said.

Nieman said his BOG work taught him it was important to approach the initiatives with a general strategy.

"Some people think you should start with the hardest nut to crack," he said. "I think you should solidify support among your friends and work outward to build a consensus and then a majority."

But he said students could face potential problems while lobbying legislators. "When lobbying as a student you soon realize you'll be outgunned by the professionals and their resources," he said.

Nieman said the answer was simple. "Don't pretend to be a professional," he

said. "(Legislators) want to hear personal testimony, how this thing will affect us, our friends and our parents. The personal aspect gives us our advantage."

But those personal testimonies could still require the leverage a professional lobbying group offers.

Nieman said he was hopeful that lobbying groups such as North Carolina Citizens for Business Interests would help the legislature find funding solutions.

NCCBI started exploring funding alternatives after UNC-system President Molly Broad proposed raising student fees to cover capital costs.

"NCCBI has the ability to take some of the heat off the legislature and relieve funding pressure," he said. "They'll help the legislature do their job."

But Matthews said outside help would not affect student resolve.

"Our efforts won't be lessened by hopes of an easy fight," he said. "We're going into a hard battle, and we'll work as hard as we can."

Nieman said those on the front lines of this year's lobbying team should not let the past shade their efforts.

"Some people think this isn't going to pass," he said. "We need to be like, 'hell yeah this is going to pass.'"

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"The investigation continues, and that's all I can feel comfortable in saying."

There was another early-morning fire Feb. 2 in a ninth-floor lounge. Poarch said then that the fifth fire also began in suspicious circumstances, but that it was likely unrelated to any of the earlier fires.

After a large number of students

remained in the building during the fifth fire, University officials began enforcing fines for students who fail to evacuate during fire alarms.

"I think all the fires show there's definitely a problem on campus, especially in Morrison," said freshman political science major Eric Fletcher, an eighth-floor resident.

"It's disruptive to wake up at 2 a.m. to a fire alarm."

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Some aides planned to recommend the senator depart the race while others looked for him to forge on to the nine primaries coming up in the next seven days.

McCain himself embraced his victories in the Northeast and held out hope


in New York.

"Clearly, we have done very well on the East Coast," he said in a statement.

Neither candidate could accumulate the magic number of 1,034 delegates Tuesday.

Bush hoped for a string of victories that would drive McCain from the race and allow him to turn his attention to Gore, who has gained against the GOP front-runner in head-to-head polls.

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