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room because of her allergic reaction. "I could have died from it," said Higgins, a 6-foot center. "If the ambulance hadn't gotten there when it did, I think I would have collapsed, seriously. My coaches were out eating, so I couldn't contact them, so my teammates basically had to take over. They had to call the ambulance, 911."

The fact that Higgins and her teammates were at the hotel when her aller-

gic reaction occurred was a stroke of luck. The players were supposed to go to a movie after dinner but had some time to kill, so they went back to the hotel first, Higgins said.

Higgins said she didn't even want to think what might have happened if she had gotten ill in the movie theater. "Luckily, we went back to the hotel instead of going to the movies because I probably would have collapsed," Higgins said. "It would have taken them a while to get there."

"But they got here pretty quick. They got here like five or 10 minutes after we

called, so that was good."

Higgins was released from the hospital Sunday night. She woke up Monday morning tired and with a headache but was able to play in UNC's second-round NCAA tournament game.

It was then that she discovered another dish suitable to her taste buds: Rice. But this time there would be no allergic reaction.

Higgins tallied 10 points and eight rebounds in as she helped the Tar Heels defeat the 13th-seeded Owls 83-50 and advance to their seventh Sweet 16 in the last eight years.

Higgins also played a key role in UNC's first-round victory against Maine, posting 16 points on 7-for-11 shooting along with six rebounds.

She did all of that despite experiencing severe pain in the big toe on her right foot. The toe keeps bruising and filling with blood and bothered Higgins enough to keep her out of practice before the Rice game.

Higgins said she had been getting the toe drained or numbed before games so she could play.

She walked around with a noticeable limp during North Carolina's off day Tuesday but said she didn't mind the pain so much after her battle with crab legs Sunday.

She's just happy to be alive.

"That just woke me up," said the junior from Durham, who played 24 minutes against Rice. "I could have been gone right then and there just from eating something I had no idea I was allergic to. But that wasn't my time to go, obviously."

"And my teammates, we made a pact that we're going to stick together no matter what goes down, and they did that."



Tar Heel junior Jackie Higgins registered 10 points and grabbed eight rebounds in Monday's win against Rice.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
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Point guard Nikki Teasley went coast to coast for layups when she wasn't throwing length-of-the-court passes to streaking teammates. She scored 12 points in the first half and finished the game with 16 points and nine assists.

Forward LaQuanda Barksdale led the scoring parade. She tallied 27 points, including 13 during UNC's first-half surge. She also added 10 boards for her second double-double in a row.

"We just went out there and gave it 110 percent, and it all started with our leader and captain LaQuanda Barksdale," Teasley said. "I've said it before: She works hard all the time, she gives you 110 percent, and she never complains. It's easy to follow someone like that, and she makes it easy for the rest of us, and we all feed off of her."

Rice's top gun, senior guard Maria Brumfield, shot blanks much of the night on her way to 14 points. UNC harassed her into a 5-for-16 performance from the field and forced her into five turnovers.

The Owls, who shot 50.8 percent in their first-round win against UC-Santa Barbara, hit 37.5 percent of their field goal tries against UNC. They also committed 23 turnovers for the game.

"We knew going in that we had to take care of the ball and get shots, and we didn't do a good job," McKinney said. "They went on that big run, and we got impatient. We wanted to score quick, so we were trying to make one pass and score, or catching and walking with it, trying to do things too quick."

UNC 83, Rice 50

Box Score

	Rice	22	28	50
UNC	47	36	83	
Rice (90)	fg	ft	rb	a
Tuttle	16	15	0	2
Jordan	18	24	4	3
Lewson	28	12	12	0
Smallwood	27	5	14	2
Brumfield	31	6	12	2
Brown	15	0	12	0
Liggett	11	12	0	0
McInosh	28	2	3	4
Coffery	9	0	1	0
James	3	0	0	1
Boston	7	0	0	0
Florus	4	12	0	0
Total	200	10-48	13-21	11-25

Percentages — FG 37.5, FT 61.9, 3-point goals — 1-5, 200 (Lewson 1-1, Brumfield 0-2, Brown 0-1, Coffery 0-1), Team rebounds — 4, Blocked shots — 0, Turnovers — 23 (Brumfield 5, Jordan 3, Lewson 3, Brown 3, McKinney 3, Tuttle 2, Smallwood 2, Coffery, James) Steals — 5 (Tuttle, Brumfield, Brown, McInosh, Coffery).

UNC (83)

	fg	ft	rb	a	pf	tp
Barksdale	31	8-12	11-12	5-10	1	4
Allen	10	1-3	0	12	1	0
Sharp	12	3-3	0	0	1	2
J. Brown	25	2-7	2-2	3-4	2	0
Teasley	35	7-9	1-1	0	3	0
Huntington	7	1-2	1-2	1	0	1
Thomas	12	1-1	3-4	1-4	0	2
Higgins	25	3-11	4-6	2-6	1	2
C. Brown	20	9-14	0	0	1	3
Lee	23	2-3	2-2	0	1	3
Myers	3	0-0	0	0	1	0
Goloboy	2	0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	200	28-55	24-29	13-35	16	17

Percentages — FG 50.8, FT 81.9, 3-point goals — 3-9, 33.3 (Sharp 2-2, Teasley 1-2, J. Brown 0-2, C. Brown 0-1, Higgins 0-1, Huntington 0-1), Team rebounds — 1, Blocked shots — 0, Turnovers — 13 (J. Brown 4, Teasley 4, Barksdale 2, Higgins, Myers, Sharp) Steals — 13 (J. Brown 3, Teasley 3, Barksdale 2, Higgins 2, Allen, Huntington, Sharp).

Technical fouls — none Attendance — 5,824

That caused turnovers, and then everything snowballed.

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THE Daily Crossword

By Stanley B. Whitten

- ACROSS**
- 1 Tribal emblem
 - 6 Shear
 - 10 Window section
 - 14 "Aida" or "Tosca," e.g.
 - 15 Take cover
 - 16 Patronage
 - 17 Mississippi waterway
 - 19 Bronze and Iron, e.g.
 - 20 USNA grad
 - 21 Stories
 - 22 Cost
 - 23 Ratchet part
 - 24 Whalebone
 - 25 Shaving-cream additive
 - 28 Ludicrously peculiar
 - 31 Setting
 - 34 Connect again
 - 38 Glenn Miller hit
 - 40 Actuality
 - 41 Brief arguments
 - 42 Fine, twilled linen
 - 44 Salinger lass
 - 45 Guy Fawkes figure
 - 48 Puppy bites
 - 51 Wait on
 - 52 Synthetic alumina-based gem
 - 54 Priest's vest-
- DOWN**
- 1 Drink excessively
 - 2 Candid
 - 3 Social affairs
 - 4 Goof
 - 5 Mediterranean island nation
 - 6 Ices
 - 7 In-person
 - 8 Caesar's time
 - 9 diem (daily)
 - 10 St. Peter's post
 - 11 Texas A&M student
 - 12 Brother's daughter
 - 13 City on the Ruhr
 - 18 Bitingly cold
 - 22 Member of an Oklahoma tribe
 - 23 Kin of oyster farmers?
 - 24 Horn sounds
 - 25 Having wings
 - 26 Go down in defeat
 - 27 Eight; prof. intersect
 - 30 Ump's kin
 - 32 Reporter's measure
 - 33 Foe
 - 35 Painting and sculpture
 - 36 Seize
 - 37 Being: Lat.
 - 39 Young ladies' org.
 - 43 Small protuberances
 - 45 Photorealist painter
 - 46 Enrico the physicist
 - 47 Berry or cherry
 - 49 Sick
 - 50 Foot control
 - 52 Sweetheart
 - 53 Rowboat rowers?
 - 54 Once again
 - 55 Describe vividly
 - 56 Chief
 - 58 Vigor
 - 59 Exclamation of discovery

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COALITION
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"Chapel Hill is a very wealthy area, and students who attend universities in other parts of the state will be less able to handle a tuition increase," Osterweil said.

The coalition originated from cooperation between the Progressive Student Coalition and student government.

The Progressive Student Coalition, which formed in early 1999, is an umbrella organization for student groups that include the Black Student Movement, the Student Environmental Action Coalition and the Students for Economic Justice.

"The PSC encourages the free and

open exchange of ideas," Osterweil said. "This tuition increase was something to which we responded immediately."

Progressive Student Coalition members established the coalition's forerunner, the Campaign for Educational Access, and organized publicity for tuition increase meetings.

Campaign members are aiming to extend their outreach efforts to students outside of campus leadership positions.

"We shouldn't have to be reliant solely upon student government (to combat the tuition increase)," Osterweil said. "We encourage everyone to participate."

Although the BOG passed the tuition increase, Osterweil said, the coalition's actions would make it more possible that administrators would incorporate more of students' wishes in the future.

And a greater respect for the students' voice would prove useful when the coalition lobbies the General Assembly, Osterweil said.

"Students' language and actions will certainly affect the way that we're treated in years to come," she said. "What we do now will really make a difference."

Students who are interested in the coalition can attend an information session this week. The program will be held at 9 p.m. Thursday in 206 Greenlaw Hall. "We're looking out to the students," Chapman said. "We need to stop thinking in terms that they should suffer (by paying a higher tuition) in order to get an education."

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