



UNC, Towns and Nation
IN BRIEF

**'Take Back the Night'
To Fight Violence**

Beginning at 8 p.m. tonight, members of the UNC community will march through campus to protest violence against women in the annual Take Back the Night march.

The march will begin in the Pit and proceed east to Raleigh Street, north to Franklin Street, west to Columbia Street and east on South Road toward the Pit.

**Service to Honor Life
Of Professor Emeritus**

The memory of Dr. George Daniel will be honored today at 3 p.m. at University United Methodist Church.

Daniel taught for more than 30 years in UNC's Department of Romance Languages.

He passed away March 19 at the age of 72 after a long illness.

**Hall of Fame to Induct
4 Additional Members**

The University will host the induction of four professionals into the N. C. Journalism, Advertising and Public Relations Halls of Fame on April 9.

The late Nell Battle Lewis, best known for her column in The News & Observer, and Charles McCorkle Hauser, a UNC alumnus and president and executive editor of The Providence (R.I.) Journal-Bulletin are the two print journalists to be inducted.

Howard Rockett of Raleigh, chairman and chief executive officer of Rockett, Burkhead and Winslow in Raleigh and Joyce Fitzpatrick, president of Ruder-Finn Public Relations in Raleigh are the advertising and public relations nominees, respectively.

The induction will be held at the Carolina Inn, beginning with a reception at 6:15 p.m. Tickets cost \$60 and are available from Miriam Sluder at 962-1204.

**Clinton Ignores Privacy
Act By Issuing Letters**

WASHINGTON - Resurrecting an impeachment controversy, a federal judge ruled Wednesday that President Clinton "committed a criminal violation of the Privacy Act" by releasing personal letters to undermine the credibility of one of his accusers.

Clinton immediately disputed the decision, saying he reluctantly released the letters two years ago because "it was the only way I knew to refute allegations" by Kathleen Willey of an unwanted sexual advance.

U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth, a Republican appointee, concluded the president and three top White House lawyers disregarded an earlier court ruling in making Willey's letters public in the midst of the Monica Lewinsky scandal in 1998.

"This court cannot accept or condone this unlawful action," Lamberth wrote in a decision that clears the way for a lawsuit filed by the conservative group Judicial Watch to delve further into the issue.

Initially, Lamberth's ruling simply requires White House lawyers to answer questions they earlier rejected about the decision to release the letters. But it could open the door for an eventual lawsuit by Willey.

**Newspaper Alleges
Prior Plot By Carruth**

CHARLOTTE - Former NFL player Rae Carruth plotted his pregnant girlfriend's murder after a plan fizzled to have her beaten so she would miscarry his child, a newspaper reported Wednesday.

Carruth's attorney, David Rudolf, rejected The Charlotte Observer's account of the events leading to Cherica Adams' fatal shooting Nov. 16, calling it "distorted, misleading" and false. The newspaper cited sources familiar with Carruth's three co-defendants in the case.

Adams was gunned down while driving in south Charlotte after attending a movie with Carruth, who had left in another vehicle. She died Dec. 14 after delivering Carruth's child, now cared for by Adams' mother.

Prosecutors say they will seek the death penalty against Carruth, Van Brett Watkins, Michael Eugene Kennedy and Stanley Drew "Boss" Abraham. All are charged with first-degree murder.

Carruth's attorney, David Rudolf, said Wednesday that news reports about Adams' shooting are marred by inconsistencies.

"The statements reported are distorted, misleading, and they are false," he said of Wednesday's published reports.

From Staff & Wire Reports

Heinke Credits Cabinet for Success

By GEOFF WESSEL
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Outgoing Student Body President Nic Heinke presented a final report this week in which he touted his administration as one of the most effective in several years.

The report, traditionally issued in March, cites the progress Heinke's administration has made on various goals from his campaign platform, including advising reform and the establishment of a campuswide community service day.

"Every one of the platform goals was at least addressed," Heinke said of the 36 goals highlighted in the report. "Those that were feasible to get done in a year were completed."

Heinke cited Project UNC, a campuswide community service day scheduled for April 15, and significant improve-

ments in mentoring and advisory programs as important achievements among his platform initiatives.

"In advising, we had some pretty awesome achievements with mentoring programs that try to use students as a resource," Heinke said.

But he said he would not have accomplished as much without the help of his Cabinet and committee members. "I've only been one of a hundred people that have been working incredibly hard," Heinke said.

Despite being forced to delegate much of the work, Heinke said he was pleased with the progress of his administration.

He said he was confident the goals that were not completed, including a fare-free busing plan for off-campus students and making the swim test available for students at CTOPS, would be addressed next year by Student Body

President-elect Brad Matthews.

"Nic has been very cognizant of all aspects of this University's mission," Matthews said.

"I'm very proud to say that I served in his Cabinet, and I hope to follow through on his initiatives."

The report also applauds the executive branch's work in areas that developed outside of his original platform goals.

Heinke was thrust into the still-active chancellor search process, representing UNC's 24,000 students.

In another unexpected turn of events, the executive branch also launched several efforts to aid victims of Hurricane Floyd after it flooded Eastern North Carolina in September.

In total, more initiatives arose from unplanned events than from his original platform, Heinke said, adding that such

efforts largely stemmed from the tuition increase debate.

"Student government helped work with (the anti-tuition-increase Campaign for Educational Access)," he said.

"The whole idea was to try to get students aware of what was going on."

He said his administration helped sponsor one of the largest student protests ever at an October rally against a proposed tuition increase.

"I think it's a very significant victory for students to have the proposal go from \$1,500 to \$600 - that's a substantial victory."

Heinke said the best aspect of his administration was its efficiency. "Student government has achieved a lot of success this year."

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**Conner:
GPSF Goals
Achieved**

As head of the GPSF, Lee Conner dealt with the hot issue of the tuition increase and created a GPSF Cabinet.

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Lee Conner reflected on his term as president of the Graduate and Professional Student Federation with a final report that stressed the tenacity and effectiveness of his administration.

After a year in office, all of his platform goals were completed, and several other issues were addressed as well, according to his Final Report released Tuesday.

"I feel really good about my term," Conner said. "We did the basic things you'd expect and some very specific, tangible achievements, also taking things that came up during the year and dealing with them."

Conner's administration focused on countering the controversial and highly protested tuition increase proposals, which went to the Board of Trustees and then the Board of Governors.

The tuition proposal currently on the table raises tuition by \$600 over the next two years, in part to fund faculty salaries.

Along with Student Body President Nic Heinke, Conner helped to garner crucial allies like former UNC-system Presidents Bill Friday and C.D. Spangler for the campus-based protest.

His report included a section detailing the measures he had taken to maintain UNC as an affordable institution, ranging from lobbying the legislature to starting an e-mail campaign on campus.

"Obviously the tuition battle took up a big chunk of our year," Conner said. "I count as an accomplishment the fact that although it will go up \$600, another \$1,675 increase (in tuition and graduate student fees) that was on the table was dropped."

As the final push for his administration, Conner revamped the Web site of the Student Parents Interest Network.

The new site first appeared Wednesday and included links on parenting and a listserv where parents could contact each other with child-care needs.

"We came up with the idea of a Web site because a graduate student's life is busy, and when you are a parent too, you have no time to come to meetings," Conner said.

The GPSF targeted diverse issues throughout the year, including pedestrian safety, landlord licensing for community housing and the establishment of campuswide graduate social events.

Conner also fought hard to incorporate graduate housing into the plans for

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**Edwards
Still With
CP&L Plan**

Sen. John Edwards intends to continue his involvement in the expansion plans of Carolina Power & Light Co.

By TRICIA BARRIOS
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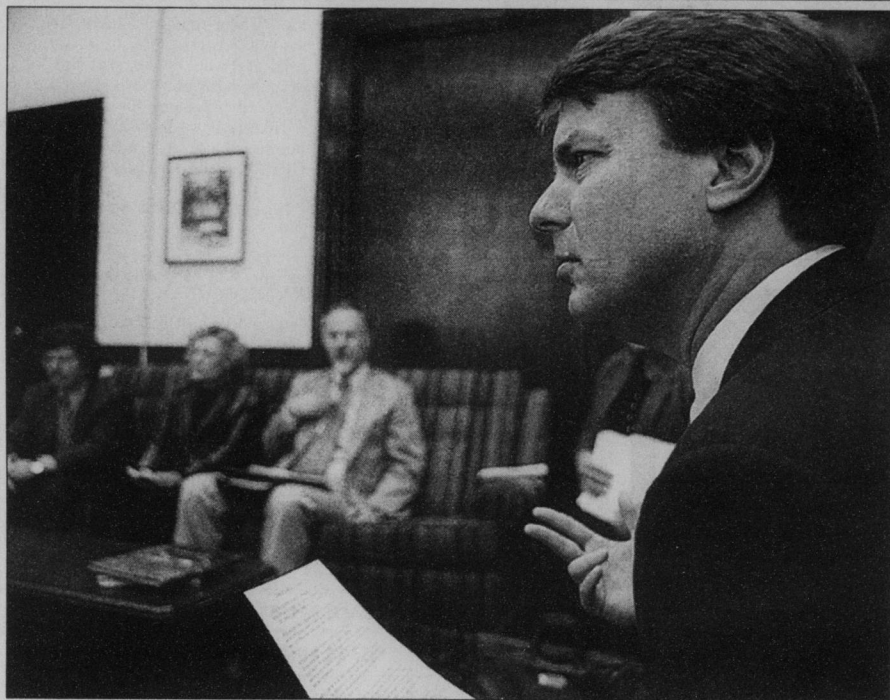
Despite public reports that Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., decided to forego any involvement in the Carolina Power & Light Co. expansion plan, his press secretary said the senator still planned to participate in the issue.

According to an article that ran in The Chapel Hill Herald, press secretary Mike Briggs said Edwards did not plan any further action regarding CP&L's proposed expansion of their Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant.

"That was (The Chapel Hill Herald's) misinterpretation," Briggs said. "He was and is involved. He's meeting with local officials, the power company and monitoring things at (the Nuclear Regulatory Committee)."

Jim Warren, director of N.C. Waste Awareness Reduction Network, which has been closely watching the expansion plan, said Edwards' office told him Monday the senator did not plan to back away from the issue. "His office called and said he will participate. They said his press secretary had misspoken."

Edwards had shown signs of support at a February meeting with Orange County officials for their case against the CP&L expansion. CP&L plans to utilize two existing pools at Shearon



Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., met with Orange, Chatham and Durham county officials in February to discuss the plan to expand the Shearon Harris Nuclear Plant, a hotly contested proposal.

Harris in southern Wake County for more nuclear fuel storage, giving the plant the nation's largest high-level nuclear waste storage capacity.

The plant's expansion awaits the ruling of the NRC's Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, which has the final say in the now 18-month process.

CP&L spokesman Mike Hughes said he had not heard about Edwards' commitment one way or the other, but his involvement would not influence the company's actions.

"We support the (NRC's) process," he said. "It's a process that N.C. WARN doesn't like because it doesn't give them

a chance to halt the process."

Warren said Hughes' statement was an attempt to dismiss CP&L's critics.

"They're saying, 'We're the technical people, and anybody that opposes is emotional,'" he said. "I think there's more spinning going on there."

Members of the Orange County Commissioners, Chapel Hill Town Council and the Carrboro Board of Aldermen, as well as other groups like N.C. WARN, are calling for a hearing in which the county's scientists will present evidence against the expansion.

Chapel Hill Town Council member Kevin Foy said the town wanted

Edwards to put the issue in the federal spotlight. "The issue of what to do with hazardous nuclear waste is a national issue," he said. "What we've been asking from the federal government is to not make this a local issue."

Carrboro Alderman Allen Spalt said he was pleased that Edwards was still involved. "He can help ensure that there's a fair hearing on this issue and that his constituents in the Triangle area are protected, and the best way to do that is to have this hearing," he said.

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Coffee Shop to Reopen Doors

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As the mahogany of the bar counter receives its last polish and cookware its last shine, a Franklin Street dining icon anxiously awaits inspection officials to give the green light for its reopening.

After renovations which began more than four months ago, the shop will have a final inspection Thursday evening to prepare for a Friday opening.

The 78-year-old Carolina Coffee Shop, located at 138 E. Franklin St., closed in September because the building did not conform with the Chapel Hill's building codes.

Now, the historic eatery anxiously awaits the arrival of both new customers and old friends just in time for Final Four celebrations.

Greg Owens, who became owner of the Carolina Coffee Shop in September,

said there were structural changes that improved shop facilities, while the atmosphere remained the same.

"The entire electric and plumbing, floors, ceilings and the bathrooms had to get brought up to the code," he said. "(However) the furniture and the pictures on the walls are still the same."

Owens said the coffee shop not only needed physical improvements, but a renewed focus on improving the quality of service and food. "Customers complained about the food, and we invested in a brand-new kitchen with state-of-the-art equipment," he said.

Bartender Matthew Buchanan said Owens saved the traditional coffee shop from being completely shut down.

"The kitchen was completely out of date, and the bathrooms were not handicap accessible which is illegal," he said. "I don't know how (the former owners) got away with it."

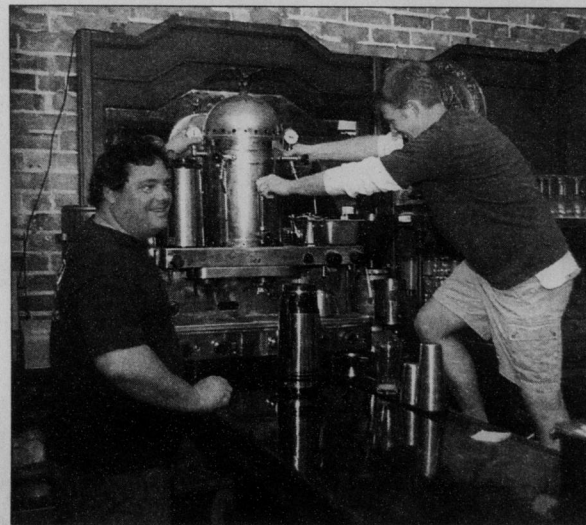
Senior Kate Roskelly, a philosophy major from Greensboro, said she knew the coffee shop would reopen soon and that she wanted a job application.

"I had been to the coffee shop a couple of times before it closed," she said. "I knew they were remodeling, and I thought this would be a great place to work."

Chapel Hill Chamber of Commerce President Joe Harper said he was pleased that the Carolina Coffee Shop was taken over by local owners.

"We find that local owners take better care of their businesses and are more accessible for customers," Harper said. "The reopening of the coffee shop will be of great benefit to Chapel Hill."

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Carolina Coffee Shop owner Greg Owens (left) and bartender Matt Buchanan (right) work on the shop's original cappuccino machine.

Tufts University Officials Reject Proposal for Coed Rooms

By LANI HARAC
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Tufts University administrators recently denied a gay student's proposal for mixed-gender residence hall rooms, sparking debate about whether housing policies nationwide are keeping up with the times.

The coed rooms would have been available to all students as another housing option, regardless of sex or sexual orientation.

"The reason I brought it up is because I've had (homosexual) friends who have had bad living situations," said Carl Sciortino, a junior at Tufts, who said some students found anti-gay graffiti on their residence hall room doors.

But the discrepancy between the way

policies are applied to homosexual and heterosexual students is part of what sparked Sciortino's ire and is the basis for coed room policies at Wesleyan University.

"(Mandated single-gender rooming) is heterosexist in nature, and we want to be inclusive of students that are gay, lesbian and bisexual," said Jeff Ederer, director of residential life at Wesleyan. "A gay couple could live together, so why not a straight couple?"

Wesleyan has offered coed rooms for six years to all students except freshmen. Only residence halls - which are for

first-year students and include some sophomores - do not include coed rooms. University-controlled apartments and houses, available to second-year students and above, do allow them.

Sciortino submitted a proposal to administrators that would allow non-freshman students to choose roommates regardless of gender. Because Sciortino is gay, many people concluded that coed rooms would be available primarily for homosexual students, he said.

Sciortino said that gay students living with straight roommates could lead to uncomfortable situations but that the option would be available to everyone.

Sciortino's original proposal was submitted to Tufts' Dean of Students Bruce Reitman, who was charged with reworking it into something the university

would accommodate.

The revised proposal's pilot program would have comprised 10 rooms of two people each, available only to rising sophomores. Roommates would register in pairs with the residential life office and would provide written consent to live in a mixed-gender room. Students would not be asked about sexual orientation to receive a coed room.

Despite attempts to develop an acceptable plan, Tufts University's president and provost rejected the proposal.

"We empathize with the concerns that some of our students have raised and, as a result, a number of administrators at different levels explored several ways to address them," university officials said in a statement. "Nevertheless, we believe we can continue to address the concerns

they've raised on an individual, case-by-case basis - without digressing from our University housing policy of single-gender dorm rooms."

Some students expected the response received by the proposal. Maia Kaplan, chairwoman of UNC's Queer Network for Change, said that although she could understand Sciortino's position, universities were not known to make major reforms and tended only to change things if there was a problem.

UNC's housing policy on mixed-gender rooms is identical to that of Tufts.

"Our policy on housing is that within rooms, we maintain single gender," said Rebecca Casey, assistant director of housing and residential education.

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