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## Richardson's Dedication To UNC Shines in Work

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Staff Writer

Dropping Dick Richardson's name to a University administrator or professor is like dropping Michael Jordan's to a basketball fan. He is loved and respected by all.

One of the most influential and well-liked members of the Carolina family is set to retire on June 30. Provost Richard "Dick" Richardson will leave the University after offering 31 years of love, dedication and progress.

Richardson became provost on an interim basis in July of 1995, then took the position full-time in April of 1996.

During the past five years, which have been filled with the likes of the



Carolina Computing Initiative, chancellor searches and controversial tuition increases, Richardson has remained as the proverbial eye of the Carolina storm.

Without receiving public recognition for his exemplary work, Richardson has calmly and intelligently played a significant role in maintaining UNC's status as one of the top three public universities in the country. Essentially, Richardson is the most influential man at UNC you never knew.

At the University, chancellors and coaches seem to gain a certain type of recognition from the community and student body. While Richardson may not be a common name heard in dorm rooms and sports bars, the respect he's earned from his colleagues speaks for itself.

Interim Chancellor William McCoy says, "He has the respect of everyone in the University community. His wonderful humor and wit makes work-

ing with him a delight."

Dick Richardson has played many roles over his lifetime. As a teacher, he earned the love and devotion of many students, as well as many prestigious awards from his peers and superiors.

As an initially reluctant provost, Richardson stepped into the arena of administration and came out a victor in all he attempted.

He is a legendary storyteller who, according to UNC-system President Molly Broad, "In the long tradition of North Carolinians, used these marvelous anecdotes to teach an important lesson or to pass along our rich history from one generation to the next."

As Dick Richardson, the man, he is active within the community and known for his charity work and selfless attitude.

Each role Richardson played in his life left him walking offstage to a standing ovation.

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Provost Dick Richardson, shown in his office Tuesday, is retiring June 30 after a 31-year career of distinguished service at UNC that has included teaching, administrative work and community service.

## UNC Hires Housing Director

Officials announced Christopher Payne would take over the vacated post left by Wayne Kuncel.

COURTNEY MABEUS  
University Editor

Following months of review and two rounds of search, officials last week announced their choice for the University's new director of housing and residential education.

Christopher Payne, the current director of housing operations at the University of Denver, will be leaving his post to accept his new role at UNC on Aug. 1.

Payne said he was excited about the opportunity to come to the University and to the town of Chapel Hill.

"Our family can't wait to get to Carolina and get started," he said. "I'm looking forward to coming out and meeting students and talking to them."

Payne was one of three candidates for the job chosen from a pool of more than fifty applicants. Officials narrowed the choice down during a lengthy process involving on-campus interviews and open forums.

Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Services Dean Bresciani said the decision to extend the offer to Payne was a comfortable one. Bresciani served as the interim housing director following the departure of Wayne Kuncel, the former director, last year.

"Payne offered a record of academic preparation, scholarly research in the field of student learning and widely varying experiences of working in housing and residential educational programs," Bresciani said.

Residence Hall Association President Robin Yamakawa said officials were looking for a candidate who offered more than experience in the facilities and planning divisions of a housing department.

"He had a very well rounded profile," she said.

Payne has more than 11 years of experience working in student affairs at several universities. Before joining the ranks at the University of Denver in 1994, he worked at the University of Nebraska-Kearney and the University of Northern Colorado.

When Payne finally arrives at the University, he will already have a few

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WORTH CIVILS  
City/State & National Editor

Legislators are negotiating the final points of the state's \$14 billion budget, including how much money to give UNC faculty and other state employees in pay raises.

The House plan calls for five percent pay raises for all state employees, whereas the Senate has sided with Gov. Jim Hunt's proposal of three percent. Regardless, UNC faculty will receive a pay raise.

In addition, faculty will receive pay raises from the tuition hikes passed by the UNC Board of Governors in February. The BOG approved a 2.1 percent system-wide hike that is included in this year's state budget, as well as separate increases at five UNC schools, including \$600 at UNC-Chapel Hill.

J.B. Milliken, UNC vice president for public affairs and university advancement, said the tuition increase was still in

place because the N.C. General Assembly did not ever address it.

"(Legislators) could change (tuition), but it was not addressed, so it goes into effect," he said. "They can no longer discuss it."

Milliken said the fact that some of the additional revenue from the tuition hike would be used to increase faculty salaries had no bearing on legislators' choice to raise pay for state employees.

"The current issue deals with all state employees," Milliken said. "It's far greater than the (tuition) hikes at UNC campuses."

UNC-CH Student Body President



Rep. Verla Insko said the House and Senate hope to have a final budget plan by the end of the week.

Brad Matthews said he and other students who have been lobbying in Raleigh were not focusing their efforts on faculty pay or the tuition increase.

"Obviously, we'd like to see as much of an increase for all state employees, especially at the University, but we're not actively pushing for it," Matthews said. "(The tuition) issue was decided a long time ago, so we've made a conscious decision to focus our efforts on areas more helpful to students."

These areas, Matthews said, included getting approval for the state-supported financial aid program and reinstatement of \$7 million in operational costs for UNC. His and other students' work paid off, as the House and Senate provided \$5-6 million to begin the financial aid program and reinstated the funding for operational costs.

"That the (legislature) restored (operational cost funding) is phenomenal," Matthews said, adding, "I'm pleased the General Assembly laid the foundation

for what will be a very good (financial aid) program that will only get bigger."

Originally, the proposal by the BOG for the financial aid plan was around \$30 million. Hunt then scaled that down to \$11 million in his budget plan.

Rep. Verla Insko, D-Orange and Chatham, said the main reason legislators cut the financial aid program, which will phase in this fall, was because of their \$10 million funding for online distance learning.

As for faculty pay increases, the joint conference committee of the House and Senate hope to have their differences worked out by the end of the week, Insko said.

The budget will then go to the House and Senate separately for final approval as a conference report, she said, before

Hunt can sign it by July 1.

Milliken said he hopes the joint committee decides in favor of the House plan for state employee pay raises, which would use \$205 million from the state's \$540 million retirement system.

The House recommendation of five percent, while better than the Senate's three percent, was still less than the original BOG proposal of six percent for UNC faculty, Milliken said.

But since the increase applies to all state employees, "It is the position that comes closest to meeting what UNC has requested," Milliken said.

"I hope they finish soon."

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## Fourth of July Means Festivals & Fireworks

Durham, Carrboro and Chapel Hill all have their own ways of celebrating Independence Day.

REBECCA FARTHING  
Staff Writer

While many University students will be celebrating Independence Day in their home towns, there will be plenty to do in the Triangle this weekend and on Tuesday.

The 21st annual Festival for the Eno will be held July 1, 2, and 4, in Durham, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day. It is the largest Fourth of July celebration in North Carolina.

On this stretch of 3,000 acres of land, located along the Eno River, there will be five stages of events all day for people of every age. There are three music stages, a children's stage and a spoken word stage, where local literary enthusiasts of all ages will share their stories, essays and poems.

On the music stages, many Festival Musicians, from Doug Clark and the Hot Nuts to Betsy in the Gene Pool, will be performing.

Festival-goers will also be able to enjoy an array of international foods and more than 100 booths of crafts ranging from potters and metal workers to

professional herbalists.

The festival will be held at West Point on the Eno, a city park on Roxboro Road in Durham. Admission is \$10 a day, and all the proceeds are used to purchase and protect Eno River Parklands.

On the Fourth of July, Carrboro is also having a host of events, starting at 9 a.m. at Weaver Street Market.

There will be a People's Parade March down Weaver Street, as well as classic rock, blue grass, percussion, jazz and gospel playing on two different stages, while vendors serve up some delicious Southern food.

For those looking to re-live their childhoods and beat the heat, a number of sprinklers will be turned on at 4 p.m. for everyone to enjoy.

After Carrboro's events, there will be a Fourth of July fireworks celebration, presented by the towns of Chapel Hill and Carrboro, held in Kenan Stadium. The gates open at 7 p.m. A stage in the center of the football field will feature bands playing Dixieland jazz, salsa music and motown. The fireworks display will start at 9:30 p.m.

"This is an annual event that the whole community attends and is usually a lot of fun," said Parrish Anderson of the Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation Department and coordinator of Kenan Stadium's Fourth of July event.

Anderson reminded everyone not to

### Fourth of July Weekend

Independence Day celebrations begin this weekend with the Festival for the Eno, the biggest celebration in N.C. and ends with a Tuesday night firework display at Kenan Stadium.

<p><b>Festival for the Eno (Durham)</b></p> <p>Saturday 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Sunday 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Tuesday 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Admissions:</b></p> <p>Advanced tickets: \$8/day Children 12 and under: free All others: \$10 (at gate)</p> <p><b>Location:</b></p> <p>West Point on the Eno, the City Park 3 miles north of I-85 on Roxboro Road in Durham</p>		<p><b>Independence Day</b></p> <p><b>Tuesday</b> (NO CLASSES!)</p> <p><b>Carrboro:</b></p> <p>The People's Parade on Weaver Street, along with music and food * begins 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>Chapel Hill:</b></p> <p>Fireworks display and live music at Kenan Stadium * 7 - 10:30 p.m.</p>
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bring coolers, saying, "Alcohol is prohibited, but the concession stands will be open to sell snacks and cool drinks."

All of the University's parking lots will be open. Gates 5, 6, and 7 on Kenan's South side will be open at 7 p.m., with seating available on the South side and West end zone. The lower and upper levels also will be open.

Despite the many local festivities, several students have opted to take their celebrations elsewhere.

Melissa Schrier, a junior from Charlotte, said, "I'm going to Charleston to enjoy fireworks on the bay while I party on my friend's yacht."

Lauren Schneider, a junior from Charlotte, and Annie Fair, a senior from Eden, will be celebrating Fourth of July during their summer abroad in London,

England.

Many other UNC students will go to Charlotte to enjoy a plethora of events, such as fireworks in the downtown area and also over Lake Norman.

There are plenty of volunteering opportunities available for those interested in helping out with weekend and Independence Day celebrations.

In exchange for their time, volunteers at the Festival for the Eno will receive a free ticket. Anyone interested should call (919) 471-5008.

Carrboro is also looking for volunteers to help with the Independence Day activities. Those interested should call Wendell Rodgers at 968-7793.

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## INSIDE Thursday

### Box Office Smashes?

Jim Carrey stars with Renee Zellweger in the Farrelly brothers' latest comedy venture



"Me, Myself & Irene." For a complete review of the film, as well as reviews of the new claymation movie "Chicken Run" and Ethan Hawke's turn as a modern day version of "Hamlet," check out Arts & Entertainment. See Page 5.

### Rising All-Star

Former Tar Heel baseball player Mike Bynum is hitting it big out in the California League. His excellence on the mound has led to a spot on the 2000 All-Stars Futures Game in Atlanta July 9. To see how he's fared after Carolina, read Sports. See Page 7.



### Calling All Writers

The DTH is looking for creative minds. Simply finish the following sentence in 50 words or less: "Summer is..." Email submissions by Monday to dtheditor@yahoo.com. The best pieces will be published next week and the overall winner will receive a DTH hat.

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Salvador Dali