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Faculty Voice Needed to Snag Best No. 2 Man

The search for the provost with the mo'vost is winding down. Within weeks, Chancellor James Moeser will make the final pick from three names chosen by the search committee. He announced Friday that he will begin holding private conversations with each finalist.

This means the group had to eliminate only one name from the crew of four candidates. Tough job. The contenders include William Roper, dean of UNC's School of Public Health, Paul Courant of the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, Karen Lawrence of the University of California-Irvine and Robert Shelton of the University of California-Davis. It could be a tough race. I haven't cast my vote yet, as it seems to be a win-win situation with all of the candidates. If the Big Meese gives Roper the nod, students and faculty alike could identify with Roper via his role on "Three's Company." Courant would appease the Yankees and could take an influential stance on what type of "pop" UNC should sell in Lenoir Dining Hall. And Lawrence or Shelton, adding fuel to an already blazing East Coast/West Coast rivalry, could easily slip words like "gnarly" into their speeches.

Seriously, there's much to consider, and the decision will impact faculty directly and students indirectly. The provost is in charge of allocating funds to various departments in the College of Arts and Sciences, as well as the schools of Education, Dentistry and Medicine, to name a few.

For students, this means the provost holds the strings if you need a horn in your music class or a microscope in your biology class. For professors, the provost is like the banker in Monopoly.

I talked to several chairs of departments this week to get a handle on what faculty want out of UNC's next provost. John Nadas, chairman of the music department, wouldn't say which candidate he was pulling for. Nadas' vibe is that the next No. 2 man, or woman, needs to balance out Meese's background in the humanities. "At the provost level, there needs to be a total view of what's happening that goes beyond the College of Arts and Sciences," he said. "It will be particularly instrumental in achieving a balance."

Nadas' view is a popular one. Some contend that if your chancellor knows music, your provost should know chemistry, thus creating a nice blend that means no department will get lost in the fund allocation shuffle.

But Richard Kohn, chairman of the curriculum in peace, war and defense, doesn't worry about the background blend between the chancellor and provost. Anyone good enough to be selected as provost will not play favorites and will have the breadth and depth of vision to create the perfect balance between departments and schools. After all, the late Chancellor Michael Hooker and former Provost Dick Richardson both were solidly rooted in the liberal arts.

Kohn wants to see someone like Richardson nab the post. Kohn said the former provost had the confidence of the faculty and the chancellor and was a great buffer between the two. "They will need to have a great deal of empathy for the units reporting to them," Kohn said.

Department of English Chairman Bill Andrews isn't hung up on finding a candidate with experience in his discipline. "No one's perfect," he said. "You're not going to find a humanist, scientist, medical doctor all rolled into one."

If all candidates are equal across the board, Andrews said, someone from inside the system would be the best choice. But Andrews said "if" they were all qualified. More than that, he wants someone who has been a faculty member before, someone who can feel the pain of professors all over campus.

Andrews has made his decision. He wouldn't tell me, but he has forwarded his pick to the selection committee. All faculty should follow his lead. Let the committee know what your thinking. Let Meese know what you're thinking. Help them pick that one name.

It could mean the difference between Baltic Avenue and Boardwalk.

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Run for Hooker Memorial Fund Draws 300

Although 200 fewer runners than last year attended, organizers were inspired by the University turnout.

By JASON ARTHURS
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At 8 a.m. Saturday, organizers of the second annual Michael Hooker 5K Run stood sleepy-eyed at the Old Well, anxious to see if students would turn out for the event.

"I would expect (there) to be less (participation) than last year," said Carolina Athletic Association officer Greg Rocco as he manned the vacant registration table. Because last year's race was so close to Hooker's death, "there was a huge outpour of sentiment."

But only a half-hour after the 8 a.m. registration, it seemed as if that sentiment was still strong. Roughly 300 students crammed around a few registration tables, handing over their \$10.

While the CAA-sponsored run drew 200 fewer participants than last year's run, event organizers were excited about the number of students and faculty who showed up to break a sweat and have

fun in memory of the late chancellor. Hooker stepped down in the spring of 1999 and lost his battle with cancer in July of that year.

Event organizer Michael Songer, who, along with CAA president Tee Pruitt, joined in the 3.1-mile run, said the event raised nearly \$3,000 from registration fees and sponsors.

Proceeds from the event will go to the Michael Hooker Scholarship Fund, which financially supports two or three in-state UNC students per year.

The course began with a shout from Sue Kitchen, vice chancellor for student affairs. Runners sprinted down Cameron Avenue and wound through campus.

But the pack thinned out after a hilly loop on Gimghoul Road and up Stadium Drive to the finish line at the Old Well.

Songer said the 5K is less of a race and more of a memorial event.

"I don't think of it as much of a race in the competitive sense," Songer said. "Hooker was always there for UNC ath-

letics, so we thought creating an athletic event would be a great way to honor his memory."

While many of the students in the race attended UNC during Hooker's term, freshmen and sophomores also turned out for the event.

"I remember hearing about all the cool stuff Chancellor Hooker did, even though I wasn't here," said sophomore Jonathan Crane of Mount Airy. "I feel this way I could say thank you to a man that made a big impact on campus."

Freshman Catherine Varner, a chemistry and English major from Wilmington, saw the run as a social event.

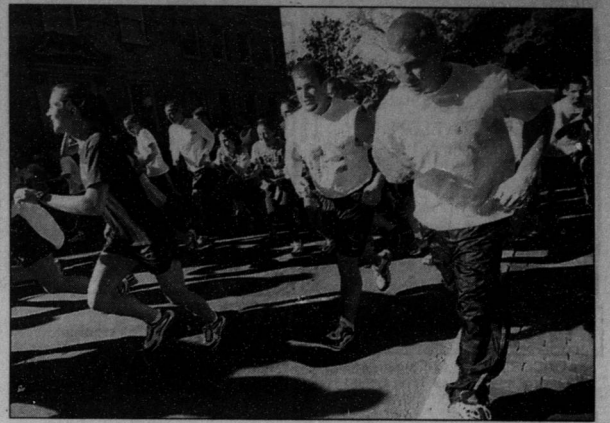
"A lot of my friends were running," Varner said. "It was a great way to start off my Saturday."

Many members of UNC's varsity athletic teams, including wrestling, women's basketball, women's soccer, rowing, volleyball, field hockey and track, also supported the event.

"I think it's great - getting the sports

"Hooker was always there for UNC athletics, so we thought... an athletic event would be a great way to honor his memory."

MICHAEL SONGER
5K Run Organizer



The 300 participants in the annual Michael K. Hooker Memorial 5K Run get an early start in front of South Building on Saturday morning.

teams involved outside of the athletic arena," said sophomore wrestler Warren Lamphier. "It gets the teams to support other people outside of athletics."

Songer said that even though last year's run attracted 500 people, he is very pleased with the turnout and hopes

the event will become a tradition. He said, "We certainly plan to continue to honor (Hooker's) contribution to UNC."

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TOOLS OF THE TRADE



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Area Third-Graders Experience Different Types of Careers



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Third-graders from Cameron Park Elementary School watch as Robert Randall demonstrates the importance of electrical safety using a Barbie doll and miniature power lines. At top, students from Carrboro Elementary School explore the inside of a helicopter provided by the state chapter of the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association.

By KATHRYN McLAMB
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Allison Neville, a Glenwood Elementary third-grader, emerged from her tour of a tractor-trailer Friday with an excited explanation of what it was like to be a truck driver.

"They had a TV, VCR, a mirror, everything's cushioned, and they have a fold-out bed," she said with a smile.

"Maybe someday I would like to drive one of those trucks."

Neville was one of about 1,400 Orange County third-graders who participated in the third annual Tool and Truck Day on Friday. The event brought students from eight area schools to the Hillsborough SportsPlex, where equipment was set up for them to view.

Geraldine Graham, School-to-Career coordinator for Orange County Schools, organized the event after receiving funding through a state grant.

"This gives (the students) an idea of different vocational jobs out there," Graham said. "We want them to know that there are jobs that go beyond just computer programming, doctors and lawyers."

The event featured an array of attractions, including a Huey helicopter sponsored by the N.C. Chapter of Vietnam Helicopter Pilot's Association. Aviators spoke to students about flying, but some students were more interested in playing on the aircraft.

Donovan McCulley, of Efland-Cheeks Elementary School, said he enjoyed pretending he was in a war when he was in the helicopter.

"It was fun, and the missiles were great," he said. "That

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Local Establishes Resource Center For Area Activists

The Freedom Legacy Project aims to inform and educate students about social struggles past and present in the Chapel Hill area.

By KAREY WUTKOWSKI
Assistant University Editor

A long-time Chapel Hill resident has turned his personal interests into a nonprofit organization that will compile a history of local freedom struggles.

Yonni Chapman, a prominent figure in community activism and a former UNC graduate student, started the Freedom Legacy Project in 1995 and now is widening its scope.

In the past, the organization informally conducted research and publicized the efforts of the Housekeepers' Movement (now UE 150), the Black Public Works Association and other struggling groups.

"One of the things that struck me was that the history of

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DTH FILE PHOTO

Students protesting historical racism on campus hang a Ku Klux Klan banner on Saunders Hall last October.

WFU Officials Prep School for Debate

By KATHLEEN HUNTER
State & National Editor

Wake Forest University officials and members of the Winston-Salem community spent the weekend preparing for the Oct. 11 presidential debate.

The Commission on Presidential Debates announced Thursday that Wake Forest University - the site of a debate between George Bush and Michael Dukakis during the 1988 presidential race - will host one of three scheduled presidential face-offs prior to the Nov. 7 election.

The debate in WFU's Walt Chapel will have a talk-show style format, with the two candidates and a moderator seated around a table. Jim Lehrer of PBS's "NewsHour" will moderate. Lehrer also moderated the presidential debate at WFU in 1988.

Although WFU was named as a potential debate site earlier this year, it

was unclear in recent weeks whether Republican candidate George W. Bush and Democratic candidate Al Gore would agree to the site.

WFU News Services representative Kevin Cox said university officials are pleased to have debate plans confirmed but are not surprised the debate commission convinced the candidates to agree to the Winston-Salem site. "The university was confident because we have a longstanding relationship with the Commission on Presidential Debates," said Cox, who works on WFU's Debate Planning Committee.

The agreement came after negotiations between debate commission representatives and members of the two campaigns. Bush was initially hesitant to follow the commission's recommendation, pushing for less formal debates on TV talk shows until a compromise was

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