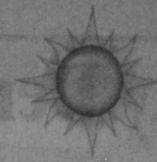


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Junior Mike Trinh listens Thursday as Professor James Coggins explains why he believes cheating occurred in his computer science class.

## Open Hearing Addresses Cheating

UNC faculty and students testified until the early morning hours in a rare open Honor Court hearing.

By JASON ARTHURS  
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Senior Mike Trinh shifted anxiously in his chair as Professor James Coggins described to the Honor Court on Thursday night how Trinh allegedly collaborated unfairly with classmates and gave unauthorized aid.

"I'm tense because I'm waiting for

my chance to argue," Trinh said during a recess. "I'm restraining myself."

In the open hearing Thursday night, Trinh and junior Brianne Roth pleaded not guilty to academic cheating charges that stemmed from a homework assignment in Coggins' Computer Science 120 course last semester.

After several students expressed concerns at the end of the semester about their classmates' cheating, Coggins turned in 24 students for working in groups on the programming assignment. The Honor Court is now holding hearings for the charged students during a three-week period that began Monday.

Investigator Brad Newcomb began Trinh and Roth's hearing by stating that

the students should have reasonably known that groupwork was a violation of the Honor Code. "The students cannot plead ignorance of the code," he said.

But Trinh's defense counsel, Ruwani Opatha, said Trinh's action was not a violation. "This collaboration was not unauthorized."

Trinh was charged with giving unauthorized aid in connection with placing programming code in an accessible area of the Internet. Roth was charged with seeking unauthorized aid.

As of press time, the hearing had not reached a conclusion. The outcome can be found online at [www.unc.edu/dth](http://www.unc.edu/dth).

Adrienne Bryant, Roth's defense counsel, said Coggins had encouraged group-

work and that Roth did not knowingly violate the Honor Code. "Though she had experience with computer programming, she found herself in need of assistance."

During his testimony, Coggins confirmed that he encouraged groupwork but said he clearly and repeatedly told students to work on graded assignments individually. "I told them, 'Yes, you may work in groups, but you may not use them in assignments that are graded,'" he said.

But during cross-examination, Coggins said that while most of his policies concerning the Honor Code were documented on his Web site, his groupwork policy concerning graded assignments was not.

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## Jones Nabs 2nd Gold In Sprints

Marion Jones won easily in the 200 meters Thursday, beating the second-place finisher by .43 of a second.

The Associated Press

Former UNC star Marion Jones raced to a lopsided victory in the women's 200 meters Thursday, her second gold medal of the Sydney Games. Her quest is to become the first woman to win five golds at a Summer Olympics.

"I'm here for more than two gold medals, I'm here for five," she said. "In a certain way, I am checking them off the list."

With husband C. J. Hunter watching from the stands, Jones took an early lead and then pulled away from the field to finish in 21.84 seconds. She won by nearly half a second in a race usually decided by hundredths of seconds.

After winning by the biggest margin in 40 years, Jones took a victory lap — stopping to give her husband two kisses and a hug.

"Some of the words I'd use to describe it are relieved and excited," Jones said. "I think I'm just overall happy that my sprints are over."

Jones' victory margin of 43 hundredths of a second was the biggest since American Wilma Rudolph won by .45 at the 1960 Rome Olympics.

Jones' next competition is the long jump, her weakest individual event. Then it's on to the relays, in which the American teams are vulnerable.

"Now I can really focus on the big challenge ahead, and that's my jumping tomorrow," she said. "I don't think anybody doubted me in the sprints. But my real test will come tomorrow. I'm going to have to dig down deep tomorrow. And I'm ready for that."

The win capped a difficult few days for Jones, who on Tuesday stood at Hunter's side shortly before he answered questions about four positive drug tests this summer. Hunter, world champion in the shot put, is not competing in Sydney.

Hunter said the biggest challenge for his wife has been competing in both the 200 and the long jump the past two days.

"It was a great race. I'm very happy," Hunter said. "It's a tough schedule. It's not the race, it's the way they had it set up."



Former Tar Heel Marion Jones will attempt to win her third gold medal Friday in the long jump.



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Shelby Banning-Amdt gets a Henna tattoo from Krishna Priya Dasi. This booth was one of many that people visited at last year's Festifall, the annual crafts and food fair held on Franklin Street.

## Town Gears Up for Festifall

More than 100 artists and booths will line Franklin Street this weekend for the event, now in its 38th year.

By STEPHANIE GUNTER  
Staff Writer

The 28th annual Festifall will take over downtown Chapel Hill on Sunday, bringing with it a wide array of food, music, arts and crafts.

Parrish Anderson, public events coordinator for Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation, described the event as an arts and crafts fair with the added touch of a street festival.

"There will be almost 100 artists and about 100 booths of arts and crafts," he

said. "That is the main energy to the fair. We also throw into that the whole street-fair spirit."

Festifall 2000 will be held from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., but streets will be closing earlier to accommodate the crowds. West Franklin Street will be closed from Church to Roberson streets and Mallette to Kenan streets from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. on Sunday.

"Anywhere from 20,000 to 25,000 people are expected," Anderson said. "I heard that the weather will be nice, so I think (the number) will be higher."

In addition to arts and crafts, the fair also features food, music and entertainment for children.

"We're going to be having over 15 bands with all different kinds of music and local music," Anderson said.

Children can have their hair or face

painted, receive temporary tattoos or scale a climbing wall at Kidszone, which will be located near McDonald's.

"PlayMakers (Repertory Company) is doing something really great," Anderson said. "The children can dress up in costumes and have their picture taken."

Food also constitutes a major part of the festival, Anderson said.

"We ask that vendors be international food vendors," he said. "Chinese food, Thai food and Polish food — lots of different kinds."

Southern Taste of Nature will be providing vegan and vegetarian food for the first time this year.

Regional dishes also will be a special feature at this year's festival.

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## BOT Members Predict Slow Rise in Enrollment

UNC officials also discussed the increase in diversity and higher SAT scores among this year's freshman class.

By DANIEL THIGPEN  
Staff Writer

The year's first official Board of Trustees meeting Thursday morning presented a much smaller prediction of future enrollment than originally anticipated.

Interim Provost Dick Edwards projects a 100-student increase in each of the next three years, which will bring freshman enrollment to 3,700 and total enrollment to about 25,000 by 2003.

Three hundred students over three years is a far cry from the 6,000 by 2008 officials initially expected. UNC leaders have re-evaluated the school's projection numerous times over the past few years to better plan for University growth, leading to the revised prediction.

Officials say they are not sure where enrollment will be by 2008, but that these new expectations allow for slow growth and appropriate planning.

Chancellor James Moeser, attending his first BOT meeting as chancellor, tied this prediction to the \$3.1 billion higher education bond issue, saying if the bond fails to pass, it would prevent UNC from seeing this type of growth. "We will not have unsupported growth on this campus," he said.

Moeser used this as a platform to defend the bond.

"We have some wonderful facilities, and some not-so-wonderful facilities," he said. He said campaigning for the bond was his first priority, although the campus community could survive

despite the quality of its resources.

"The facilities don't make the school; the people make the school."

Moeser said the greatest challenge facing the bond's passage is to inform those unaware of the importance of the package. "Only people who know the issue will vote for the bond," he said. "My goal is not just a victory, but an overwhelming victory."

Jerry Lucido, associate vice provost and director of undergraduate admissions also updated the board on admissions trends for fall 2000. He said the freshman class breakdown boasted the most culturally diverse enrollment to date.

Lucido also noted the increase in average SAT scores of new students. "These students are incredibly well-prepared," he said. "This is a reflection of very good things going on at our high schools."

The BOT also discussed a number of proposals and projects affecting how UNC would handle future growth.

In addition to pushing the bond issue, Moeser discussed goals of the University's Master Plan, which is expected to improve UNC's physical characteristics through construction and development.

Moeser said his aspirations center on making UNC's educational environment first class, and that the Master Plan is the "physical way of reaching that goal."

As the agenda moved from project to project throughout the day, revealing more and more of the possible look of UNC's future, Moeser said he is very excited about the energy being devoted to the University's development. "There is something here that is extraordinary."

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Director of Undergraduate Admissions

## Residents Vow to Keep Eyes on Plan

By GINNY SCIABBARRASI  
City Editor

When Ken Broun first bought his home in the Mason Farm area, he never thought that 26 years later he'd be fighting to preserve his neighborhood.

But Broun found himself leading fellow residents in a heated question-and-answer session with UNC officials concerning the Master Plan, a blueprint for campus growth.

And those residents, worried the plan will push into their neighborhoods, say they will be keeping a close eye on it.

Broun, who was designated as the spokesman for neighborhoods like Mason Farm, Whitehead Circle,

Westwood and Westside, said some questions remained after the forum.

"I think we were able to get some answers and some answers we weren't able to get," said Broun, who was Chapel Hill mayor from 1991 to 1995 and is a UNC law professor.

"I wish the University would have answered my questions about eminent domain (that allows UNC to purchase town lands), but they didn't."

A major cause of contention at the hearing was a proposal that would cut a transportation corridor through the Mason Farm neighborhood, and through some residents' houses.

Should UNC decide it wants to take land from the town to build this corri-

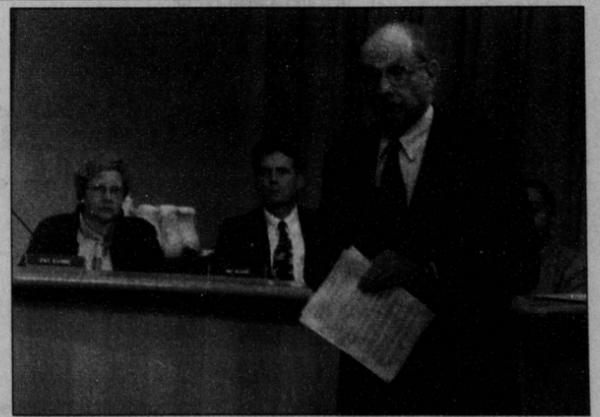
dor, eminent domain will permit it.

"I have concerns about the road, the transit corridor, overall density of the plan, but my primary concern is about the immediate effect on my neighbors," Broun said.

Adam Gross, a consultant with Ayers Saint Gross, the firm that is developing the Master Plan, offered three possibilities for the corridor, the third of which would completely bypass the neighborhood.

But no option is definite until the plan is presented to the UNC Board of Trustees in January. "The neighborhood is concerned because the Town Council said they would protect the neighbor-

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Ken Broun, former mayor of Chapel Hill, debates parts of the UNC Master Plan on behalf of the town residents.

The administration of justice is the firmest pillar of government.

George Washington