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Atallah Shabazz delivered the seventh annual Sonja H. Stone Memorial Lecture at the Tate-Turner-Kuralt Building on Thursday.

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BCC Features Malcolm X's Daughter

By KATY NELSON
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About 250 people came out to the School of Social Work on Thursday night to hear about the legacy of Malcolm X through his daughter, and many audience members left with tears in their eyes and inspired to think more about giving back to the community.

Atallah Shabazz, the eldest daughter of civil rights leaders Betty Shabazz and Malcolm X, spoke of her own life as an activist, writer and producer, as well as of her parents' contributions.

Shabazz weaved the themes of family and personal legacies, self-respect and the value of community as she delivered the

Black Cultural Center's seventh annual Sonja H. Stone Memorial Lecture, which is endowed to bring to campus African-American women who advocate youth leadership and community service.

Hadiyah Muhammad, a sophomore from Durham, said she didn't have words to describe the lecture's inspirational power.

"It was compelling, informative and inspirational," she said. "It will aid in the process of self-realization and building inner strength."

Shabazz spoke about her own history, as well as creating an interactive setting in which the audience members introduced themselves to each other and said, "I wish you the best, but if you get

there first, take me with you."

She encouraged the audience to learn about themselves and act upon it. "Freedom is being able to find the outlet for your honesty," Shabazz said.

In speaking of her father's assassination in 1966 and her mother's 1997 death, Shabazz said, "We really have to value one's existence while they are present."

When an audience member asked what she thought her father would be like today had he not been killed, Shabazz said her father might have emerged from the civil rights movement like South African leader Nelson Mandela.

She shared humorous anecdotes from the personal lives of her father and mother and told of the deep love between her

parents, describing her father as a "lover filled with compassion."

Shabazz related how a young woman at another lecture once told her she wished Malcolm X was her own father.

Shabazz said she was touched but hoped the young woman would search for meaning in her own father's presence. "Indeed my father was a glorious man to have as a daddy," she said. "But relish (your father) until you can't."

Shabazz encouraged the audience to think about the greater picture of legacy. "Do not think that this moment is singularly about you. It is anointed."

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Chapel Hill Police Ready for Revelers

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With the much-anticipated rematch of the two top teams in the ACC only two days away, local law enforcement officials are preparing for the postgame celebrations on Franklin Street.

After North Carolina's victory over Duke on Feb. 1, the 100 block of Franklin Street was swamped with UNC fans, who started unauthorized bonfires and participated in vandalism, forcing officials to review their procedures for handling the revelers this weekend.

During the last celebration, an overturned car prompted questions about whether more can be done to ensure safety. Some feel that there should be an increase in safety precautions by students and officials, but the Chapel Hill police and fire departments plan to utilize the same basic game plan they have in the past. "There are no major changes, but we have tweaked our protocol since the last game," Chapel Hill Police Chief Gregg Jarvies said.

This time, 35 officers will be strategically positioned on Franklin Street, Jarvies said. That is an increase from the last Duke game, when 25 officers were on hand. Officers will not have any drastic changes to their assignments from last time, but will be more spread out to allow them to canvas a larger area.

Deputy Fire Chief Robert Bosworth said the fire department also will continue to follow plans it used for the last Duke game. "Our plans for Sunday will be the same as they were last time," he said.

Bosworth said there will be two teams

on foot with fire extinguishers to help make sure any bonfires do not get out of control. Another team on bikes will be there if anyone needs first-aid and also will have small extinguishers for emergencies.

A large truck will be near East Franklin and Henderson streets just in case any of the bonfires get out of hand, Bosworth said.

Jarvies said cars parked on Franklin Street will not be towed, even though fans flipped a car during the last celebration.

Because the game will be played on Sunday afternoon, the traffic on Franklin Street will be heavier than usual, he said. Many of the churches in the area need extra parking spaces so their members will be able to attend services. The large number of cars would make it hard to tow them from the area, Jarvies said.

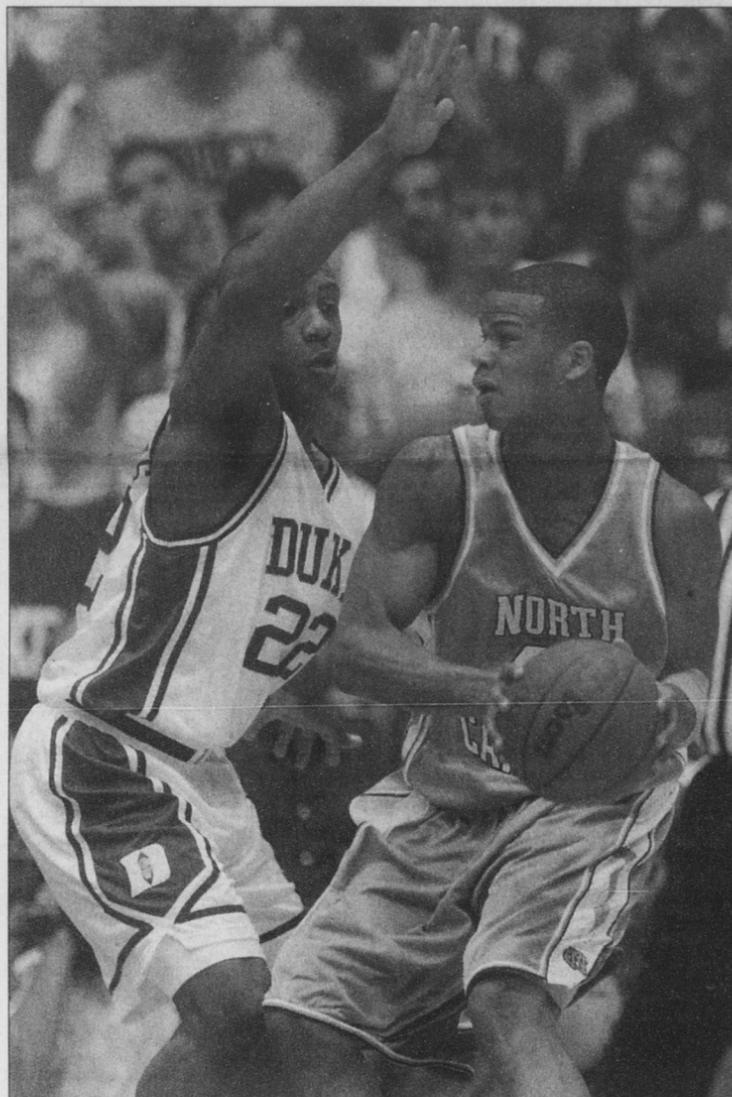
"You reach a threshold where if you decide to tow cars, you will have to utilize 135 people rather than the 35 that will be used," he said.

Jarvies said the most important component for a safer celebration is that the fans police themselves and celebrate more responsibly.

Bosworth said he did not think the UNC student body was very proud of its behavior the last time and that he fully expects the celebration to be much more controlled this time than last time.

"When Carolina wins, I have confidence that the fans will behave, and the night will be a celebration like it is supposed to be."

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Joseph Forte (right) tries to pass the ball around the pressure of Duke's Jason Williams. Forte and Williams lead the ACC in scoring with 22 and 20.7 ppg, respectively.

Boozer Injury Creates Puzzle For Duke, UNC

Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski has several options for his lineup without Carlos Boozer for Sunday's game against North Carolina.

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The players say it every time. North Carolina and Duke? *Throw out the records - this is war. Ignore how well or poorly we've been playing before this point. None of it will matter once tipoff happens.*

Yeah, yeah, yeah. Whatever.

But this time all of that talk is more than just cliché.

The second-ranked Blue Devils (25-4, 12-3 in the ACC) will be without starting center Carlos Boozer, who has an injured foot, when they visit Chapel Hill on Sunday at 3:30 p.m. for a showdown with No. 4 UNC (23-4, 13-2).

And no one is sure what to expect.

Will Duke, the NCAA's most prolific 3-point shooting team (10.6 per game), attempt even more long-range bombs than usual? Will the Blue Devils use three or four guards at one time and play 6-foot-8 Shane Battier at center? Can Duke reserves Casey Sanders and Matt Christensen play big minutes without hurting the team?

"I don't know, to be honest with you," UNC forward Jason Capel said. "I think Duke's going to play their game. They'll still shoot a lot of 3s, be very aggressive on defense, and we don't expect anything different. It's a big loss, but I think they're going to step up and play well."

The stakes are high enough - that much is certain. The Blue Devils can claim a share of the ACC regular-season title if they knock off UNC. The two teams also are still battling for the top seed in the East Region of the NCAA tournament.

Boozer won't return until NCAAs after fracturing the third metatarsal in his right foot in Duke's 91-80 loss to Maryland on Tuesday night. Doctors will re-evaluate him in two weeks, but Boozer could be out of action for three or more weeks, Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said Thursday.

The Blue Devils have loads of talent but lack depth, especially up front. That's what makes Boozer's absence so critical.

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Board Permits Greater Waste Storage for CP&L

By PHIL PERRY
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A local nuclear power plant has been given the green light to go forward with expansion of waste storage, marking what could be the final step in a two-year battle between Orange County and Carolina Power & Light Co.

The Atomic Safety and Licensing Board handed down a ruling Thursday that cleared the way for CP&L to use two additional waste storage pools at its Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant.

A Feb. 14 decision by the full five-member panel of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission halted the opening of two nuclear waste storage pools at the plant. CP&L had been given the go-ahead by the NRC's Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation to begin expansion plans, but the full commission wanted the staff to answer lingering questions that arose from the expansion.

Thursday's ruling indicated that these questions have been answered.

The Orange County Commissioners say a disaster at the plant, which will have the capacity to store the most nuclear waste in the country, could affect a 50-mile radius, which includes Orange County.

But CP&L spokesman Mike Hughes said the ruling should bring to a close the battle over whether the plant could open the pools. "What's important here is that two separate arms (the ASLB and the NRC staff) independently reached the same conclusion," he said. "It again has confirmed the plan we proposed in 1998 is safe and responsible."

Hughes said the third pool should be fully operational by the middle of this year. He also said the fourth pool would not be needed until 2016 but that he hoped the federal government will have opened another repository by that time.

But N.C. Waste Awareness and Reduction Network Director Jim Warren said the ruling disregarded Orange County's safety concerns.

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Williams Excels in Darker Shade of Blue

Duke guard Jason Williams spurned UNC in the recruiting process and is currently second in the ACC in scoring.

By WILL KIMMEY
Senior Writer

Imagine Jason Williams breaking down his defender and kicking the ball out to Joseph Forte, who gracefully swishes a 3-pointer.

The ACC's best point man feeding the league's top point producer. Two of the nation's best guards playing together. It almost happened.

"If (Williams) didn't come here, he probably would have ended up at Carolina," Duke forward Shane Battier said.

Former North Carolina coach Bill Guthridge recruited Williams out of St. Joseph's High School in Plainfield, N.J. But Guthridge already had a point man in Ed Cota and a backup in Ronald Curry.

As much as Guthridge liked Williams, the only thing the UNC coach could offer the young man was some advice: Don't go anywhere in the ACC, especially Duke.

"That's when I decided to go to Duke," said Williams, now a sophomore.

Plus, Williams added, "I've never been a big fan of baby blue. It's just not me. I'm a darker blue type of guy."

Williams will be wearing his favorite shade of blue Sunday afternoon as he leads No. 2 Duke into the Smith Center against No. 4 North Carolina.

But Williams struggled in his chances against the Tar Heels as a freshman. He averaged 11.0 points on 7-for-27 shooting and had a hard time containing Cota, UNC's senior point guard.

"It let me know there's still a lot of things I need to work on to become the player I want to be," Williams said.

So he began preparing for this season a week after Florida eliminated Duke from last year's NCAA tournament. Williams started running, shooting, watching tape, working out - doing everything he could to enhance his game.

"His talent and natural ability have always been there," said Steve Wojciechowski, a Duke assistant coach and former point guard. "Although he has gotten in better shape and has improved as a shooter, his ability to think on the floor has gotten better and can continue to get better."

The results have been tangible.

Williams has increased his scoring average from 14.5 points to 20.7, second in the ACC to Forte's 22.0. And he's doing it with more consistent shooting, raising his field goal percentage to .489, 70 points better than in his rookie campaign.

He hit two key 3-pointers and scored eight points in 13 seconds as Duke rallied from 10 down with less than a minute to go, forcing overtime at Maryland on Jan. 27. The Blue Devils eventually won 98-96.

Williams said he would not have taken those pivotal 3s a year ago.

"I think he's a very courageous player," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "He's stepped up big."

Williams has become the go-to guy

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Excellence is not a singular act, but a habit. You are what you repeatedly do.

Shaquille O'Neal