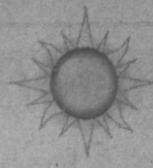


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## Courage Ready to Make History

By RACHEL CARTER  
Sports Editor

When Meredith Florence steps onto Fetzer Field on Saturday night, it won't be like all the times before.

There will still be screaming fans in the seats — but there will be more of them. There will still be media attention — but on a much larger scale.

This time, there will be no tradition. No storied North Carolina women's soccer dynasty to live up to. No 17 national titles. No Carolina blue jerseys.

As Florence walks on the same Fetzer Field that she found glory on for four years as one of UNC's dominant forwards, she and her Carolina Courage

teammates will be walking into the history books for the Women's United Soccer Association, the WUSA.

"Everything about this league has exceeded our wildest dreams," said UNC coach Anson Dorrance, citing the league's television deal with TNT as an example.

Six of Dorrance's former players will suit up for the Courage, including Florence, who is a senior communication studies major at UNC.

The team also is coached by a North Carolina alumna, Marcia McDermott.

The league has a decidedly UNC flavor to it — only one of the eight teams does not have at least one former Tar Heel.

Although most of the league has N.C.

roots, the state nearly didn't get a team.

Originally, the Courage was supposed to be in Orlando, Fla., but the WUSA couldn't work out the deal. So, the Courage moved north and settled at UNC's Fetzer Field.

"I don't think there's any doubt that a team should be here," Dorrance said. "We've always considered our team here at North Carolina a pioneer in women's soccer, and it's appropriate that there's a team (in Chapel Hill) where they're calling the birthplace of women's soccer."

Saturday's game kicks off at 7:30 p.m. at Fetzer Field. Tickets are still available for the game against the Boston Breakers, which has four former Tar

Heels on its roster, including Kristine Lilly and Tracy Ducar.

Jim Houghton, public relations manager for Carolina, said everything is almost ready for Saturday's game.

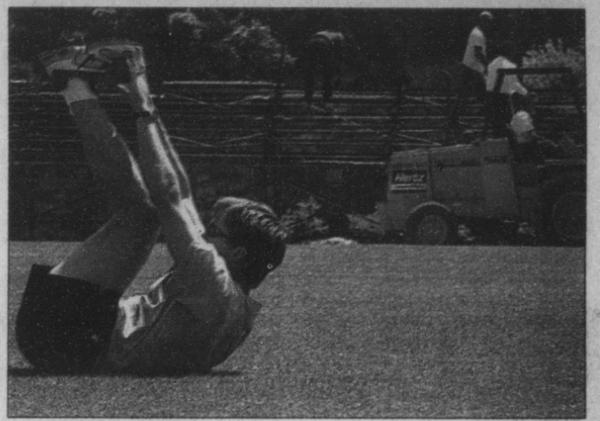
"The place we're trailing behind is in the front office," Houghton said. "Marcia's got the team ready, and they're ready to take the field."

Preparations for Saturday's game continued this week with the painting of Fetzer Field and the erection of bleachers.

While workers prepared Fetzer, the team spent its waning days before the season's start getting to know its fans.

Thursday night, the Courage met

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Oliver Weiss, assistant coach for the UNC men's soccer team, stretches while construction crews prepare for Saturday's game at Fetzer Field.

## UNC Funds May Be Cut By \$25M

UNC-system President Molly Broad said the governor's budget cuts were higher than initially proposed.

By ALEX KAPLAN  
AND KIM MINUGH  
Senior Writers

After several months of speculation about the state's financial woes, the fears of many University administrators might soon be realized.

Legislature's Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Education formally requested earlier this week that UNC-system officials present a plan to the committee to cut 7 percent from its recurring budget — a total of about \$125 million.

UNC's share of the cuts would total close to \$25 million.

In a Board of Governors meeting last week, UNC-system President Molly Broad hinted the University might have to contend with serious budget reductions, but Broad said Thursday she was surprised by the extent of the cuts proposed by the committee. "This is a major difference that seems disproportionate to the state's fiscal circumstance," Broad said. "It's completely inconsistent with the social contract the university has with the people of the state, who overwhelmingly made a commitment to improving higher education last November."

And UNC officials have expressed concern that students could increasingly be asked to shoulder the burden in the form of increased tuition.

Broad said her office has charged the chancellors of all 16 UNC-system campuses with identifying ways by Monday in which each campus could handle their share of the budget cuts. "I have asked the chancellors to protect instruction, especially undergraduate instruction," Broad said. "The message I have gotten back is that with cuts of this magnitude, it may be difficult to do that."

UNC Chancellor James Moeser said  
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### For the Record

In the April 19 Police Roundup, a listing under Monday, April 16, incorrectly named Sean Simone as the subject arrested for possession of a firearm on campus.

Simone reported to police that Samuel Thomas Tyndall Parham had a 9 mm handgun in his unlocked vehicle.

Parham was arrested Monday. In the same Police Roundup, Barry Horton was incorrectly named as a suspect in a larceny that occurred at the Shepherd House restaurant.

Carrboro police have no suspects in the larceny. The Daily Tar Heel deeply regrets the errors.

## Unsolved Mysteries

By RACHEL CLARKE  
Staff Writer

When several construction workers showed up for work New Year's Day 2000, they found something unusual — the gate to the Orange Water and Sewer Authority Plant was unlocked.

But that paled in comparison to the shocking discovery they made next. Near the gravel driveway, the workers found the lifeless body of 21-year-old Michael Crosby, who had been shot four times in his head and face with a small-caliber handgun.

Lt. Marvin Clark of the Chapel Hill Police Department said he remembers vividly the day Crosby was found.

"We worked for seven or eight hours at first," he said. But Crosby had no connection to the water treatment plant and no identification, so the police officers had to wait almost two days until a friend of Crosby's reported him missing.

After discerning his identity, Clark said the 14 investigators assigned to the case worked tirelessly to solve it, logging nearly 16 to 20 hours each day for more than two weeks. "On that particular day, that Sunday, I even slept in my office," he said.

Although the department used every resource it could, it was not enough. A suspect was arrested, but the charges against him were later dropped. Crosby's murderer is still free today.

Clark has tracked hundreds of criminals in his 27 years as a Chapel Hill police officer, but he said Crosby

was one of a few victims whose killers were never brought to justice and continue to haunt his memory.

Crosby. Suellen Evans. Robert Sheldon.

All three were killed in Chapel Hill, and their murderers remain at large. "We'll always want to solve these cases," Clark said.

He said the public needs to be aware of these unsolved mysteries so anyone with information about the case can come forward. The police will thoroughly investigate any new leads, even if the crime occurred years before.

"Any publicity we can get on a cold case helps us get the message out to the world that we aren't finished, and we need some help," he said. "We now live in such a mobile society that a person can commit a crime, move to another state and never be heard from again."

Unsolved murders are not a new phenomenon in Chapel Hill. On July 31, 1965, 21-year-old Suellen Evans was stabbed while walking through Coker Arboretum in the middle of the day. Evans had recently transferred from Catawba College in Salisbury to UNC-Greensboro. She was making up the credits she lost when she transferred by taking summer classes at UNC-Chapel Hill.

Capt. Joel Booker of the Carrboro Police Department said the murder was shocking for the Chapel Hill area because such things were much less common in the 1960s. "I was a little kid when that happened, and I

Chapel Hill and Carrboro police say unsolved crimes weigh heavily on their minds. Below are just five of the most memorable crimes that local police say they would most like to see solved.



SOURCE: DTH ARCHIVES

July 1, 1965 — Suellen Evans, 21, is stabbed in the middle of the day at the Coker Arboretum.

Feb. 21, 1991 — Robert Sheldon, 40, owner of Internationalist Books, is shot and killed in the store.

Dec. 1, 1997 — Deborah Key, 35, disappears from a Carrboro pool hall and is later presumed dead.

March 6, 1999 — Wilbert L. Jones, 74, is killed in his Carrboro home by a gunshot to the chest.

Jan. 1, 2000 — Michael Crosby, 21, is found dead at the Orange Water and Sewer Authority Plant, shot four times in the head.

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remember it," said Booker, who grew up in Orange County.

The Evans case also was unusual because after being inactive for more than 20 years, it was reactivated about 10 years ago when the department got a new lead.

"I was very hopeful that it would be the tip that they needed," Clark said.

He said he was disappointed when the lead did not pan out but that he reviewed the case again three years ago to see if modern technology could help him find any new leads.

This is a common procedure, Clark said. "We review cases periodically to see if there is anything that could be done or hasn't been done."

He said the new developments in DNA testing and fingerprinting techniques might allow for new information to be found in old cases.

Booker said technology has vastly improved the Carrboro Police

Department's ability to fight crime over the past few years. "With the forensics now, your chances of success are probably increased, but you'll still have to do the legwork," he said.

Clark said another lingering mystery he would love to get some help with is the homicide at Internationalist Books. The owner of the store, Robert Sheldon, 40, was murdered on Feb. 21, 1991. "He was shot and killed at the store, which at the time was just next to where Mama Dip's is now on Rosemary Street," Clark said. The bookstore has since moved its operation to 405 W. Franklin St.

Clark said the officers who work these cases never forget them, and leaving them unsolved is very difficult, but it is something the police must learn to do.

"I think you feel disappointed that  
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## 2 OK After Emergency Landing by Horace Williams

By GINNY SCIABBARRASI  
City Editor

Two people walked away unharmed from a single-engine plane after they were forced to make an emergency landing on University property Thursday night.

Pilot Pat Greenwell, a member of the Chapel Hill Flying Club, was forced to land just after take-off when the lone engine of the plane she was flying failed.

"For reasons we don't know, the engine sputtered," said Bill Sawyer, president of the Flying Club. "It was at takeoff, and they turned around ... and landed in the trees at the end of the runway."

Greenwell and Richard Binkley, who was also in the plane, were able to climb out of the plane and return to the Horace Williams Airport on Estes Drive. Once they returned to the airport, they notified the Federal Aviation Administration and the National Transportation Safety Board. UNC officials also were informed.

Chapel Hill Fire Deputy Robert Bosworth said Chapel Hill authorities were not notified of the

accident around 8:25 p.m.

"The intent was not to dispatch us to a plane crash — the intent was to dispatch us to a fuel leak from the plane," he said. "But we thought we were responding to a plane crash."

Bosworth said he saw Greenwell on the train tracks near the landing and asked if she needed any medical attention. "We asked if she was hurt, she said no; we asked her if she wanted an ambulance, she said no," he said.

Sawyer, who flew the Cherokee Piper Warrior plane earlier in the day, said there were no obvious reasons for the forced landing. "There was no water in the fuel, and there was lots of fuel in the tank," he said. "For an engine to quit midflight is unusual."

Sawyer said the club has no plans to ground its planes for now, but it will be looking into what might have caused the engine to stop.

"The plane is one of the safer of the single-engine, low-wing planes," he said.

"This has never happened before."

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Chapel Hill Patrol Officer Tom Mitchell stands by to direct Seawell Road traffic past the scene of a plane crash Thursday night.

Obviously crime pays, or there'd be no crime.

G. Gordon Liddy