

**BACKGROUND**  
From Page 1

University had gotten a reputation for hiring employees without doing background checks. "In looking at the surrounding area, at academic and non-academic sources of employment, we found we were the largest group that didn't do (background checks) at all," he said. "Everybody out there knows we don't check, so people out there with something to hide know where to come."

And one student says if this policy had been instituted sooner, she might have been spared a traumatic ordeal.

The student, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said she was raped at gunpoint in her Chapel Hill apartment Jan. 9.

Dwayne Russell Edwards, an employee of Tar Heel Temps who had held three jobs at the University, was arrested and charged with seven felony counts in conjunction with the student's assault in January, as well as 33 felonies related to one rape and one sexual assault in Carrboro in December.

Before being hired at UNC, Edwards served five months in an Illinois jail for burglary and forgery. He was arrested in Cumberland County for breaking and entering and felony larceny last year.

At UNC, Edwards held a clerical position at Student Health Service, where he had access to students' telephone numbers and addresses on the SHS database after students provided a PID number as part of appointment scheduling procedures.

"He raped me at gunpoint, and he was employed by the University," the student said. "If they had done a simple background check, they would have found the charges against him."

The issue of background checks has come up again at UNC recently - two Carolina Dining Services employees were arrested on felony charges. One employee was arrested when it was discovered that there were outstanding warrants for his arrest in New Jersey, while the other was arrested for bringing a gun to Lenoir Dining Hall.

Although the employee who brought the gun to Lenoir had no previous arrest record, the student said background checks could help minimize the risks students might face when interacting with employees. "We are in a day and age where, it's sad to say, we need to do a criminal background check on everyone we hire," the student said. "For someone to show up at work at Lenoir with a gun is just insane. It should never happen - it makes me wonder how many more there are."

**BILLS**  
From Page 1

She said any additional aid might be directed primarily to the out-of-state students who already qualify for need-based aid. "It shouldn't take a large amount of money," Ort said. "About 18 percent of each class are out-of-state students. Of all those, only about a third are eligible for need-based financial aid."

Ort said the financial aid office will try to notify students about their options and increased awards.

Other financial aid officers noted that legislators have allotted money for need-based aid, which could also be used to help offset the retroactive increase for in-state students.

Steven Brooks, executive director of the N.C. State Education Assistance Authority, which oversees scholarship programs for North Carolinians, said state legislators set aside about \$8.9 million for needy N.C. students. "There's some extra money for need-based assistance, hopefully enough for returning students," Brooks said. "The increase is a large percentage. But it's not a huge increase in dollars (for in-state students)."

The State & National Editor can be reached at [stntdesk@unc.edu](mailto:stntdesk@unc.edu).

Bob Joyce, a professor at the Institute of Government, said employers have two options when conducting background checks. Joyce said an employer can physically go to the courthouse for each county and obtain records, or the employer can pay a private agency to compile records and run applicants through their database.

He said there are no legal constraints if an employer does his or her own checks. But employers who hire a private agency are subject to the restrictions of the Fair Credit Reporting Act, which specifies that companies ask an applicant's permission before running a check and informing the applicant of the results.

Maynard said background checks will perform a valuable service for the University. He said when UNC began running limited checks two years ago, a large number of the applicants checked came back with criminal records.

"When we first put the limited policy in effect, the first year, we were getting back 20 to 40 percent of our applicants who said they had no criminal conviction but did," he said. "It's not so much about identifying people with criminal convictions, because we ask that on the application. It's more trying to find out where people have been truthful or not."

The anonymous student said background checks are the least the University can do for students. "This has affected my life so much that I feel like students should know we're not safe," she said. "We always ask questions about how can the University compete - we talk about faculty salaries, technology, expansion plans and how it will affect the students. But how are we going to be a better university if we don't protect our students?"

The University Editor can be reached at [udesk@unc.edu](mailto:udesk@unc.edu).

**MOESER**  
From Page 1

and faculty. And one issue that impacts all students is a recent 9 percent across-the-board tuition increase. "The one thing we hope more than anything in student government is that (Moeser) will make a strong statement on the legislature's decision to increase tuition - hopefully against it," said Rudy Kleysteuber, student body vice president.

Kleysteuber also said he hopes Moeser will address UNC's efforts to support lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students. Another issue involving minority students is the On the Wake of the Emancipation Campaign. OWEC presented its demands, which included disclosing the racist acts of some whose names are on campus buildings and recruitment and retention of minority students, to UNC officials last April.

"I'm really hoping (Moeser) will talk about his feelings on the demands presented by the O-campaign and the strides it's made during the summer," said Kristi Booker, president of the Black Student Movement. "We really haven't heard much from him on that."

But Kleysteuber said the State of the University address deals more with the image the chancellor wishes to project. "I expect him to talk about a lot of things we don't really care about," he said. "Like the \$1 billion campaign, which is not an immediate pressing student concern."

Estroff also acknowledged the importance of Moeser's address. "I'm not sure the faculty morale is really high right now," she said. "I'm looking for some hot rhetoric and some inspiration."

The University Editor can be reached at [udesk@unc.edu](mailto:udesk@unc.edu).

**Alcohol Abuse Worries Parents**

By **LUCAS FENSKÉ**  
Assistant State & National Editor

Students flock to Franklin Street every weekend, lining up outside bars and seeing how many pitchers of beer they can drink before last call - much to the concern of some parents.

An American Medical Association survey found that 95 percent of college students' parents consider binge drinking a serious threat to their children's health.

Binge drinking is often defined as four drinks in an hour for women or five for men. According to the study, about 44 percent of college students nationwide admitted to binge drinking.

The survey also found that 85 percent of people consider easy access to alcohol in college towns as a significant contributing factor to underage and binge drinking.

Dr. J. Edward Hill, AMA chairman-elect, stated in a press release that it was time for medical and college officials to take binge drinking more seriously.

"We can no longer treat binge drinking as a rite of passage," he stated in the release. "It's a major health threat not

only to binge drinkers but also to the people around them."

Sennai Habtes, a UNC junior from the U.S. Virgin Islands, said he does not think there is a serious binge drinking problem on campus but added that he has seen people drinking heavily on Franklin Street.

"A lot of people here drink a lot for no other reason than to drink," Habtes said, pointing out that people in the Virgin Islands tend to drink more for social reasons than people in the United States.

He also said that bars closing at a set time contributes to excessive drinking.

"That encourages people to drink as much as they can until closing time," Habtes said, adding that bars in the Virgin Islands remain open until customers are gone.

UNC officials also said binge drinking was not a major campus problem.

Dean Blackburn, coordinator of Substance Abuse Counseling, pointed to the "2 Out of 3 Survey" conducted in 1999.

The study found that two out of every three students returned to their resi-

dence halls with 0.00 blood alcohol concentration on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

"UNC has had a tradition of a perception of being a party school," Blackburn said. "The key word is perception."

He added that heavy drinking can lead to several problems, including vandalism, physical or sexual violence, aggression and littering.

Blackburn added that most students living in residence halls complained about noise and vomit - problems partly caused by excessive drinking.

He said he was pleased that so many parents are concerned about their children's drinking habits.

Blackburn said students who were concerned about their drinking habits could talk to counselors at the Center for Healthy Student Behaviors. "They'll help assess your drinking habits," Blackburn said. "There's not an agenda to get you to stop drinking. They just help you get where you want to be."

The State & National Editor can be reached at [stntdesk@unc.edu](mailto:stntdesk@unc.edu).

**Do you suffer from Colds?**

Chapel Hill Internal Medicine is conducting a research study for people who have NOT had any cold symptoms within the last two weeks. If you are 18 to 74 years old, you may be able to participate in a research study to evaluate an investigational oral antiviral medication for a cold. We are studying this investigational drug to see if it helps prevent you from developing a cold, but this is not guaranteed. If you would like more information, call between 8:30am and 5pm: 919-942-5123, voicemail option 9, or after 5pm: 919-929-4666 ext. 116, or email: [chimstudy@nc.rr.com](mailto:chimstudy@nc.rr.com).

**Health Profession School Fair**

September 18, 2001, 10 AM - 3 PM  
Carmichael Auditorium

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is holding a Health Profession School Fair. This is an excellent opportunity for students to obtain admissions information on fields of study such as medicine, dentistry, public health, nursing, and allied health programs. We have invited schools from all over the country to attend, including Boston University, Cornell University, Duke University, East Carolina University, Johns Hopkins University, the University of Michigan and UNC-CH to name a few. These institutions will have representatives available to answer questions and distribute information. Anyone who is interested in pursuing a graduate or professional degree in these areas of study is invited to attend. Please contact Professor Jean DeSaix for more information, [jdesaix@email.unc.edu](mailto:jdesaix@email.unc.edu)

**Would you pay \$4.95 to pass your next exam?**

Get the help you need with QuickStudy<sup>®</sup> laminated reference guides, available in an awesome array of subjects.

Available at the bookstore! **QuickStudy** Feed your head.  
[www.quickstudy.com](http://www.quickstudy.com)

**INVESTMENT STRATEGIES THAT ARE CLEAR AND CONCISE. EVEN IF OUR NAME ISN'T.**

Aside from our name, we've always been in favor of making things simple. So contact us for smart, easy investment techniques to help you reach your financial goals.

TIAA-CREF.org or call 1.800.842.2776



Managing money for people with other things to think about.

RETIREMENT INSURANCE MUTUAL FUNDS COLLEGE SAVINGS TRUSTS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

**The Daily Tar Heel**

**Child Care**

AFTERSCHOOL CARE NEEDED 3 or 4 days per week for our 6-year-old boy and possibly a neighbor around the same age. We live in a wonderful child-friendly neighborhood near McDougall Elementary. You would pick up children from school at 2:30 and stay until about 5:30. We are looking for someone who likes to actively play with children. Call Becky or Lee 929-5710.

CARE GIVER NEEDED for 19-month old girl, M-F, 8:30-4:30. 5 minutes from campus. Come to our house or we'll come to yours. Call Debbie at 968-1596.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE. 2:45-6 p.m. Two days/week, your choice. Need reliable transportation, good references. \$8.50/hr. Call Teri at 933-2490 (evenings) or 472-7417 (days).

AFTERSCHOOL CARE NEEDED for two children, ages 10 & 12. Pick up from school, supervise homework, take to pool/lessons, give snack/dinner, two afternoons/week plus occasional evenings (hours and days are flexible). We live 5 min. from campus. Car required. 933-4102 or [rakupost@bellsouth.net](mailto:rakupost@bellsouth.net).

MED SCHOOL faculty member seeks childcare in Durham Tues, Wed, Thurs 3:00 to 7:30. \$8.00/hour. References. Would consider splitting the position. Must have own transportation. 942-1166.

WED AND FRI. 2-5:30pm, pick-up and drop-off care for 4 yo and 8yo sons of University Professor. \$9/hr. 490-4670 or [kgj@email.unc.edu](mailto:kgj@email.unc.edu).

DUKE PROFESSORS would like someone to pick up and mentor their 3rd & 4th graders in Durham from 2:30-6pm. \$15/hr. References, interview and car required. Email [donam@duke.edu](mailto:donam@duke.edu), phone 489-9322 after 6pm.

**Child Care**

CHILDCARE WANTED. PART-time position available in my home 12-16 hours/wk. \$8.00/hr. Mid Afternoon to early evening hours. Occasional weekends. Call Blanche @ 969-9626.

**For Sale**

FOLD-OUT SLEEP sofa, \$100 or best offer. 968-3503

**BUY OUR WASHER & DRYER!**

We are moving and can't take them with us. We're sad to see them go, but we'd be happy to see them end up in a good home. 1 yr. old, white Frigidaire Washer and Dryer. Well-taken care of. Asking \$300 for both. Email [mhsen@unc.edu](mailto:mhsen@unc.edu) or call 489-1499 between 7-9pm.

BED- A BRAND NEW Queen mattress set. Warranty, still in plastic. Sell \$149. 919-795-0924. CAN deliver.

FOR SALE: Like new, black Futon, full size, great condition. \$100. Call 383-3114.

MOVING SALE! SATURDAY Sept. 8th 8:30am. Bedroom set, lift recliner, sofa, washer, etc. 106 Cole Street, Chapel Hill. (Merritt Mill Road to Crest Drive to Cole Street)

SEARS WASHER \$200 neg.; Bassett mission-style sofa, coffee table, like new. \$400 neg. 732-7378 evenings.

CAR SPEAKERS— TWO 15" SUPERSOUND SPEAKERS; BOX INCLUDED; IN GREAT CONDITION! \$75 OBO; EMAIL TREY @ WAVVY-LAYZ@HOTMAIL.COM

**Wheels for Sale**

1991 NISSAN MAXIMA GXE all the options, very good condition, driven daily. \$3800. Evenings 419-8226.

92 CHEVY BERETTA V6. Power windows, power locks, power steering. 5-speed. Sunroof. Good condition. 105k miles. \$3500. Call 932-4352.

1994 JEEP WRANGLER. Excellent condition. New tires & top. CD, soundbar. \$8500. 622-0633.

1992 VOLVO 940GL Black/tan leather, full loaded. 132k. AC, excellent condition. \$6000. Call 914-6050.

HONDAS FROM \$500! Police impounds. Listings 800-719-3001 x7451.

'89 TOYOTA COROLLA AC, cruise, power-steering, 5-speed. 116K. Asking \$2300. 962-1848.

1993 SATURN SC1. Black, 6 speed, AC, cruise, 116k miles. Great gas mileage, great condition. \$3200. Call 968-9194.

**Pets/Livestock**

Horse Boarding available in Hillsborough. Stalls or pasture. 919-644-2201.

**Real Estate**

HILLSBOROUGH- WILDWOOD- 3BR Ranch! New carpet, Vinyl, 6 Paint in 2000! Nice porch +large deck - wired storage bldg! Trees! (1102J) \$109,900 RE/MAX 919-469-6515 Anne.

**For Rent**

APARTMENT FOR RENT Unfinished studio apartment. Quiet setting. Less than 2 miles from campus. Bus line. \$500/mo. Utilities included. Call 942-2768.

**For Rent**

**EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY**

ALL REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL advertising in this newspaper is subject to the federal Fair Housing Act of 1968 which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination." This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis in accordance with the law. To complain of discrimination, call the federal department of HUD toll-free at 1-800-669-9777.

CHapel Hill New House. 3 BR. Hardwood floors. Close to shopping, park, I-40 & Hwy. 86. busline. \$650 to \$450. No undergrads, pets, smoking. Call 606-0848

123A JOHNSON STREET. 4BR/2BA, carpeted, all appliances, W/D connections, central heat and air. \$1200/mo. Apple Realty 688-2001.

3BR/2BA APT for rent. Spacious, full kitchen, on busline. Pool, tennis. Short bike to campus. Available immediately. \$850/mo. Call 361-392-9594 or 361-289-9836.

1BR STUDIO APARTMENT: Full kitchen, full bath. Spacious, quiet, nice neighborhood close to campus. 205C Cedarwood. Available immediately. \$495/mo. includes water. Please call 919-247-4889 (local call).

LOVELY 3BR/2BA, NEWLY renovated cottage in the historic district of Hillsborough. Large yard, flowering perennials, room for vegetable garden, walk to library, shops, restaurants. 15 min to Durham and Chapel Hill. Central air/heat, W/D, cats only. Graduate students and professionals preferred. Available now. \$1075/mo. Call 919-644-8603.

**Sublets**

HIGHLAND HILLS. 1BR/ 1BA, private balcony, pets allowed, available mid-December. Save \$28/mo by subleasing our apartment. 929-5731.

**Roommates**

GREAT HOUSE. 3BR/ 2 BA. Looking for one other roommate. \$425 + utilities. Big backyard, dogs allowed. 1 mi. from a Park & Ride, otherwise 10 min. to UNC campus. Prefer grad/professional student. N/S. 969-7977 or [leah\\_ranney@unc.edu](mailto:leah_ranney@unc.edu).

SEEKING RESPONSIBLE, CLEAN, considerate roommate to share beautiful 3BR/ 2BA townhouse. Living room with vaulted ceilings, large deck, fully furnished, except bedroom. Located in Erwin Village, convenient to UNC, Duke and I-40. \$450/mo. +1/3 utilities. Please call Amy at 919-672-3233.

ROOMMATE WANTED to share 2 BR apt w/ student couple. W/D, disposal, dishwasher, water included, walk to campus, and shopping. \$350/mo. 967-8161.

ONE PERSON NEEDED for four room apartment in University Commons. Person must not mind living with three open-minded students. Please call Russ at 960-8829.

**Parking**

PARKING SPACE AVAILABLE. Located on South Columbia Street near UNC Hospital. \$299 full school year. For more information call Kenneth at 225-6488.

**Travel/Vacations**

**WINTER AND SPRING BREAK BEACH & SKI TRIPS On Sale Now!**

[www.sunchase.com](http://www.sunchase.com)  
1-800-SUNCHASE

#1 SPRING BREAK vacations! Best Prices Guaranteed! Cancun, Jamaica, Bahamas & Florida. Sell Trips. Earn cash & Go Free! Now hiring Campus reps. 1-800-234-7007 endlesssummertraveltours.com

UNC COME DOWN ON US! Spring Break 2002! Hiring campus reps. Earn a free trip and extra cash. The 10 hottest spring break destinations. [www.USASPRINGBREAK.com](http://www.USASPRINGBREAK.com). Corporate office 1-877-460-6077

SPRING BREAK 2002!!! Student Express is now hiring sales reps. Cancun features FREE meals and parties @ Fat Tuesdays - MTV Beach Headquarters. Acapulco, Mazatlan, Jamaica, Bahamas, South Padre, Florida. Prices from \$469, with Major Airlines. 24,000 travelers in 2001. Call 800-787-3787 for a FREE brochure or email [bookit@studentexpress.com](mailto:bookit@studentexpress.com). [www.studentexpress.com](http://www.studentexpress.com)

**Services**

Decorators On Call. CUSTOM SILK ARRANGEMENTS for home or office. Specializing in Parties, Seasonal/Holiday decorations. 919-245-0770

**Tutoring**

CLINICAL TEACHING NEEDS TUTORS. Outstanding, dependable tutors needed for 10hrs+ in Special Ed. Teaching fellows, math, sciences. Advanced Spanish. Good pay. Can work weekends. Please reply [jtoct@aol.com](mailto:jtoct@aol.com) or 967-5776 before 3pm.

**Travel/Vacations**

**SPRING BREAK!**

2000 Winner of Blue Chip Enterprise Award and 1 of 6 Small Business Recognized for Outstanding. [volunteer@chccs.k12.nc.us](mailto:volunteer@chccs.k12.nc.us)

Bahamas Party Cruise \$279  
5 days • Most Meals • Free Parties • Includes Taxes

Cancun \$399  
7 Nights • Air • Hotel • Free Food & 30 lbs of Drinks

Jamaica \$439  
7 Nights • Air • Hotel • Save \$150 on Food & Drinks

Florida \$119  
7 Nights • Panama City, Daytona, South Beach  
[springbreaktravels.com](http://springbreaktravels.com) • Our 15th Year!  
Above Safon 135 on Franklin St  
968-8887

**Volunteering**

YOU MAY BE the only visitor a home-bound elderly person sees all week. Call A Helping Hand and make a difference in someone's life. 969-7111.

**SCHOOL READING PARTNERS.**

Help beginning readers practice reading skills, 1-2 hours weekly. Chapel Hill-Carrboro Public Schools. Train 9/10, 9/11, 9/13, 9:30-9:00pm, or 9/12, 9:00am-12:30pm. Preregister: [erp@chccs.k12.nc.us](mailto:erp@chccs.k12.nc.us) 967-8211 ext. 336

**Volunteering**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Spend six to eight hours per month with an adult with special needs providing a friendship and opportunities for community involvement. It's easy, flexible, and fun! Call The Arc @ 942-5119 Ext 12.

FIRST DAY FRIEND. Fluent in another language? Be a friendly guide to a child that does not speak English on their first day entering the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools. Call 967-8211 ext. 281, email: [volunteer@chccs.k12.nc.us](mailto:volunteer@chccs.k12.nc.us)

LIKE HELPING CHILDREN Learn? Sign up to volunteer with the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Schools. Information sessions held at UNC Campus, 2nd floor Student Union on 8/30, 9/5 & 9/6, 10-4pm. Drop in Anytime!

**Personals**

EGG DONORS NEEDED! All races. Ages 21-30. Compensation \$3,500. OPTIONS National Fertility Registry (800) 886-9373. [www.fertilityoptions.com](http://www.fertilityoptions.com)

cheaper than any good present....

\$5 Personals 20 words 1 Day

...non-brakeable & much more embarrassing!

