on for quite some time now. It was time

to move as quickly as we could to rem-

Microsoft reacted with cautious opti-

mism. "We remain committed to resolving the remaining issues in the case,"

Investors, however, showed some concern that the penalties the Bush

administration will seek might still affect

or delay next month's planned debut of

Windows XP – which many on Wall Street hope will help invigorate the slug-gish technology industry.

down \$1.72, or 3 percent, at \$56.02 per share on the Nasdaq Stock Market. Justice said it made the about-face to

streamline the case and bring it to an

end as quickly as possible. The goal, it said, was to "obtain prompt, effective

ZDNet editor David Coursey is skep-

tical of the Justice Department's claim

The department said it would still seek a penalty that would open the oper-

To that end, the government pro-posed a penalty similar to some interim

penalties imposed by the original trial judge, U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson.

Those would, among other things, stop Microsoft from making certain

exclusive deals with partners, force computer manufacturers to keep specif-

ic icons and programs on the Windows

ating system market to competition.

and certain relief for consumers."

that it's helping consumers.

Microsoft shares finished the day

said spokesman Vivek Varma.

Ceases Microsoft Fight

Bond Committee to Inform Local Voters Bush Administration

The committee seeks to aid Orange County citizens in understanding the bond and its impact on taxes.

By Stephanie Furr Staff Write

Orange County's Bond Education Committee met for the first time Wednesday to discuss ways to help county voters make informed decisions about a Nov. 6 bond referendum.

Local government officials, parents of school children, parks and recreation employees, and senior advisory committee members who make up the bond committee hope to educate voters about the referendum while remaining neutral

At the meeting, County Manager John Link made several presentations about the financial shape of the county and the bond's projected tax impact and

Campus Calendar

Monday

5:30 p.m. – Coming Out RAP Group – the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual

support group – will have a session. It will be held in the Center for Healthy

Student Behaviors conference room in the Student Recreation Center. Contact Marcie Fisher at 966-3462 for more

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Mezmerhythm, UNC's multi-genre

dance group, will be holding auditions in the Great Hall.

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returned by noon Sept. 19 for consider-

information.

Members divided themselves into subcommittees for parks, schools, recreation and open space, se centers, affordable housing, information and outreach main areas the bond would fund.

County Manager John Link reports excitement The job of the at engaging the public with issues subcommittees is

to organize bond related to the bond. information about their area of interest into an understandable format, such as brochures, videos or mailings, and to appoint public speakers to interact with community groups, said Rod Visser, assistant coun-

"There is \$15,000 in public funds set aside specifically for bond education,' Visser said.

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2002 is accepting applications for its

"So there is some money for this group to work with, as long as it's used education and not advocacy."

Because public funds are being used for the group, committee members must keep any personal agendas regarding the bond referendum on the back burn-

Visser emphasized that being a committee member required completely objectivity when dealing with the bond

"Factual information is a very important part of this, as opposed to an emotional attachment you may have to a particular issue," Visser said.

Members also were given the opportunity to share their own ideas for public presentations.

Some of the ideas presented included creating Web sites, handing out brochures at school fall festivals and ways to reach the area's fast-growing

Hispanic population.
"I think it looks like dedicated people willing to do the work to educate the

the nation in salaries. But we fall to 49th

if the state legislature would allocate more money to pay faculty.

ited budget cuts to state agencies to cover

a multimillion dollar financial shortfall. Chancellor James Moeser announced

Wednesday during his State of the University address that he will propose a

five-year tuition increase plan this fall

partly to cover increased faculty salaries

Wilson. "I'm assuming that the board will take a more serious look at the pol-

Broad said the BOG could make

plans to examine the policy during the

Governments President Andrew Payne

the only student member of the BOG

board's meeting next week.
UNC Association o

She said the problem could be eased

The state legislature has planned lim-

when you look at total compensation.'

public," said Dabney Grinnan, a parent of four children in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools.
Grinnan said she heard of the com-

Grinnan said she neard of the committee through her involvement with several school organizations.

Mike Becker, another committee member, said he heard of the group in

The Associated Press

month

in the future.

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back.

WASHINGTON - In a dramatic

shift, the Bush administration on Thursday abandoned the Clinton-era

effort to break up Microsoft. It suggest-

ed a lesser antitrust penalty that could

still force changes to the company's new

The Justice Department also dropped charges that the software giant illegally

hurt competitors by tying or bundling separate features, like a Web browser, to

flagship computer operating system.

Microsoft had hotly contested those

charges because the company's strategy

calls for integrating more new features into products like the new Windows XP

operating system, due in stores next

an overture to Microsoft to settle. They suggested the government will ask the

review the Windows XP software and

seek a penalty that ensures the company

doesn't operate as an illegal monopoly

But the news that reverberated from Wall Street to Silicon Valley was the deci-

American corporate icon that helped fuel the technology revolution of the 1990s.

The 19 states that joined the govern-

ment in suing Microsoft and seeking its

breakup acquiesced, saying an appeals

court decision earlier this summer would

make a breakup more difficult to pursue

"This is an industry that moves incredibly fast," said Iowa Attorney

to have a parking lot that is an accessory to a building or a park-and-ride lot

that meets certain city standards, includ-

ing paving and lines.

Norris said Mueller has not applied

for a permit to sell parking spaces, and Mueller himself has described his lot as

partially paved and has said the lot contains the remnants of a building.

ing at that time. But two freshmen are

already trying to get their money

Roommates Marla Kinlaw and

Because the parking lot must be

sion to stop trying to break up

Officials said the legal shift was not

w judge handling the antitrust case to

Windows operating system.

an Efland newspaper.
"I figure if I am going to complain about county government, I should be a part of it, and this looked like a good thing to be involved in," said Becker, a parent of two in Orange County Schools.

Officials said any interested residents still are welcome to join the committee Link said he is optimistic about the

group's goals.
"I'm excited about this part of the process," he said.
"This is where we can go out and

engage the public in these issues."

The City Editor can be reached

at citydesk@unc.edu.

Moeser declined to comment after the rankings were released but said Thursday afternoon that he was not expecting any significant changes in the University's ranking. He said the report emphasizes certain parameters, such as the cost of

endowment, that favor private schools.

Moeser also addressed rankings during his Wednesday address. "If you must, read what the magazine has to say about us, but let us not for a second be diverted by these

arbitrary and artificial ratings from the

eral board members that no other cam-pus-initiated tuition increases will be con-

sidered until the policy is re-examined. "I

was told last year that nothing would be

done until we take another look at tuition

policy." Payne said. "And I'm not sad

that (Moeser) and the UNC-CH BOT

will have to wait a while before they can

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General Tom Miller. "The case has gone said he has been told by Broad and sev-**MUELLER**

computer desktop, and give other com-panies more access to Windows bluewho did not see the lot before she bought the space. "The contract said there were lights, but we didn't see any.

It didn't look safe at all."
Guyton said she tried to cancel the \$300 check she had given Mueller, but it had already cleared. So the room-mates went to Student Legal Services, who sent a letter to Mueller requesting a full refund.

They later found out Mueller was in violation of zoning, something Kinlaw said made her confident that they would get their money back.

Kinlaw said it never occurred to her that the lot might not be legitimate.

"It was pretty traumatic because this

vacated by Oct. 1, students who have purchased spots will be without parkhappened the first week of school," she said. "We thought it was legal because there were little fliers all over campus.
"I just want to warn all other fresh-Brandee Guyton, both from White Lake, purchased a space to share in

men to check out the parking space before they go out and buy it.

The University Editor can be reached

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icy this fall."

coordinating committee. Application forms are available at the Student Union desk and are due 5 p.m. Sept. 14. For the Record

The Sept. 6 article "Chancellor: UNC Must Lead Nation" incorrectly stated that cuts ranging from \$3 million to \$7 million for UNC-Chapel Hill's budget are in the N.C. House and Senate.

The figures for the proposed cuts are for the entire UNC system's budget. The Daily Tar Heel regrets the error.

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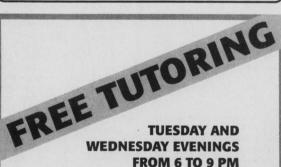
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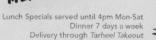
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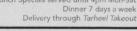
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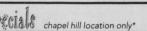
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