

# The Daily Tar Heel

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## Legislators Discuss 8.2 Percent Cuts for Education

By EMMA BURGIN  
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RALEIGH – Members of the Joint Appropriations Education Subcommittee met formally for the first time Wednesday to discuss the extent of budget cuts that might need to be made to the UNC system.

Legislators examined the possibility of cutting as much as \$90 million – or about 5 percent of the UNC system's budget – when the N.C. General

Assembly convenes this summer to build a budget for the next fiscal year.

The cuts are part of a budget cut plan discussed Wednesday by legislators that aims to cut \$695 million from state education agencies, which includes not only the UNC system but also public schools and community colleges.

The proposed cut amounts to an 8.2 percent budget reduction to the education budget for the 2002-03 fiscal year. Education funding makes up close to 60 percent of the state's budget.

Most of the meeting was spent in preliminary discussion of both the state's fiscal outlook and the extent of the cuts that need to be made to education.

The General Assembly is scheduled to reconvene in early May, but legislative budget leaders have begun to meet early to prepare for the massive budget cuts the legislature will be forced to make this summer.

The cuts are an effort by state legislators to close a hole of well over \$1 billion in next year's budget.

Gov. Mike Easley has recommended that legislators cut only \$256.5 million from education – a reduction of 3 percent. The UNC system's share of that cut would be \$70.6 million – a cut of 3.9 percent.

Easley has repeatedly stated over the course of the last few months that he would make sure that budget cuts did not harm classroom instruction.

Jim Newlin, a fiscal analyst for the General Assembly, said Easley is determined to protect classrooms from bud-

get cuts.

"(Easley) has threatened to veto any cuts that affect the classroom," he said.

But Newlin added that damage to the classroom is inevitable because of the severity of the state's budget shortfall.

The budget cuts will affect the classroom because a high percentage of education funds are allocated to personnel, Newlin said.

"That's going to be an enormous task, especially with 95 percent of funding going to (educational) personnel," he

said. "If we don't cut funding to personnel, including classroom personnel, we would have to cut other state agencies, including (the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services) or Medicaid."

UNC-system officials said the budget cuts will hurt the 16 UNC-system campuses, which already have been hit hard by the state's projected \$900 million budget deficit for the current fiscal year.

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## UNC, NIH Plan Lab Review

UNC officials met this week with NIH representatives in Washington to discuss ways to handle alleged violations.

By JORDAN BARTEL  
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UNC officials discussed plans for investigating allegations of improper handling of University lab animals at meetings with representatives from the National Institutes of Health on Tuesday.

Investigators from People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals leveled the charges against UNC last week based on the findings of an undercover PETA investigator.

Tony Waldrop, vice chancellor for research and graduate studies, said the meetings, which took place in the Washington, D.C., area, were open discussions with Nelson Garnett, director of the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare, and other NIH officials about investigation strategies. The NIH awards grants to universities to pursue research.

"We wanted to be sure to let them see INVESTIGATIONS, Page 10

## BOT, Officials To Confer on DPS Budget

The BOT might vote Friday via mail on the DPS's revised budget proposal, which calls for internal cuts.

By MEREDITH NICHOLSON  
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UNC Board of Trustees members and University administrators will meet today in a teleconference to discuss the revised Department of Public Safety budget proposal.

Members of the BOT Audit, Business and Finance Committee will vote on whether to recommend that the full BOT approve the proposed budget. The full BOT will vote by mail Friday.

The BOT voted March 28 to send the original budget proposal, which included a night parking permit plan, back to Chancellor James Moeser and the vice chancellors who drafted the plan.

Student Body President Jen Daum, who is a voting member of the BOT, said she thinks BOT members will be receptive to the revised proposal.

"The BOT's decision (at the March 28 meeting) affirmed that they do not want a night parking program like the one proposed, and they need a balanced budget," she said. "This does both."

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## A Pumped-Up Problem

### Anabolic Steroid Use Uncovered at Student Recreation Center

By GAVIN OFF  
Staff Writer

Beyond the daily iron-pumping, vein-popping routines of the Student Recreation Center lies a secret life.

It's a life of syringes and pills, illegalities and thousands of dollars. It's a life obvious to a few, hidden to most.

Illegal anabolic steroids, the drugs that helped bring Arnold Schwarzenegger fame and Olympian Ben Johnson shame, are no strangers to UNC's SRC. In fact, some say they're right at home in the student gym.

"They're very popular at Carolina," said a 23-year-old senior who has been taking steroids for nearly two years. "No, wait, I'll put 'extremely' before that. They're extremely popular."

The senior, who will be referred to as John, talked to The Daily Tar Heel on a condition of anonymity.

John, along with a 21-year-old senior who will be called Dave, shed light onto the clandestine world of anabolic steroid use at UNC. Dave also started taking steroids in the summer of 1999.

Anabolic steroids provoke nitrogen retention, which causes protein synthesis and leads to an increase in muscle mass and weight, said UNC Professor Bill Prentice, coordinator of the sports medicine program.

"They will make you bigger, stronger, faster," Prentice said.

John, who said he's always been a "big guy," started taking steroids to regain weight that he lost after having surgery. He first got the drugs through a friend from Charlotte.

"I planned on doing it one time," he said. "I think everybody does, to tell you the truth. In addition, I heard all these great things like, 'Oh you're going to take steroids. It's not going to hurt you.'"

But John didn't stop after one cycle, which can last from six to 14 weeks.

Before he took steroids, John was stuck bench-pressing 350 pounds. He had hit a natural plateau and was tired of killing himself in the gym without seeing the results he expected.

But steroids and continued heavy weightlifting changed all that. Now John's aiming to break the 500-pound bench-press mark by August.

"Unfortunately, steroids work," said Dr. Teresa

Moore, clinical assistant professor and undergraduate coordinator in the Department of Exercise Science at the University of South Carolina.

"People want a quick fix with everything. We're in a society that wants everything yesterday. We're

the same way with improving our bodies."

Like John, Dave also thought steroids were a one-time experience. But the new muscle, the new definition and the new way he viewed himself kept him wanting more. Dave now said steroids will always be a part of his workouts as long as he has the time to fully dedicate himself to the gym.

"You don't become chemically dependent on it," Dave said. "You become physically dependent on it. You see these results, and you like it, so when you stop taking them and it goes away, you just want it back. It's almost like it gives you so much confidence and motivation that when it goes away you're like, 'Shit, this sucks now.'"

But unlike John, Dave got introduced to steroids through the Internet. He said he first bought them from online pharmacies, two in Europe and one in Asia.

But while the drugs were easy to come by, the fear of not knowing exactly what he was taking turned Dave off of Internet sources.

Moore, who is also a bodybuilder, said she could understand why. She said she knew someone who once paid \$250 for anabolic steroids and received a \$3 bottle of the vitamin Niacin instead.

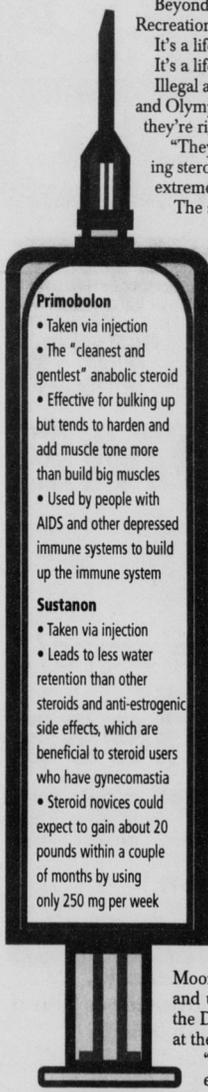
"You don't know the conditions it was manufactured in," Moore said. "Half don't know what country it's made in. They don't even know if they're getting what they think they're getting. Would I trust that? No way."

Trust it or not, steroids have made their way to UNC. And it doesn't look like they're leaving anytime soon.

Combined, John and Dave said they have talked to 12 different people at the SRC about how to get or use anabolic steroids. Both estimated that some 30 students who lift at the University's recreation center are on the drugs.

And a study by Dr. Charles Yesalis, professor of health and human development at Penn State University, found that nearly 40 percent of American males 12 years or older plan to, or have, experi-

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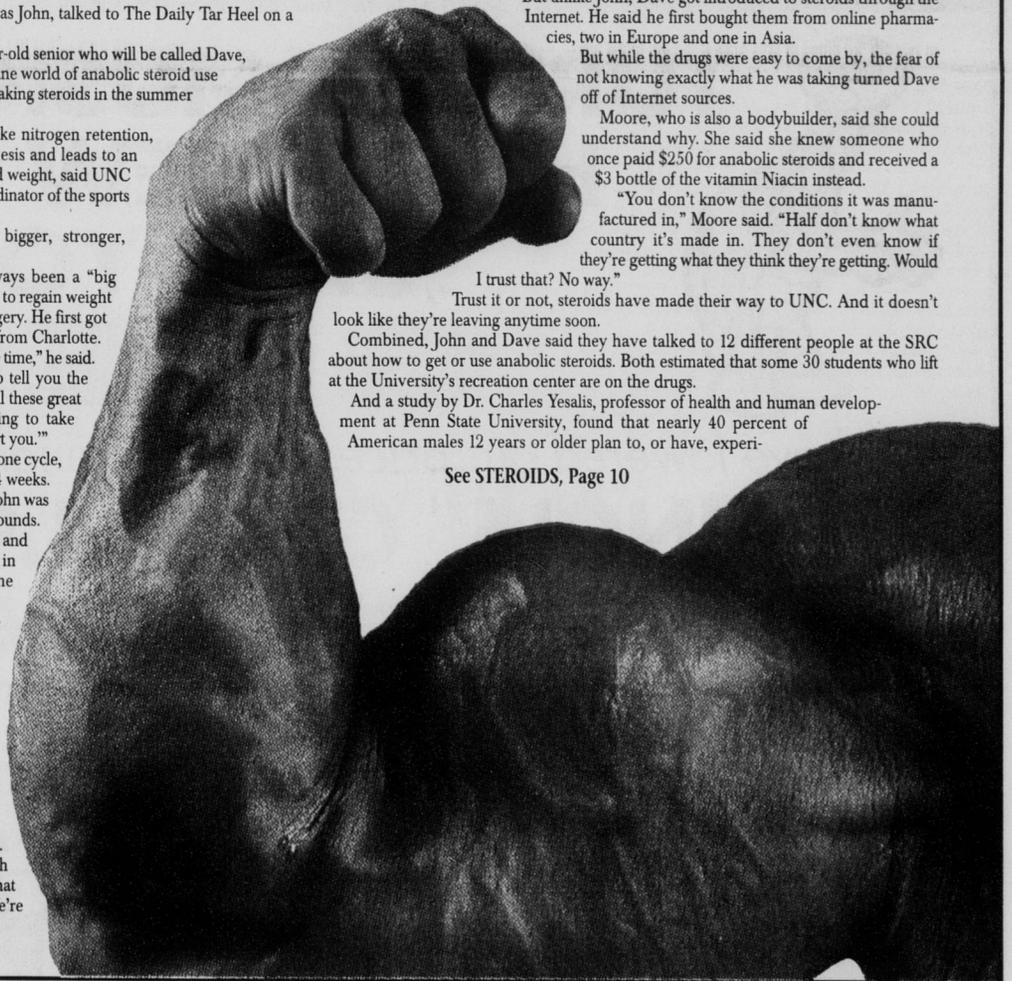
### Primobolan

- Taken via injection
- The "cleanest and gentlest" anabolic steroid
- Effective for bulking up but tends to harden and add muscle tone more than build big muscles
- Used by people with AIDS and other depressed immune systems to build up the immune system

### Sustanon

- Taken via injection
- Leads to less water retention than other steroids and anti-estrogenic side effects, which are beneficial to steroid users who have gynecomastia
- Steroid novices could expect to gain about 20 pounds within a couple of months by using only 250 mg per week

SOURCE: HTTP://WWW.FOREIGNPHARMACIES.COM



## Committee Forwards 12 Commencement Speaker Nominees

By BROOK CORWIN  
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A preliminary list of 12 nominees for the May 2003 Commencement speaker was sent Tuesday to Chancellor James Moeser for his review, senior class officials said Wednesday.

The Commencement Speaker Selection Committee chose the nominees from a pool of 81 speaker candidates who were nominated by the rising senior class and faculty committee members.

The committee also sent the chancellor a list of eight UNC faculty members as candidates for the December 2002 Commencement speaker.

Last week, senior class officers invited rising seniors to nominate speaker candidates online. Rising seniors were asked to submit a short essay along with the nomination saying how the candidate would honor UNC and how the candidate would give an address geared toward the school.

Senior Class President Paymon

Rouhanifard said he was impressed with the quality and quantity of the almost 200 nominations submissions he received. He said the short essays ensured that the individuals nominated were all strong candidates. "You couldn't just put down a name and sign off," Rouhanifard said. "Students put forth a serious effort."

Executive Associate Provost Bernadette Gray-Little, the selection committee chairwoman, said the faculty recognized the extra energy students put into their nominations, which she said

facilitated a productive meeting.

"The list of student nominees had candidates everyone could see as a good Commencement speaker," she said.

Rouhanifard said 10 of the 12 candidates sent to the chancellor were taken from the list of student nominations. He said the remaining two candidates came from faculty suggestions of individuals already selected to receive an honorary degree from the University next year.

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### Speaker Nominations

Bill Cosby 26 Votes	Condoleezza Rice 8 Votes
Elizabeth Dole 11 Votes	Rudy Giuliani 7 Votes
Dean Smith 10 Votes	Colin Powell Robin Williams Michael Jordan 6 Votes
Maya Angelou 9 Votes	

SOURCE: SENIOR CLASS OFFICIALS

One man's poison is another man's drug.

Ronald Knox