

Carolina for Kibera founder Rye Barcott charges down a soccer field in Kibera during a quick game against a group of area youth. Part of CFK's mission was to start a youth soccer league to encourage healthy behaviors.

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have similar goals and deal with a similar community, I had heard a lot about CFK before I ever really considered going to Kibera," Lake said. "I was already planning a trip to South Africa and Zimbabwe, so a few weeks later while I was trained of fealing with the control of while I was trying to finalize my itinerary I e-mailed Rye to find out if there

as a space for me in Kibera."

Kibera, the largest slum in East Africa, covers an area about the size of the University's campus. Not only does the population face rampant and extreme poverty, but it does not have basic government services such as education, health care, sewage disposal or water. Ethno-religious tension, mostly between Muslims and Christians, has boiled into violence on more than one occasion.

The goals CFK has established include preventing ethnic violence, developing leadership among the native Kenyans and encouraging people to keep working to improve their commu-nity. And in order to make CFK's mark remain and contribute to future efforts, CFK requires Kibera residents' participation in activities such as cleaning up the streets, which are littered with debris

"The organization is unique because it is in fact run by youth from each ethnic community, male and female, from Kibera," Barcott said. "This is to say that we, the American outsiders, do not run
the day-to-day operations of CFK. The
residents have ownership in the projects."
Students working with CFK have
helped establish the Rye Clinic, which

took its name from the program's founder and president; the Carolina Academy, a self-sufficient Montessori nursery school that educates children ages 2 to 6 for roughly \$5 per month; and the Carolina for Kibera Kenya Sport Association, which gives area youths an unprecedented chance to play

organized soccer games.

CFK is now working to secure a \$500,000 endowment, intended to provide the foundation with a permanent sports association. This association is looking to create the first girls' soccer league in Kibera, something that taboo has prevented thus far. Also on the list of accomplishments, CFK is launching a peer educator program designed to help prevent the spread of HIV. Barcott said of Kibera's 600,000 resi-

dents, half are under age 15 and a quarter of those will die from AIDS-related olications by 2007.

complications by 2007.

"Add to that the greatest tragedy of all

— that there is in fact enormous potential

in such a place," he said. "There are youth as smart, as able, and certainly as strong as you and I. Yet there is so little opportunity for that talent to develop and rise up from hand-to-mouth, day-to-day existence."

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Keeping with the program's goal to educate, CFK also has plans to attempt to create a student-volunteer exchange program with both the Robertson and Morehead scholars. They also plan to found a Carolina Primary School and provide scholarships for Kibera's youth.

Interest in CFK has risen since the

rogram's inception in 2000. The number of volunteers looking to travel to Kibera has resulted in the program being forced to turn some help away. This influx speaks measures about the

program's meaning to its participants. Nick Lewis, a journalism and public relations major working in Kibera, said CFK has given him the kind of knowl-

edge that only experience can grant.
"I've learned that the poverty that exists in places like Kibera is far too complex to tie up in a bundle and generalize from the U.S.," he said. "You can't simply take a picture of it, put it on your fridge and say, 'This is poverty, glad I don't live in that.'

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candidates than the ones originally approved by the legislature.

The maps redrew district lines around Orange County. Orange County Reps. Joe Hackney and Verla Insko, who had been part of the same two-member dis-

ct, are now in separate districts. Orange County Sens. Howard Lee

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and Ellie Kinnaird, who were also in the same two-member district, are now in the same single-member district and will have to face each other in the primary. Kinnaird has previously announced that she will seek re-election, and Lee said Tuesday that he will also file for re-election. The pair has represented Orange

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# Plans Unveiled for Trade Center Site

Some survivors of the Sept. 11 terrorist attack oppose construction where the World Trade Center stood.

The Associated Press

NEW YORK – Six proposals to redevelop the World Trade Center site were released Tuesday to a decidedly mixed reaction, with critics saving they included too much office space on hallowed ground and had too little imagination.

Others, however, said the plans included the two most important needs: a strong transportation hub and a powerful memorial to the 2,813 people who died in the rubble.

"They represent not initial ideas or wild visions but how much has been done and that we are very close to con-sensus," said Kathryn Wylde, head of the New York City Partnership, an organization of local business leaders.

Each proposal calls for a memorial covering from four to 10 acres of the 16-acre site. Two proposals would redevelop the so-called "footprints" of the fallen twin towers and put the memorial

All plans call for replacing the 11 million square feet of commercial office space and the 600,000 square feet of retail space lost in the Sept. 11 attack. They also call for a 600,000-square-foot hotel to replace the hotel and mall that were destroyed.

While no plan includes buildings as tall as the 110-story twin towers, each evokes the lost towers with at least one needle-like structure perched atop a building. The tallest structure in any of the plans is 85 stories.

Each plan includes the word "memo-

John Whitehead, the head of the agency charged with rebuilding the site, said the proposals are works in progress and are subject to change before the final choice is made in December.

"The six plans are not final blueprints," said Whitehead, chairman of the Lower Manhattan Development Corp. represents a package of proposed ideas. These ideas can be mixed and matched and reconstituted based on public input."

Design professionals said they were

ety in the ideas presented.

"These plans aren't broad enough,

bold enough or big enough," said Mitchell Moss, director of the New York University's Taub Urban Research

Alfredo Andia, an architecture pro-

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hallowed space."

MONICA IKEN

Founder of September's Mission

fessor who ran a months-long work shop among archi-tecture schools on trade center plansaid ning, said he would have liked to see more vari-

ety. Bolder, more extreme concepts such as recon-

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structing huge towers or devoting the site to a large memorial – went unexplored, said Andia, a professor at Florida International University in Miami.

Monica Iken, whose husband died in the attacks, said she is disappointed the plans called for so much office and retail space and were not definitive about the

acreage for a memorial.

"If we build a beautiful memorial, I

"The water shortage impacts the entire community, and we plan to work jointly with OWASA and offer them our

assistance," said Florentine Miller, Chapel Hill assistant town manager.

nection will only occur after "repeated

OWASA officials stress that discon

guarantee they will come. If we build office and retail space, I just don't know," said Iken, founder of the sur-

vivors' group September's Mission.

She also said that building on the footprints of the twin towers is unacceptable to many victims' families.
"The footprints are non-negotiable.

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hallowed and space," she said.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Gov. George Pataki both insisted that the proposals are works in

progress. Former Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said he thinks a "very substantial portion" of the

site should become a memorial.

All plans call for a transportation hub connecting PATH trains, ferries and all subway lines that serve lower Manhattan, with the possibility of later connecting to commuter railroad lines. Although no housing is included on the site itself, the plans call for converting nearby properties into apartments.

For now, OWASA is making its deci-

Feller said, "In the past when there

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have been droughts, people responded.

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sions assuming there will not be enough additional rainfall to alleviate the drought any time soon and are confident that water conservation will be successful.

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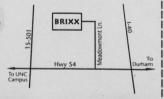
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