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Under Construction

Two fraternities have closed their houses, although only one lost its charter. See Page 4

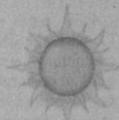
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Men's soccer aims to defend NCAA title. See Page 9



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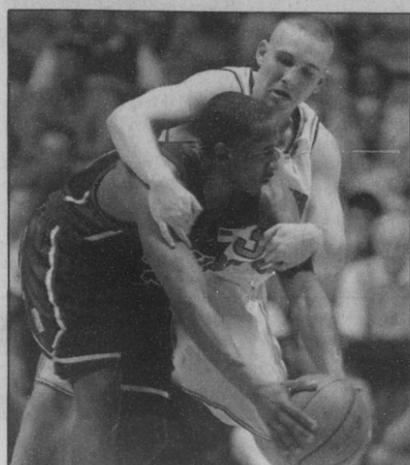


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Duke Game Falls on Spring Break



UNC's Brian Morrison defends Duke guard Chris Duhon during last year's rivalry game.

Historic matchup slated for 2 days after classes end

By KELLIE DIXON AND JAMES GIZA
Senior Writers

UNC seniors might want to reconsider their dreams of a Spring Break excursion sunning on the beaches of Cancun or Key West.

For what appears to be the first time in the rivalry's history, the final regular-season basketball game between North Carolina and Duke will conflict with UNC's spring break. The televised game, which is scheduled to be played at the Smith Center on March 9, falls just two days after campus shuts down for the weeklong break.

It has been the traditional closer for both teams' regular seasons for almost half a century.

That means many students will have to make a choice — delay their Spring Break plans or sacrifice the chance to pack the stands for one of the most anticipated games of the season. The decision will be particularly gut-wrenching for seniors, who get the first crack at tickets.

"You just think about the seniors, and you really hate it," said Dick Baddour, UNC's director of athletics. "It is very unfortunate. It's one

of those things given the (University) calendar and the NCAA calendar, given the number of weeks, it just fell out that way."

The NCAA tournament begins March 21, a full week after last year's starting date. Conferences around the nation base their regular season and conference tournament schedules on the NCAA schedule. Usually the ACC tournament starts the first weekend of UNC's Spring Break, putting the final Duke game the week before students leave for break. The teams alternate hosting the game annually.

But this year, because the NCAA tournament is a week later, the ACC had to shift its schedule forward to maintain continuity. The 2002-03 schedule was released nine days ago.

In recent history, the only other game during Spring Break was in 1992, when it was played the day before classes resumed.

Although it is unclear exactly how the conflict occurred, it appears to be a combination of the late NCAA tournament and 10 fewer days than normal in the academic calendar.

The conflict surprised David Lanier, co-

chairman of UNC's Academic Calendar Committee, who said the calendar is drafted a year to two years in advance. For instance, the University's 2003-04 calendar was passed in May 2002. The game also falls on Duke's Spring Break, but Lanier said he doesn't expect any changes to be made to UNC's calendar.

"It would have to be an academic reason behind that," he said. "I know it's inconvenient, but you're not talking about it affecting the entire 25,000-student body. It is an academic calendar, and athletics are supposed to come second."

Another concern is accommodating on-campus students who might want to stay for the game. Rick Bradley, assistant director of housing and residential education, said he plans to raise the concern at a housing staff meeting Wednesday.

Baddour admitted that the conflict possibly could have been avoided this year, but he hopes preventing it in the future won't mean changing tradition. "I don't know what other options there might be. But I think that's a strong tradition that people support."

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Reading Lawsuit Back to Courts

Conservative group continues litigation

Staff Report

Attorneys for a Christian group will continue to pursue legal action against the University for requiring a book on Islam, the Agence France-Presse news service reported late Thursday night.

According to the news service, Michael DePrimo, attorney for the Mississippi-based conservative American Family Association Center for Law and Policy, said, "We are going back to the district court to pursue the procedure."

The association, which represents the Virginia-based Family Policy Network, opposes UNC's requirement that students read "Approaching the Qur'an: The Early Revelations" by Michael Sells.

"We believe that the University engaged in an unconstitutional requirement," DePrimo said, according to the

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Officials To Alter Bylaws

ASG appointments not OK under code

By DANIEL THIGPEN
University Editor

Student Body Vice President Aaron Hiller said Thursday that he will work with the speaker of Student Congress to change the Student Code so appointments made this summer can be confirmed early next month.

In July, Hiller appointed sophomores Tre Jones and Colin Register and juniors Amanda Taylor and Charity Sturdivant to serve as UNC-Chapel Hill delegates to the UNC-system Association of Student Governments.

The ASG asks each of the system's student governments to appoint four voting delegates to the association, said ASG President Jonathan Ducote.

Student Body President Jen Daum said Thursday that she will serve as one of the delegation's four voting members and that Taylor will be a non-voting delegate because she might be leaving at the end of the semester.

Title IV, Article III, Section 239 of the Student Code states that Daum, as student body president, shall serve as a voting

UNC-CH representative on ASG and that she must appoint two other delegates — one a graduate student, the other an undergraduate — who must be approved by the Student Affairs Committee and Student Congress.

Title II, Article XII, Section 428 also states that the speaker of Congress is supposed to be the fourth voting delegate but that the speaker can appoint someone to take his place at any time.

Ducote said the ASG requires the system's campuses to appoint delegates in basically the same manner outlined in the current version of the UNC-CH Student Code, which was updated in April.

But both Ducote and Hiller said

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THE RATHSKELLER



Chapel Hill residents Terri Maynor and Sue Walsh talk while eating lunch at The Rathskeller, a traditional Franklin Street restaurant and favorite of UNC alumni. Walsh, a frequent customer, enjoys dining at The Rat during her lunch breaks.

The Same Old Rat

Despite ownership change, few changes on the horizon

By JON DOUGHERTY
City Editor

As ownership of the Rathskeller, a Franklin Street staple for more than 50 years, changes for the second time in three years, new management assures that leadership and not atmosphere is the only immediate change.

In 1999, the Rat, at 157 1/2 E. Franklin St. in Amber Alley, was put up for sale and nearly closed down after no one was interested in purchasing the restaurant.

Enter Francis Henry, Ken Jackson, John Woodward and Brian Wilson. The group came together in just one week to buy and pre-serve Rathskeller from fading out of the Franklin Street scene.

Henry is now buying out the shares of his partners, all of whom have other businesses to tend to. He said the change in the business arrangements stems from monetary gain but from necessity and efficiency.

"Upon the death of Mrs. Danziger (the former owner of the Rat), the place went to a trust," Henry said. "When we

came in, the place was dirty and it didn't really have a good name attached to it. We spent over 200 man hours and three years of work to get the Rat back where we want it."

Henry has been living in Wilmington in recent years but is moving back to the area to assume full control of the Franklin Street legend. He's been staying at the Red Roof Inn in Durham because he hasn't had time to find a permanent home while working more than 16-hour days — not only handling managerial tasks but also busing tables when the customer load gets too heavy.

Henry said that for now, things at the Rat will be business as usual.

"We will be making some changes in the prep room, and I'll be looking for space in the dining area," Henry said. "But for right now, the customers will still see the Rat they remember."

Henry added that he will be looking into moving the bar back if possible.

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FRANCIS HENRY
Future Rathskeller Owner

Members Endorse Freedom

By ELYSE ASHBURN
State & National Editor

Members of the UNC-system Board of Governors — charged with examining an academic freedom resolution — have paved the way for the full board to support the University's intellectual autonomy.

The BOG Educational Planning and Policies Committee unanimously voted in favor of a resolution supporting academic freedom Thursday.

The resolution will go before the full board for a vote Sept. 13.

"It is only right and proper that we do this at this particular time in the history of our University," said BOG Chairman Brad Wilson.

The full board failed to pass a similar resolution at its Aug. 9 meeting.

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Locals Oppose UNC Complex Construction

Site would host displaced facilities

By NATE DEGRAFF
Staff Writer

Yet another University construction plan has drawn heated protest from Chapel Hill residents.

This time, Elkin Hills-area dwellers cried foul to a proposed campus services complex just west of Airport Road on Estes Drive Extension. The University's plan, presented to residents

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Tradition does not mean to look after the ash, but to keep the flame alive.

Jean Jaures