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UNC Student Robbed at Gunpoint in Avery Room

Victim: Robber took cell phone, laptop

By JOHN FRANK, MEREDITH NICHOLSON AND DANIEL THIGPEN
University Editors

A UNC student reported being robbed at gunpoint in his residence hall room early Thursday evening.

The 18-year-old victim, who lives in Avery Residence Hall, reported to University police at 6:51 p.m. an armed robbery of his laptop computer, a cell phone, jewelry and little cash, said University Police Chief Derek Poarch shortly after the incident.

No shots were fired, and no injuries were reported, according to a statement released Thursday night by University police.

The release describes the robber as a black male about 5 feet 10 inches tall, 185 pounds with a medium to dark complexion and no facial hair. The robber wore his hair in a tight cornrow style and was wearing a gray T-shirt, blue jeans and boots, according to reports.

Poarch said Thursday night that officials did not know whether the robber was a student and did not know if he was still on campus. It is still unclear whether anyone else was involved, but Poarch said no one was in the room with the victim.

Officers patrolled campus Thursday night and were on high alert near Avery, Poarch said.

In the meantime, officials are interviewing possible witnesses and following a number of leads. "It's still ongoing," Poarch said. "It's really so early — the detectives are just getting started."

In an interview two hours after the robbery, the victim said that the robber knocked on the door and that he called for the robber to come in.

After the robber entered and asked for another resident, the victim directed him across the hall. The robber left, then re-entered shortly after without

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Northside Requests No Duplexes

By KIM SILVERS
Staff Writer

Northside community residents have been requesting that the Chapel Hill Town Council protect and preserve their neighborhood by prohibiting further development of duplexes in the area.

As a result, the council is considering a clause in its development ordinance that would restrict the construction of duplexes and, according to Mark Chilton, executive director of EmPOWERment Inc., would increase building permit petitions to an average of one a week before the clause goes into effect.

Mark Patmore, organizer of the Chapel Hill Landlords' Association, said the residents' increasing requests are a "complete reaction to the ordinance, not toward the neighborhood, students or the University."

Northside's prime location, stretching from North Columbia Street to Carrboro along West Rosemary Street, and inexpensive property have attracted investors seeking to accommodate

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LEGISLATURE APPROVES SPENDING PLAN

State Budget Saga Nears Resolution



Rep. Martin Nesbitt, D-Buncombe, (middle) and Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee David Redwine, D-New Hanover, listen to the N.C. House debate the 2002-03 budget bill. After four hours of debate, the legislation was approved by a 63-53 vote, mostly along party lines.

UNC-System Funding Cut by \$50 Million

By ELYSE ASHBURN
State & National Editor

RALEIGH — After months of struggling to craft a budget while contending with one of the worst fiscal situations in the state's history, legislators approved a \$14.3 billion budget Thursday that Democratic leaders hailed as a victory for education.

"We were able to get a budget passed that is one of the best state budgets around," said House Speaker Jim Black, D-Mecklenburg. "It's a budget I'm very proud of. We've made some moves forward in education."

The budget, which requires a final vote before it can be sent to Gov. Mike Easley, is likely to pass the two chambers today.

Under the budget plan, the UNC

system will be hit with a 2.9 percent across-the-board cut — totaling about \$50 million.

Lawmakers provided \$66 million to fully fund system enrollment growth and slated \$4.5 million for need-based financial aid — intended to counter systemwide tuition increases.

The budget mandates an 8 percent systemwide tuition increase for in-state students — a \$186 increase at UNC-Chapel Hill — and a 12 percent increase for out-of-state students — a hike of \$1,478 at the University.

UNC-system President Molly Broad said that given the state's financial predicament, she is pleased with the system's appropriations.

"Considering the fiscal situation, the budget is fair," Broad said. "There is strong evidence that in every step of the delegating process legislators moved with concern and consideration for the universities."

"This has been a very difficult session, and we have had many champions in the General Assembly. The support for the universities has been deepened in both houses and on

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UNC-system President Molly Broad said support for the universities helped create a fair budget.

Budget Breakdown

After months of deliberations, the N.C. General Assembly has tentatively approved a state budget. Here are the cuts and the additions (in millions of dollars) made to the UNC-system portion of the budget.

Previously Approved Budget: \$1,798,320,830
Budget Approved Thursday: \$1,768,097,109

R = Recurring Changes NR = Non-Recurring Changes

EXPANSION

Category	Amount	Type
University Expansion Funds		
Enrollment Increases	\$66.8	R
Provides funding for regular-term enrollment growth and distance education enrollment growth.		
Enrollment: Focused Growth	\$11.0	R
Provide funding to seven campuses designated as "focus growth" institutions.		
N.C. School of Science and Mathematics: Inflationary Increases	\$0.15	R
Provide funds for inflationary increases in operating budget.		
NC TEACH	\$0.5	R
Funds to continue the operation of NC TEACH — a lateral entry alternative for prospective public school teachers.		
Student Financial Aid	\$4.5	R
Provides additional funding for need-based student financial aid for UNC-system students.		
Aid to Students Attending Private Colleges	\$2.2	R
Provides financial aid for funding for additional N.C. students attending private colleges in North Carolina.		
Total Expansion:	\$138,527,888	

SOURCE: NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUDGET

REDUCTIONS

Campus Reductions

Reserves for New Facilities	\$2.7	NR
Reduce funding in reserves for operation of new facilities due to delays in completion dates.		
Tuition Surcharges	\$0.8	R
Tuition collected from 25 percent surcharge for taking more than 110 percent required credit hours.		
Campus Flexibility Reserve	\$50.2	R
Across-the-board budget reduction of 2.9 percent. Decisions on where to cut will be made at campus level.		
Center for Alcohol Studies	\$0.25	NR
Reduce this year's appropriation to the Endowment for the Center of Alcohol Studies.		

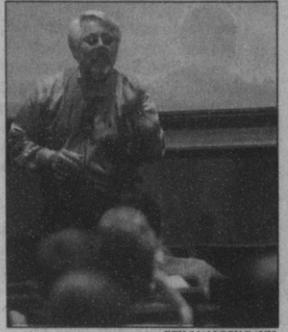
Related Educational Programs

Scholarships	\$1.9	NR
Use fund balances in scholarship trust funds to reduce General Fund requirements for one year.		
UNC General Administration		
Budget Reduction	\$2.1	R
Reduce funding to UNC-system General Administration and its programs.		
MCNC Contract	\$0.4	R
Reduce funding for contracted services from MCNC. Services might still be provided for less cost.		

University Expansion Funds

Student Financial Aid: Funding Shift	\$15.2	NR
Fund continuation budget for UNC need-based scholarship funds with income from the Escheats Fund.		
Tuition Increases	\$40.0	R
Tuition increases of 8 percent for in-state students and 12 percent for out-of-state students.		
Total Reductions:	\$58,363,393	

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DTH/MALLORY DAVIS

Whistle-blower Jeffrey Wigand speaks Thursday regarding the importance of ethical behavior.

Ex-Tobacco Exec Speaks On Industry

Wigand spoke for honor system week

By CHIKA PATEL
Staff Writer

Jeffrey Wigand, the tobacco industry whistle-blower and subject of the movie "The Insider," emphasized the importance of being honest and the dark side of smoking in a speech Thursday evening.

More than 100 students and faculty attended the event in Union Auditorium as part of Honor and Integrity Week.

Sponsored by the judicial branch of student government, the five-day event is designed to increase the awareness among students about the UNC honor system.

The former executive at Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation made clear the message that erosion of integrity needs to be ended. "It is not easy to be ethical," Wigand said.

Wigand broke a company confidentiality agreement to expose the harmful way his company was making cigarettes to make them more addictive.

"I had a moral responsibility toward a process that would change a life," he said.

As a top researcher for Brown & Williamson, he thought his job was to make cigarettes less dangerous for smokers and to reduce the effects of second-hand smoke.

He continued his research even as he began to realize that the company was working directly opposite of his goal.

Wigand said he wished he had exposed the truth earlier. "I know I made a mistake. I chose silence — I was comfortable with silence," he said.

But his duty to care didn't keep him quiet for too long.

He went public with his inside information to the CBS television news magazine "60 Minutes." Wigand said someone needed to step in and expose the lack of honesty, honor and virtue in the tobacco industry.

Lola Stamm, a professor in the Department of Epidemiology who was at the speech, said Wigand was an inspiration.

"What he did might encourage peo-

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DTH/SARA CHASE ABRONS

UNC medical student Brad Anglemeyer watches "ER" on Thursday night.

TV Dramas: A Reflection of Reality?

By MATT SALDAÑA
Staff Writer

Horatio Caine, a renegade forensic investigator on the prime time television drama "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," wanders away from a search team down an isolated dirt road.

With the sun's reflection gleaming off his sunglasses, Caine stumbles upon the missing girl in question and casually proposes to her, "What do you say we sit here and get found together?"

John Butts, the N.C. chief medical examiner, said such scenes in CBS's "CSI" and other television dramas about forensic science are ridiculous.

"Nobody does things that way," Butts said. In addition to performing autopsies, Butts oversees all of North Carolina's death investigations.

"In general a lot of people are involved (in investigations), but often in drama one or two people are doing everything," he said.

Butts said he does, however, approve of documentary series such as "Cold Case Files," which

appears on the A&E network.

"They help to inform the public better in regard to (medical examination's) particular services."

Elsewhere in TV land, Jack McCoy, who NBC's Web site refers to as a "charismatic and tough Executive Assistant D.A.," delivers an incisive final argument against a defense lawyer on trial for murder in the criminal justice drama "Law & Order." UNC Professor Arnold Loewy, who teaches

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The opportunist thinks of me and today. The statesman thinks of us and tomorrow.

Dwight D. Eisenhower