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## Officials to Plan Cancer Center Programs

Legislators request more specific terms

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UNC Hospitals officials will begin to outline the benefits a new cancer treatment center could provide to the state after the N.C. General Assembly's request last week for a more concrete plan for the center, Chancellor James

Moeser said Monday.

Hospital officials will work to solidify the programs and purpose of the center by the time the legislature convenes again in January, Moeser said.

Last Thursday, the legislature passed the final version of an economic incentives bill that did not include money for the cancer center at UNC-Chapel Hill or a biopharmaceutical research facility at N.C. State University.

The Senate version of the bill originally included a provision providing \$130 million for a cancer treatment center,

which was then reduced to \$6 million in startup funding before being eliminated in a conference committee Thursday.

House Speaker Jim Black, D-Mecklenburg, said the proposal for the cancer center came at a time when the state didn't have the funds to start the project.

"Money is tight, and we had to put some things on hold," Black said. "The economy is still slow. It means we have to be innovative in how we spend our money."

Funding for the planning of the cancer treatment center is coming out of hospital operations, said Karen McCall, vice president of public affairs and marketing for UNC Hospitals. Moeser said hospital officials will continue to work on the plan as long as the funds are available.

Legislators said they will give the center's proposal proper consideration if hospital officials can develop a more concrete plan by January.

Senate Majority Leader Tony Rand, D-Cumberland, said some lawmakers

need to have more information on potential costs and the center's real benefit to the state's residents.

"It would help some people to know what this would really mean for the state," he said. "We need to nail down what it means for North Carolina – the fact that we (would) have patients from all 100 counties."

Hospitals officials are still in the process of assessing information from the legislature and integrating it into their plans for the center, said Cary Owen, a member of UNC Hospitals'

board of directors.

She said that the plan is still in its earliest phases and that working out the details could be a long process.

"I don't know how much can be done by January," Owen said. "It's a very complex thing. I can assure you that we're working hard on the plan, and we're anxious to get the cancer center going."

Programs at the new center could include one that will transfer information from UNC-CH's cancer research

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## LGBTQ Center Control Not Set

Some don't want it under student affairs

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Provost Robert Shelton and Professor Pamela Conover met Monday to discuss Shelton's decision to place the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer resource center under the jurisdiction of the Division of Student Affairs.

But some LGBTQ leaders have suggested that they will not support a center under student affairs.

In the provost's office report on the campus climate for the LGBTQ community released this summer, it was suggested that the center be placed under the jurisdiction of the Division of Academic Affairs.

Leaders of the LGBTQ community – such as Glenn Grossman, co-chairman of the Carolina Alternative Meetings of Professional and Graduate Students – said placement under academic affairs would enable work on developing a curriculum, establishing relationships with faculty members and creating new scholarships.

Dean Bresciani, interim vice chancellor for student affairs, said placing the center under his department's jurisdiction would not rule out the possibility of a curriculum in the future.

But for now, the center is "going to function more as a referral service until we actually have staff members to offer resources," Bresciani said.

Grossman said he worries that if the center is placed under student affairs, it will be used for sensitivity training and nothing more. "Unless UNC makes the LGBTQ resource center essentially an intellectual center, it will fail," he said.

Some members of the community also cited the location of African-American studies under academic affairs. "I'm confused as to why the University is treating LGBT people differently than any other minority," Grossman said.

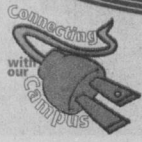
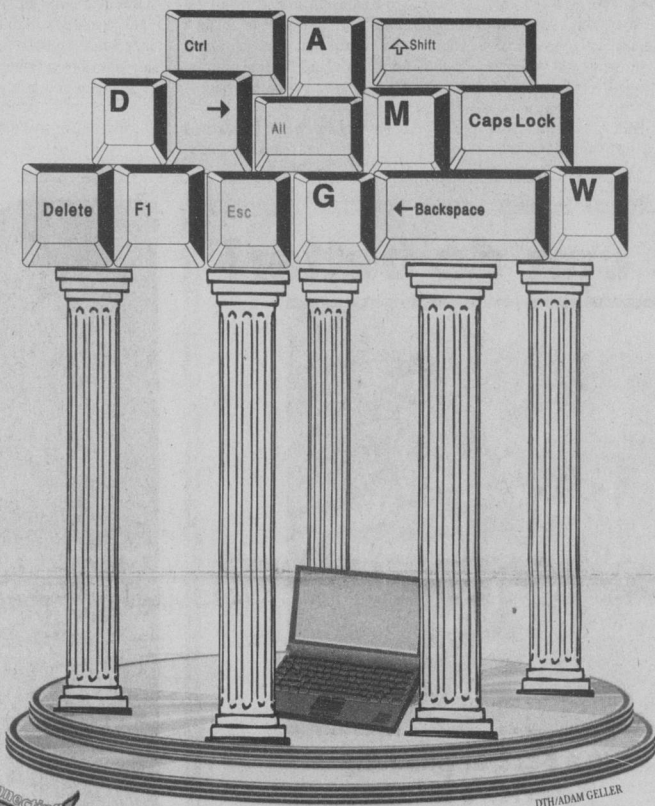
Although not all involved think as Grossman does, some are upset that the LGBTQ Advisory Committee, which drafted the provost's office report, was not consulted before the decision was made.

"As chair of the advisory board, I would have preferred a more consulted decision-making process," Conover said. "However, I understand the provost's reasoning, and I'm hopeful that an LGBTQ

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TODAY CCI Goals

WEDNESDAY CCI Technology

THURSDAY CCI in the Classroom

One year away from the completion of the Carolina Computing Initiative, students, faculty and administrators are questioning the program's implementation and its future.

## MISSION: TECHNOLOGICAL

Carolina Computing Initiative nears its main objective

Three years after its inception, the Carolina Computing Initiative is on the verge of reaching a milestone.

Come next year, officials expect that every UNC student will be toting a CCI portable computer.

The only question facing the program now is where CCI goes from there.

In August 2000, UNC kicked off its cutting-edge campaign, two years in the making, designed to enhance technological access on campus by requiring that all incoming students own laptop computers.

And administrators boasted of CCI's pre-eminent position in the country – at the time, no other public institution could lay claim to a program like UNC's.

### CCI's History to Date

- February 1998 • Chancellor Michael Hooker introduces CCI.
- July 1998 • UNC signs a four-year contract with IBM.
- August 1998 • Equipment becomes available to students.
- Summer 1998 • Two-thirds of incoming freshmen participate in student laptop distribution pilot.
- June 1999 • Hooker dies one year before plan becomes a reality.
- August 2000 • CCI commences.
- January 2001 • Wireless technology takes CCI to next level.
- August 2003 • All students on campus will be required to have CCI laptops.

SOURCE: DTH RESEARCH

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Now when upperclassmen stroll through the Pit and see younger students writing e-mails or reading assignments on their laptops, it's not such an unusual sight.

With CCI in its third year now, students have become accustomed to the technological climate.

But officials contend that as CCI gains steam at the University – and technology becomes a more prominent campus resource – now is the time to test the program's boundaries.

UNC seems up to the challenge, but there are still obstacles in the project's path.

Uncertainty about who will lead the campaign and decide what direction it will take prevails. CCI's two guiding figures, the late Chancellor Michael Hooker – the mastermind behind CCI – and Marian Moore, former vice chancellor for information technology, are no longer at UNC.

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## Saturday Campus Events Overlap

UNC birthday, registration, football conflict

By JESSICA BONNEM  
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UNC-Chapel Hill administrators have lined up several events to celebrate the University's birthday, but scheduling overload might keep many students from attending the Saturday festivities.

The 125-year-old holiday commemorating the start of construction on the first campus building is always held Oct. 12.

But this year the celebration will have to compete for attention with senior class registration and one of the football season's most highly anticipated games – that against N.C. State.

University Day events begin at 9:30 a.m. with a keynote address in Hill Hall and continue with the 11 a.m. dedication of the newly constructed Institute for Arts and Humanities at Hyde Hall.

Thirty minutes after the keynote address's start, seniors will flood Student Central to register for their spring semester classes. With thousands of students logging on to schedule classes at once, Student Central often is slow to respond. In the past, the process has taken students up to two hours to complete.

But two hours after registration opens – and one hour after the Hyde Hall dedication starts – a sellout crowd will fill

Kenan Stadium for the big matchup against local rival N.C. State.

The time conflict with the football game was unavoidable because the Atlantic Coast Conference set the schedule, Department of Athletics officials said.

But UNC-CH administrators moved up the opening ceremony to accommodate the traffic congestion associated with the game, said Provost Robert Shelton.

Starting the ceremony early in the morning will help ensure that all activities, including the 11 a.m. dedication, finish on time, he said. "The really difficult part comes in getting everything wrapped up early enough for kickoff at noon."

Attending both the University Day ceremonies and the game leaves little time for students to register for classes, but seniors can find a way to manage the time, said Student Body President Jen Daum. She plans to forgo the morning registration to attend the ceremonies.

University officials are not sure how the time conflicts will affect student turnout for University Day, but they are hoping for a large crowd, Shelton said.

"If there were no game, students would be doing different things – maybe even going home," he said.

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## 300 Protest to Sway Price Against Iraq War

By GILLIAN BOLSOVER  
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A demonstration Monday that began with more than 300 participants expressing opposition to a U.S. war with Iraq ended with 10 protesters spending the night in the office of Rep. David Price, D-N.C.

The demonstration was intended to inform Price that some of his constituents want him to vote against a bill that would allow a unilateral attack on Iraq. Protesters of all ages began gathering at all four corners of a busy Chapel Hill intersection outside Price's office at 1777 N. Fordham Blvd. at 3:30 p.m.

Lucy Straley, 88, expressed her longstanding opposition to war. "I have been a peace activist for a long time," she said. "Attacking Iraq won't stop terrorism, it's the wrong way to go."

Miles Colescurtis, a third grader, said he thought that attacking Iraq would be wrong. "It would kill a lot of people who didn't do anything," he said.

Protesters remained until well after dark, displaying numerous hand-held signs and encouraging passing drivers to "Honk if you don't want war."

Drivers responded with a chorus of horn blasts, but not everyone agreed with the protesters' cause. One driver penned a sign that read "Grow Up" to flash back at protesters while he waited at a red light. Inside Price's office 17 people – eight



Protesters gather Monday in front of U.S. Rep. David Price's office on Fordham Boulevard to speak out against U.S. involvement in Iraq.

of whom were UNC students – held a sit-in for almost three hours. The group demanded to speak to Price, who was in a meeting of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Rules.

At 6:35 p.m., during a brief committee recess, Price called his office and

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Once a new technology rolls over you, if you're not part of the steamroller you're part of the road.

Stewart Brand