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## Police arrest UNC worker

Woman charged with taking \$18K

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University police arrested an employee of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology on Thursday morning after she was charged with obtaining \$17,881 by falsifying her time sheets, reports state.

Anita Wright of 706 Wedding Brook Drive in Gibsonville was arrested at about 11 a.m. by Capt. Mark McIntyre of University police, according to reports. She was charged with one count of obtaining property through false pretenses.

McIntyre said Wright had been falsifying her time sheets on and off for the past three years, allegedly obtaining \$17,881.

Wright was released on a \$5,000 unsecured bond. She is scheduled to report to Orange County District Court in Hillsborough at 9 a.m. Monday for her first court appearance.

Wright was contacted but refused to comment on the charges. Officials from the OB-GYN department also refused to comment on the details of the case.

McIntyre said this is not the first time such charges have been levied against a University employee.

"This hasn't happened often at the University, but yes, it has happened in the past," he said. "We have had similar situations."

Less than two weeks ago, Martha Wright, who worked as a supervisor at Cafe McColl in the Kenan-Flagler Business School, was arrested and charged with embezzling almost \$13,000.

She was charged with one count of felony embezzlement of \$12,960, according to police reports.

The money Martha Wright was charged with taking was taken from Aramark Corp., which is the food services provider for the University. McIntyre, who also handled that case, said the money was embezzled during a three-month period.

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Capt. Rich Marigliano makes adjustments in the cockpit as he pilots a helicopter full of civilians as part of the Marine Corps' Orientation Flight Program, aimed at encouraging students to join the Marine aviation sequence. Below: 1st Sgt. Dwayne Ayscue exits the cockpit.

## MILITARY MEN TAKE AIM AT SKY

Thursday's flights were staged to attract students to Marine aviation

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RALEIGH

Grit was swirling and flying into bystanders' eyes, making their ears into sand traps. Clouds filled the sky, and a bitter wind kicked up.

But it wasn't Hurricane Isabel causing the tumult.

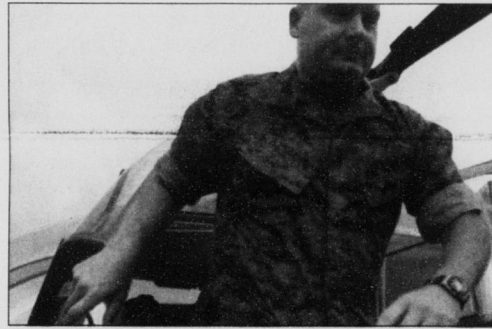
The cause of the mini-tornado was a hovering blue Bell helicopter about to take off in Raleigh.

The cruise was part of the Marine Corps' Orientation Flight Program, which takes civilians on a 20-minute tour of the skies to boost interest in the Marines' aviation sequence.

"Nobody thinks about flying," said William McCurdy, a resources assistant and retired Marine. "The biggest thing is to get the word out."

Word did get out. Gunnery Sgt. Danny Arnold was part of the force behind the program, sending thousands of e-mails to students at UNC-Chapel Hill, N.C. State University, East Carolina University and Wake Forest University.

The first flight group included a mix of college students, representing a few of the universities contacted about the program. Lawrence Duke drove from Winston-Salem to make his 9 a.m. flight time. He had a more serious motive



for the flight than recreation: his interest in the Marines as an avenue for post-graduation employment.

"I am considering becoming a Marine," said Duke, a senior history major at Wake Forest. "I wanted to check it out and see what's going on. I thought it would be fun."

Originally, the flights were scheduled to commence at a field commissioned for use by the Interfraternity Council at N.C. State, but miscommunications caused the takeoff point to move to the parking lot of the Army Reserve building on Western Boulevard.

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ANALYSIS

## Few solicit outside money

BY SHANNAN BOWEN  
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Chapel Hill Town Council candidates are reaching into their own pockets for campaign funds this election season.

While initial campaign finance reports show that total fund-raising efforts have raised almost \$38,000, more than half of that money has come from candidates' self-loans.

According to fund-raising rules, candidates only can use money out of their campaign accounts and not their personal accounts.

Council candidate Rudy Juliano, the top spender and fund raiser thus far in the election cycle, has loaned himself all but \$400 of his total campaign receipts. But he said he still expects more contributions to help cover costs in the next few weeks.

The second highest loan was the \$5,000 loan Andrea Rohrbacher gave herself. She only has raised \$600 in contributions.

These increases in self-loans from candidates is not a surprise for local pundits.

Peter Waltz, an local elections analyst at Democracy South in Carrboro, said the increasing costs of campaigning are transforming elections into a fund-raising competition.

"There is a trend in campaign fund raising that a lot of candidates are depending on themselves," said Waltz, who has researched campaign financing statistics for Chapel Hill.

Waltz said that in the last month before Election Day, candidates typically are expected to increase promotion through signs, news advertisements and written messages, all of which demand an escalating amount of money.

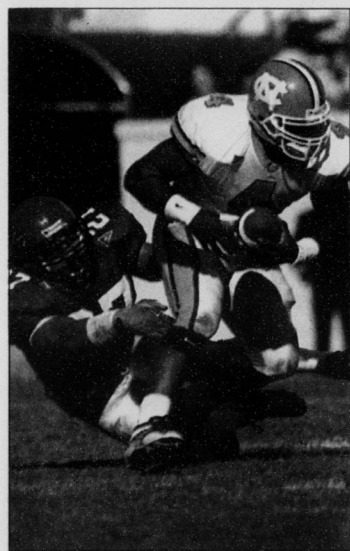
Juliano has spent \$2,707 on signs and printed materials and \$889 on newspaper advertisements but said the next weeks will demand an increase in resources for additional advertisements through radio and television.

He is the only candidate who has exceeded the voluntary \$7,500 expenditure ceiling suggested by incumbent Bill Strom.

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## ACC could nix annual Duke contest



DTH FILE PHOTO

Scheduling decisions made by the ACC mean that Duke and North Carolina might not meet on the football field on an annual basis.

BY JACOB KARABELL AND BRIAN MACPHERSON  
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Throughout the ACC expansion process, North Carolina voiced concerns about the impact the move would have on the tradition of the conference.

These concerns came to fruition Wednesday when the ACC unveiled its new structure for football and basketball schedules in preparation for the addition of Miami and Virginia Tech to the conference next year.

The biggest casualty of the arrangement might be the North Carolina-Duke football rivalry, an annual event that is no longer guaranteed past the 2005 season.

"Of course it bothers me," said Dick Baddour, UNC director of athletics. "When I was talking about cultural things being different (with expansion), that's a perfect example of an impact that expansion has. But we're past that, and this is a consequence."

The current 11-team format makes a round-robin schedule impractical, so each ACC team will play just eight other teams in the conference each year.

North Carolina will have a single "primary partner," N.C. State, a team the Tar Heels would be assured of playing every year.

But traditional rivals Maryland and Clemson will be missing from North Carolina's schedule next year.

And if this structure lasts beyond 2005, the Tar Heels could go a season without playing Duke in football for the first time since 1922.

"Going into the process with 11 teams, not everyone is going to have all of their requests or hopes granted," said Larry Gallo, UNC senior associate athletic director.

The basketball schedule was set up in a similar way. Officials chose to preserve the existing 16-game schedule, despite the fact that a 20-game schedule would have allowed for a home-and-home series with every team.

Two ACC opponents — N.C. State and Duke — were designated as UNC's primary partners, teams the Tar Heels will play twice every year.

Baddour was much more satisfied with the structure of the basketball schedule.

"It's what we supported," he said. "It allows you to play an intense conference schedule where there's a tremendous amount of interest, and at the same time, it allows you to schedule non-league opponents that have a national interest."

Officials also made contingency plans in case the ACC expands to 12 teams or the NCAA approves the conference's appeal to hold a football conference championship game.

If that happens, the conference will split into two divisions for football. North Carolina's division would include Duke, Georgia Tech,

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## Scholars group crunched by cuts

BY MEGAN SEROW  
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While recent budget cuts to the Morehead Scholars program have decreased the number of scholars accepted, staff members are beginning to feel the impact as well.

Two employees of the Morehead Foundation, one of the country's most prestigious scholarship programs, were let go this week in the latest round of budget cuts to the award program.

Susan Hallman, the program's assistant director for advising, worked with the foundation for four years. Senior Lindsay Apple was a first-year administrative assistant.

Many Morehead Scholars said they worked closely with Hallman, who served as a type of academic and emotional counselor.

"I was very sad to see her go," senior Sunny Kim said. "We had the most personal contact with her, and seniors are the most emotionally connected because we've worked

"The budget cut shouldn't affect us. We will still have all of the same ... benefits."

TYLER LESTER, MOREHEAD SCHOLAR

with her for the past four years."

Senior Leslie Bone, another scholar, said that she is saddened by Hallman's release but that she understands why the foundation had to make the cutbacks. "She was a great resource for students, but in times of trouble, some things have to be sacrificed."

Except for the loss of Hallman, Kim said, she hasn't felt any effects from the cuts. The program is softening the blow by decreasing the number of scholarships awarded,

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### SPORTS

#### TAMING THE CAVS

North Carolina's secondary will have a tough test against Virginia in Saturday's afternoon game at Kenan Stadium **PAGE 7**

### WEATHER

**TODAY** Sunny, H 64, L 36  
**SATURDAY** Partly cloudy, H 77, L 55  
**SUNDAY** Partly cloudy, H 65, L 41

