

CAMPUS BRIEFS

UNC football player gets 1-year restraining order

A one-year restraining order was issued against UNC football player Michael Gilmore on Tuesday at Orange County District Court in Hillsborough.

The order was issued in connection to an altercation with UNC track athlete Lindsay Bond on Sept. 27 and as an extension to a 10-day protective order filed by Bond Oct. 6.

It stipulates that Gilmore, a 19-year-old reserve wide receiver, cannot have contact with the 20-year-old Bond, said Randy Griffin, an attorney for the firm representing Gilmore.

The Sept. 27 incident took place at The Streets at SouthPoint mall. Bond said in a Sept. 28 interview that Gilmore became upset while the pair was waiting for a table and shoved her into a storefront window. Another hearing concerning the assault charges against Gilmore is scheduled for Oct. 29 in Durham District Court.

Districts filled in special Student Congress election

Graduate student Sylvia Cha was elected to Student Congress in special elections held Tuesday for remaining open seats in the governing body. Cha will represent District 13, which covers the Kenan-Flagler Business School. She won the post with 13 votes.

Kativa Parker, an employee in the Office of Scholarships and Student Aid, won District 14 with one vote. Graduate student Karthi Natarajan won a seat in District 16 with two votes. Neither had accepted the post by press time.

CITY BRIEFS

Thief steals more than \$1,400 worth of DVDs

An unidentified suspect stole more than \$1,400 worth of DVDs at 8 a.m. Monday from the Blockbuster Video in Eastgate Shopping Center, Chapel Hill police reports state.

The suspect escaped with 29 DVDs by removing the security strips from the products, which prevented the alarm from going off. A Blockbuster employee reported the crime an hour later, reports state. The investigation is ongoing, and police have no suspects.

WORLD BRIEFS

Administration suspects charity of aiding terrorists

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Bush administration moved Tuesday to paralyze financially a Pakistan-based charity that the U.S. government suspects raised money for terrorists in Iraq.

The Treasury Department named Al Akhtar Trust a specially designated global terrorist organization, a move aimed at cutting the group off from the nation's financial system. The designation means that any financial assets belonging to the group found in this country must be frozen.

It also means that the group is prohibited from conducting any financial transactions in the United States and that Americans are barred from doing business with it.

Prosecutor: Man plotted to kill Gravano, mob witness

NEW YORK — A reputed hit man plotted to kill mob turncoat Salvatore "Sammy the Bull" Gravano with a remote-control bomb in retaliation for betraying the Gambino crime family, a prosecutor told a jury Tuesday.

Thomas "Huck" Carbonaro, 55, took an oath "to kill on orders" when he became a Gambino soldier, prosecutor Joseph Lipton said in opening arguments at Carbonaro's murder conspiracy trial. Defense attorney John Jacobs told jurors that Gravano himself would take the witness stand to testify that the defendant had no motive to whack him.

Bomber kills self, 1 other outside embassy in Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Suicide car bombers struck in Baghdad for the third time in a week Tuesday, this time outside the Turkish Embassy in yet another blow against those who would help the U.S. occupation. Witnesses said the driver and a bystander were killed, and hospitals said at least 13 were wounded.

In the southern city of Karbala, meanwhile, gunmen of rival Shiite Muslim factions clashed. Witnesses said several people were killed or injured.

The fights seemed to be part of a power struggle between forces of firebrand cleric Muqtada al-Sadr and followers of religious leaders who take a more moderate stand toward U.S. occupation.

Compiled from staff and wire reports.

Civil War memorial sparks debate

Some say Silent Sam statue is racist

BY ANDREW SATTEN
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From the University's historical stance on slavery to the legend about virgins, a diverse spectrum of comments were on display during a debate Tuesday night titled "Silent Sam: A Symbol of History or Racism?"

The Dialectic and Philanthropic Societies coordinated the event as part of Race Relations Week, sponsored by the Campus Y's Students for the Advancement of Race Relations.

The debate, held in Murphey Hall, drew about 40 people. It featured four speakers who addressed the meaning of the monument on McCorkle Place.

Silent Sam was erected in 1913 as a tribute to UNC alumni who

fought in the Civil War. Because North Carolina was part of the Confederacy, many say the monument represents a racist period of history.

Dialectic Society President Aoife Iredale, DiPhi Joint Senate President Rachel Gurvich and DiPhi Sens. Adam Herring and Clark Tew debated the issue of removing Silent Sam, the University's history in regards to slavery and the state of race relations on campus.

In the past, Silent Sam has been a focal point of racial issues.

Ten years ago it was engulfed in controversy as debate about construction of what now is known as the Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History brought the issue of race relations on cam-

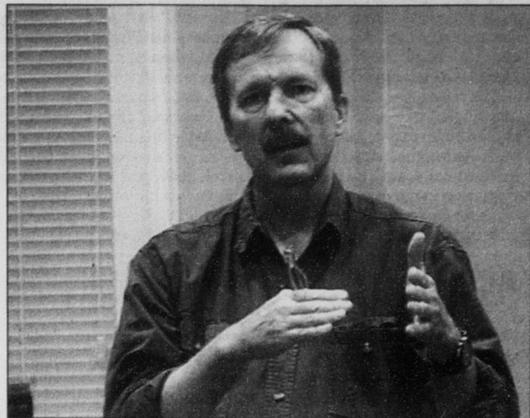
pus to the forefront. The issue rose again this August when someone spray painted a disparaging comment on the base of the statue.

Iredale argued vehemently that the statue should not be removed. "When you walk by that statue and you see it and think of all the suffering from slaves before and during the Civil War, it is real," she said. "It is painful, and it makes you say, 'Never again.'"

Herring drove home the point that the monument's value lies in the tribute it pays to those who fight for something, regardless of cause. "How many students at this University or any other university would be willing to take up arms and fight for a cause?" he said.

Herring's comment stirred strong reactions from audience members.

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Graduate student Yonni Chapman tells participants at a Tuesday discussion that diversity does not necessarily mean justice on campus.



Freshman Sheldon Turner (left) receives his meningococcal meningitis shot from registered nurse Ann Pirt on Tuesday night in the Multipurpose Room of the Student Union. Student Health Service held the program to make vaccination more convenient for students.

Students line up for vaccines

BY GREG PARKER
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Student Health Service's third annual meningitis vaccination clinic took place Tuesday night in the Student Union's Multipurpose Room.

Students began lining up at the doors almost 20 minutes before they opened and streamed in steadily throughout the duration of the three-hour event.

The program is part of Student Health's push to vaccinate students for meningococcal meningitis and other illnesses such as the flu, which students on a college campus are at great risk of contracting. A number of students also received the flu vaccination Tuesday night.

Meningococcal meningitis is a rare, potentially fatal bacterial disease. College students are at an increased risk of contracting the disease, particularly if they live in a residence hall, Student Health officials said.

The disease is spread through respiratory secretions or close contact with an infected person. The sharing of eating utensils, glasses or even cigarettes can spread the disease.

Because of the nature of college life — with its communal living and eating areas — college students have six times the risk of contracting the disease than other individuals.

The increased risk faced by college students has brought about legislation requiring N.C. public universities to inform students about meningococcal meningitis and its repercussions.

Student Health officials have met this requirement by sending informational mass e-mails to students and encouraging them to get vaccinated, said Bob

Wirag, Student Health director.

Some students said they had additional incentive to get the vaccine Tuesday.

"There was a guy who died from (meningococcal meningitis) in my high school last year," said freshman Melanie Pace. "My parents have been adamant about me getting the shot."

Mary Covington, Student Health medical director, said that although the likelihood of an outbreak of the disease is rare, its effects on a person can be serious.

"Someone can be healthy, and a few hours later they can be dead," she said. "The consequences of the disease can be devastating."

Cases of meningococcal meningitis have been rare at UNC, Wirag said the last case at the University occurred five years ago.

UNC has never had an epidemic of the disease, which is defined as three or more occurrences at one time, he said.

Wirag said he expects that Student Health's efforts dramatically will increase the number of vaccinated students, which now hovers at about 10 percent.

The vaccine might become a requirement in the future, he said.

"I expect that not too long in the future this may be added to the list of required vaccine-preventable diseases," Wirag said.

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Mystery problem chokes e-mail

Officials say fix should come soon

BY JENNIFER IMMEL
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UNC's IMAP server, which controls the campus's Web mail and Mulberry systems, experienced an unforeseen lapse Tuesday because of hardware failures and a case of system corruption.

The lapse, which set in at 10:20 a.m., had not been corrected as of press time.

Members of the Information Technology Response Center staff and a representative from Sun Microsystems, which supplies UNC with equipment, worked throughout the day to correct the problem.

The two hardware failures were corrected Tuesday afternoon, but corrupted files were not corrected fully as of press time.

Judd Knott, director of academic computing systems for Academic Technology & Networks, said at around 8:45 p.m. that the exact files that had been corrupted could not be found throughout the day.

The decision then was made to rebuild the entire system from magnetic tape — a slower form of media than discs, capable of storing large amounts of information.

The failure affected the ability to receive e-mail, but messages could be sent without problem Tuesday, Knott said.

He added that it is unlikely the corruption was caused by hackers because of the campus' system's selectivity of what other systems it accepts information from.

"While there have been some compromises in the past, this particular system ... only accepts data from particular systems that we specify," he said. "We see no evidence of intrusion."

Once the system is back in normal operation, Knott said, University network users should not see any difference in their e-mail accounts, meaning that no data should be lost.

Bruce Egan, associate director of ATN, said UNC's system, which handles hundreds of thousands of e-mails each day, is more consistent than e-mail systems at other schools.

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Education issues divide candidates

BY CHRIS GLAZNER
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Tuesday's Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education forum revealed a rift between incumbent board members and candidates seeking their jobs.

Policy division was sharpest in the candidates' positions on differentiation, the practice of teaching students of widely different abilities in the same classroom.

Board incumbents Elizabeth Carter, Edward Sechrest and Vice Chairwoman Gloria Faley spoke in favor of differentiation as the most

effective strategy for dealing with tight budgets.

The three nonincumbent candidates — Jamesetta Bedford, George Griffin and Mike Kelley — disagreed, saying differentiation would strain teachers and allow students at both extremes of the academic spectrum to fall through the cracks.

"It's too much of a burden on teachers to plan multiple activities to meet the needs of all the students," Griffin said.

Faley led the charge in support of differentiation, repeating the term throughout the night as part of her overall vision for schools.

She said she believes in a clearly defined curriculum that would



ELECTIONS

Revamped money bucks tradition

BY LINDA SHEN
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You're not going crazy — the new \$20 bill is supposed to look like that.

The Federal Reserve System began distributing the new notes Oct. 9, and the uninformed are getting a big shock at the ATM.

While small alterations to the appearance of money are frequent, the new \$20 bill marks a dramatic departure from the traditional image of legal U.S. tender.

Before the bill's last face-lift in 1997, the design had remained unchanged for almost 100 years. But this time, the \$20 bill is going multicolored.

The newly designed bill features a blue eagle, color-shifting ink and a background that fades from green to peach to blue and then to green again. The new colors are intended to make the money more easily differentiable from other bills. The

added complexity of the color scheme also makes it more difficult for counterfeiters to reproduce.

To the right of the familiar image of Andrew Jackson, the seventh president of the United States, stands a metallic green eagle and a shield — symbols of freedom. "One of the goals when redesigning the currency is to retain its American look," said Dawn Haley of the U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

The bill was revamped by designers working with the 12-person New Currency Design Task Force. Members included representatives from the Federal Reserve, the Department of Treasury, the Secret Service and the engraving bureau.

Despite the low rate of counterfeiting in the United States — about one or two notes per 10,000 in circulation — the intention of the new design is to curb future

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problems. The main priority of the redesign is bill security, Haley said.

The Series 2004 \$20 bill is being heralded by the government as the most secure legal tender ever produced by the United States.

As counterfeiters increasingly go digital, efforts to defend against them must become smarter. "The advances in technology have changed everything," said Andrew Williams of the Federal Reserve.

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