

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Castevens throws support to SBP candidate Calabria

Ashley Castevens, a former candidate for student body president, endorsed candidate Matt Calabria on Wednesday.

Calabria and Lily West earned the largest number of votes in the general election this week and will advance to this Tuesday's runoff. No other former candidate has offered an endorsement yet.

Castevens garnered about 3 percent of the vote in the general election. She said she endorsed Calabria because he adopted large parts of her platform.

Construction pipe falls onto cars left on Stadium Drive

Shortly after noon Tuesday a construction pipe rolled onto two vehicles parked on Stadium Drive after a utility worker lost control of the pipe while transporting it on a forklift, police reports state.

Reports state that the Caterpillar operator stopped the forklift abruptly to avoid oncoming traffic, but the change in motion caused the pipe to shift forward, falling onto a Lincoln two-door and a Honda.

Police were able to contact the owner of the Lincoln, and confirmed that an estimated \$3,000 in damage was done to the rear of the vehicle.

The owner of the Honda was not found, though police left contact information on the vehicle's windshield.

CITY BRIEFS

UNC Hospitals worker faces one sexual offense charge

A UNC Hospitals employee was arrested at 6:27 p.m. Tuesday and charged with one count of second degree sexual offense, according to police reports.

Reports state that police issued a warrant Jan. 23 for the arrest of Max Benito Ganse, 33, of 1602 E. Franklin St., after he was reported touching a patient's genital areas at a Chapel Hill medical facility.

Ganse voluntarily turned himself in to Chapel Hill police, reports state. Police would not identify the medical facility where Ganse was working but said the sexual offense in question did not occur at UNC Hospitals.

Toilet paper theft leads to assault in Granville Towers

An incident of simple assault and breaking and entering that occurred early Wednesday morning at Granville Towers West was reported to the Chapel Hill police.

According to reports, at 2:40 a.m., a Granville resident walked into his room and discovered two white male intruders. The suspects were caught taking two rolls of toilet paper and a pair of sunglasses from the room, reports state.

Police reports state that the victim then alerted two other Granville residents, and a fight began between the suspects and the residents. One of the residents was "head-butted" by one of the trespassers, and another resident was injured, according to reports. The suspects were identified, but no charges have been made at this time, police report state.

Two UNC students arrested after fight at Goldies

Chapel Hill police arrested two UNC students late Tuesday night after a fight occurred at Goldies Restaurant and Bar, located at 137 E. Franklin St.

UNC junior Edward Hayes was arrested and charged with one count misdemeanor assault, reports state.

Sophomore Hayward Howard was arrested and charged with one count misdemeanor assault and one count fraudulent use of identification, according to reports.

Police reports state that both men posted a \$200 bond. The trial date for both students is March 4 at District Court in Hillsborough.

STATE BRIEFS

Panel needs more details to examine legislative districts

RALEIGH — The federal government doesn't have enough information yet from North Carolina to determine whether it will challenge state legislative districts, U.S. government lawyers say.

State officials have asked a three-judge panel in the District of Columbia to determine if the latest House and Senate district boundaries comply with the Voting Rights Act.

All election law provisions must be cleared by the U.S. Department of Justice or federal courts to make sure they don't harm the rights of minority voters.

From staff and wire reports.

Listserv abuse clogs campus inboxes

Improper use includes advertising

BY JENNY RUBY

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Students are becoming increasingly frustrated as their UNC Web mail inboxes are flooded with unwanted listserv e-mails.

During the last week, a number of e-mails were sent through various listservs to communicate information that does not reflect proper usage of that listserv. The subjects of the e-mails included student body president candidate platforms, the auctioning of basketball tickets and

apartments advertisement.

"When you don't know the people sending the mass e-mails it's a problem," said Jason Rein, a sophomore business major. "It's especially frustrating when the e-mails are sent for personal use."

Students on Academic Advising Team 55, including journalism, business, education and information science majors, experienced disturbances Feb. 4 when individuals used the listserv as a method of auctioning off basketball tickets

for the Feb. 5 basketball game against Duke University.

Numerous people replied to the mass e-mail advertising the sale of a lower level ticket, some showing interest in the offer, others showing disdain for the abuse.

The e-mails were sent to Team 55 students as well as advisers. When advisers became aware of the situation, they immediately contacted the students and encouraged them to read the Onyen policies.

"We, as advisers, asked students to stop and told them it's a violation of the Honor Code," said academic adviser Barbara Lucido.

These listservs are intended to be used by advisers to remind students of deadlines and other important information, not for student personal use, she said.

Students do not need to use advising listservs to share information. According to Academic & Technology Network officials, all Onyen users can set up listservs as long as they follow a list of guidelines, including abstaining from sending unsolicited advertisements.

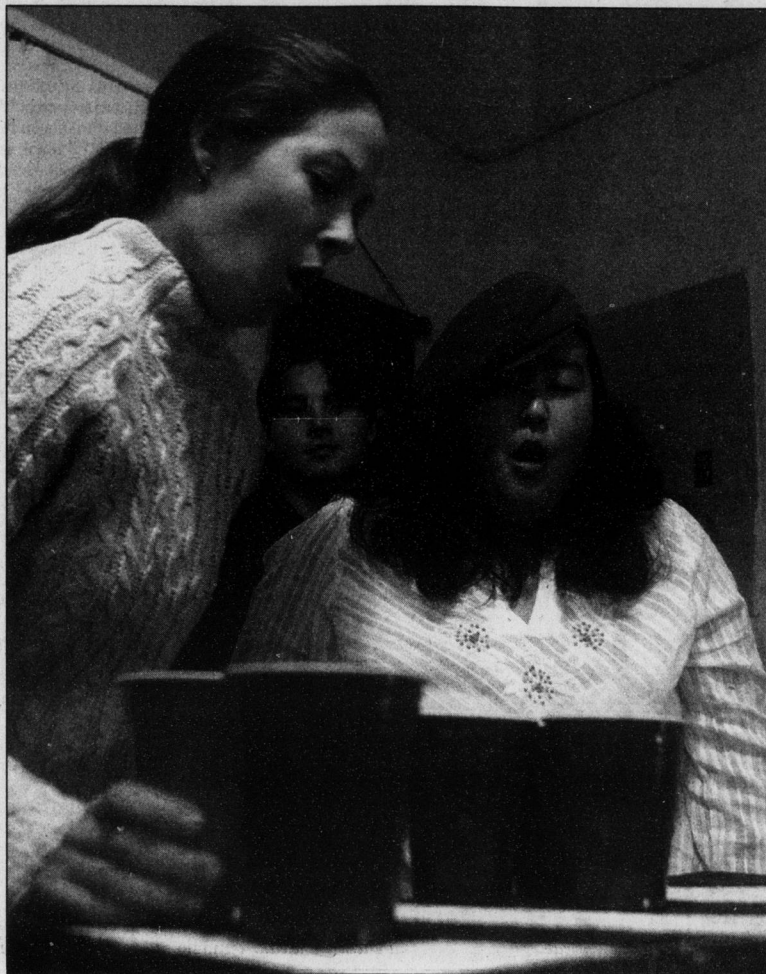
Shannon Karla, campaign manager for Ashley Castevens, a candidate for the student body president candidate for the 2004-05 school

year, joined a number of listservs so that she could send information about Castevens' platform.

Karla joined the listserv for the UNC chapter of Phi Sigma Pi, a coed honors fraternity and sent an e-mail to the listserv, believing it would be sent to a few students.

But the e-mail actually was sent to the hundreds of students eligible for the fraternity. "I had no idea the listserv was so large," Karla said. A number of e-mails were sent back through the listserv chastising Castevens and Karla for the letter.

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Seniors Hillary Jilcott (left) and Naomi Chang attempt to blow a pingpong ball out of a cup during a game of beer pong. Beer pong is one of the more popular drinking games among college students.

More partake in college ritual: drinking games

BY LINDA SHEN

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Since antiquity, drinking games have been as omnipresent and varied as the cultures that have played them.

Modern college students actually can't take credit for inventing the beer bong. That honor goes to the Greeks, said Tom Johnson, a professor of psychology at Indiana State University and an expert on drinking games.

"There was someone from the third century nicknamed 'Funnel,'" he said.

Johnson places the origins of drinking games in ancient Greece, where games took place in symposiums as preludes to dinner and debauchery.

The history and psychology of drinking games fascinate Johnson, and what started as a graduate school research paper has become a lifetime endeavor. Johnson has studied drinking games for more than 10 years and continues to do so at ISU, which he described as a "good, hands-on location."

The perennial popularity of drinking games on university campuses have given them a legend all their own. "(They) are a kind of college folklore," said Johnson.

Reasons why drinking games are so well-liked



on college campuses are fairly apparent. Surrounded by new people and possibly far from home, college students realize that meeting and making new friends is important: Drinking games are a fast, easy way to loosen some inhibitions and have a few laughs.

Joey Biddix, a junior communication studies major from Hope Mills, said many students use drinking games as a vehicle for inebriation without guilt. Getting intoxicated during a game takes the weight of responsibility off participants' shoulders; the number of drinks and the speed of drinking becomes penalty instead of a personal choice.

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Leaders discuss ways to recruit, retain teachers

Highlight salary increases, mentors

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It's no secret: The state needs teachers.

And on Wednesday, N.C. education leaders met to address ways to get and keep instructors at public schools.

During the 16th meeting of a consortium of the state's public and private education institutions, members brainstormed ways to recruit and retain teachers.

The recommendations are based on a report by the UNC-system Board of Governors' Task Force on Meeting Teacher Supply and Demand, which has been meeting since the beginning of the academic year.

"Part of what is in this report will be an elaboration of these (recommendations) but also who will enact this change," said UNC-system President Molly Broad in a breakout discussion session she led.

Among other things, the task force recommended that higher education institutions make their

scholarship and loan programs more visible. The system also will look into removing barriers to enrolling in teaching programs at public universities in the state.

The task force also suggested retention programs, including ones that provide new teachers with veteran mentors. Additionally, the task force said the state should review the teacher salary schedule and perhaps front-load salary increases.

At the joint meeting, Gov. Mike Easley, flanked by former Govs. Jim Hunt and Jim Holshouser, introduced a plan to help public teachers get money for school projects not funded by the state.

The DonorsChooseNC program allows teachers to post proposals for potential projects online. People interested in funding the projects can do so directly via a donation Web site, <http://www.donorschoose.org>.

The program has been a success so far in New York City public schools, and 15 school districts across North Carolina have piloted it.

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Va., Tenn. losses hit Edwards hard

Hopeful facing uphill battle in race

BY KAVITA PILLAI

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U.S. Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina failed to live up to his own expectations by losing two Southern primaries Tuesday, setbacks that could mark the end of a viable bid for the Democratic presidential nomination.

After trying to position himself as the candidate who can carry the South, Edwards lost in Tennessee and Virginia. His only win is his native state, South Carolina.

"His candidacy took a major hit when he lost Virginia and Tennessee," said Ferrel Guillory, director of UNC's Program on Southern Politics, Media and Public Life.

Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts, the front-runner, won both states, giving him wins in 12 of the 14 contests held thus far.

Robert Loevy, a professor of political science at Colorado College and an expert on presidential elections, said the losses are

nails in the coffin for Edwards, who Loevy thinks has no reason to continue his candidacy. "The minute (Kerry) won five of seven primaries, the race was over," Loevy said. "(Tuesday's) results confirmed what everyone learned Feb. 3."

But Guillory said Edwards should continue, if only to highlight Kerry's weaknesses.

"I think he serves the Democratic Party; he serves the country by continuing to campaign for at least another two or three weeks," he said. "There has been such a rush to Kerry as the front-runner that he's not been thoroughly examined."

With retired Gen. Wesley Clark out of the race, Edwards is the only Southerner left, but this is still unlikely to help him in the future.

While some say Kerry is riding the momentum of earlier wins, Edwards' losses could be a result of the nature of Southern politics.

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Group promotes Southeast Asia issues

Events help boost participation

BY RAND ROBINS

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Condom flowers and a Myanmar doctor's take on the health care system halfway around the world highlight the activities hosted this week by the newly-formed Southeast Asia Interest Association.

The organization, founded this fall, brings together UNC students with a common interest in Southeast Asian culture.

The SEAILA hosted Dr. Myint Oo, a private practitioner from Southeast Asia and current Hubert Humphrey fellow at UNC. He spoke Wednesday night about primary health care in Myanmar.

Oo made an impassioned pres-

entation, explaining the intimate role general practitioners play in the day to day lives of the Myanmar people.

He highlighted the significant personal sacrifices doctors make to provide health care in a country where health insurance is non-existent and licensed doctors compete for patients with "quacks" who will do anything for a price.

Almost 60 students participate in SEAILA. The organization quickly grew from three founding members to its present size, SEAILA president Justin Sosne said. He attributes the rapid growth to word of mouth, fliers and a cube painted in the Pit.

Sosne, along with fellow UNC students senior John Keefe and Nadav Ariel, formed the group after participating in UNC's Singapore Summer Immersion Program, which Sosne said

enlightened the three friends about a variety of Southeast Asian issues.

One of the organization's first fund raisers, the sale of condom flowers, has raised about \$200 for the Thai Youth AIDS Prevention Project.

The flowers came directly from Thailand, where the restaurant Cabbages and Condoms promotes safe-sex practices with a sign that reads, "We ran out of mints, please take a condom," Sosne said.

Condom flowers are not the only thing the SEAILA brings from Thailand. Sosne said the group has developed a partnership with Thai exchange students, several of whom are members.

Keefe, Ariel and Sosne are not of Southeast Asian lineage, but Sosne stressed that the focus of SEAILA concentrates primarily on

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Sophomore Justin Sosne, president of the Southeast Asian Interest Association, sells condom flowers Wednesday in the Pit as a fund raiser.