

**CAMPUS BRIEFS**  
**UNC junior charged with larceny, resisting arrest**

A UNC junior was arrested Monday in Connor Residence Hall and charged with failing to appear in court on two warrants from Durham County police, according to a police report.

After a two-month search, Durham police charged Troy Council, 22, of 312 Mangum Residence Hall with misdemeanor larceny, resisting arrest and second-degree trespassing, reports state.

Council is being held at Orange County Jail on a secured bond of \$500.

**Avery family documents exhibited at Wilson Library**

The Southern Historical Collection has announced a new exhibit featuring materials from its Avery Family Papers. The exhibit, which is located in the Manuscripts Department on the fourth floor of Wilson Library, will run through March.

The Avery family has been prominent in western North Carolina, particularly Burke County, since the late 18th century. Members of the family were active in politics at the state and local level.

The exhibit includes a range of items that document the various activities of the Avery family. A selection of correspondence concerns the Civil War, slavery, politics and family affairs.

The Avery Family Papers are representative of many family collections available for research at the Southern Historical Collection.

**CITY BRIEFS**

**Carrboro resident charged in January vehicle theft**

A Chapel Hill resident was arrested in connection with a car theft that occurred last month.

Chapel Hill police arrested Nicholas Nickerson, 19, at 10 p.m. Monday at his Weaver Dairy Road home reports state.

Carrboro police spotted Nickerson on Jan. 13 in possession of a stolen Nissan Quest minivan. The warrant for his arrest was issued 10 days later.

Nickerson was charged with felony larceny of a motor vehicle. He was taken to the magistrate, where he was released on a written promise to appear Tuesday at Orange County District Court in Hillsborough.

**STATE BRIEFS**

**N.C. farmer who drove on National Mall in court today**

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The North Carolina tobacco farmer who drove his tractor onto the National Mall and claimed to have explosives returns to court today.

After several postponements, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia said Tuesday a pre-sentencing hearing will be held for Dwight Ware Watson.

On March 17, Watson drove his tractor into a Constitution Gardens pond and held police at bay for 47 hours. Commuters suffered through traffic nightmares over four consecutive rush hours, as several major roads were closed, causing cars to stack up in downtown Washington and northern Virginia.

Watson, 51, of Whitakers, N.C., was convicted Sept. 26. Jurors took less than one hour to find him guilty of making a false threat to detonate explosives, and destruction of federal property.

Watson initially planned to represent himself, but agreed to a public defender before the trial began. He testified that he was engaged in "civil disobedience," and that he told police he had an "organophosphate bomb" in a box.

Watson contended he wanted to alert people to what he said are the dangers of organophosphates. He also admitted that his opposition to the multistate tobacco settlement, and state and federal regulations preventing farmers from growing low nicotine tobacco, were also among his reasons for coming to Washington.

**CALENDAR**  
**Today**

**5:30 p.m.** — The UNC Vegetarian Club will host a free vegetarian meal for body, mind and spirit in the Frank Porter Graham Lounge of the Student Union.

**Thursday**

**6:30 p.m.** — Student Action with Workers is having a teach-in in 301 Bingham Hall about Smithfield Foods' efforts to prevent the formation of a union at one of its plants in North Carolina, what unions can do and how they can be improved. There will be free food.

*From staff and wire reports.*

# Speaker examines society's hatred

## Recounts sister's death in 1963 attack

BY NORA WARREN  
 STAFF WRITER

In a speech given Tuesday night in Murphy Hall, Shirley Wesley King asked the audience to analyze the social conditions that inspired three Ku Klux Klan members to plant a bomb that killed her sister in 1963.

King's sister, Cynthia Wesley, was one of four girls killed when a bomb exploded in the basement of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Ala. Wesley was 14-years-old.

"It was not until our church was bombed that I really started to understand the depths of hatred," King said.

King, who has a doctoral degree in social work, said society is partially to blame for breeding the

hatred and evil that encourage people to kill.

"What do you think it takes for an individual to reach the point where they want to destroy somebody else's life?" King asked. "These men were a reflection of societal mentality."

King and her husband, who live in Dallas own Southwest Behavioral Systems Inc., a company that provides individual, family and group substance-abuse counseling.

King stressed education as part of the answer to addressing societal needs.

"You have the pleasure and luxury of getting a good education at someone else's expense," she told students in the audience.

Erika Barrera, co-chairwoman

of the Minority Affairs Committee of the executive branch of student government, said King was chosen to speak because of her experiences during the Civil Rights movement.

"I hope people realize that Dr. King's message isn't race-based, gender-based, or religious-based," Barrera said. "It's a message that's meant to reach all people."

In her speech, King recounted her experiences as a black female during the Civil Rights movement. She told about being in jail with Martin Luther King Jr., about not being able to sit with whites in a movie theater and not being able to use fitting rooms in clothing stores.

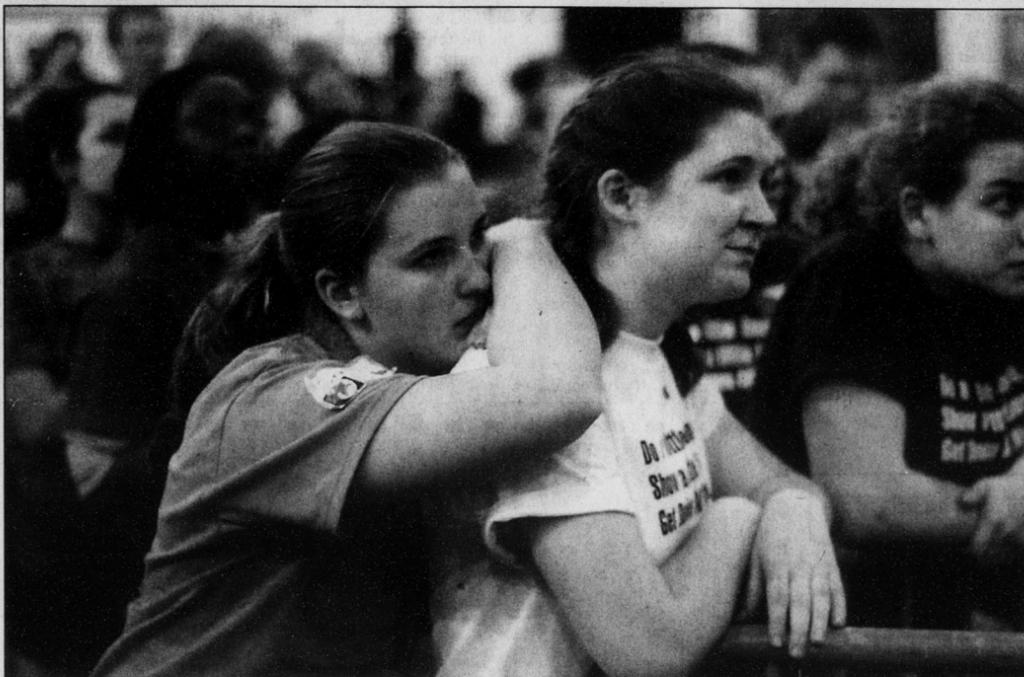
These conditions created a society where white people felt they had a superior status they needed to fight to keep, she said.

But King also stressed that

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Dr. Shirley Wesley King (left) speaks with Chloe Russell, a freshman journalism major, after King's lecture Tuesday in Murphey Hall. King, who is the sister of one of the four girls killed in the 16th Street Baptist Church bombing in 1963, spoke about the forces that led to the attack.



Dancers lean on each other to give their legs some rest during the 2003 UNC Dance Marathon last February. In its sixth year, the UNC marathon is one of dozens of dance marathons across the country at schools including Penn State University and Rutgers University.

# UNC DANCES IN NATIONAL EFFORT

## Dance marathons at colleges nationwide raise funds for children

BY KELLY OCHS  
 STAFF WRITER

Now in its sixth year, UNC's Dance Marathon is not alone in its mission.

Dozens of schools across the nation have dance marathons, and although the money from each school goes to different hospitals, it all helps sick children and their families.

Michael Bucy, who started UNC's Dance Marathon in 1998, said the marathon not only raises money for sick children, but also involves people with families being helped.

In starting the UNC marathon, Bucy looked to Penn State University's dance marathon, THON, for inspiration.

Started in the early 1970s, THON is the oldest and largest dance marathon in the nation. The organization raised \$3.6 million last year alone, and has raised more than \$23 million for children with cancer since its inception.

Adam Duff, THON's overall chairman, said the school receives 30 to 50 calls per year from other schools looking to start a marathon. "Everybody kind of looks at Penn State's marathon as what they aspire to

become," said senior Laura Kiernan, campus fund raising chairwoman for UNC's Dance Marathon.

This year's THON, a 48-hour marathon, will be held Friday through Sunday, and dancers are not allowed to sit. During the 48 hours, two "red zones," when the marathon seems the longest to the dancers, occur early Saturday and Sunday mornings when most visitors have left.

Duff said emergency medical workers are present for the entire 48 hours to tape dancers' ankles for

extra support and to ensure that the 700 dancers stay healthy. There also is a massage area, which provides foot and back massages.

Despite the length of the marathon, picking the dancers is a selective process, Duff said. Most of the dancers are juniors and seniors who have raised money for the marathon since their freshman year.

Duff said the success of the marathon

rests in creating relationships between the organizations that raise money and the families who benefit. The school not only is raising money, but also is getting involved in a cause, taking stress away from families with sick children, he said.

Dan Perkins, executive director of Rutgers University's dance marathon, said going the full 48 hours seemed too much. Now in its sixth year, the Rutgers dance marathon is a 32-hour event and will be held from 10 a.m. March 27 until 6 p.m. March 28.

Perkins said organizers hope to get 500 dancers involved in the marathon, which attracted 400 dancers and raised more than \$140,000 last year. But 32 hours of standing is not too much to ask college students who pull all-nighters at times anyway, he said.

The children they are helping don't get to take a break from their illnesses, Perkins said. "Their problems don't go away."

Justin Ballheim, executive co-chairman for Northwestern University's dance marathon, said their event focuses more on

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# Badger State shakes election

## Kerry wins, but Edwards is close

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MADISON, Wis. — Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts squeezed out a victory in Wisconsin on Tuesday, barely holding off hard-charging rival Sen. John Edwards, who established himself as the front-runner's sole rival as the Democratic presidential race thunders toward a 10-state showdown March 2.

Former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean trailed far behind, winless in 17 contests, his candidacy doomed less than a month after he stood atop the Democratic field. The fallen front-runner retreated to Vermont, where he will consider several options, including endorsing one of his rivals, advisers said.

Close race or not, Kerry said, "A win is a win."

Edwards, his dream of a head-to-head matchup now a reality, declared, "We'll go full throttle to the next group of states."

He pledged to campaign in each of the 10 states holding primaries or caucuses March 2, including California, New York and Ohio, and awarding 1,151 delegates, more than half the total needed to claim the nomination.

The North Carolina lawmaker's breakout was fueled by the highest Republican turnout of the primary season and voters who made their decision in the last week. His deepest support was in the GOP suburbs of Milwaukee.

"That's been happening in other primaries, too," Edwards told The Associated Press in an interview. "Republicans who would consider voting Democratic and independents are the people we have to win over to win the general election. That's why I'm the best candidate to take on George Bush."

Kerry held a wide lead in pre-election polls, but the surveys did not fully reflect voter sentiments after a statewide debate Sunday, Edwards' criticism of Kerry's free-

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# Talk features military issues

## 'Tuesdays' presents Ret. Gen. Shelton

BY TRISTAN SHOOK  
 STAFF WRITER

Near the end of retired Gen. Henry Hugh Shelton's discussion with a crowd of about 50 people Tuesday, a man stood up from the audience, swallowed his tears and thanked the general for serving his country and inspiring his son, who is now an Apache helicopter pilot in the United States Army.

The man then sat back down, punctuating Shelton's discussion of military politics with a moment of humanity.

Shelton, who served as chair under the Joint Chiefs of Staff under Presidents Clinton and George W. Bush, spoke in Graham Memorial Hall as part of "Tuesdays with Friday" series, led by UNC-system President Emeritus William Friday.

Examining major issues in military and international politics without the pressure of holding

high political office, Shelton straddled ideological lines in his speech, eliciting varied questions from those in attendance.

His major themes included concern about the state of today's armed forces, the timeline for rebuilding Iraq and the image of the United States in the international community.

Shelton said the United States has high-quality troops but that it is a relatively small force, only the ninth-largest in the world.

Therefore, he said, the challenge for all branches of the military was to retain top soldiers and boost volunteerism without resorting to forced enrollment. "I would hate to see us go back to the draft."

A limited fighting force could be a problem sooner rather than later, he added, as political concerns have troops scattered across the globe. "If you're not over there, you're getting



Retired Gen. Henry Hugh Shelton led the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 1997 until 2001.

ready to go over there."

Shelton also pointed to military and federal intelligence as a target for reform, saying barriers among agencies such as the FBI and CIA need to be broken down. "It needs a lot of work. It needs an overhaul."

With allusions to former President Eisenhower and his oft-cited "military-industrial complex," Shelton also said that competition should be promoted in the defense industry. Right now, a small number of companies receive all defense contracts, he said.

Shelton also gave his assessment of the war in Iraq and the rebuilding

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# Chuck D to discuss provocative politics

## Rap legend to speak in Great Hall

BY JACKIE RANDELL  
 STAFF WRITER

Expect unapologetic rhetoric, disregard for what's considered politically correct and a whole lot of truth.

In honor of Black History Month, Chuck D, founder of the rap group Public Enemy, will speak Thursday in the Great Hall of the Student Union.

In the 1980s, he revolutionized rap, packing it with political punch, thereby legitimizing it in a way unexpected by the populace, and the response was overwhelming.

Public Enemy remains one of the most influential rap groups in the genre's history, rivaled only by Run-D.M.C.

Publicly, Chuck D's ideas and unabashed opinions helped propel the group to the forefront of a

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 Date: Thursday, Feb. 19  
 Time: 7 p.m.  
 Location: The Great Hall  
 Info: www.unc.edu/cuab

fledgling genre.

And his vested interest in the political realm is easy to trace.

Politics run in the family, and the apple doesn't fall far from the tree: Both of Chuck D's parents were political activists.

On Thursday, he will bring his particular brand of politics to UNC, not with rhymes but with prose.

The Carolina Union Activities Board is sponsoring the event. CUAB President Chris Lamb said

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