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## Congress OKs funds for Keyes

ILLINOIS SENATE CANDIDATE TO SPEAK ON CAMPUS NOV. 10

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Despite student concerns regarding the appropriation of \$7,000 in student fees to bring Alan Keyes to the University, Student Congress approved funding for the event Tuesday night.

Keyes — a former Republican

presidential candidate who is seeking a Senate seat in Illinois — is slated to speak in the law school rotunda Nov. 10. Two overflow rooms will be available to accommodate the expected crowd.

In a roll-call vote, 16 Congress members approved the bill, nine rejected the bill and five abstained

from voting.

Numerous students sent e-mails to Congress officials and representatives during the past week, citing concerns about Keyes' views and the use of student fees to foot the bill for his speech.

Congress members said students' main concerns stemmed from the reaction to last year's Ann Coulter speech, which was sponsored by the UNC Federalist Society and partially funded by \$6,747.50 in student fees.

When the Federalist Society brought the proposal for Coulter's speech before Congress, members of the society noted Coulter's expertise in federalist issues as the main reason to bring her to the University.

But some students thought that Coulter attacked liberal ideals instead of addressing federalist issues pertinent to the organization, Congress members said.

Before Tuesday's meeting, Finance Committee Chairwoman

Daneen Furr anticipated debate regarding the nature of Keyes' talk.

In a Sept. 7 letter to the Finance Committee requesting student fees to fund the event, the Federalist Society stated that Keyes would not only address issues such as federalism and judicial activism but also touch on the definition of marriage and race relations.

"I believe this event will garner

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## School weighs crucial issues

UNC finds itself in balancing act

BY EMMA BURGIN  
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As the line continues to blur between public and private institutions, schools such as UNC strive to maintain their mission to the states they vow to serve.

The move toward privatization among public institutions advanced Friday, as a trio of Virginia public universities announced their plan to gain more autonomy from the state.

The University of Virginia, the College of William & Mary and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University revealed their plan to become the first chartered universities in their 15-school system.

The shift is an effort to close the schools' budget shortfalls during the next five years.

All three schools said Friday that they'd be willing to forgo a 10 percent funding increase each year in exchange for more independence. The schools also would be willing to increase their enrollment by a total of 2,450.

"These public universities are starting to become more like private universities," said UNC Provost Robert Shelton.

"The whole issue of competition for faculty, students and managing your budgets are very similar between top publics and top privates."

The main reason public universities are looking inward for support is state budget crises.

"The global factors here are simply that for ... public research universities, the state is contributing less and less over the years," Shelton said.

But the difference between UNC and UVA is that the latter institution receives a lower percentage of its budget from the state and a higher percentage of revenue from tuition.

After budget cuts were factored into the state's appropriations bill this summer, 21 percent of UNC's revenue came from North Carolina.

While Shelton said UNC will not be initiating any big push for autonomy in the near future, he said the school could benefit from more flexibility in construction, health plans and personnel appointments.

"We are continuing to work with the legislature to try and gain more flexibility in how we do business while maintaining accountability with taxpayers."

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## Community, shelter group kick off talks

Shelter location remains hot topic

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Two worlds collided Tuesday. After weeks of protests, the residents of the Pine Knolls community and representatives of the Inter-Faith Council sat down to discuss potential plans for a homeless shelter on Merritt Mill Road.

The IFC continues to say that its men's shelter's current location at 100 W. Rosemary St. is not an adequate facility in the long run.

In August, the group announced that it was looking at a tract of land on Merritt Mill Road as a possible future site for its homeless shelter.

The IFC said it has the option to purchase the property if the group decides it wants to have the shelter on Merritt Mill Road.

But some residents of the Pine Knolls neighborhood are not happy about the possibility of a shelter in their area.

In late August, the residents sent a letter to Chris Moran, executive director of the shelter, stating that a homeless shelter does not belong in their

neighborhood.

The letter stated the residents' belief that a homeless shelter would bring more crime to the area and would be a danger to children and senior citizens.

Residents also requested to meet with Moran.

Moran, along with IFC President Natalie Ammarell, met Tuesday afternoon with a few members of the community at IFC's center for its HomeStart program on Homestead Road.

Ammarell said the meeting was an informal way to share ideas. "We started a good dialogue," she said.

The IFC plans to meet with the residents in the future, though no date has been set, Ammarell said.

"This was not a date-setting meeting," she said. "We tried to see what the community had to say and see what their concerns were."

The IFC also had its chance to talk with the citizens about future plans for the shelter,

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## County obtains grant to aid minority health

BY RYAN C. TUCK  
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According to the N.C. Latino Health Task Force, North Carolina has the fastest growing Latino population in the country.

The Latino population grew 394 percent from 1990 to 2000 and accounts for about 4.7 percent of the state's total population.

Last Friday, the N.C. Commission on Volunteerism & Community Service took steps toward addressing that growth.

The commission, based out of Gov. Mike Easley's office, awarded a grant of \$258,956 to 10 counties, including Orange County. The grant is aimed toward improving minority health issues.

The grant is being facilitated through the N.C. Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities, which aims to eliminate health care discrepancies among all racial and ethnic minorities.

"Local agencies have said that minority health services are important to their communities," said Leslie Brown, health disparities liaison for the state office. "We truly need to respond to those needs."

The funds from the grant will be used in the county to place a member of national service organization AmeriCorps at Piedmont Health Services in Carrboro.

Moses Carey, an Orange County commissioner and executive director of Piedmont, said the organization has seen a significant change in the demographics of its clientele in the last decade.

Carey said about 70 percent of the patients at Piedmont's Carrboro Community Health

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GABRIELA ZABALA, WORKER

Center are Latino. It is estimated that 13 percent of the town's total population is Latino or Hispanic.

"We have to respond to our population change," Carey said, adding that about half of Carrboro's community center employees now speak Spanish.

Carey said the AmeriCorps worker will help the staff with the change in its clientele.

The state grant also will provide AmeriCorps workers to assist in health care service programs dealing with teenage drug abuse, diabetes, HIV-AIDS and Native American health care.

Gabriela Zabala, chairwoman of the Latino Health Task Force, said the grant will provide two AmeriCorps workers to the task force to help it better account for the growing Latino population.

"We've been running since 1995 with volunteers," Zabala said. "We need these persons out there getting the data."

According to the Latino task force's report on health insurance and worker's compensation, 54 percent of all North Carolina Latinos are uninsured.

That number jumps to more

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## LET THERE BE LIGHT



DTH/LAURA MORTON

Chancellor James Moeser waits to speak before ceremoniously revealing the new lighting of the Morehead-Patterson Bell Tower on Tuesday night. Dozens of students, including members of the Order of the Bell Tower, looked on as four halogen lights illuminated the tower.

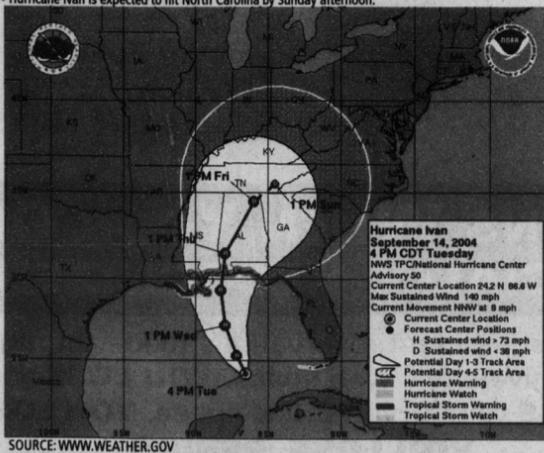
Moeser, who spoke about the tower's history, said he has wanted to light the Bell Tower since he became the University's chancellor in 2000. After the tower was lit, Master Bell Ringer Travis Kephart played the University's alma mater on the tower's bells. For the complete article, open the paper to page 2.

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## Western N.C. could face Ivan's wrath

### FIVE-DAY PROJECTED PATH FOR IVAN

Hurricane Ivan is expected to hit North Carolina by Sunday afternoon.



SOURCE: WWW.WEATHER.GOV

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With yet another storm headed for the state, experts say the amount of rain expected from Hurricane Ivan could be costly to North Carolina's agriculture industry.

"Any additional rain will only make the conditions worse," said John Quagliariello, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Wilmington, on the flooding situations in the state.

The effects of the storm might be felt as early as Friday, but Quagliariello said the real impact is expected to come during the weekend.

Ivan is predicted to reach the Gulf Coast on Thursday morning and, by Sunday, stall over North Carolina — possibly dumping as many as 9 inches of rain on the western half of the state and as many as 4 inches on the eastern half, Quagliariello said.

Ivan dropped to a Category 4 storm Tuesday with sustained winds of 140 mph, but Quagliariello said the storm is not any less dangerous.

For a state coming out of a wet summer and multiple storms, including the remnants of Hurricanes Charley and Frances, more rain could result in severe flooding. "The grounds haven't had any time to dry out, so when you add this much more water, they don't have anywhere to go," Quagliariello said.

Flooding caused by Frances already has left a great deal of destruction. Gov. Mike Easley declared a state of emergency last week, resulting in 15 counties in western North Carolina receiving expedited funds to assist with aid efforts, according to a press release from the governor's office.

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