

## CITY BRIEFS

## Local international group receives program funding

The U.S. Agency for International Development has awarded Chapel Hill-based IntraHealth International Inc. a five-year initiative to increase community health services in Rwanda.

With a funding ceiling of \$34 million, the project is called the Twubakane Decentralization and Health Project and will focus on strengthening community-based services in family planning and reproductive health, child survival, malaria and nutrition.

The project also will focus on financial management, anti-corruption and local participatory governance.

IntraHealth International incorporated as a nonprofit organization in July 2003, after operating for 24 years as a program of the UNC School of Medicine.

## Congress awards \$600K for OWASA water reuse project

Congress approved a \$644,605 grant to the Orange Water and Sewer Authority to help fund a water reuse project that the authority is creating along with the University.

The new system will provide nondrinking water to certain types of facilities such as chiller plants, where the University currently uses drinking water for cooling tower make-up water.

The grant also will allow for the future reuse of highly treated water from OWASA's Mason Farm Wastewater Treatment Plant starting in 2007.

## Local news anchor's CD tops charts in world music

WRAL-TV anchor Bill Leslie's CD, *Peaceful Journey: A Celebration of North Carolina*, is at the top of the world music charts.

The album took the No. 1 spot in December, a ranking that is based on reports from radio stations that play Celtic, New Age and ambient music.

The album also was named one of the 10 CDs of 2004 by R.J. Lannon, a world music critic.

Leslie wrote and produced *Peaceful Journey*, which was inspired by his trips to scenic places around North Carolina.

## STATE &amp; NATION

## Czech man locks himself in pizzeria for beer access

PRAGUE, Czech Republic — It will be the most expensive keg of beer he's ever had.

A 32-year-old Czech man got himself locked up in a pizzeria late Wednesday to have free access to beer overnight.

When the restaurant's staff left, he broke into a cooling box containing a keg, disconnected the pipes leading to the tap, put them in his mouth and drank as much as he could.

The man, drunk and fast asleep, was found by cleaners in the early hours of Thursday.

Police spokesman Vit Cvrcek said he will now have to pay for the beer he drank and faces up to one year in prison or a fine of \$346 for the damage he caused to the cooling box.

## CALENDAR

Friday — "I, Too, Sing America" — a performance that will include a mixture of song, dance and poetry — will be held at 7 p.m. in the Cobb Theatre, located on the first floor of the Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History.

The program, sponsored by the Black Student Movement, will guide the audience on a journey through the history of blacks and other minorities in the United States.

Saturday — To commemorate the 32nd anniversary of the landmark abortion rights case *Roe v. Wade*, Planned Parenthood of Central North Carolina Action Fund is holding a "Rock for Roe" concert in Durham.

Several local bands will play at the benefit, which starts at 8:30 p.m. at Ooh La Latte. Proceeds from the concert will go to the Action Fund.

Monday — The Daily Tar Heel will hold a meeting at 6:30 p.m. in room 3209 of the Student Union for those interested in joining the newspaper's award-winning staff.

Any currently enrolled UNC student is welcome to attend the meeting, at which DTH editors will discuss the way the paper works and answer any questions interested students might have.

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— From staff and wire reports.

## Congress to examine ticket policies

## CAA members may get fewer tickets

BY KRISTLE SPELLMAN  
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After a semester wrought with criticism, the affairs of the Carolina Athletic Association will be debated during the next meeting of Student Congress.

Congress' athletics committee has been working since last semester to alter certain aspects of CAA operations, including student ticket distribution and the number of tickets set aside for CAA members.

The new legislation and objectives will be presented at a public hearing at 5 p.m. Wednesday in 383 Phillips Hall.

Trey Winslett, chairman of the athletics committee, said the most noticeable part of the proposed legislation is the creation of a ticket distribution advisory board.

He said the legislation would make the way the ticket distribution process is determined each year more student-oriented.

"We want to make Homecoming,

ticket distribution and student attendance at games the best it can be," he said.

If approved by Congress, a committee including representatives from CAA, Congress and the Department of Athletics will meet each January to review the process and make changes as necessary.

"I think that this is the best opportunity we will have while on Student Congress to make an impact on the long run of the school," Winslett said.

CAA President Lindsay Strunk said members of the CAA also would like to see the creation of a

regulatory group to govern distribution.

Student officials said potential changes to ticket distribution would not go into effect until the committee is established and follows the proper channels to alter the process.

The CAA and athletics committee also underscored the importance of reducing the number of tickets reserved for key CAA members.

"We want to review the number of tickets (CAA uses) and work a specific number into the Student Code," Winslett said.

Strunk said 138 tickets now are

issued to CAA members per game, but she would like for some of the tickets to go back to the students.

Justin Johnson, a candidate for CAA president, said the biggest thing he would like to do if elected is to cut back significantly on the amount of tickets CAA reserves.

CAA presidential hopeful Hayes Holderness said he has no complaints about the current distribution process but would want to eliminate 7 a.m. line-check if elected.

Holderness said he has devised an electronic system to handle the

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## FRAMED



DTH/JULIA LEBETKIN

Mark Roig attaches the top to his sculpture before hoisting it upright for the first time Wednesday in his backyard in Carrboro. Metal sculptures with moving parts, called "Art That Moves," fill the yard at his home studio, Heartworks Studio, at 100 Hillsborough Road.

Anyone is free to tour the menagerie of sculptures for sale. Roig also has several of his sculptures on display throughout the state, many of them in this area. Public displays of his art in Carrboro can be found at Weaver Street Market, ArtsCenter, Shepard House and the Public Gallery of Carrboro.

## Hospital worker to speak out

## Will host press conference today

BY LINDSAY MICHEL  
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About a month after speaking out against unfair working conditions, a UNC Hospitals housekeeper is taking a second attempt at making his voice heard.

Mauricio Rosales joined other public sector workers in December during a public hearing organized by UE Local 150 — the North Carolina Public Service Workers Union — and the International Worker Justice Campaign.

But union members said the hearing neither marked the beginning of an improved workplace nor the end of his troubles.

Rosales, backed by the UE Local 150, is planning to hold a press conference at 3:15 p.m. today on

Manning Drive in front of the hospitals.

"He's going to be speaking about how he and others ... have experienced retaliation from speaking out," said Steve Bader, a field organizer for UE Local 150.

Bader said that Rosales has been targeted by his supervisors for speaking out.

During the December hearing, Rosales said housekeepers receive unfair treatment by supervisors and inadequate pay for the work they do to keep the hospitals sanitary.

"We need to be compensated for the work that we do," he said to the members of the Chapel Hill Workers' Rights Board at the hearing.

Union members said the retaliatory actions began soon after midnight Dec. 17, when Rosales claimed that his personal possessions, including union materials, were allegedly confiscated by a supervisor. The police were called

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STEVE BADER, UE LOCAL 150

but took no action.

Bader said he and Rosales met with UNC Hospitals Vice President Melvin Hurston on the afternoon of Dec. 17 to discuss the incident.

"We expected that would be the end of the retaliations," Bader said, making note that changes have yet to be made.

Stephanie Crayton, spokeswoman for UNC Hospitals, said she was unaware of the incident and that officials will not comment until Rosales makes his allegations public.

"(Rosales) and others have filed grievances for the retaliations," Bader said.

Rosales received a written warn-

ing for his actions in January.

According to the hospital's Policies and Procedures Manual, a "just cause for a Written Warning ... occurs when an employee fails to satisfactorily meet job requirements."

The manual entitles supervisors the power to determine what constitutes an "unsatisfactory performance."

Bader said the goal for today's conference is to inform the public because the hospitals are supported by public funds.

"What happens at the hospital is public concern," Bader said.

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## Football players still suspended

BY RYAN C. TUCK  
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The future of the University's three suspended football players remains unknown.

Wide receiver Adarius Bowman, defensive tackle Isaiah Thomas and linebacker Fred Sparkman — all sophomores — have not rejoined the Tar Heels since their Oct. 10 arrests on one count each of simple possession of marijuana.

All three continue to be suspended, said Steve Kirschner, associate director of sports communications.

"As soon as we determine their future, we'll let you know," he said.

Thomas and Sparkman were scheduled to defend their charges Thursday in Orange County District Court. Bowman had already been cleared of his charge at the players' first appearance in November.

Although Thomas did appear Thursday, Assistant District Attorney Beverly Scarlett said neither case was resolved. Both will remain open.

All three were arrested Oct. 10 in Thomas' room in Connor Residence Hall and charged with



UNC football players Isaiah Thomas and Fred Sparkman share an uncertain future and pending court appearances.

simple possession of marijuana.

University police seized 5.8 grams of marijuana from the room when they arrested the players, according to reports.

Scarlett struck a deal with Thomas and Sparkman at their November appearance: If they completed a 15-hour drug education program before Thursday, their charges would be dropped.

"Maybe there wasn't enough time to complete (the program)," said Thomas' attorney, Michael A. Grace, who was not required to appear with Thomas on Thursday

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## Area schools clarify new SAT

BY GREGG FOUND  
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After changes to the SAT are implemented in March, Mom and Dad won't be quite as happy with a score of 1,600.

Students and parents attended a panel Thursday at Chapel Hill High School, where they learned about the new SAT — which features three sections instead of two and has a maximum score of 2,400.

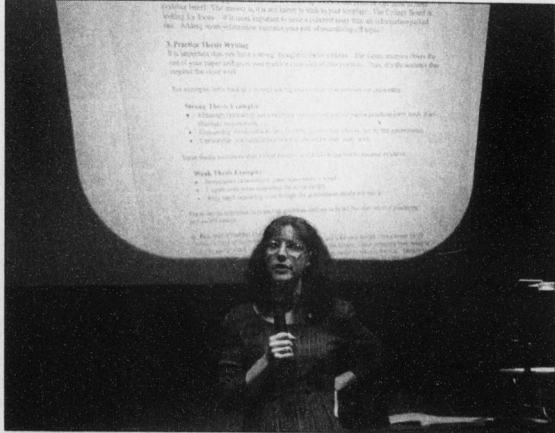
The new test will last 45 minutes longer than its predecessor and will start with a 25-minute essay.

"We're calling it a testing marathon and telling students to prepare for it like so," said Princeton Review representative Joy Bryde. "The test is longer than any other standardized test except the MCAT."

Bryde gave a presentation at the panel outlining the changes. She said the change really came down to a business decision.

The College Board, which writes and administers the SAT, was pressured by then-University of California President Richard C. Atkinson, who threatened not to accept the SAT unless it was changed.

Bryde said the new SAT more accurately mirrors high school curricula, and East Chapel Hill High School guidance counselor Joan



DTH/MIKE RAABE

Karen Bell, a math teacher at Chapel Hill High School, talks to parents and students about the new SAT format Thursday in the school auditorium.

Bishop agreed, especially about the math section. The math section of the new SAT eliminates quantitative comparisons and adds Algebra II-level problems.

"For many of our students, the new math will better reflect their current level since they generally take higher math levels. The math on the SAT will be current, instead

of topics they studied years ago," Bishop said. Bryde said that there will only be four or five Algebra II questions on the test and that students not at that level can leave them blank without penalty.

Students start the SAT with an essay — part of the new writing sec-

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