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John Edwards (right) is introduced to a crowd at UNC School of Law on Friday afternoon. Edwards spoke about the importance of combating poverty in America. DTH/JUSTIN SMITH

EDWARDS AIMS TO BRIDGE DIVIDE

BY LINDSAY MICHEL ASSISTANT UNIVERSITY EDITOR

Propelled by his undeniable charisma, one of UNC's newest and most famous professors navigated through a sea of energetic students and faculty Friday afternoon, stopping to shake hands and exchange smiles.

More than 100 students convened at the UNC School of Law to meet former N.C. senator and vice presidential candidate John Edwards.

Edwards — who recently accepted a part-time, two-year faculty position at UNC to lead the newly established Center on Poverty, Work and Opportunity — said he hopes students' excitement will drive them to action.

"Students have been very responsive, and it's encouraging," said Edwards, who graduated from the law school in 1977. "But I want them to get involved."

During his address, Edwards shared stories of people he has met in his travels — individuals who have overcome poverty in America.

But, Edwards said, there are still many who haven't experienced similar successes, leaving much work to be done.

"The truth is, you have the ability to change this country," he told the students in attendance. "We have important work left to do."

Provost Robert Shelton, who introduced Edwards at the event, highlighted the need for community involvement.

"Republicans, Democrats, Independents, they all care about doing what's right for people."

JOHN EDWARDS, FORMER U.S. SENATOR

"(Edwards) doesn't want this to be a center where a few faculty members sit around and talk," Shelton said during the reception. "He wants the whole community to contribute."

The many facets of poverty in America are as varied and numerous as the 36 million Americans who are poor, making it a difficult problem to combat, officials said.

An advisory committee of senior UNC faculty members representing various departments will aim to pinpoint a focus for the center's work.

"The kind of expertise that he will need ... rests in law but also in other departments within the University," Shelton said.

During his six years in the Senate, Edwards worked to increase both the minimum wage and the awareness of poverty in America — experi-

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Tuition doesn't reflect true cost

BY KATHERINE EVANS STAFF WRITER

As the threat of tuition hikes looms on the horizon, nonresident students are facing the prospect of paying even more than what it takes to educate them.

If the UNC-system Board of Governors and the N.C. General Assembly approve the proposed \$950 campus-based tuition increase for out-of-state students, they will pay up to \$1,600 more than the estimated cost of education at a public institution in the United States.

This cost, as estimated by the National Association of College and University Business Officers, hovers around \$15,626 per year.

Nonresidents at UNC-Chapel Hill now pay \$16,303, while residents pay \$3,205.

The association's figure takes into account not only what colleges spend on instruction, but also what students would have earned in income if they were not in school.

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THE FIGURES ON TUITION

950
Proposed hike for out-of-state students.

16.3
Current tuition bill for a year of nonresident education, in thousands of dollars.

15.6
The actual cost of a public education, in thousands of dollars, as estimated by a national group.

Top judicial appointees announced

BY KATIE HOFFMANN STAFF WRITER

Junior Matt McDowell soon will join the ranks of other past student attorneys general — including his father, John McDowell, who served in the office during the 1970-71 academic year.

"Not only did my dad pass along his love for the University, but he passed along his love for the honor system as well," McDowell said.

Student Body President Matt Calabria announced the appointment of McDowell and other top officials Sunday night.

"I think (McDowell) brings a lot of good ideas to the table," Calabria said. "One of his biggest strengths is his experience and his know-how. We really have a lot of faith in him."

Pending approval from Student Congress, McDowell will be inaugurated April 5 along with next

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Junior Matt McDowell will be student attorney general.

STUDENT ATTORNEY GENERAL: The primary duty of leaders who take this student post is to oversee the University's honor system.

Turnover of deans emerges as a trend

BY RACHEL BROCK STAFF WRITER

Joanne Marshall doesn't regret her decision to step down from one of the University's most prestigious positions to pursue her true interests — research and teaching.

Last June, Marshall left the deanship of the School of Information and Library Science, where she worked almost five years and made \$149,714 during her final year, to serve as a faculty member at the school, earning \$136,714.

She is not alone in her decision to leave a high post at the University. The resignation of deans has become a common occurrence at UNC.

Since 2001, officials have replaced nine of 15 deans, and a committee now is in the midst of selecting a new dean for the School of Journalism and Mass Communication.

"I don't think there is any one



Dr. William Roper gave up a position as dean of UNC's School of Public Health to lead the UNC Health Care System. Dr. Barbara Rimer took the post Roper vacated.

reason why so many have left," said Provost Robert Shelton, who is responsible for hiring new deans.

Several factors, including the difficulty of leadership positions, budget pressures and new job opportunities, lead to resignations, he said.

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ACC TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

UNC ENDS AS RUNNERS-UP

BY MEAGHAN COLE STAFF WRITER

Led by the work-horse efforts of its seniors, the North Carolina track and field team lived up to expectations for the ACC Indoor Championships this weekend at Eddie Smith Field House.

The men finished third with 65 points, trailing the close battle between Florida State (162.5) and Clemson (160). The Tar Heel women finished second with 100 points to first-year ACC competitor Miami (138), after graduating key seniors that helped them win the 2004 championship.

"Going into the meet if you were to score it on paper, the women were second and the guys were third, which is exactly what they did, so I'm pleased with that," said UNC coach Dennis Craddock.

Two record-breaking performances by UNC seniors set the pace for the men's team. Rob Bates broke his own school record, winning the men's heptathlon with 5,404 points to earn a provisional qualifying mark for the NCAA Indoor Championships.

Vikas Gowda broke an 18-year old ACC shot put record with his throw of 64 feet, 3 3/4 inches.

"I felt I was going to have a good meet," Gowda

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North Carolina's Erin Donohue leads the pack at the track and field ACC Championships on Saturday. The Tar Heel women took second place as Donohue triumphed in the 800 meter run. DTH/SARA LEWKOWICZ

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