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# Lacrosse makes inroads in N.C.

Lacrosse is a foreign sport in the South. No one has any idea what it is or how the game might even be played.

The majority of people on campus who know the rules and enjoy watching it are either out-of-state Northerners or the players themselves.

But even though lacrosse isn't a traditional Southern pastime, when scanning the UNC men's and women's team rosters, one thing always sticks out: the lack of players from the state of North Carolina.

The men's team features only three players from North Carolina, and the women's team only has one representative of the Tar Heel state.

And while the absence of lacrosse players from North Carolina is disheartening, it doesn't accurately reflect the success the sport has had in the area in recent years.

Lacrosse is one of the fastest-growing sports in the South.

High schools around the state are now starting to accept lacrosse as a varsity sport, and participation is on the rise.

In 2003, U.S. Lacrosse claimed that its membership in North Carolina had jumped almost 60 percent in five years.

And in 2004, 59 high schools in North Carolina had boys' varsity lacrosse programs.

"The growth of the sport in the state is outstanding," said UNC women's lacrosse coach Jenny Levy, who has led her team to the NCAA Final Four three times in the varsity program's short nine-year existence.

"There were no (girls') high school programs when I got here 10 years ago, and now I think there are over 35 high school varsity programs, which is great."

Levy and her Tar Heels are doing all they can to promote lacrosse in the area.

All the women's lacrosse players volunteer much of their time during the fall — their off-season — to get the word out about the sport.

They host clinics on the weekends and sponsor a 7-on-7 tournament for in- and out-of-state high school teams.

Levy also runs a club lacrosse team for high school students in the summer that competes in tournaments around the country.

She has seen the participation in her program rise as the interest in lacrosse has moved south, and last week she had more than 50 girls try out.

Other local lacrosse leagues also have appeared around the state.

The Triangle Area Lacrosse League, or TALL, is a league that originally started to provide the resources to expand lacrosse, but its participation grew so large that it can no longer provide resources for individual teams.

Instead, it now assists areas in starting up their own lacrosse programs.

"I would like to see local players get to the level where they are sought after by competitive programs," Levy said. "I would also like to see the youth developed better by not only having varsity programs, but also (junior varsity) programs."

Levy also stressed that programs are needed in middle schools so they can feed into high schools.

The feeder system is instrumental in developing a strong lacrosse foundation, and its success can be seen in lacrosse-obsessed states such as Maryland and New York.

"Once you get feeder programs, then the talent level will only increase in those areas," Levy said.

A bigger talent pool can only mean good things for UNC recruiting.

Talent can become future wins and future championships.

And as the popularity of the sport continues to rise and as more programs are built, maybe one day the North Carolina roster will feature more North Carolinian hometown heroes.

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# Students seek to improve child care

## Want to work with campus officials

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After getting the ball rolling on child care reform earlier this year, University officials say a consolidated effort is needed to provide better resources to students with children.

Despite current efforts to improve child care opportunities, many student officials said they think UNC should do more.

"While child care is not an issue that affects the majority of the population, for the minority that it does affect, it affects them more strongly than any other issue,"

said Mike Brady, president of the Graduate and Professional Student Federation.

Students with children could easily spend more money each year on child care than they do on their tuition. In-state tuition for undergraduate students will cost \$3,205 next year, but eight months of child care for an infant at the University Child Care Center will cost \$9,000.

"In this area, it's not as much about the availability of child care — it's more the affordability of quality child care," said Aimee Krans, work and life manager of

the Office of Human Resources.

Subsidies are available to help qualified applicants pay for services at the child care center, which enrolls children of students, faculty and staff of the University and UNC Health Care. The center can accommodate 120 children and is open to children ranging from infants to 5-year-olds. There are about 100 children on the waiting list.

The Chancellor's Committee on Student Fees approved a 50-cent hike in the child care services fee in October — a 33.3 percent increase from last year.

Additional subsidies should be available next year after the increase takes effect, said former GPSF President Jen Bushman, who pro-

posed the hike.

Bushman said quality child care not only is important for students, but also can help retain and attract faculty. She added that UNC must take action soon to ensure that quality child care is affordable.

"I think they need to do a formal study about what has worked at other universities," Bushman said. "I don't want the University to get there and then waste energy on the wrong thing."

She said the University must make greater strides in long-term efforts to improve child care.

"The school needs to be having conversations about a bigger step," she said. "We're reaching the point where we need a major leap

forward."

Brady said his platform included little about child care because effective efforts must be long term.

"There are already wheels set in motion," he said. "So for my administration, it's just a matter of following up with the promises that have already been made."

Krans stressed that it is important to offer suitable care for children of University students, faculty and staff.

"In order for you to be productive outside of your home life, it is important to have quality child care that you feel comfortable with."

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# Last-ditch rally keys UNC victory

FROM WIRE REPORTS

WILMINGTON — North Carolina scored four runs in the ninth inning to cap its largest comeback win of the season in an 11-8 victory against UNC-Wilmington on Tuesday at Brooks Field. The No. 10 Tar Heels (34-8-1) trailed 6-0 after just two innings but chipped away at the lead and

**BASEBALL** finally went 11 in front on a pinch-hit RBI UNC-W 8 single by freshman Reid Fronk in the ninth.

The Seahawks (27-15) rallied in the bottom of the ninth to load the bases with no outs, but UNC closer Matt Danford struck out two of the final three batters he faced to nail down the victory and his eighth save. Junior right hander Jonathan Hovis (5-1) earned the win with 2 2/3 shutout innings. He allowed just one hit and one walk and struck out two.

Trailing 8-7 entering the ninth, the Tar Heels loaded the bases with no outs on an error, a walk and a single by left fielder Mike Daniel. Freshman shortstop Josh Horton tied the game with a sacrifice fly to wall in right field, before Fronk put UNC in front 9-8 with his single to center. Senior second baseman Greg Mangum then came through with a two-run double for the final margin.

Horton went 2-for-3 with two runs batted in, and designated hitter Matt Ellington went 2-for-5 with a pair of RBI doubles to lead the Tar Heels, who had 14 hits. Senior Chase Younts added two hits off the bench, freshman outfielder Seth Williams extended his career-best hitting streak to 10 games with a two-run double, and rookie catcher Benji Johnson hit his third home run of the season and second in the last two games.

UNC-W put up four runs in the first to take an early lead, but with three runs in the third, the Tar Heels cut the lead in half. UNC then added two in the fourth to trim the lead to one.

Neither starter lasted past the fourth, as Tar Heel starter Andy Gale went two innings and allowed six runs (four earned) on six hits and a walk. Seahawk starter Zach Kimball went 3 1/3 innings and allowed five runs (two earned) on five hits and one walk while fanning five.

Lefty Adam Kalkhof gave UNC 3 1/3 solid innings of relief, allowing just one earned run on three hits and one walk. He struck out three.

The win was the Tar Heels' third straight against UNC-W, and the six-run deficit was the largest overcome by the team this season.

# Miller on list for Golden Spikes

FROM WIRE REPORTS

North Carolina sophomore lefthander Andrew Miller was one of 40 players named to the initial watch list for the 2005 Golden Spikes Award, which is presented annually to the nation's top collegiate player. USA Baseball — in partnership with the Major League Baseball Players Association — announced the candidates for the award Tuesday and will present the award in July.

The Tar Heels' Friday starter, Miller is 8-1 this season with a 2.03 earned run average. He has 78 strikeouts in 66.2 innings and is limiting opponents to just a .203

batting average. Miller has allowed just one home run in 11 starts this year. The Gainesville, Fla., native is a two-time ACC Pitcher of the Week and was named a mid-season second-team All-America by Baseball America.

Miller, who is among the conference's leaders in wins, ERA, strikeouts, innings and opponent batting average, is one of seven ACC players on the list.

The five finalists for the 2005 Golden Spikes Award will be announced by USA Baseball in early June. The 2005 Golden Spikes Award winner will be announced in July during the broadcast of

the 28th Annual Golden Spikes Award show. The broadcast will also highlight USA Baseball's athlete programs as well as some of the various organizational youth baseball initiatives supported by USA Baseball and the MLBPA.

For the past 27 years, USA Baseball has honored the top amateur baseball player in the country with the Golden Spikes Award. The award has been presented each year to the player who exhibits exceptional athletic ability and exemplary sportsmanship. The 2004 Golden Spikes Award winner was Jered Weaver of Long Beach State University.

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