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## HOW TO HELP

The Red Cross seeks volunteers and donations.  
E-mail [occhapnc@intrex.net](mailto:occhapnc@intrex.net) for more info.

The Center for Public Service has full listings  
of ways to help online at: [www.unc.edu/cps](http://www.unc.edu/cps)

# KEEPING SPIRITS HIGH

SPECIAL COVERAGE FROM LOUISIANA

BY ERIC JOHNSON AMITE, LA.  
ASSISTANT STATE & NATIONAL EDITOR

With dusk settling in and a steady convoy of tree-clearing trucks rumbling past, a crowd of several hundred sat Tuesday night scattered outside the Tangipahoa Parish social services center.

With folding chairs and stacks of bottled water, many had been waiting for days for the chance to collect emergency food stamps.

"You gotta stay cheery," said Mary Moore, who had been waiting since Monday night alongside her sister, Betty Sue Smith. "Just pick up what's left over from our lives and move on, you know?"

Moore is only just beginning to find out how much of her life remains. Since evacuating her home in New Orleans before Hurricane Katrina hit, she has been living with her sister in Kentwood, La., where running

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Yolanda Callahan (from right) sits beside Mary Moore (center) and Betty Sue Smith at the Tangipahoa Parish social services center in Amite, La. on Tuesday. Hundreds of people who were devastated by Hurricane Katrina were waiting for food stamps.

## FUNDS RAISED

\$891 was raised by the Carolina Katrina relief planning committees as of 5 p.m. Tuesday

## LOCAL EVENTS

Dollar\$ for Disaster Student groups will be canvassing classes to solicit donations  
Pit sits, 11 a.m.- 2p.m.

WCHL gas giveaway Local businesses will give away gas all day in exchange for donations  
Citgo Mini Mart, Wed.

Pizza & Pasta Franklin Street Pizza & Pasta will donate all proceeds to Red Cross  
163 E. Franklin Street, all day Wed.

East End The East End Martini Bar will give all proceeds to Red Cross  
201 E. Franklin St., all day Wed.

Pit Vigil Campus to mourn Katrina victims  
the Pit, Thurs., 7 p.m.

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## STUDENTS FIND HOME AT UNC

BY BRIAN HUDSON  
UNIVERSITY EDITOR

After more than a week in limbo, college students whose education screeched to a halt because of Hurricane Katrina have relocated their homes to UNC.

Twelve displaced undergraduate students had arrived at the University as of 5 p.m. Tuesday to enroll in classes.

More than a dozen graduate students also have opted to take University classes.

"People from around the University are going to pull together and welcome these people like they need to be welcomed," said Steve Farmer, director of undergraduate admissions.

University officials announced Thursday that UNC would open its doors to in-state residents who attend schools closed by Katrina.

Durban Clarke, who arrived on campus Tuesday, was set to begin her sophomore year at Tulane University.

"It's been overwhelming, but it's been good to settle down," said Clarke, a native of Asheville.

Clarke said Tuesday that she is excited to experience student life at UNC. "I was watching people walk across campus, and I was like, 'That's going to be me tomorrow.'"

Upon their arrival, the undergraduate students have been participating in a crash-course orientation, where they meet with housing, advising, registration and financial aid officials before getting their official UNC OneCards.

"Some of the students understandably seem a little bit ... dazed as a result of what has happened to them," Farmer said.

But the campus units participating in orientation have responded well to the task, he said.

"Once we made the decision to open

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## Evacuees encouraged by N.C. hospitality

BY ERIN GIBSON  
ASSISTANT STATE & NATIONAL EDITOR

RALEIGH — For some New Orleans evacuees, the kindness of strangers played an important role in their survival through the storm and escape to North Carolina.

Blake Huffman, a 24-year-old elementary education major at Delgado Community College in New Orleans, said he saw people helping each other after the storm in their time of need.

"I live behind a school, and I saw some kids break into it so their families had shelter," he said. "They all gathered their supplies together."

In fact, he said most people were lending a helping hand, not causing bigger problems and committing crimes.

"Everybody stuck together," he said. "Except the looters anyway."

Huffman, who was wearing a tan hat with Gov. Mike Easley's autograph on it, said he was grateful for the kindness of everyone who helped

him get out of Louisiana with his dog, Napoleon, and for the state of North Carolina that took him in.

Most people were forced to leave pets behind, but Napoleon was lucky enough to make it out.

Easley and Rep. David Price, D-N.C., visited the shelter at 901 Corporate Center Drive on Tuesday to greet the victims and ensure them of their continued support.

John Booth, a 64-year-old born and raised in the Gulf Coast, sat outside the shelter, chatting with a smile.

"I lost everything," he said. "But I'm not going to sit here and cry about it." Booth grew up in a small fishing town called Boothville, named after his family, which he said likely no longer exists.

"It's been wiped out," he said. "My name is nothing now."

But his face lit up when he recounted all the help he and his elderly aunt

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## Roberts' hearings slated for Monday



John Roberts' nomination prompts the need for a minority justice, experts say.

BY KAVITA PILLAI  
STATE & NATIONAL EDITOR

With confirmation hearings for Judge John Roberts now set to begin Monday, pundits say the president might have avoided a bitter battle on the Senate floor with his nomination.

The hearings for Roberts originally were to start Tuesday, but the death of Chief Justice of the U. S., William Rehnquist, and the situation on the Gulf Coast led many to request a delay.

Roberts, a conservative, has raised plenty of Democratic eyebrows since his nomination to fill Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's

seat in July. But his relatively short judicial career — two years — deprives his opponents of an extensive paper trail to attack.

"Roberts is turning out to be not that controversial a nomination," said Mark Hurwitz, a political science professor at Western Michigan University. "He is very conservative, but he does not seem to be outside of the mainstream conservative."

Robert Schapiro, a professor of law at the Emory University School of Law, said he doesn't expect the hearings to be much different with Roberts up for chief justice.

"They will be doing frank and engaged questioning on a variety of issues," he

said. "(His) view of the role of the power of the federal government will be a subject of questioning."

Hurwitz said Roberts, who prepped O'Connor during her 1981 confirmation hearings, will be as evasive as possible. "My sense is Roberts will dodge and duck wherever he can," he said.

Potential justices often cite ethics in refusing to answer questions about how they might rule on hypothetical cases.

But senators could question Roberts extensively on how he would have voted

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## SUPREME COURT FACTOIDS

- The last time a U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice was appointed without having served on the bench was Warren Burger, appointed in 1969.
- There is now one female Supreme Court justice after the retirement of Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.
- It has been 19 years since the last Chief Justice was appointed.
- There are only two justices of minority descent, Justices Clarence Thomas and Antonin Scalia.

## join the dth

The Daily Tar Heel will hold an interest meeting for all potential applicants from 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. today in Union 3413. An editor from every desk will be present.

## online | dailytarheel.com

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### NEEDING DIALOGUE

Durham activist Cynthia Brown spoke at the Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History on the importance of discussing race.



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Campus historians say the area's natural landscape, namely the area's trees, affected the campus build-out and overall architectural style.

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