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UNC highlights past ills

DEDICATION OF MEMORIAL, NEW EXHIBIT PART OF PROCESS

BY BRANDON REED
STAFF WRITER

Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation abolished slavery on Jan. 1, 1863, 142 years ago. Blacks received the right to vote with the ratification of the 14th Amendment 137 years ago, and half a century ago, three young black men from Durham first sat on the steps of the Old Well as

students.

But if those are facts that could be found in high school textbooks, why are universities showcasing their dark history?

UNC now is taking steps toward recognizing and correcting the less-celebrated parts of its past.

The Unsung Founders Memorial, which is being dedicated in a ceremony at 10 a.m.

IF YOU GO

Time: 10 a.m.
Date: Saturday
Location: McCorkle Place

Saturday, is aimed at reminding all who grace the campus's grassy lawns that people of color — both free and slave — helped make the University what it is today.

The piece was installed at McCorkle Place in front of the Alumni Building in May and consists of 300 bronze figures hoisting a stone tabletop. It was the gift from the Class of 2002.

Chancellor James Moeser and Bernadette Gray-Little, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences,

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States to foot costly vaccines

OFFICIALS SAY PLAN UNFAIR BECAUSE OF OTHER COSTS

BY KAVITA PILLAI
STATE & NATIONAL EDITOR

The federal government's \$7.1 billion plan to prepare for a potential pandemic flu outbreak could be a tough sell for states already facing mounting health care costs.

The plan outlined by President Bush on Tuesday would require states to purchase 31 million treatment doses of antivirals and cover 75 percent of the costs — amounting to half a billion dollars.

With health care eating up increasing portions of state budgets, experts warn that the cost of stockpiling treatments could be unmanageable.

Brook Baker, professor in the Northeastern University School of Law and a member of Health Global Access Project, said Bush's plan does not address the problem of high drug prices.

"Is it fair and appropriate to pass on costs? The answer is 'No,' in part because states don't have the budgets to do so," Baker said.

Tamiflu, an antiviral produced by Roche Pharmaceuticals, is the major drug treatment available. The price for a course of treatment — 10 days — is about \$60.

For Dr. Kristina Simeonsson, a medical epidemiologist in the N.C. Division of Public Health, the major obstacle to completing the federal plan is a lack of supply.

She added that Bush's plan to subsidize only part of the costs of a drug stockpile is not surprising.

"The state of North Carolina, in terms of the planning we've been doing, we've assumed that stockpiling antivirals would fall to us in some way," she said. "I think the actual funding isn't our greatest challenge right now; it's the supply issue."

She said North Carolina could order today, but those treatments still would not come close to accounting for 25 percent of the population, as required.

"I don't know that we could subsidize 75 percent today," she said.

Dr. Jeff Engel, the state epidemiologist in the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services, said who pays for the drugs is a political debate, while stockpiling needed medicines is common sense.

He added that North Carolina already ranks high in emergency preparedness because of the number of hurricanes it faces every year.

"We're used to working with the government," he said.

North Carolina already has a public health preparedness plan but will update it to align with the federal plan, he said.

"The plan is dynamic. It's never done," he said. "We're going to have a huge revision now that the federal document is out there."

Engel said the Bush plan provides states with needed guidance,

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"I'm sure state and local governments are going to say, 'You can't push this cost over to us.'"

BROOK BAKER, PROFESSOR

THE BALL IS TIPPED ...



DTH/STEVE ANDRAWES

North Carolina freshman Christina Dewitt goes up for a shot against EA Sports defenders during the Tar Heels' 96-85 victory in their first exhibition game Thursday night in Carmichael Auditorium. Dewitt had 10 points in a game that was closer than many antici-

pated. EA Sports played UNC to a tie at halftime, and the game remained relatively close throughout, even though EA Sports was trampled by Duke, 118-73, on Wednesday. The Tar Heels have one more exhibition game before the season starts Nov. 18 at home against Davidson.

RINGING CLEAR AND TRUE

BY NATHAN HEWITT,
STAFF WRITER

School spirit availed Thursday night at the Rams Head Center with a carnival-like event and a live DJ playing the latest hip-hop hits.

The "Feast Before the Fight" pep rally helped the campus get pumped for Saturday's Homecoming football game against Boston College, said members of the Homecoming committee.

"We wanted to have a pep

rally event to get some excitement in the students," said Colby Almond, Homecoming committee vice chairman.

"We also wanted to have something free for the entire University. It turned out really well."

The event was held from late afternoon until just after the sun set over Kenan Stadium. Bystanders said they were drawn in by the event's free refreshments and activities.

"I didn't know about the pep

rally, but I heard some music from my dorm, so I came to check it out, and I stayed because of the cool games and other activities," said Laura Andrews, a freshman psychology major.

The carnival featured appearances by UNC mascot Ramses, the football team, the marching band and Coach John Bunting. The activities at the carnival included face painting, giant tricycle races, pie-eating contests, door prizes and Homecoming T-shirt sales.

At one point organizers had to remove a number of students from a "big-glove boxing" activity because several had attempted to overpopulate the room.

"This is a great experience for everyone to enjoy before the big fight on Saturday, especially with the carnival atmosphere to get people in the mood," said Lynne Davis, a member of the Homecoming committee.

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WHY DID YOU VOTE EARLY?



Jesse Cleary
Employee,
Marine
Sciences

"I wanted to support my friend who is running for mayor of Carrboro."

Vote early at Morehead Planetarium and Science Center through Nov. 5, Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturdays: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Kesson Anderson
Junior,
International
Studies

"It's nice to avoid the hassle of voting on Election Day."

Candidates target area housing costs

BY TED STRONG
CITY CO-EDITOR

Mark Twain supposedly once advised investors to buy land because "they're not making it anymore."

If Twain had been really smart, he might have told investors to buy land in Orange County, where the average cost of a home tops \$560,000.

"Carrboro and Chapel Hill are very desirable places to live and so the ... level of competition for housing in our two communities is so high that it really drives prices up," said Carrboro mayoral candidate Mark Chilton.

And while Habitat for



Monday: How alderman and council candidates plan to address municipal budgets

Humanity likely is the program most commonly associated with affordable housing, it is by no means the only factor in play.

Robert Dowling, executive director of the Orange Community Housing and Land Trust, said the need for affordable housing runs the gamut from transitional housing for

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Hall to be overtaken by puppets

BY TANNER SLAYDEN
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This weekend, the University will host a 16-foot-tall giraffe and a vicious French monarch.

The only twist? They're puppets.

"Tall Horse," a play with some characters portrayed by humans and others by elaborate puppets, comes to Memorial Hall on Saturday and Sunday as part of the Carolina Performing Arts Series.

The production is a collaboration between the Handspring Puppet Company of South Africa and Mali's Sogolon Puppet Troupe.

UNC is one of only six stops on the groups' U.S. tour.

"It is incredible that the University got the play because this is a rare opportunity that doesn't happen very often in the world,"

ATTEND THE SHOW

Time: 8 p.m., 3 p.m.
Date: Saturday, Sunday
Location: Memorial Hall
Info: memorialhall.unc.edu

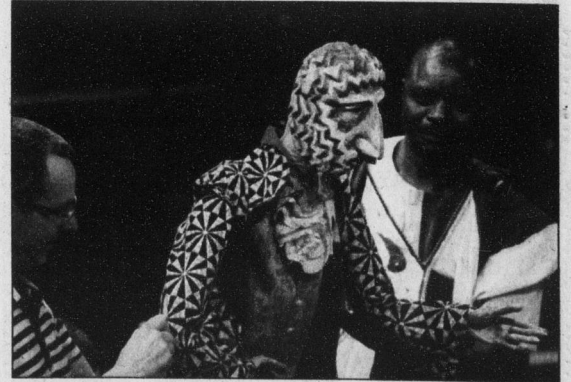
said Rosemary Holland, director of artistic affairs for the series. "It will probably be something you will never get to see again."

"Tall Horse" recently played at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, and it goes next to the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C.

It recounts the tale of a giraffe, named Sogo Jan, and her journey from Sudan to France.

Based on a true story, the play

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DTH/STEVE ANDRAWES

Basil Jones (left) and Yaya Coulibaly show off a life-size puppet of a French consul character at the Center for Dramatic Art on Wednesday.

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LAST DAYS OF BLUEGRASS Series of benefit concerts closes out Saturday

COURSE DISCUSSION School board and teachers discuss testing standards

MOVIES THAT MOVE YOU Durham sees more interest in indie film festivals

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POLICY DEBATE

A UNC chapter of the national student think tank the Roosevelt Institution opens with a focus on long-term strategies for disaster relief.

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STEPPIN' TO IT

UNC's chapter of the National Pan Hellenic Council held its annual step show, featuring several singing groups and steppers from other schools.



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WHERE'S THE SPIRIT?

Area businesses amp up their promotions and the UNC football team gears up for a season-determining game leading up to Homecoming.

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