

CLARIFICATIONS

The Friday page 2 story, "Students invest in political think tank," states that Alicia Raia founded the UNC chapter of the Roosevelt Institution. Raia founded the organization along with Lissa Petter and Danny Randolph. The article also states that the institution focuses on disaster relief, but that is only one facet of its eight policy centers. The Daily Tar Heel apologizes.

ARTS BRIEF

"Agnus Dei": original play in Union Auditorium today

The second performance of "Agnus Dei," an original work by senior Joseph Allen, comes to the Student Union auditorium today. Allen's play, which he wrote as part of a UNC playwriting class last semester, tells the story of Jonathan, who is faced with choices throughout his life. Allen called the show, which translated into English means "Lamb of God," a philosophical drama that uses allegory to explore the meaning of choice. It is told through the perspective of an angel and a devil, who each try to impact the course of Jonathan's development. The Carolina Hispanic Association is presenting the production.

"The driving force behind it, we wanted to do something that supported Hispanic students at UNC where you normally don't see Hispanic participation," Allen said. The show starts at 7 p.m. Admission is \$3.

STATE & NATION

Easley announces company can offer county new jobs

Gov. Mike Easley announced Friday that the Timken Co. of Ohio would receive a grant to offer 50 new jobs in Randolph County. "Timken's decision to expand its Randleman facility will provide 50 quality jobs for 50 hardworking North Carolina families," Easley said in a press release Friday. The \$100,000 One North Carolina Fund grant came as part of a package to the company as an incentive to offer more jobs in the area, which suffered an estimated 500 job losses in the 2004-05 year, said Robert Ware, manager of the Employment Security Commission office of Asheboro, in Randolph County.

Court decides to consider challenge to Bush's tribunals

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Supreme Court agreed Monday to consider a challenge to the Bush administration's military tribunals for foreign terror suspects, a major test of the government's wartime powers.

Justices will decide whether Osama bin Laden's former driver can be tried for war crimes before military officers in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Chief Justice John Roberts, as an appeals court judge, joined a summer ruling against Salim Ahmed Hamdan. He did not participate in Monday's action, which put him in the difficult situation of sitting in judgment of one of his own rulings.

Arguments in the Hamdan case will be scheduled next spring, in time for retiring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's successor to take part. The announcement of the court's move came shortly after President Bush, asked about reports of secret U.S. prisons in Eastern Europe for terrorism suspects, declared anew that his administration does not torture suspects.

WORLD BRIEFS

Rioting in France escalates; officials report first fatality

PARIS — Rioting by French youth spread to 300 towns overnight, and a 61-year-old man hurt in the violence died of his wounds, the first fatality in 11 days of unrest that has shocked the country, police said Monday.

As urban unrest was reported in neighboring Belgium and Germany, the French government faced growing criticism for its inability to stop the violence, despite massive police deployment and calls for calm.

Leaders worldwide urged their citizens to be careful in France.

President Jacques Chirac, in private comments more conciliatory than his warnings Sunday that rioters would be caught and punished, acknowledged that France has failed to integrate the French-born children of Arab and black African immigrants in poor suburbs who have been participating in the violence, according to Latvian President Vaira Vike-Freiberga, who met with the French leader Monday.

On Sunday night, vandals burned more than 1,400 vehicles, and clashes around the country left 36 police injured, setting a new high for overnight arson and violence since rioting started last month, national police chief Michel Gaudin told a news conference.

— From staff and wire reports.

Seniors welcome gift choice

BY LAUREN BERRY
STAFF WRITER

As the senior class nears the end of its last fall in Chapel Hill, many members are turning their attention to how they will leave their mark on campus.

Traditionally, the senior gift has provided a way for the members of the graduating class to fulfill this purpose.

Senior officers announced Monday that the class gift will be a welcome sign at McCorkle Place facing Franklin Street.

The announcement was made at noon at Polk Place, among members of the senior class, a string trio and gift bags for the first 150 seniors.

The welcome sign was chosen by members of the senior class in an election Nov. 1. Other choices included a mural or stained-glass window and an advising endowment.

More than 1,000 seniors placed their vote for the senior gift, with 416 students voting for the welcome sign.

Bobby Whisnant, senior class president, said he thought the welcome sign won because it is the most explanatory option.

Senior gift ballot

- 416 votes — A welcome sign at the edge of McCorkle Place facing Franklin Street
- 385 votes — An artistic representation of the Class of 2006 collegiate experience
- 228 votes — An endowment that would allow the advising department to receive additional training

"Whereas some seniors may not have known what the endowment would consist of, or what the mural would look like, the welcome sign was the most clear-cut option," he said.

Whisnant also said the senior class gift serves as a way for the members of the graduating class to leave their legacy with the University.

"Seniors should be involved in the class gift because even though you're graduating, it's still representing you," he said.

He said he hopes seniors will continue to be involved in the many decisions still to be made regarding the gift, such as the designing and planning of the welcome sign.



Summer Tyler (left) plays the violin with Adrian Raley (right) and Molly Stapleton on Monday after senior class officers announced the class gift.

Ada Wilson, chairwoman of raising funds for the gift, said money has yet to be raised for the welcome sign.

She said the senior class wanted to wait until the gift had been chosen before starting to raise money. Leaders will work with the Office of University Development to

secure funds, she said.

The amount of funds needed to be raised will depend on the details of the welcome sign, such as its architect, design and placement.

Wilson said the fundraising will begin with a kickoff party in

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Leaders say N.C. has HIV dilemma

Pushing for more medication funds

BY ELIZABETH DEORNELLAS
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Esther Ross is a 44-year-old full-time student at Lenoir Community College with aspirations of graduating from East Carolina University with a degree in social work.

She is also HIV positive, and staying in school while finding the money for her medication is a constant burden.

Ross said she pays \$3,340 a month for her HIV medication. Her case manager estimated that she would need an \$80,000 annual salary to cover her medication and other costs of living.

"I'm a black woman — I don't want to continue living off the system," Ross said Sunday night at a town meeting at Shaw University to discuss U.S. AIDS policy.

Ross expressed frustration at the difficulty of finding adequate health care.

She said her income of \$1,300 a month from disability payments places her in a category of Medicare in which co-payments for prescription drugs will range from \$250 to \$2,500 every month starting Dec. 31.

"It's a Catch-22; if I get sicker then they're willing to help me," she said. "But if I try to improve my situation then I get penalized."

"Do I have to lose everything to stay healthy, or do I go ahead and try to make something of myself and lose all the benefits of medication?"

Evelyn Foust, head of the N.C. HIV/sexually transmitted diseases prevention and care branch of the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services, said Ross' question is one that plagues all of North Carolina.

Ross and Foust spoke at the meeting to discuss the reauthorization of the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act, which provides federal funds for each state's AIDS Drug Assistance Program.

"The Reauthorization Act is critical for North Carolina," Foust said. "The 10,000 North Carolinians living with HIV/AIDS need this."

The CARE Act must be reauthorized every five years. It was scheduled to be reauthorized Sept. 30, but Congress has not yet taken action.

Christopher Bates, acting director of the U.S. office of HIV/AIDS policy and the meeting's featured speaker, emphasized that the act is not a perfect solution to the AIDS epidemic.

"The Ryan White CARE Act was always intended to fill in the gap, not to cover everyone in America," he said.

North Carolina receives \$15 million annually from the CARE Act, said Steve Sherman, coordinator of the state ADAP.

HIV positive residents who are not covered by any other insurance, including Medicaid, can qualify for ADAP if their income is at or below 125 percent of the federal poverty level.

North Carolina's ADAP program has the strictest income requirement in the nation. All of the sur-

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Marcia Harris, director of University Career Services, speaks to a group of freshmen and sophomores in the Carolina Covenant program Monday in the Carolina Inn about the finer points of business dining etiquette. She explained tipping and fork selection, among other points.

A FUNNEL TO THE REAL WORLD

BY KATHERINE EVANS
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To paraphrase singer Fats Domino, a lot of UNC students will have a B.A., M.D. or Ph.D.

Unfortunately, some won't have a J.O.B. But with programs geared toward helping students map out academic and career possibilities, officials at University Career Services are working to change that.

Director Marcia Harris said a survey conducted by her office in 2004 indicated that about 85 percent of graduating seniors used UCS at some point in their time as undergraduates.

And because about 26 percent of UNC undergraduates head straight to graduate

or professional schools, Harris said the vast majority of undergraduates who are work-force-bound have sought assistance.

"Students are well-aware of career services," she said.

The exact number of students who actually find and keep jobs directly through career services is more elusive. Instead of measuring this, Harris said her center focuses on the number who use the office in some capacity.

"We want to help link students," she said. "Our mission is not job placement."

The problem is not that students aren't taking advantage of job fairs, skills workshops and networking nights — it's that they're procrastinating, Harris said.

"We're seeing an awful lot of students," she

said. "If there's any problem, it's that students are not using us early enough."

Elisha Cannon, a senior who said she has frequented job fairs and networking events offered by career services, said most people she knows did not take full advantage of the offerings until their senior year.

"It's good to get your name out there," she said. "But people should use it a bit earlier."

Junior Ameeta Pradhan, who attended career services programs her freshman year, said it's hard for some underclassmen to look ahead toward a career.

"It was definitely helpful, but as a freshman, I didn't find it as important," she said.

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UNC-P hopes football will unite community

Team to kick off first season in '07

BY RICHARD M COE III
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A more than 50-year drought soon could end in Pembroke, but rain isn't the only thing in the forecast.

Save any unexpected disruptions, the new UNC-Pembroke Braves varsity football team will take the field in Sept. 2007, said Dan Kenney, athletic director at UNC-P. The last time the school had a football team was in the early 1950s.

Glen Burnette, vice chancellor for university and community relations at UNC-P, said he believes that during the fall, the football program will play a major role in keeping students on campus on the weekends

and bringing alumni back to school to visit and watch games.

"One thing about a football program — it builds affinity to the institution among our alumni and our alumni in training our students," he said. "We're looking forward to building that relationship."

He also said he expects the benefits of having a football program to stretch beyond the school.

"Football will make a big impact not only the economics of the town, but the area," he said. "It's going to be a win-win for all involved."

Ann Slaughter, mayor of nearby Laurinburg, said a football team also could benefit her community.

"A lot of people teach there," she said. "A lot of our students continue their education there. I see this as another step forward."

But Kenney explained that start-

ing a football program is not an overnight process.

UNC-P began its quest to get a football team in 1999 when students, many of whom were from eastern North Carolina and grew up with strong Friday-night football traditions, began grumbling about not having any weekend entertainment, Kenney said.

A survey of students soon revealed that 91 percent of students supported the addition of a football team, and 70 percent were willing to pay at least \$145 more in student athletic fees, which account for almost all of UNC-P's athletic funding, he said.

"I have never seen something cause as much excitement as the announcement of a football program here at UNC-Pembroke,"

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Town, UNC trudge through planning

BY KAYLA CARRICK
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As the University forms its own committee to further survey plans for its proposed new satellite campus, Chapel Hill's own committee for Carolina North is seeking a clearer set of goals for its future.

University officials announced plans last week for the formation of a new committee that will aid the direction of Carolina North.

The committee seeks to work with the community in resolving town-gown issues that arise from University construction planned for the Horace Williams tract — a goal almost identical to that of the Chapel Hill Town Council-formed Horace Williams Citizen Committee.

"I hope there wouldn't be duplication of effort between the two committees, but rather a merging of ideas to create the best end," said Del

Snow, a town committee member.

Created in 2002, the 22-member group offers advice to the council based on deliberations about the property with University officials and town citizens.

"We bat around the views of how we think the development should progress," Snow said. "We want it to develop in a way that will benefit the town while recognizing the University's responsibilities."

But, some members harbor doubts about the town committee's influence on the University.

"We exist to help the town develop ideas and policies about the land," said committee vice chairwoman Ruby Sinreich. "But it seems we are having no impact on the University."

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