VETERANS

was a trombone player for the Tar

Phillips also shed light on the ongoing change of the University at the time. He described how he watched Ted Williams, who was undergoing training for the Navy at the now-site of the Horace Williams Airport, hit home runs on the campus's baseball field now the site of the Student Union.

Students who attended the ceremony said listening to a veteran discuss his military life deepened their appreciation for the day.

"This is the best holiday in the

country," said Jordan Kennedy, a freshman history major and Air Force ROTC cadet. The sentiment was a common opinion among those in attendance.

Once Phillips concluded, another officer took the podium and recognized the veterans of special conflicts by calling out each of the eight wars or special operations from World War II to the current

conflict in Iraq. As veterans rose from their seats to be recognized, a moment of heavy silence was fol-lowed by a dignified applause.

"The ceremony is a time to honor those that have fallen in the past, now and in the future," said Gysgt Hogancamp, assistant Marine officer instructor for the

University's ROTC program.

And as dozens of young, uniformed ROTC members applauded the veterans, the contrast of the generations that Hogancamp mentioned was strikingly preva

Soloway, whose father served in the Marine Corps in the Vietnam War and whose grandfather served in World War II, said Veterans Day is not only a day to remember family members but those who forewent celebrating Christmas and birthdays to serve.

"(It's) a day to remember those who give students a chance to walk on Franklin Street — to attend this great liberal college."

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Sysetm President Molly Broad receives an ovation from BOG Vice Chairman J. Craig Souza (left) and Gov. James E. Holshouser at her last BOG meeting.

FINAL BUSINESS

He added that faculty, who might feel slighted by the board's action to grant chancellor salary hikes in excess of the 2 percent given to all state employees, also are high on the board's priority list.

But addressing controversial salary hikes was not the first thing on BOG members' minds Friday.

A standing ovation signaled the end of Broad's final President's Report, which focused on the changes the system has seen during her tenure, including the passage of the largest bond referendum in the history of U.S. higher education.

"For American universities to maintain their preeminence ... we must invest more capital in every student, every faculty member and every worker," she said.

Zack Wynne, president of the UNC Association of Student Governments and the only student member of the board, told Broad that her leadership has bettered the experience of each student of the university system.

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ZACK WYNNE, ASG PRESIDENT

people of this state ... because of your vision," he said.

But Broad also said the future of the university lies in recognizing global competition. She told the chancellors in the room to shift their focus to new challenges and oppor-tunities. "You must keep your vision ar and your eye on the horizon."

BOG member emeritus and for-mer Gov. Jim Holshouser gave the final remarks. He praised Broad for her work, saying the job of president is no easy task.

"You leave scars and you pick up few. It comes with the territory," he said. "History is going to show just how remarkable this term has

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Show a celebration of cultures

Venue allows for bigger program

BY EMILY BISKER

Lions danced to the beat of a drum and attentive onlookers cheered and laughed as the creatures jumped and flowed across

But these lions, dancing with their shiny bodies and elaborate heads on Memorial Hall's stage Saturday, were not ordinary lions.

For one thing, they were wearing sneakers.

The animals — or students

in disguise — were part of "Lion Dance," a traditional Chinese per-formance, in the Asian Students Association's 13th annual cultural "Journey into Asia.

Held in the renovated hall for the first time, the event brought together some 1,200 UNC students and their families and friends in addition to guests from area universities.

Previously, the ASA held the show in the Great Hall, with a seating capacity of about 500. This year, the group had the opportunity to accommodate more people in the almost 1,500-capacity hall. The extra seating was help-

co-chairwoman. While the show always sold out in previous years, she said, everyone interested was able to come this year.

The theme of the show, "Return

to the Roots," was chosen to encourage the Asian community to think about its cultural heritage.

Ahn, who has been working on the show for the past six months with co-chairman Arman Tolentino, said many Asian-Americans could relate to the theme.

Ahn said the event allowed people to see things from both traditional

and modern cultural perspectives.

The show included performances by N.C. State University's Fusion, a dance group that combines cultural dance with hip hop, and Dreams, a rap group that delves into the Asian-American dream through original Asian culture-inspired hip-hop hybrid music.

Special guests included "Kims of Comedy" members Kevin Shea and Ken Jeong, comedians who have performed at college campuses across the nation.

In between performances, hosts Danny Fu and Mike Vikitsreth incorporated the event's main theme into a skit.

Through the skit, Fu and Vikitsreth confronted Asian ste-



Sophomore Nancy Tan performs a ribbon dance in Memorial Hall on Saturday evening at the Journey into Asia Event hosted by the ASA.

reotypes while also exploring the various traditional and modern Asian cultures

It is important to blend traditional culture values with modern ones to get the best of both worlds, said UNC junior Mona Soni.

Soni, who said she enjoyed the performances, said she also was impressed that not only Asians

attended.
"The acts are relatable to everyone," Soni said. "Music is universal."

The show not only taught its audience about Asian culture as whole but also about the individual cultures present throughout Asia, said NCSU student Diana Pan.

"When people say Asian, they all think the same thing," said Pan. In reality, she said, "their cultures are different, their music is different, their food is different."

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SQUIRRELS

University concerning the high number and evil intentions of cam-

Gregg Elovich, who created the Web site, says squirrels are attracted to college campuses due to a lack of predators, such as cats and dogs.
"As urban wildlife goes, squirrels

are the most visible non-bird critters," Elovich says. "They're curious and social and easily adapt to humans, especially the ones with

Cheryl Hoggard, a veterinarian at the Piedmont Wildlife Center, encourages people to avoid feeding squirrels because "that makes them feel too safe."

However, sometimes feeding the squirrels can be unintentional.

John Harris, a member of the groundskeeping staff, says that squirrels love the leftovers from any sort of campus event involving

"After football games at Tar Heel Town, you come out at 6 a.m, and pick up the trash and the squirrels are out eating everything, all the food that the alumni left behind," Harris says

Squirrels also abound in the quiet days during Fall and Spring breaks when students leave campus.

"The squirrels would be up on the walls, taking the students' plac-es," Harris says, laughing. "It just tripped me out. It was as if they, too, knew it was break."

Though the squirrels at UNC may act strangely at times, Hoggard says they are not frequent carriers of rabies, unlike raccoons

But squirrels do carry harmful

bacteria and external parasites.
"You have to be very careful with squirrels — don't handle an animal without the proper instructions and experience," Hoggard says.

Student opinions differ on the behavior of the populous bushytailed creatures. Dark rumors of strategic acorn-hurling, shoulder-jumping and unusual boldness continue to prevail on campus.

"They just walk right up to

you, you know?" junior Sarah Humphries says. "They don't seem to have much fear." Despite the odd atmosphere sur-

rounding UNC squirrels, most students and faculty members exist in harmony with their tree-dwelling

"I think they're adorable," junior Emily Scott says. "I think we have very friendly squirrels."

Freshman Natasha Wilson says she once saw a squirrel relaxing on

a nearby student's book bag. "I was amazed. They were like a couple in harmony — neither was affected by the other," Wilson says.

Harris says he thinks the abundant, unusual squirrel population

adds to UNC's environment. "It's part of the ambience, isn't it?" he says. "It's all part of the trees and the landscape that we try to do to make Carolina look like a

Carolina campus. "Everyone interacts with them. It's their home, too."

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4TH SEAT

But no clear, established preceent exists to guide the aldermen on who to appoint or how to do so.

Ryan said she disagrees with Brough's interpretation of the code. She also said the law seems clear, if badly constructed. The section of the charter in

question is very poorly written," Ryan said. "It seems to be very specifically created to fill a vacancy during an election."

In his memo, Brough wrote that ecause the possibility of an opening was not known until after the filing date, the vacancy falls under a N.C. general statute that allows the aldermen to appoint someone - not necessarily the fourth-choice candidate in the last election — to fill the seat.

The most recent precedent for appointing a board member occurred in 1998, when alderman Joal Broun took the place of Hank Anderson, who died in office, after applying and interviewing for the spot.
Former candidate Catherine

"The whole legal question is getting a bit more complex that anybody anticipated."

KATRINA RYAN, FORMER CANDIDATE

DeVine said she plans to apply, since the margin of vôtes between the top three contenders — Jacquelyn Gist, John Herrera and Randee Haven-O'Donnell - and Ryan is large enough to require an application process. David Marshall, another alderman hopeful, has not said

whether he plans to apply.

Ryan said she has support from
Carrboro residents in pursuing various channels to resolve the issue The idea is not to cause a hub-

bub," she said. "If it's a prolonged legal conversation we need to have, it needs to start as early as possible."

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GAMES

Twenty-six-year-old Dan Disorbo of New Haven, Conn., is the creator of a beirut kit named "Bombed," released this past April. It is sold in Spencer's Gifts and Urban Outfitters, and at his Web site, www.getbombed.com.

"We came up with a rack to keep everything clean and avoid spilling," he says. "I came back from a party one day, and I was like, 'We need to get this."

More than 10,000 kits — which contain a ten-cup rack as well as cups and balls — have been sold in stores, and at least a couple dozen are ordered from the Web site each

week, Disorbo says.

"I don't know if drinking games as a whole is increasing. I know beirut or beer pong is increasing," he says. "I think beer pong has a lot of marketability."

Bars in Chapel Hill seem to have

picked up on the trend. Lucy's Restaurant on Henderson

Street is on week six of its eightweek Invitational Beer Pong Tournament. For a \$5 entry fee in addition to buying pitchers of beer, teams compete every Tuesday for bragging rights, prizes and a pot

"Somebody thought it up last year," says tournament host Joe Caddell, a 2005 UNC graduate, who works at Lucy's. "I'd like it (if I were a customer) because some-body else sets it up and it's a pain in the butt to clean up."

About 11 teams usually show up,

and a local Miller Lite distributor loosely sponsors the tournament by providing prizes as long as Miller Lite is on tap for the games.

Bub O'Malley's on East

Rosemary Street isn't going to let Lucy's rack up all the beer pong enthusiasts in the area, though.

The bar started holding weekly eer pong tournaments last week. "I've been playing beer pong for over ten years," says manage

game as beirut. "It became more about the competition than being about drinking," he says. "It works naturally in sports bars. I think bars are just

James Rippe, who learned the

"In the '70s, you had darts; in the '80s, you had foosball. This is the new thing now, pretty much," he adds.

But, as with all drinking games, concerns exist about the safety of

"(Drinking games) are inher-ently designed so that people override their own internal sense of their own limits," says DeeDee Laurilliard, a social worker for the Center for Healthy Student Behaviors.

"Drinking games push you over that limit because you're swept up

in the whole experience." Students agree

You're more likely to lose track of what you're drinking when you're playing a drinking game," says Corinne Burns, a senior from Winston-Salem.

Junior Peter James McCloskey from Ireland says, "It shortens the process of getting drunk."

Yet beer pong proponents try to focus more on the skills required

for the game rather than the drinking involved. Anheuser-Busch Inc. recently

withdrew its beer pong set with tables, cups and balls from the market because the company's brass claimed people weren't using it with water as they originally

"Bombed" also recommends on its package that the game should be played with non-alcoholic bev-

"Everyone knows they play with (beer), we don't encourage it," Disorbo says. In bars, chances are slim that

players are going to use water for beer pong. But bars may be a safer environment for the game.

"We have the authority to cut

ments, it's a lot more difficult." Rippe expressed a similar senti-

"In a private party atmosphere, there may be more pressure to con-

sume large amounts of alcohol." he says. "We want people to enjoy themselves and to do it safely." Whether it's at home or at bars,

anyone can play beer pong, and it seems as if it's the hot new sport. "Champions are made one cup at a time," Rippe says.

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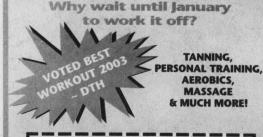
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