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CAMPUS BOWLED OVER

NEXT SYSTEM PRESIDENT BLOWS THROUGH UNC TO END TOUR

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Erskine Bowles made his alma mater the last stop on a whirlwind tour of the 16 UNC-system campuses, meeting Monday with University faculty, administrators, trustees and students.

After being named the successor to retiring system President Molly Broad, Bowles said he read extensively about the university and began meeting with campus officials across the state.

The next step, he said, will be sitting down with members of General Administration and legislators.

"Then I'm going to think," he said.

And he'll have a lot to think about. Bowles told members of the UNC-CH Board of Trustees that his vision for the University involves many more specifics than they currently have.

He asked that administrators come up with more detailed priorities so he and the UNC-system Board of Governors can work collaboratively with the campuses to implement them.

He lamented the fact that the system's long-range plan lacked input from individual campuses, and that the BOG itself had no sense of ownership of its goals.

He said priorities should include concrete timelines and funding models.

"No wonder we had 16 campuses going off in 16 different

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Erskine Bowles, who will take over as UNC-system president in January, talks with Student Body President Seth Dearmin at a luncheon in Hyde Hall on Monday as part of his visit to Chapel Hill. Bowles met with students, faculty and members of the UNC-CH Board of Trustees.

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A VISION OF SYSTEM UNITY

Task force, Bowles discuss broader goals

BY LAUREN BERRY
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When Chancellor James Moeser formed the task force on engagement with North Carolina, he made it UNC-CH's mission to solidify its role in service to the state.

Efforts to reach his vision largely had been limited to moves within the University until Monday when a meeting that brought UNC-system President-elect Erskine Bowles to the table discussed greater collaboration with the UNC system.

During the task force's second meeting, campus leaders outlined the group's focus.

Bowles addressed his desire to work in partnership with the task force, which is charged with exploring UNC-CH's outreach toward N.C. education, health and the economy.

"I want to be an ally and a partner," he said. "And I want a group of people who want to work with me in that way."

Although no definite plans have been set, the task force established during the meeting the goal of a broader, systemwide campaign of service.

Task force members discussed the need to reconnect with other UNC-system universities and smaller community colleges.

Bowles also addressed this concern by highlighting the need to re-engage all the universities within the UNC-system.

"Right now we have 16 campuses going off in 16 different directions," he said.

Moeser said UNC-CH must use its position as the system's flagship institution to connect with other member universities.

"As a leading university, we need to lead within the state," he said.

He stressed the need for other universities to become involved in the UNC-CH's mission of public service in the state.

"Chapel Hill can provide leadership, but Chapel Hill can not do it alone,"

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Hike limits frame options

Officials consider draft collaboration

BY BRIAN HUDSON
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In response to a limit on campus-based tuition and fee increases that has left campus leaders considering which hike to reduce, administrators are calling for more collaboration during the process of drafting proposed tuition and fee increases.



Trustee Karol Mason's plan would give UNC room to consider hikes.

During its final meeting in October, UNC-Chapel Hill's tuition advisory task force settled on three proposals that would raise tuition between \$250 and \$300 for undergraduate residents and \$600 to \$900 for undergraduate nonresidents.

The chancellor's committee on student fees recommended to the Board of Trustees a \$170.05 hike in undergraduate fees.

But the UNC-system Board of Governors is imposing a \$451 cap on in-state undergraduate tuition and fees hikes — meaning administrators must choose between scrapping the \$300 tuition hike or reducing the fee increase for undergraduate students.

But before the University's Board of Trustees considered the task force's report Thursday, Trustee Karol Mason, a member of the tuition task force, submitted a tuition proposal that would raise resident and nonresident under-

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City schools tongue-tied on best student services

BY LAURA OLENIACZ
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The tides of diversity converge in Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools as students — whose first language could be one of 60 spoken in the district — demand specialized programs to breach cultural and language divides.

Of the 12 pre-kindergarten children at McDougale Elementary School, five leave their regular classes to go to English as a Second Language specialist Janet Davis-Castro's classroom.

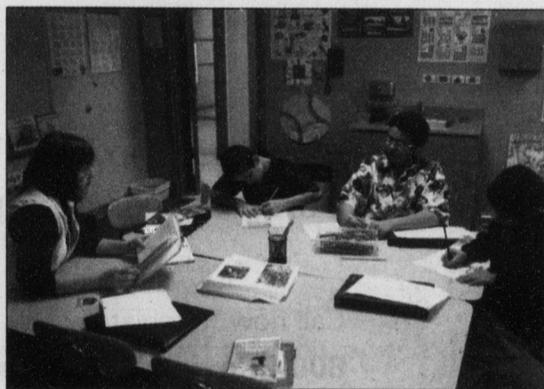
"Show me the nose," Davis-Castro asked her small classroom of squirming pupils Friday.

While she taught the parts of the body, three of her students sat in small chairs and pointed at a large, colorful poster.

Seventy-five percent of pre-K students in the city schools are Latino, Davis-Castro said.

Steve Scroggs, assistant superintendent for support services for the district, said 9 percent of the district's student body is Latino, forming the fastest growing minority population in the area.

The district has struggled to meet the needs of this growing demographic as yearly test scores continue to show a gap



Janet Castro-Davis (left) reads "Miracle's Boys" by Jacqueline Woodson to her fifth grade ESL class at McDougale Elementary School on Monday.

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in achievement levels between mainstream and minority performance — a gap that officials have made a priority to close.

"It's a gap that exists in all districts, but that's not to justify it," said Stephanie Knott, assistant superintendent for community relations.

ESL programs, which are taught by both bilingual and single-language faculty, provide varying lev-

els of assistance in introductory- to academic-level English.

Chapel Hill High School student Argenis Dominguez participated in the district's ESL program five years ago, praising it for its influence on his education.

"If it wasn't for that class I would have struggled for several years for how to manipulate the

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'The Hickory Hammer'

UNC wrestler rebounds from adversity to nail opponents

BY DANIEL MALLOY
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All of a sudden, Drew Forshey is on his back.

It was too quick to even think about.

It's the third period, only down a point, he can win this — Bam!

There he is, on his back. The referee slaps the Carmichael Auditorium mat, and it's over. He's raising the hand of this freshman from Virginia Tech named Justin Staylor, and Forshey is dumbstruck.

The only other time Forshey was pinned in competition in his life was four years ago, and that didn't even really count. Just some off-season tournament in Ohio.

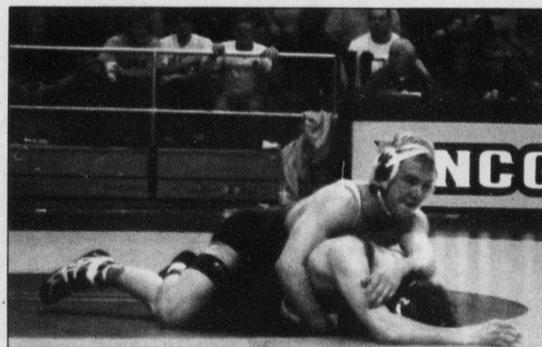
This isn't supposed to happen. Not against a freshman, not in the ACC. Not a pin.

Later that fateful Feb. 11, Forshey is getting an earful on the phone from North Carolina wrestling coach C.D. Mock — whose Tar Heels, and Forshey, a junior 125-pounder, have their first home meet of this season Saturday.

Mock tells Forshey he is going to have to compete for his starting spot again in a wrestle-off.

"This could be the reason why you'll never be good, or this can be your finest hour," Mock says.

"What are you going to do about it?"



DTH FILE PHOTO

UNC wrestler Drew Forshey holds down Virginia Tech's Justin Staylor at the ACC Championships in March. Forshey won the title with a 9-2 win.

'I got no excuses'

You can look at all the wins, but it is almost too many to count.

The kid is a machine. Going 215-and-2 in high school? You have got to be kidding.

Four state titles? Only three other kids in the history of North Carolina wrestling have done that.

Just watch him go. His teammates call him "The Hickory Hammer," an homage to his hometown and his ability to nail foes to the mat with brutal efficiency.

Mock compares his style to the Tasmanian Devil. It's just the way

he whips around the mat with reckless abandon — almost cartoon-like.

"He just has a very, very aggressive, physical style of wrestling," Mock says. "It's very attractive to fans. He's fun to watch. There's very little unexciting about a Forshey match."

But Mock didn't care so much about the 215 wins. That's too many overmatched kids. Physically, Forshey had them all.

Nope, Mock had to look at the two. That seemingly insignificant

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'SAFE FOR EVERYONE?' Students propose ways to avoid biased decisions

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THE SOUND OF MUSIC

University group pairs up student volunteers with children who can't afford to pay for music lessons at the University Methodist Church.

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IT'S OVER!

Families at Baity Hill rejoice in newfound tranquility after the final herd of displaced undergraduates files out of the new units Friday.

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OK, NOW WHAT?

After the failed referendum regarding a county schools special tax earlier this month, school board members duke it out about other options.

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