

CORRECTIONS

Due to a reporting error, a Wednesday page 11 column, "Like the leaves, Tar Heel athletics fell this season," incorrectly states that if Marvin Sanders were hired as head coach he would become the fourth black head coach in Division I football. He would be the fifth black coach.

The Daily Tar Heel apologizes for the error.

Due to a reporting error, a Wednesday page 9 feature picture, "Curtain Call" misspelled the play put on by a UNC Hebrew class. The play was "Yad VaShem."

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ARTS BRIEF

Second concert grand piano unveiled at Memorial Hall

Officials at Memorial Hall unveiled a new concert grand piano Thursday, positioning the hall as one of the few venues nationwide with two large-scale pianos.

The Hamburg Steinway D piano, donated by the William R. Kenan Jr. Charitable Trust, will accompany the hall's New York Steinway D piano.

Sally Covetelsky, Steinway's director of institutional sales, stated in a release that most U.S. colleges and universities have New York Steinways, but only a few are able to supplement those by adding Hamburgs.

Among them are the Juilliard School and the Mannes College of Music in New York City, the Oberlin Conservatory of Music in Ohio and the Yale University School of Music.

The cost of a Hamburg D varies with exchange rates, the release stated, but it is considerably more expensive than a New York D, which retails for about \$99,900.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Cancer center grants \$3,000 awards to graduate students

The Chapel Hill Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center honored Anthony Cesare, Nate Dudley and Carrie Partch with the Lineberger Fellow Awards to further investigate cancer research.

The award grants graduate students with a \$3,000 supplementary stipend for excellence demonstrated in research.

Cesare's study focused on telomeres, the physical end of all chromosomes.

Dudley received the award for his research on RNA interference, which led to the development of a technique to rapidly identify new genes required for this process.

Partch was awarded for her focus on the human body's internal time clock.

The award is financially sponsored by the UNC Lineberger Board of Visitors who have endorsed cancer research since the program began in 1987.

CITY BRIEFS

Local Spanish teacher chosen national teacher of the year

A Chapel Hill High School Spanish teacher was selected as teacher of the year in a national education council.

Ken Stewart was selected by the American Council on Teaching Foreign Languages.

The organization seeks teachers who show excellence in foreign language education.

As a recipient of the award, Stewart will be a language education spokesman during the year with the Discover Languages public awareness campaign.

STATE & NATION

Rumsfeld says 20,000 troops expected home next week

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said Thursday he expects some 20,000 U.S. troops to return home from Iraq after next week's elections, and he suggested that some of the remaining 137,000 forces could pull out next year.

The Pentagon chief also said he believed the White House and Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., would "end up working something out" during negotiations about legislation standardizing interrogation techniques and banning mistreatment of foreign terrorism suspects in U.S. custody.

Congressional bargainers were nearing completion of a defense bill that is expected to include the McCain provisions, and aides said votes on the measure could come next week. Still, GOP leaders haven't blessed the bill because they are waiting for the result of the White House's negotiations with McCain.

Rumsfeld made his comments between closed-door meetings in Capitol Hill with House members, part of an effort by the Bush administration to communicate better with Congress about the war. Gen. Peter Pace, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, also attended.

— From staff and wire reports.

CAA pumps winter ticket swap

BY MAC MOLLISON
STAFF WRITER

It comes as no surprise that attendance to men's home basketball games during Winter Break is often low.

But the Carolina Athletic Association — which is responsible for promoting Carolina athletics and distributing tickets — is taking steps to fix that.

"In regards to student seating, we're always concerned over break, because there aren't any students here," said CAA President Justin Johnson.

In 2003 CAA officials created an online forum through which students who can't make it to the games can swap tickets with those who can.

Students can access the forum via CAA's Web site, www.unc.edu/caa, with an Onyen and password.

"A couple people did it, but it didn't really catch on," said CAA special projects chairman Keith Bobbitt.

CAA's main push to encourage attendance this break again has focused on asking students to use the forum.

CAA officials say they hope out-of-state students in particular, who often have tickets but are reluctant to travel long distances to attend games during the holidays, will use the forum.

"If you know all the tickets you've gotten are not going to be used, I'd really encourage you to give them away," Johnson said.



CAA President Justin Johnson wants students who are unable to use tickets to trade via an online forum.

Traffic on the site has increased this week, CAA officials say.

"Normally people post on there once or twice a week," Bobbitt said. "The last couple of days probably 30 to 40 messages have been posted."

Another step taken by the ticket office to encourage attendance to men's basketball games has been to allow graduate students to buy seats for their spouses in the sec-

tions reserved for students.

The policy will not be extended to games for which turnout is expected to be high, but it can be used at the nonconference games during Winter Break.

Aside from the regular channels, there are several ways for students to obtain tickets.

"You could call the day of the game and ask if they have any tickets at the ticket office," Johnson advised.

He warned against buying or selling student tickets. "You're not allowed to sell your student tickets. That is an Honor Code violation."

Men's basketball games are not the only athletic events that suffer

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Junior Laura Graham (right) lies down for a back massage at the Student Recreation Center last Thursday given by Jed Robb, a student at the Body Therapy Institute. Robb is working at UNC on an externship and is doing massages at the SRC for the first time.

Body therapy massaged into university culture

BY ALI GRAY
STAFF WRITER

At the end of a stressful, exhausting week, a professional massage can help ease physical and emotional pain.

"It is one of the best feelings in world," says senior Emily Moore-Pleasant. "I feel like I'm a better person after I get a massage."

Moore-Pleasant has been getting massages since she was 14 years old. As a competitive soccer player, she experienced sports-related back pain, she says. Her chiropractor recommended she try massage therapy.

"It healed my muscles and was really helpful with the pain," Moore-Pleasant says.

Moore-Pleasant quit playing soccer when she came to UNC, but she continues to get massages.

"I do it now for the relaxation," she says.

The UNC Student Health Service began a pilot program one year ago for massage therapy. It hired licensed massage and body therapist Melina Piluras to give students massages in the Student Recreation Center.

"Students are under a lot of stress," Piluras says. "Massage is one of the ways in which

"At first they're apprehensive about being touched and touching someone else."

ROBERT BRAME, DUKE PROFESSOR, OF HIS STUDENTS IN MESSAGE CLASS

we can activate the healthier hormones and give our bodies a chance to reset."

Piluras gives student massages on Wednesdays and Thursdays at scheduled times. She sees about 12 students a week.

Piluras gives both health and healing massages for relaxation and deep tissue massages for pain relief. She offers sessions of 30 minutes, 60 minutes and 90 minutes. Students are charged \$55 for an hour.

"It's a really good price," she says. "The average price in town is \$65. If you go to a spa, it's going to be \$75 to \$100. We feel we're providing a really good service for students."

Piluras says Student Health began the program because of the growing interest in massage therapy.

"A lot of people are really turning to massage because people are living busier and busier lives," she says. "It's harder for people

in general to decompress."

Marta Magaw, massage therapist at Chapel Hill Massage — which charges \$70 for a one-hour massage — says she also has seen an increase in massage therapy.

"It's gone up astronomically in the past 10 years," she says. "As our culture gets more stress and we work more hours, we need the benefits more."

Magaw, who has been practicing massage for eight years, says about one-third of her clients are UNC students. She also sees several high school athletes.

"I get a lot of cheerleaders and soccer players," she says. "It's really effective for back pain."

Although massage therapy is gaining respect, it still is not covered by most health

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'Tis the season for checkpoints

Police target intoxicated motorists

BY ALEXA DIXON
STAFF WRITER

The holiday season is a time for family, friends and drinks all around.

It might come as no surprise, then, that the number of drinking and driving arrests often increases during the holiday season.

But some law enforcement officials said they see no signs of such an increase locally.

"In our community the number (of people) goes down during the holiday season," said Capt. Chris Blue of the Chapel Hill Police Department.

"It is certainly something we are aware of during the holidays, but generally the number of people goes down."

The repercussions for drinking and driving are heavy.

Any person pulled over for driving while impaired — defined by state law as a blood alcohol content of .08 or higher — will lose his or her license immediately for at least 30 days. If convicted, the individual could lose it for up to a year.

Penalties increase in severity with multiple convictions.

If the driver is under 21, any amount of alcohol on his or her

breath can land a charge of underage drinking.

"People are out for office parties, holiday parties and celebrations," said Capt. J.G. Booker of the Carrboro Police Department.

"You may see an increase in people who make the wrong decision."

During November and December 2004, Chapel Hill police made 59 DWI arrests; of those, two were on New Year's Eve.

Carrboro police snagged 12 violators.

"We look for dangerous driving first and foremost, not only because it indicates impaired driving, but also because it is a danger to others on the road," Blue said.

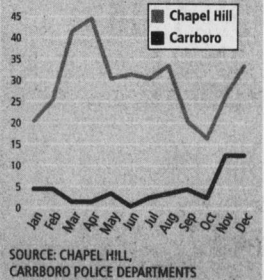
Officers said erratic driving, irregular speeds, lack of attention to road regulations and weaving are all major indicators of intoxication.

Booker said patrol officers are more aware of the fact that people are out partying and celebrating, so they are more alert to the signs of impaired driving during the holidays.

"We are more alert to people's driving habits, especially during

Holiday cheer

Though there is a stigma that drunken driving rises during the holidays, Chapel Hill and Carrboro have not seen evidence to support the claim.



SOURCE: CHAPEL HILL, CARRBORO POLICE DEPARTMENTS
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the evening hours," he said.

This November, Carrboro police made five DWI arrests. In one of those arrests, the driver was underage and the person who owned the car was handed an aiding and abetting charge.

Sgt. A.W. Waddell, a state trooper and traffic safety information officer of Troop D, said that during the Thanksgiving weekend, his troop made 19 DWI arrests within the nine counties it patrols.

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Arts forum continues brainstorming process

Leaders call for increase in attendance

BY BETH MECHUM
STAFF WRITER

The forum that was initiated last year to expand discussions between campus arts groups met again Thursday in the face of continuing low attendance.

Molly Stapleton, chairwoman of the arts advocacy committee for student government, the group that organizes the Student Arts Forum, was optimistic about the event, which drew about a dozen people.

"There was not a great turnout, but the people who came added a lot, and there was a lot of good dialogue," she said.

Participants at the forum continued discussions of issues they have been working on all semester, such as the online Student Life Integrated Calendar of Events, town relations and collaboration with Duke University.

First on the agenda was the idea of making a place where student groups can find information about funding and grants.

Members of the committee discussed plans to make a worksheet

Plans sputter for class speaker

Whisnant passes self-set deadline

BY BRIAN HUDSON
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At the halfway point in the year, senior class officers have not made definite plans for the senior class speaker in May, despite intentions to have definite progress by this point.

Senior Class President Bobby Whisnant said in September that he intended to turn his attention toward the senior class speaker after the selection of the Commencement speakers.

Wendy Kopp, president and founder of Teach for America, was tapped in November for Commencement.

Whisnant also said earlier this year that he wanted to have a speaker selected by the end of the fall semester.

With a week left in the semester, senior class officials have not secured a senior class speaker, nor have they taken substantial steps toward securing funds to cover event costs.

Whisnant said last week that senior class officials are continuing to work on inviting a speaker for the event but that they've been unsuccessful in solidifying any details.

"Honestly, we're not working on our time," he said. "We're working on people's time that we might want (to speak)."

Class leaders have been in contact with Keppler Speakers, an agency that schedules event speakers, to get an idea of price ranges, Whisnant said.

He attributed the delay to trying to work with schedules so far in advance. "You can't really book performers a year ahead of time because they don't know what they're doing."

Last year, the first year of the senior class address, officers nailed down a speaker by mid-January.

By Jan. 18 the senior class had raised enough money to attract Mo Rocca to give the address, which took place the Friday before Commencement.

In addition to \$12,000 in student fees appropriated by Student Congress, the senior class provided \$2,000, Campus Y offered \$1,000, and the Office of the Provost covered the remaining costs and paid for Rocca's travel and lodging.

On Jan. 21 Rocca accepted the offer — \$18,000 plus \$1,500 for travel expenses.

All the pieces of last year's event seemed to all fall into place perfectly, said Student Union Director Don Luse, who also has provided guidance to seniors this year.

"Last year was one of those won-

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Class leader Bobby Whisnant is examining speaker costs.

of funding sources for groups and to put it in central campus locations such as the Student Union and the student government office. The project is slated to be complete by spring 2006.

Dan Riegler, chairman of student government's town relations committee, discussed a proposal he wants to submit to Chapel Hill Town Council to using empty store space on Franklin Street.

Riegler is writing a proposal to fill the empty stores and store windows with art from UNC students.

The plan is still in the beginning stages, but Riegler said he is excited about the idea.

"It's really a joint effort between the University and the community," he said.

The committee plans to meet with officials from the Chapel Hill Town Council next semester, and members are shooting for a mid-March opening date.

Since the end of last year, the forum has been trying to create an arts collaboration with Duke

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