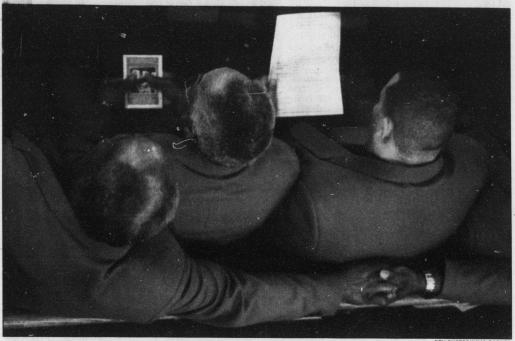
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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY



Members of the Ambassadors Choir of Chapel Hill listen to the welcoming address before their performance at the Chapel Hill-Carrboro NAACP and the Ministerial Alliance Annual Martin Luther King Service at the First Baptist Church on Monday.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS SEEK TO KEEP MESSAGE ALIVE

BY KATHRYN ROWLAND AND JESSICA SCHONBERG

Chapel Hill, a town that was honoring Martin Luther King Jr. with a holiday before the federal government fol-lowed suit, paused Monday to observe the legacy of the civil rights hero.

A variety of events throughout the Triangle allowed a diverse cross section of com-munity members to embody

The Daily Tar Heel caught up with participants on their varying journeys to honor King.

From the University

In a scene resembling a 1960s rally, a crowd grew in front of the Franklin Street Post Office on Monday morning to hear side-

walk speakers call for peace and equality.
Just as the 1960s Civil Rights Movement blossomed nationally under the leadership of King, the 23rd annual community celebration swelled in numbers as the morn-

Parfait Gasana, a UNC freshman from Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., was on a mission to cele-

brate the life of a man who motivated him. It was his first time attending an event to honor King, and he said it was a learning experience.



Paul Caldwell, president of the usher board at First Baptist Church, greets people and guides them to seats before the start of the service.

"I got to see how people can organize together, and now I know more about some of the pressing issues," he said.

Gasana, who intends to work as a youth counselor at a social service agency, said he

was inspired by King's determination and willpower to help people.

"We have to target the young people to stop the generational effects," he said.

UNC Hospitals employee Christerlena

Singh expressed similar concerns.
"A lot of work still needs to be done for the younger generation," Singh said. "I don't think they understand what (King) stood for."

The event brought myriad groups together from sign-touting students and campus leaders to a group of ladies with a musical message who called themselves the "Raging Grannies."

As they marched down Franklin Street, the crowd sang "This Little Light of Mine" and chanted for increased equality and jus-

Lucy Lewis, assistant director of the Campus Y, who said she has marched every year since 1988, said the event has changed in style and in size, but that this year saw a larger number of student partici-

pants.
"In the beginning it tended to be just a celebration and rededication, but in the last few years they've really focused on specific issues," she said.

"Dedication is increasing people's awareness, and as people become aware they also become active.

She said membership in organizations such as the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the local branch of which sponsored the event, is a good way to further the cause the other 364 days of the year.

Ushering in equality

After the march when the benches of First Baptist Church were packed with eager ears, Paul Caldwell paused from his duties

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Area roadways a tangled web

Money woes muddy ownership picture

will begin publishing in-depth, spot-light packages the first publication

BY STEPHANIE NEWTON ASSISTANT UNIVERSITY EDITOR

Apparently, Robert Frost has never been to Chapel Hill.

As easy as it sounds to take the road less traveled, University and town officials are finding it difficult to map out such thoroughfares amid the glut of construction and local roadway complexity.

In a matter of minutes area motorists cut across private, University, town and state-owned roads, making uniformity and funding hard feats.

"You've got the roads to take the traf-fic through, and then you've got the roads to service the buildings within the town limits," said Paula Gee Davis, mapping manager for facilities planning and construction at the University.

The state is more concerned with distributing traffic from town to town, rather than serving things within the town," she said.

With construction booming, a balancing act exists between the N.C. Department of Transportation's objective to get motorists from place to place and the town's interest in serving local events that attract traffic - such as the University and hospital systems alone.

"It's important to our agency to main-

Editor's note: The Daily Tar Heel tain one roadway system," said Kumar Neppalli, traffic engineer for the town of Chapel Hill, citing U.S. 15-501.

If two different agencies maintained U.S. 15-501, the town would own the roadway section that's within local limits, and the state would claim the portion that exits Chapel Hill, Neppalli said. This dichotomy of responsibility

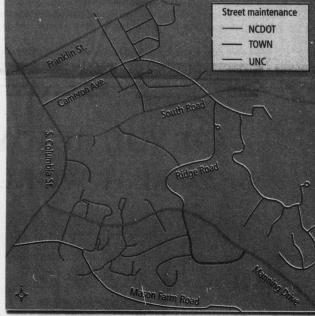
coupled with a lack of overall funding is why the town has opted not to take up the state's call for localities to own state roads, Neppalli said.

While the state qualifies for the funding needed to optimally maintain these road-ways, Neppalli said the town is unhappy with the money received on its end.

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When there's something wrong on the local roads, who you gonna call?

NCDOT Roads: (336) 570-6833 Chuck Edwards, Orange Country Rep. Town: (919) 968-2796 Bill Letteri, Public Works Dept. Director University: (919) 962-2069 Kirk Pelland, UNC Grounds Service Directo



Rivalry pushed aside to reach hoop dream

BY KELLY GIEDRAITIS

It was one for the record books this weekend, as Duke topped Carolina 3,688

After more than 57 hours of play, the Duke-Carolina Student Basketball Marathon set the record for the longest basketball game, pending certification from Guinness World Records.

Although final margin of victory of 244 points seems insurmountable, it is roughly equivalent to a five-point spread in a game in which each team scores in the 80s

Tired and fatigued, the 24 players involved and organizers stressed that the real winners were the children at Hoop Dreams Basketball Academy. The marathon raised \$60,000 for the organization, which helps children with

life-threatening illnesses develop socially and physically.

"I feel amazing," said UNC player David Baker after the game ended Monday at 6 p.m. and the children demonstrated their own basketball skills for the players. "I'd do it again tomorrow to see the smiles on these kids' faces.

UNC basketball coach Roy Williams stopped by Monday morning to cheer on the players, but he **PHOTO STORY** could not resist hand-Check inside ing out some coaching for images from advice to UNC's team.

Despite the intense rivalry between the this weekend's historic game schools, the players said PAGE 6 they developed friendships during the three-day long game.

"At first it was really competitive, and now it's not," Duke junior Kaylene Lewek said at about the 42-hour mark. "We're all friends now."

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Milestone win for Hatchell

No. 4 Tar Heels take down Wolfpack, remain undefeated



Tar Heel fans hold up signs in honor of Coach Sylvia Hatchell's 700th victory during her illustrious coaching career as UNC beat N.C. State on Sunday.

BY JACOB KARABELL

RALEIGH — Of Coach Sylvia Hatchell's 699 wins before Sunday, there were many

BASKETBALL UNC N.C. State

There were many when her team shot greater than 32 percent.
There were many

when her leading scorer converted more than two field goals in the game.

And there were many when her team sported an assist-to-turnover ratio better

Despite those flaws on the stat sheet after the game Hatchell displayed a grin and was adorned with a bouquet of flowers. Victory 700, in which North Carolina prevailed 65-53 against N.C. State at Reynolds Coliseum, not only enshrined Hatchell in the record books but preserved an undefeated season

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announcement

RUN FOR STUDENT OFFICE

The UNC Board of Elections will hold a compulsory candidate's meeting for the February campus elections at 5:45 p.m. today in the Union Cabaret. All candidates interested in running for any of the offices must attend.



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OFF THE BEATEN PATH

The Triangle Transit Authority will celebrate today the improved bus route between Chapel Hill and Hillsborough, featuring shorter travel time.

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NOTHING TO SNEEZE AT

As flu season wears on with nine documented cases of the illness in North Carolina, area health locations are running out of vaccines.

today in history

JAN. 17, 1947 ...

A Department of Radio is created by a faculty vote of 53 to 45. The department will offer training in program planning, writing and production.

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