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## EX-STUDENT ATTACKS SCHOOL

### POLICE: MAN KILLED FATHER BEFORE ATTACKING SCHOOL

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**HILLSBOROUGH** — A former Orange High School student opened fired on school grounds Wednesday afternoon and was arrested on charges of first-degree murder stemming from an earlier incident.

Orange County Sheriff Lindy Pendergrass said Alvaro Rafael Castillo, 19, of 230 Lipps Lane, shot his father at home before heading to the school at about 1 p.m.

Castillo is being held in Orange County Jail.

No serious injuries were reported at the school, though two students did sustain minor wounds.

School district spokeswoman Anne D'Annunzio said the first sign something was wrong came as Castillo's silver minivan sped past the guard who sits at the entrance to the student parking lot.

"It stopped up there by the patio," sophomore Jarrett Remington said. "This guy jumped out, and he started lighting fireworks or flares, and then he just started shooting."

Students often sit on the patio, which runs between two main halls of the school, and eat their lunches.

A bullet grazed one female student's shoulder, and flying glass very slightly hurt a male student.

The woman was treated and released from a hospital, and D'Annunzio said she saw the girl talking and laughing after the incident. The other student wasn't transported to the hospital.

Remington said the shooter wore a black trench coat and a bandana.

Two school resource officers saw the man shooting, approached him as he was firing and ordered him to drop his weapon and handcuffed him, according to a press release from the Orange County Sheriff's Department.

Castillo then told officials he had murdered his father, Rafael Huezco Castillo, the release states.

Officials found two rifles with Castillo, Pendergrass said.

Castillo had weapons, ammunition and homemade pipe bombs inside the van, the release states.

The Durham County Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad was called to take the bombs.

Police believe the crimes were premeditated.

Pendergrass said charges stemming from the school incident likely will follow today.

Castillo is scheduled to be in court today for his first appearance.

As Castillo was led from the sheriff's office to the squad car waiting

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Alvaro Rafael Castillo is placed into a squad car Wednesday after driving to Orange High School and shooting at students. Castillo also is accused of killing his father at his residence. No students were seriously injured, and Castillo will make his first appearance in court today in Hillsborough.

## A home after the storm

BY JULIE TURKEWITZ  
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The trio shows up regularly at Tupelo's, a Southern- and Creole-style bistro in Hillsborough. They order gumbo or shrimp remoulade and talk about home — New Orleans.

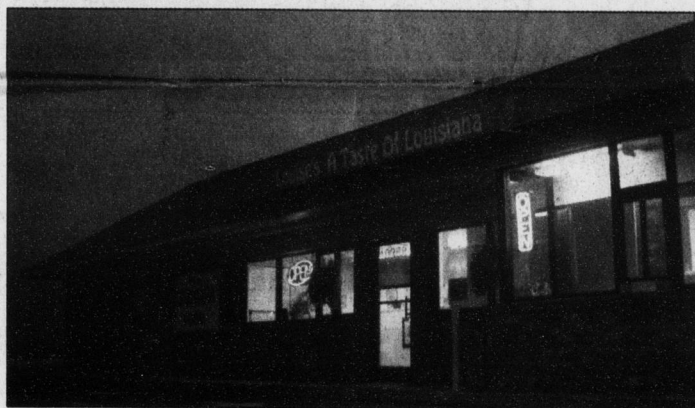
Tracy Carroll, co-owner of Tupelo's, doesn't know their names or even exactly where they're from.

What she knows is that the husband, wife and child who frequent her restaurant are just a few of the former Gulf Coast residents who came to North Carolina after Hurricane Katrina — and decided to stay.

A year after the hurricane, the largest pockets of families tossed by Katrina's winds into North Carolina reside in the Triangle and Charlotte.

They have joined churches, enrolled in schools and transported morsels of Crescent City culture to the Tar Heel state.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency received 5,037 applications from individuals, families and couples who gave an N.C. address when requesting hurricane-related aid, according to Renee



Brian Battistella moved to Clayton after Hurricane Katrina and opened his dream restaurant, Louise's A Taste of Louisiana. Among the menu favorites are a variety of authentic po'boys.

Hoffman at the state Department of Crime Control and Public Safety.

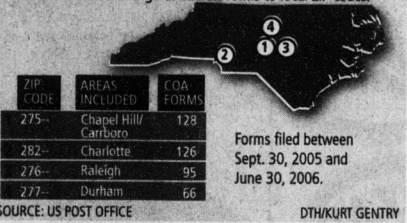
But it's impossible to determine the total number that came through the state, she said. And no one has tracked just how many decided to stay.

There's a reason for that, said Seanyea Rains, coordinator for the Durham Job Link Career Center's Katrina Project, which links former Gulf Coast residents in the Triangle

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### Evacuees in N.C.

The map illustrates the number of Hurricane Katrina and Rita evacuees who filed change of address forms to local ZIP codes.



## Sorority rush season kicks off with a bang

BY KELLY GIEDRAITIS  
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It's official: Rush has begun. Wednesday's Panhellenic kick-off event marked the occasion as nine hand-clapping, foot-stomping cheers introduced each sorority to potential new members.

Despite having to trek through the rain hundreds of students poured into the Student Union's Great Hall to learn more about the rush process.

No seat was left empty, and even those standing in the back had to cozy up with their neighbors.

The event allowed rushees to learn more about Panhellenic sororities and to meet the members of their rush groups — sets of about 20 women who tour houses and meet sorority members on

Friday. About 600 potential new members have signed up to participate in this fall's Panhellenic rush, said senior Sara Loges, a recruitment counselor coordinator.

Both new and returning students attended the event, eager to learn more about Greek life.

"I wanted to find out what it's like to be Greek," sophomore Sophia Estrada said.

She said that negative stereotypes of sorority members discouraged her from rushing last year but that now most of her friends are in sororities.

"I think coming into Carolina I had no interest in joining," Estrada said. "But after being here and seeing the girls it changed my mind."

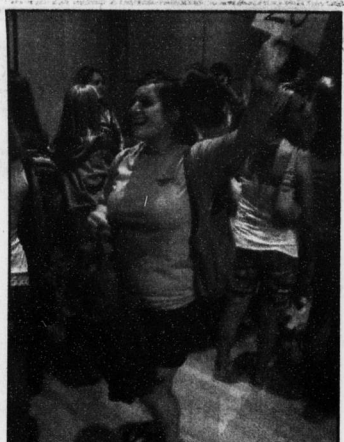
Many said they hope to make long-lasting friendships by joining a sorority or just meet new people during the rush process.

"Everyone said it was a really good experience," freshman Amanda Leger said. "It's a way to meet new people and get really good friends."

Speakers at the event introduced nine Panhellenic sororities on campus and encouraged potential new members to get excited about the rush experience.

They also explained that sororities are about more than social outings and are committed to completing philanthropy projects.

After an informational slideshow and the introduction of the sororities, rushees met



Senior Rachel Madsen tries to locate the women in her recruitment group at an event Wednesday in the Great Hall signaling the beginning of rush season for sororities.

their recruitment counselors — temporarily unaffiliated sorority members who serve as unbiased guides throughout the hectic rush process.

In keeping with the enforcement of the "no boys, no alcohol" rule for sorority members during the rush period, the kick-off event — which last year was held in Fraternality Court — relocated to the more neutral territory of the Student Union, said Lisa Foltz, president of the Panhellenic Council.

The rule also will force sororities to focus more on the potential new members' personalities rather than social encounters, she said.

"In the past girls have complained that they've not enough time to meet members," Foltz said. "We're working to change that this year."

Sororities are working to promote Greek life for everyone, not to recruit from certain social cliques, Loges said.

"They're trying to promote more the chapter experience," Loges said.

"It's not about, 'Oh, we're the hottest girls on campus, and we hang out with these people.'"

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## Bowles delays tuition proposal

### Four-year strategy pushed to October

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The much-awaited long-range tuition proposal that UNC-system President Erskine Bowles planned to present in September will be kept under wraps for another month.

The president was planning to present his four-year tuition plan to the tuition policy task force at its September meeting.

The proposal will determine the maximum annual tuition increase that each campus can request in the next four years.



UNC-system President Erskine Bowles wanted more time to consult leaders from campuses at all 16 schools.

Tuition increases that fall short of the maximum amount will be approved automatically.

Charles Mercer, co-chairman of the tuition policy task force, said he doubts the committee will meet in September. "I imagine we will postpone our meeting,"

Jim Phillips, chairman of the UNC-system Board of Governors, said that Bowles has solicited a wide range of

opinions about his tuition plan and that the president is delaying his proposal to carefully consider all the advice he has received.

"His feeling is that we've got one chance to get this right," Phillips said.

Hannah Gage, co-chairwoman of the tuition policy task force, said Bowles wanted to meet individually with all 32 board members, as well as the chancellors.

"He wanted some more time so that he could complete the process," she said.

The president is seeking input on all aspects of tuition policy, from financial aid concerns to guidelines on allocating money from tuition increases, Gage said.

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#### FILLING HOLES

Two days before the season is slated to kick off the Tar Heels still have openings at key positions after injuries have plagued the team.



### this day in history

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Greeting cards and posters are among merchandise no longer available for purchase at Student Stores because of the implementation of the Umstead Act.

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