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## Community looks back on tragic day

Campus remembers with ceremony, 5K

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Thousands of tiny American flags lined Polk Place in the shape of two towers Monday as the community came together to reflect on Sept. 11's fifth anniversary.

The remembrance sought to pay tribute to those who perished in the attacks, as well as the men and women who fight overseas.



For a slideshow of the day's events honoring Sept. 11 victims visit [dailytarheel.com](http://dailytarheel.com)

Students drifted toward the event as they walked through the quad around noon, eventually drawing a crowd of about 200.

Senior Hilary Hellens said she doesn't want Sept. 11 to fade out of anyone's mind.

"I hope it never becomes a statue in a museum," she said. "I hope that people always connect with this."

Several speakers reflected on the attacks and their hopes for the future as they addressed the audience.

After Student Body President James Allred led the Pledge of Allegiance, the guest speakers took to the lectern.

Douglas Dibbert, president of the General Alumni Association, shared memories and anecdotes of the six UNC alumni whose lives were claimed in the attacks.

Chapel Hill Fire Chief Dan Jones reflected upon the heroism demonstrated by New York City's firefighters and police officers in what he said was the largest rescue operation in the nation's history.

"We now call them heroes, but if they were still here today, they would say they were only doing their job," he said.

Senior Chris Arndt, an Iraq war veteran and Army ROTC Battalion Commander gave a military perspective.

Arndt, who joined the army reserve after witnessing the events of Sept. 11, recounted the acts of heroism that he saw during his year in Iraq.

He called for everyone — regardless of their political preference — to support the troops, noting the importance of public support for the armed services.

"I hate war, but I love the warrior," Arndt said.

After a moment of silence Bryant Applegate, senior counsel for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and a former firefighter, spoke his post-attacks shock.

He recalled telling his 11-year-old daughter

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DTH/JORDAN HARRELL

Senior business and economics major Trey Winslett (left) and junior business and political science major Tyson Grinstead place 3,000 flags for the victims of 9/11 on the grass of the lower quad on Monday afternoon. The display was sponsored by the Committee for a Better Carolina, UNC College Republicans, the Federalist Society and the Young American Society.

## ORANGE COUNTY RESIDENTS TAKE PAUSE TO REFLECT ON U.S. TRAGEDIES

BY ERIC SHEPHERD MARTIN  
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When Hillsborough resident Chavis McPherson heard of the attacks on the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001, he thought he was the victim of a prank.

"I was laying bricks in Durham and quit as soon as I heard," McPherson said. "I thought it was a big joke, I guess."

McPherson was one of more than 50 people who gathered Monday at the Old Orange County Courthouse in downtown Hillsborough for a remembrance ceremony hosted by the Orange County Board of Commissioners.

The ceremony also was held

in commemoration of the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

The event began with a speech by board chairman Barry Jacobs.

"We're here for the victims of Sept. 11, for the victims of Hurricane Katrina, but we're also here for the people still suffering today," Jacobs said, referring to homeless citizens and other people in need.

After Jacobs' speech came words from John "Blackfeather" Jeffries, a Hillsborough resident and a descendant of the Occaneechee tribe.

His daughter, Vivette "Morning Star" Jeffries-Logan, also gave an Occaneechee "pony peace prayer."

"We're here to commemo-

rate those who died. We're also here to commemorate those who lived," Jeffries said, walking away with tears in his eyes.

Copies of the U.S. Constitution and white candles were handed out and the U.S. flag was hung at half-staff.

The event ended with a trumpet performance of "Taps" by Hillsborough commissioner Eric Hallman.

Jayne Bomberg, an Orange County resident at the ceremony, said her two daughters were in Manhattan at the time of the terrorist attacks.

"She was getting ready to go to work and heard a plane over Fifth Avenue and said, 'My, that's low,'" Bomberg said of her daughter Joanna.

Other local officials who weren't at the county event said they too could vividly recall Sept. 11.

Carrboro Mayor Mark Chilton said he remembered driving to Hillsborough through particularly sunny weather that day in 2001.

"The contrast between that and the horrible events in New York was just terribly tremendous," Chilton said.

Chapel Hill Mayor Pro Tem Bill Strom said he thought a small aircraft hit the World Trade Center by mistake.

"I flipped on the TV and had the misfortune of seeing the second plane crash," Strom

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DTH/JULIA BARKER

Hillsborough resident Betty Eidenier listens to a Saponi peace prayer at a candlelit memorial ceremony outside the Old Orange County Courthouse on Monday.

## Moeser cautions employees

BY ERIC JOHNSON  
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The UNC-Chapel Hill Employee Forum was dealt a blow Monday in its efforts to champion the right of collective bargaining for state workers.

While voicing general support for the rights of University staff, Chancellor James Moeser warned that the forum would be overstepping its bounds by trying to directly influence a legislative issue.

"It is not appropriate ... for the forum, which was established to advise the chancellor, to engage as a body in directly lobbying legislators," Moeser wrote in a letter to forum chairman Ernie Patterson.

Patterson was among the strongest advocates of a resolution passed last Wednesday calling for the repeal of North Carolina's prohibition on collective bargaining for state employees. Under the current statute, state workers are forbidden from unionizing or engag-

ing in organized negotiations with their employers.

The chancellor's letter makes clear that any formal advocacy on the issue will have to come from the UNC-system president, Erskine Bowles, with approval from the system's Board of Governors.

But longtime observers of the system's lobbying efforts suggest Bowles and the board might be reluctant to add collective bargaining to their priorities.

"I don't think there's really any chance at all that we're going to be looking at unionization authorization," said Judith Wegner, a four-year member of the system's Faculty Assembly and former chairwoman of UNC-CH's Faculty Council.

The system's Faculty Assembly considered a collective bargaining resolution in April. Members of the assembly said at the time that they wanted to avoid

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## Inclusion conference kicks off

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When Chancellor James Moeser enrolled at the University of Texas-Austin, his family was hard-pressed to pay the \$25 tuition bill and additional fees.

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Panelists weigh the affordability of a college education

Participants point to UNC as a model for diversity  
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Chancellor James Moeser gave a keynote address at the event, which focuses on college access.

institutions of higher education.

Meeting the needs of students who cannot afford the education they deserve should be a top priority for all universities, Moeser said Monday during a keynote address.

The address was part of a four-day conference hosted by UNC named "The Politics of Inclusion: Higher

Education at a Crossroads."

The event brings together university officials from across the nation to discuss how to make higher education more accessible and affordable.

"We really do have a growing national problem," Moeser said after the speech.

Rising costs of college have spurred a growing disparity in educational achievement rates between the wealthy and poor.

Many who would attend college opt instead to help support their families at home, Moeser said.

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## Pope donation ends Western studies rift

BY BETHANY BLACK  
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The John William Pope Foundation's announcement Thursday that it will donate \$2.3 million to the University ended two years of controversy regarding faculty control of curriculum changes.

The foundation will give \$100,000 per year to UNC's football program from a \$2 million endowment. An additional \$100,000 a year for three years will fund fellowship opportunities for undergradu-

ates studying Western cultures.

The announcement came after a struggle that saw faculty come together to oppose the donation process and the Pope Foundation throw out revised proposals. The foundation funds the Pope Center for Higher Education Policy, a conservative policy think tank.

Andrew Perrin, professor of sociology and a leading opponent of the Western studies curriculum, said he considers the foundation's decision a victory for the faculty.

"We managed to protect the curriculum," Perrin said.

Perrin said he believes losing money originally earmarked for academics was worth maintaining faculty control.

"The best outcome would have been to receive money for the University to pursue honest, intellectual goals," he said. "The Pope Center made it clear they weren't interested in that."

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## Pope Foundation controversy

**November 2004**

Students and faculty lodge complaints about a possible \$14 million donation from the Pope Foundation to fund a program in Western Cultures, saying it could hurt UNC's academic freedom.

**Fall 2005**

A task force convenes to discuss guidelines on donation and curriculum development.

**September**

Officials announce the foundation will donate \$2.3 million. Of that, \$2 million will go to the football program and \$300,000 will fund summer research fellowships in Western cultures.

**April 2005**

The foundation rejects a revised proposal for the Studies in Western Cultures program claiming the plan is incomplete.

**April**

A resolution to reject the foundation's funding for a Western culture curriculum is presented to the faculty after a modified proposal request of \$5 million over six years for programming.

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### CORRECTION

Due to a reporting error, a Monday front page story, "Attack forever changed students' world perspective," stated there are 83 students in Arabic courses. There are 83 students in elementary Arabic courses. The Daily Tar Heel apologizes for the error.

### announcement

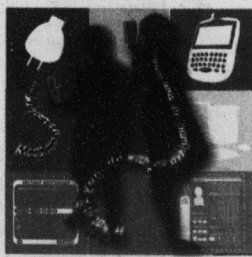
#### WE'RE HIRING

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#### GET WIRED

Check out the debut of "Plugged in," our newest monthly feature that aims to provide readers with helpful technology tidbits.



### this day in history

#### SEPT. 12, 1974 ...

Student Body President Marcus Williams says the Carolina Gay Association might have problems getting student funding because its members remain anonymous.

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Partly cloudy  
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