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## RETURN TO THE THRONE TAR HEELS TAKE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

### BY THE NUMBERS

**19**

National championships won by North Carolina

**27**

Consecutive wins by the Tar Heels

**97**

Career games won by UNC's senior class, out of 103 played

**15**

Career NCAA Tournament goals scored by senior forward Heather O'Reilly

**7**

Freshmen to start a single half — the highest number in Tar Heel history

**2**

NCAA Tournament's Most Outstanding Offensive Player awards won by O'Reilly



DTH PHOTOS/LARRY BAUM

The 2006 North Carolina women's soccer team crowds around the NCAA National Championship trophy after defeating previously unbeaten Notre Dame in the title game for the program's 19th national championship. The Tar Heels finished the season on the strength of a 27-game winning streak after dropping their season opener for the first time since 1983.

### BY SAM ROSENTHAL

**CARY** — Just one day after Notre Dame's Kerri Hanks beat out North Carolina's Heather O'Reilly for the Missouri Athletic Club Hermann Trophy — the highest individual honor in collegiate soccer — O'Reilly led her team over Hanks' to claim collegiate soccer's top team honor, the 2006 NCAA Championship. Of course, O'Reilly knows there is no "M.A.C." in "team." Behind the stellar play of

UNC's star senior in the last start of her career and freshman Casey Nogueira in her first, the top-seeded Tar Heels defeated the No. 2 seed Fighting Irish 2-1 to capture the 19th national title in school history and the 18th since the inception of the women's NCAA Tournament. "We are absolutely thrilled to be national champions," UNC coach Anson Dorrance said. "I am so excited that we were able to do this with a young collection of kids that just

basically didn't know how to quit." A pro-UNC crowd of 8,349 fans crowded into SAS Soccer Park in Cary. "There was a lot of blue in the crowd, wasn't there?" said Notre Dame head coach Randy Waldrum. Those fans haven't felt blue much this year, as North Carolina won its 27th straight game and extended a streak that began after Texas A&M beat the Tar Heels in the first game of the season. Notre Dame (25-1-1) had itself not lost all year, and the two teams on the field Saturday played like the two best in the country. The game went back-and-forth early on, but Nogueira changed everything in the 18th minute.

The freshman posted up on one Notre Dame defender while surrounded on all sides by two or three others. Against most players, Notre Dame would have forced a turnover. But Nogueira turned completely around and sent a perfect pass between the defenders and a few yards in front of O'Reilly — the Apolo Anton Ohno of women's soccer. O'Reilly outraced Notre Dame goalie Lauren Karas to the ball, deftly evaded the keeper and carefully shot over and around the scrambling Notre Dame defenders and into the net. "Heather did a great job of

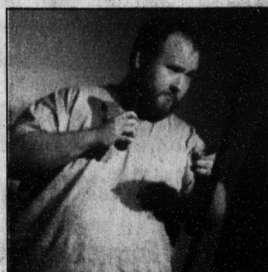


UNC erupts in celebration and rushes the field after beating Notre Dame on Sunday in the NCAA title game 2-1 at SAS Soccer Park in Cary.

## Comics seek stand-up niche in Chapel Hill

### BY HARRY KAPLOWITZ

**Zach Ward** likes people laughing. From founding Chapel Hill Players while he was an undergraduate at UNC to establishing Dirty South Improv after moving back to Chapel Hill from Chicago, Ward's actions have shaped the community's comedy scene in a visible way. But Ward, executive producer and artistic director of DSI Comedy Theater, knows something integral is missing in that milieu: stand-up comedy. About a year ago, Ward conceived of Sunday Night Stand-Up, a monthly event in which stand-up comedians hone their craft in an alternative environment. "We're a comprehensive comedy



DTH/PAUL KIERNAN Greensboro resident Zach Stinnet performs Sunday in Carboro at the Dirty South Standup Comedy Showcase for local comedians.

theater, and with the stand-up night, we've been offering stand-up comedians the opportunity to come to DSI once a month to do their thing," he said.

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MONDAY SPOTLIGHT

## Faculty salaries not up to par

### UNC striving to keep pace of peers

### BY SHANNAN BOWEN

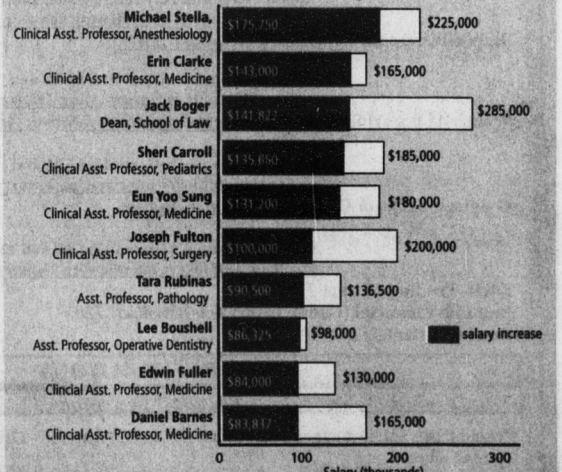
This year University faculty members saw the highest collective pay increase in the 21 years that Executive Associate Provost Steve Allred has been at UNC. More than 90 percent of UNC's 3,265 faculty members received pay increases for 2006-07, according to faculty salary records from the University's Office of Human Resources. The pay increases include salary added for any position change, pay raises and other stipends. "If you pay competitive salaries, you get the best faculty and keep them," Allred said. Faculty retention is the University's top priority. The rise in paychecks is a result of a 6-percent increase in faculty salaries appropriated by the N.C.

legislature. In addition to campus-based tuition and private sources, each department and school was able to add that amount to the money they allocate for salaries. But even with \$26.5 million added across the board since July 1, the University sits below the average of its 15 peer institutions' faculty salaries for professors, associate professors and assistant professors. Below the curve The average pay for a professor at UNC is \$115,300. The average for 15 of UNC's peer institutions' professor salaries is \$121,720. UNC wants to be in the 80th percentile in highest faculty salaries, but administrators say there's a long way to go. "By our calculations, it would take us about \$40 million to get us in the 80th percentile of all our

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### Top 10 faculty salary increases

The University has handed out \$26.5 million in pay increases this year. Pay increases can include raises, salary for position changes and other stipends.



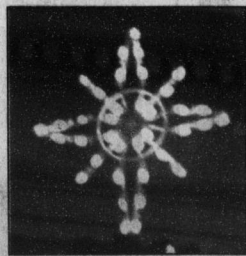
SOURCE: UNC OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES DTH/KURT GENTRY

### CORRECTION

Due to a reporting error, the Friday front-page story, "Day aims for AIDS insight," incorrectly stated that 793 N.C. residents have tested positive for HIV. That number was diagnosed with AIDS from January to September. The Daily Tar Heel apologizes for the error.

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**GREEN SCENE** UNC passes new policy aimed at cutting back on energy use  
**PAYING IT FORWARD** Law students are raising money for charity during holidays  
**MEET THE PUBLIC** The Village Project Inc. holds first open house in its six years



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**HOLIDAY GREETINGS** Downtown Chapel Hill hosts its first Festival of Lights, which included carriage rides, a Santa's Workshop and the lighting of a community tree.

### this day in history

**DEC. 4, 1994 ...** UNC's Charlotte Smith dunks a basketball during a game against N.C. A&T State University, becoming the second woman ever to do so.

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