

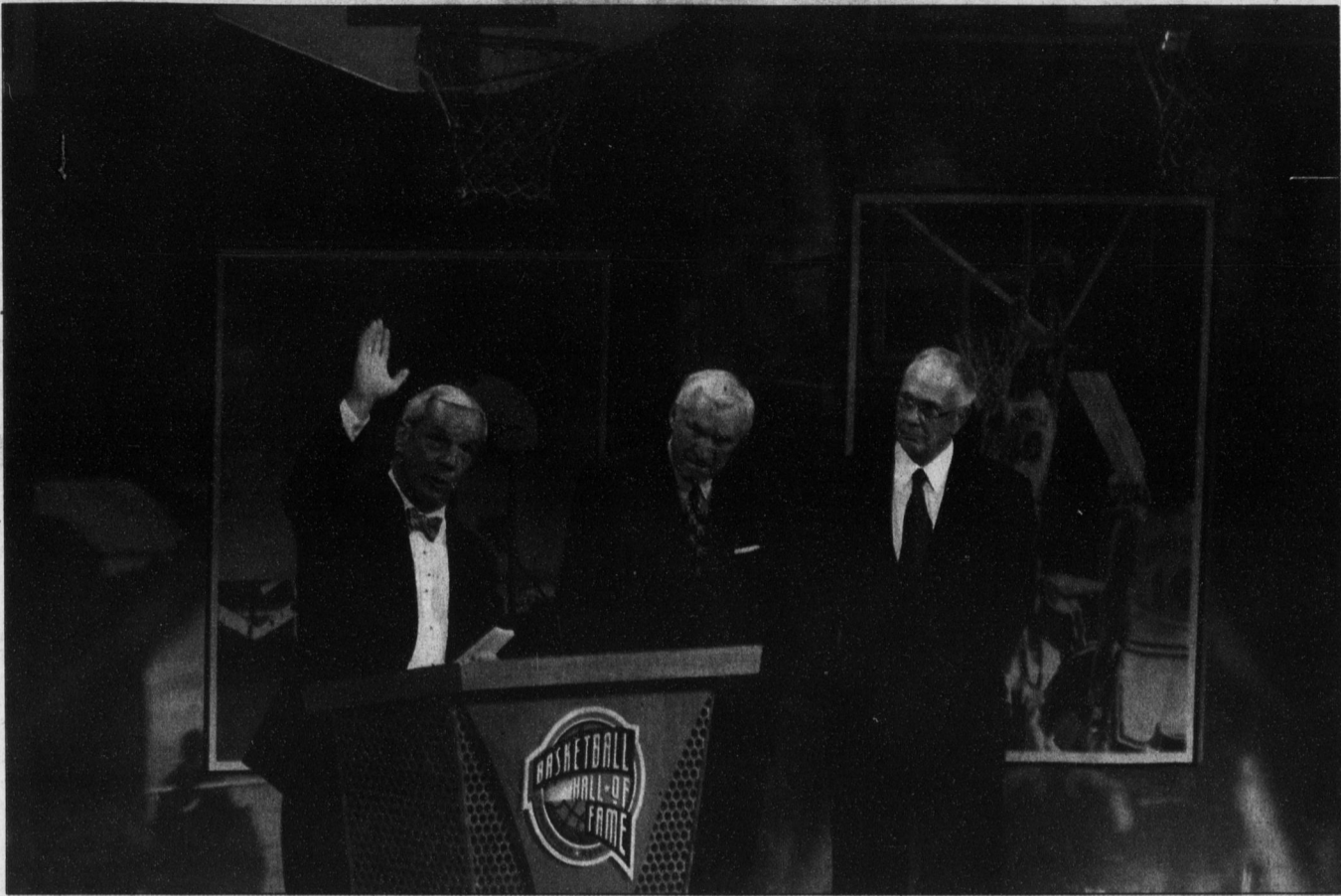
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Roy Williams acknowledges his mother during his speech onstage with Dean Smith and Larry Brown at the Basketball Hall of Fame. "Mom, I know you're watching," Williams said.

BY POWELL LATIMER
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SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — From Kansas to Chapel Hill to national championships, Roy Williams has always followed in Dean Smith's footsteps.

Those footsteps led the country boy from rural North Carolina all the way to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, where Williams was enshrined Friday night.

SPORTS BLOG

Read about the Hall of Fame trip at dailytarheel-sports.wordpress.com.

Coach Smith, this is truly hard to put into words," Williams said, addressing the former UNC coach from the podium during the ceremony. "You were and are my mentor, my teacher, my friend. Ninety-five percent of what I do came from you."

It was fitting, therefore, that Smith was one of the members who introduced his protege, along with fellow Hall of Fame member and former North Carolina assistant coach Larry Brown.

Williams joined the elite club

of basketball legends with some serious credentials of his own. He accumulated 500 wins faster than any college coach in the history of Division I basketball, won a national championship with UNC in 2005 and is the third coach in history to lead two separate teams to a national championship game.

And Williams' legacy is based not on his winning percentage or trophies, but on the relationships he forms with players.

Those relationships came out in force Friday night as a star-studded group of 22 former Jayhawk and Tar Heel players came out to support their coach and offer their congratulations.

Almost all of the players could relate just how their former coach had affected their lives. May's story is typical of Williams' influence. When he arrived in Chapel Hill, May was overweight and often injured. Under Williams' tutelage, he slimmed down, gained enough speed to run his coaches' high-octane offense and eventually led UNC to the 2005 national championship in which he was named

the Final Four Most Outstanding Player.

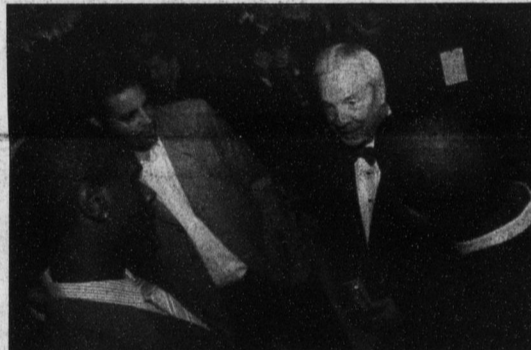
"Coach Williams just helped me become a man, so to speak," May said. "Always held me accountable for my actions on the court. He's a father figure, and he's my coach. He'll always be my coach."

Just as powerful as May's is the story of Wayne Simien, one of the players who Williams left at Kansas when he took the UNC head-coaching position in 2003. Simien, who committed to Williams and Kansas barely after he entered high school, was one of the players most embittered when Williams left.

"I gave my right arm for that man," Simien said after hearing the news of Williams' departure.

On Friday night, however, Simien had nothing but praise for the man who recruited him. "He means so much to me as a player," Simien said. "I only played for him for two years, but I've known him since I was in the seventh grade. He's been not only a coach to so many of us here, but a positive male role model and a father figure, as well."

Perhaps the reason that



Former UNC basketball players Marvin Williams, Sean May and Raymond Felton congratulate coach Williams at his induction Friday.

Williams is so beloved by his players has roots in his own humble beginnings. Growing up dirt-poor in Asheville, Williams played junior varsity basketball for UNC. Later, then-Tar Heel coach Smith noticed the young man and added him to his staff after only five years of coaching at Charles D. Owen High School in Swannanoa.

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UNC alumni already in the Hall of Fame:

- Ben Carnevale (1970)
- Dean Smith (1982)
- Billy Cunningham (1986)
- Robert McAdoo (2000)
- Larry Brown (2002)
- James Worthy (2003)

Board shuns ASG's Jones

Wants his legal issues resolved

BY ERIC JOHNSON
SENIOR WRITER

Despite public statements to the contrary, the UNC-system Board of Governors is making its influence felt in the continuing controversy about Cole Jones and his legal situation.

As president of the UNC-system Association of Student Governments, Jones is entitled to serve as the official student representative on the board, even as he appeals an Aug. 1 conviction for misdemeanor assault.

University officials have publicly said they have no role in deciding who serves as the student representative.

But according to several student-body presidents and ASG officers, board members have made clear their discomfort with allowing Jones to serve unless his conviction is overturned.

It was board Chairman Jim Phillips who encouraged Jones to wait until the outcome of his Sept. 18 appeal hearing before taking his seat on the board.

"I think he would be a much more effective member of the board if he waits until he has dealt with the situation that has befallen him," Phillips said. "That's the advice I gave him."

That recommendation caused controversy between Jones and his officers when Jones failed to attend the board's first meeting of the academic year, which was held last week.

University officials have maintained that it was Jones' decision, free of any pressure, to skip the meeting.

But after being instructed Tuesday by the ASG's Council of Student Body Presidents to take his seat as soon as possible, Jones contacted University officials to request that he be sworn in.

He was told it was too late. "Given the time frame, no one was prepared to swear him in," said Kemal Atkins, UNC-system director for academic and student

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Coastal insurance rates rising

BY ALEXANDER TROWBRIDGE
ASSISTANT STATE & NATIONAL EDITOR

Tropical Storm Gabrielle — the seventh named storm of this hurricane season — moved slowly over the Outer Banks on Sunday, with top winds of 50 mph.

The storm hit as homeowners, state governments and insurance agencies try to come to terms with rising risks and soaring costs. Coasts across the nation have seen greater hurricane activity during the past three years, and insurance agencies have been taking that trend into account.

Candace Thorson, deputy executive director of the National Conference of Insurance Legislators, said the cycle of increased hurricane activity has discouraged insurance companies from providing coastal home insurance, at least at their normal rates.

"That's made it very difficult

for homeowners to get insurance," Thorson said. "States are in a tough bind."

The lack of affordable coastal home insurance has led states to sometimes take extreme measures in response to citizen complaints.

Thorson said the situation is difficult and complex.

Lawmakers in states such as Mississippi, South Carolina and Florida are doing whatever it takes to appease their constituents, who face escalating home insurance rates, including providing incentives for insurance companies and creating insurers of last resort.

But in this regard, North Carolina is different from other states.

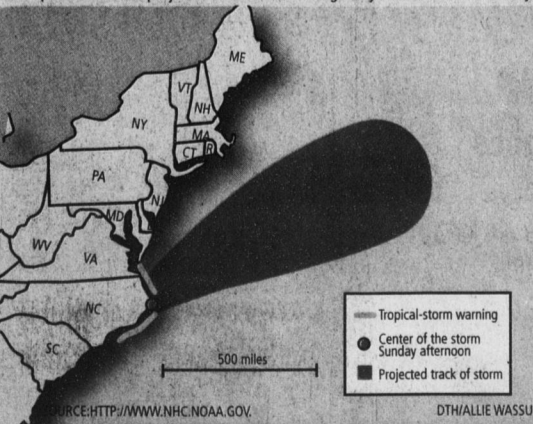
Residents of the state's coast have guaranteed coverage — they just pay more for it.

Chrissy Pearson, director of

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Tropical storm Gabrielle moves away

Gabrielle briefly touched eastern North Carolina on Sunday, with peak winds of 50 mph. The storm is projected to continue moving away from the coast Monday.



SOURCE: [HTTP://WWW.NHC.NOAA.GOV](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov)

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Study abroad delays transferring credit

BY AARON FIEDLER
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Staffing shortages and uncooperative foreign institutions have led to a backlog of credit transfers for UNC students who recently studied abroad.

The Study Abroad Office lost several of its advisers and now is being forced to prioritize all student requests.

"I understand students' frustration," said Bob Miles, associate dean for study abroad and international exchanges. "I understand the student who has been overseas for a semester. They are expecting a quick transfer."

The office is bringing the most pressing issues to the front, leav-

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What to do

If you're graduating in December, need credits for financial aid or have other special circumstances:

> Contact the Study Abroad Office via e-mail.

> Explain the details of your case so that you can receive immediate priority review.

> For more information, go to www.studyabroad.unc.edu or call 962-7002.

All other students:

> Requests will begin to be processed in October.

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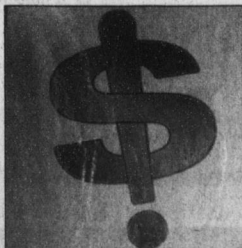
ARTS DAY

Student performance groups from across campus will set up shop in the Pit today to give performances and hand out information.

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BACK TO BASICS

A UNC student is voluntarily going homeless this year, spending his nights sleeping in a hammock in the woods and packing up his other possessions in his car.



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HIP HOP AND MONEY

Russell Simons and Benjamin Chavis sponsored the Hip-Hop Action Summit at N.C. A&T to give financial advice. Rapper Mike Jones was a panelist.

this day in history

SEPT. 10, 1981 ...

Rameses the ram is discovered missing from his Orange County farm. The ram was thought to have been stolen by East Carolina University students as a prank.

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