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FAMILY WEEKEND

This weekend, thousands of UNC parents and siblings will come to UNC to visit their students. The University will provide several activities throughout the weekend. For a full list, see page 5.

UNC prepares for Hispanic student growth

Officials try to cater to group

BY ANDREW DUNN
FEATURES EDITOR

At the current 20 percent growth rate, Hispanics will overtake blacks as the University's largest minority in the year 2013.

And as the number of Hispanics on campus continues to soar, two groups in particular — the Carolina Hispanic Association and the office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs — have begun stepping up efforts to account for the changing dynamics.

"I don't know when it's going to level off or if it will," said Terri Houston, the department's director for recruitment and multicultural programs. "It doesn't matter. We'll be prepared. We're excited

about the growth." Pedro Carreno, Chispa president, said the increase of the Hispanic population on campus will help fuel even more growth.

And one of the main efforts to encourage that growth is through the fourth annual Hispanic Recruitment Weekend, hosted by Chispa, which begins today.

Hispanic students from across the state will be invited to campus and hosted by Hispanic UNC students, Carreno said. Visitors will sit in on classes and attend a panel discussion.

"It's motivational seeing people you can relate to," Carreno said. "Just seeing the number of minority students is very comforting. ... It lets them see the Latino side of Carolina."

The office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs is also a sponsor of the event. The Hispanic community has become a higher priority for the department in recent years.

For the division that meant hiring

Carrboro sees new voters

Annexed voters may elect fresh faces

BY ANDREW DUNN
SENIOR WRITER

When Carrboro annexed six unwilling subdivisions last year, it brought more than new taxes to the land north of Homestead Road.

The repercussions of the unpopular decision could have a sizable effect this year in the first municipal elections in which the new residents can vote.

Camden, Fox Meadow, The Highlands, Highland Meadows,

Highlands North and Meadow Run neighborhoods were annexed in 2005.

And some candidates from the annexed area, which is about four miles from downtown, are using the issue to woo voters, though most candidates from pre-annexed Carrboro insist it is not something that should be heavily weighted.

Three of the town's Board of Aldermen spots are up for grabs, with just two incumbents running to keep their seats.

And three of the four alderman

challengers live in the annexed area, as does one mayoral challenger.

After the Board of Aldermen voted 5-2 in January 2005 to annex the land, about 850 residents were brought into the town.

But the newest town residents didn't gain voting rights until Jan. 31, 2006, and thus couldn't vote in the 2005 municipal elections.

Several of the candidates from above the line are using that situation — what some have called "deliberate disenfranchisement" — as a campaign mantra.

"If (voters) approve of the injustices heaped on the annexees, then it won't matter at all," mayoral can-

didate Brian Voyce said. "They only come up here to tell us how to live."

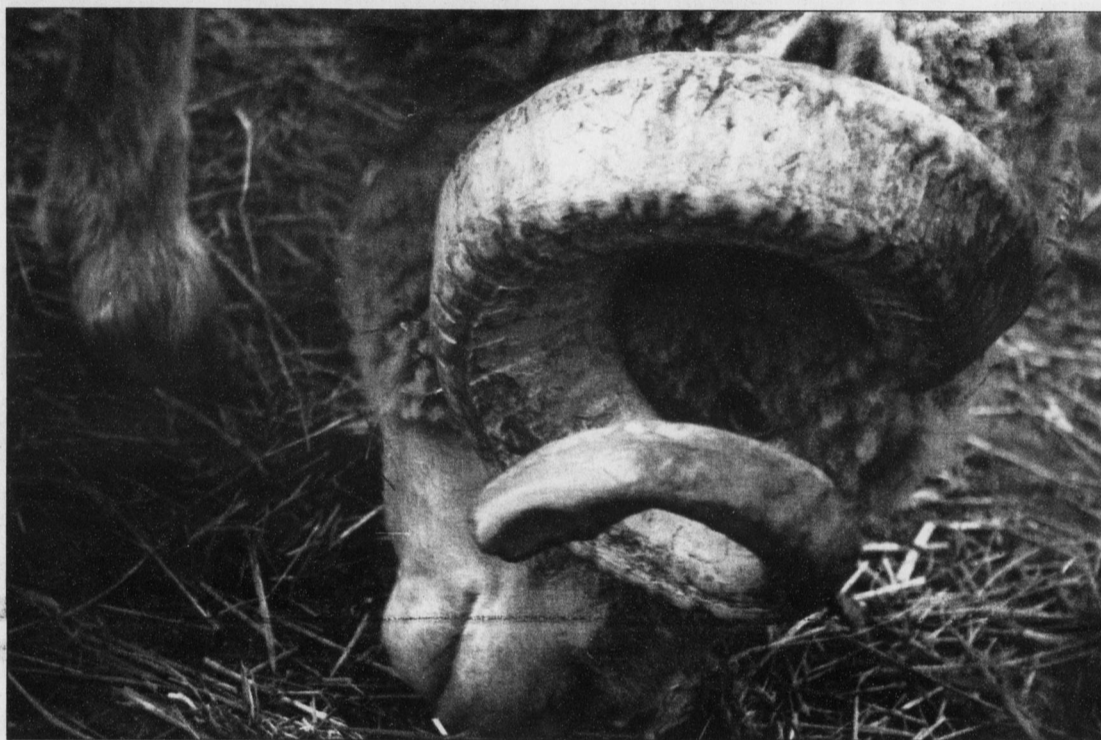
And the only current candidate who ran and lost in 2005 said she should have a much better chance this year to win a seat.

Katrina Ryan, from The Highlands, lost to John Herrera by 511 votes, 1,247 to 736. But Ryan largely blames the loss on the fact that her neighborhood had not yet gained Carrboro voting rights.

"None of my friends and neighbors could vote," Ryan said. "My husband couldn't even vote for me."

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"We try to be gentle with them and not have anything negative attached to human contact. ... (Rameses is) more like a house pet." **ROB HOGAN, FARMER**



DTH/ARMANDO ALTAMIRANO

Rameses, UNC's mascot, lives at Hogan's Magnolia View Farm, where he is cared for by Rob Hogan, Anne Leonard and their two sons, James, 13, and Henry, 10. It takes the family 30 minutes to get Rameses ready for games, which includes painting his horns and putting on a Caroline blue blanket.

BORN AND BRED

Carrboro family farm raises ram for UNC

BY RACHAEL OEHRING
STAFF WRITER

Right before the season kickoff at Kenan Stadium, UNC fans, alumni and students alike banged on the stands in excitement.

And UNC's mascot, Rameses, the representative of the spirit and history of the University, stood on the edge of the field — chewing on the hedges.

This is not the Rameses who flamboyantly leads the band and dances with the cheerleaders. This Rameses is real, down to his woolly

coat and penchant for eating shrubbery.

The tradition was started in 1924 by a cheerleader who thought the University needed a mascot, inspired by a popular football player nicknamed "The Battering Ram" — Jack Merritt.

The tradition of having a live ram at football games has been passed down through one local family for 83 years.

"It goes back four generations to my great-granddad," local farmer Rob Hogan said of the long-standing family custom. After his great-grandfather was killed by a bull two years later, Hogan's grandfather stepped up to carry on the tradition.

Hogan's Magnolia View Farm is even older than the University. Started in 1757, the farm

stretched out more than 1,600 acres and was a dairy farm until 1929.

Throughout the years, the farm has been whittled to its current 180 acres, and the only livestock still raised on it are beef cattle and sheep — but the sheep aren't for meat or wool.

"The only reason we have the sheep is to provide the ram to the University," Hogan said.

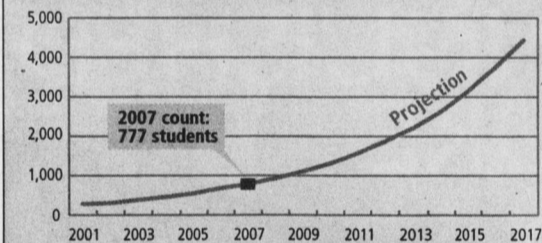
Hogan isn't sure how his family became the official ram provider of the University, but he thinks it has something to do with the farm's deep ties to the school.

Hogan's ancestor Col. John Hogan was one of the first benefactors of the University and gave 200 acres of his own land to help start

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Hispanic student level projection

The Hispanic student population at UNC is estimated to increase by nearly 470 percent in the next 10 years, reaching almost 4,500 students by 2017.



SOURCE: DIVERSITY AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS DTH/REBECCA ROLFE

Gala part of BSM 40th anniversary

BY DAVID GILMORE
STAFF WRITER

Members of one of UNC's largest cultural organizations are celebrating its 40-year anniversary tonight with a gala at the Millennium Hotel in Durham.

The gala is one of many events celebrating the creation of the Black Student Movement in 1967.

"It's a happy time, but it's also a time to reflect on the history of the organization," said Derek Sykes, president of the BSM. "We have to make sure our voice is really being heard."

Organizers of the annual gala said they expect 150 students to attend. The event is open to everyone, and tickets are \$15 for individual attendees and \$25 for couples who purchase tickets before 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 per person at the door. The proceeds will benefit the United Negro College Fund and Ms. BSM's service project. Ms. BSM will be selected tonight.

The only candidate is senior Angela Crocker, so she is nearly guaranteed the title. Crocker also is running for Homecoming Queen

"The BSM basically is a place called home. It became a home away from home."

RACINE PETERS, BSM VICE PRESIDENT

against senior Meredith Jones.

A slideshow presentation with pictures of the BSM's past also will be shown at the gala.

The group's official anniversary celebration kicks off Nov. 11 and lasts through Nov. 17, and includes a march through campus and artistic performances.

"I think it's a time of celebrating our past, especially the people that came before us," said Racine Peters, vice president of the organization. "We wouldn't be able to attend this school so freely or have the privileges we have now if it weren't for those individuals who paved the way for us in the past."

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Cambodian dance fuses world cultures

BY ALEXANDRIA SHEALY
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Sophiline Cheam Shapiro has come a long way from her days working in a field collecting cow dung in rural Cambodia during the Khmer Rouge regime.

Now as the artistic director of the Khmer Arts Academy — a dance troupe specializing in Cambodian classical dance — Shapiro has traveled around the world both as a performer in other groups and as the head of her own company.

"Pamina Devi: A Cambodian Magic Flute," the company's classical dance rendition of Mozart's famed opera choreographed by Shapiro, will be performed at 8

p.m. today in Memorial Hall.

It is presented in Khmer, Cambodia's national language, with English subtitles.

While the performance includes the same characters and premise of the original opera, Shapiro incorporated into the dance her own experiences during the frequent transfer of political power in Cambodia.

"The characters forget to provide the environment, the warmth and the nurture to Pamina Devi," Shapiro said. "This is reflecting through my own experience through the changing political system in Cambodia."

Shapiro, who incorporated the academy in 2001, said that while she

ATTEND THE SHOW
Time: 8 p.m. today
Location: Memorial Hall
Info: www.carolinaperformingarts.org

didn't think she could be as expressive as Mozart, she was willing to try when renowned American theater director Peter Sellars came up with the idea for "Pamina Devi."

"With this work, people both in Cambodia and in international audiences appreciate it," Shapiro said. "It is a new production, and the costume is beautiful, and it represents both the preservation of the classical dance even though I

choreograph new movements; it's still in the same frame of work."

Classical Cambodian dance takes dancers more than nine years of training to become qualified to perform.

The form is traditionally a court dance that has been performed for the country's royalty for thousands of years. Dancers perform by bending back their limbs to express characters' emotions while wearing golden outfits that must be sewn onto the body.

One of the reasons Emil Kang, UNC's executive director for the arts, chose "Pamina Devi" for per-

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GRADUATE SCHOOLS The GPSF talks tuition and smoking at a meeting.

HALO TOURNNEY Students battle for bragging rights as best halo player.

BANNED BOOKS Town and University events wrap up banned book week.

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JAZZ SINGER

Four-time Grammy award-winner Dianne Reeves will bring her jazz vocals to

Memorial Hall as part of the Carolina Performing Arts Series.



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BUBBLES ABOUND

Chill Bubble Tea will open on East Franklin Street in November. Existing bubble tea vendors are Lime and Basil, the Daily Grind and the Global Cup Cafe.

this day in history

OCT. 5, 1947 ...

Frank Porter Graham, president of the consolidated UNC system, leaves Chapel Hill to begin his tour as U.S. delegate on the U.N. Indonesian Commission.

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