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Chancellor won't request tuition hike

In-state undergraduate rate wouldn't move

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Chancellor James Moeser said Thursday that he will not propose any tuition increase for in-state undergraduates for the 2008-09 academic year. "I am recommending that there be a zero percent increase in resident tuition," Moeser said.

A letter has already been sent to Provost

Bernadette Gray-Little, who co-chairs the campus tuition and fee advisory task force, advising her of the decision.

The move is part of an ongoing effort to tie tuition rates more closely to state appropriations.

This summer, legislators provided a substantial windfall for the state's public universities, and for UNC-Chapel Hill in particular.

As a result, UNC-system officials are

calling on campuses to strongly limit resident tuition hikes.

"The General Assembly has done their part," said Rob Nelson, UNC-system vice president for finance. "So (system President Erskine Bowles) thinks it's a year for low tuition."

A revised tuition plan enacted last year caps annual tuition increases at a maximum of 6.5 percent and automatically reduces that cap in proportion to generous state funding.

System administrators are still working to determine exactly what those caps will

be, but they have already provided preliminary numbers to several campuses.

Moeser said he expects UNC-CH's cap to be near zero and characterized his support for no resident increase as a pre-emptive move.

System officials said they expect low tuition proposals from other schools.

"I do expect it to be a year where a lot of the campuses will respect what the legislature did," Nelson said.

Ken Peacock, chancellor at Appalachian

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Tuition: The story so far

October 2006: The UNC system adopts a new tuition policy. In years when the state provides ample funding, campuses will be limited in how much they can raise in-state tuition.

August 2007: State legislators approve a generous funding package for the university system, well above the historic average.

October 2007: System officials strongly encourage campuses to limit or stop resident tuition hikes, in recognition of the extra state funding.

UNC celebrates global goals

INTERNATIONAL MISSION FOCUS OF UNIVERSITY'S 214TH BIRTHDAY

10:30 a.m. A procession will form at the Old Well

11 a.m. Professor Michael Hunt will give the keynote address

BY KATE SULLIVAN
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On the University's 214th birthday, administrators will dedicate a flagship global education building that will serve as one of UNC's links beyond the limits of Chapel Hill.

Two-hundred fourteen years ago, the first cornerstone was laid on the Old East foundation, marking the first building for the nation's first public university.

And today the FedEx Global Education Center will formally become a part of UNC's campus to serve as a hub for all things international.

When the University began, people hardly traveled farther than the confines of the state.

Since then, the borders of North Carolina have become virtually limitless, allowing UNC students to explore the world around them while attempting to attract more international focus to the Tar Heel state.

And while UNC is making strides in defying borders, attracting the rest of the world to the Tar Heel state remains an ongoing project.

Launching a world campus

With a rapidly expanding global economy and marketplace, students and faculty are hard-pressed to keep up with everything going on in the corners of the world.

"Globalization is probably one of the biggest factors that has contributed to the current competitive environment that students find themselves graduating into," said Holden Thorp, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. "I think if students want to understand their circumstances — understanding internationalization is critical."

Kathryn Goforth, acting associate director for advising in the Study Abroad Office, said that no matter what the major, students should consider going abroad during their undergraduate careers.

"It's going to give you a totally different perspective than if you stay here in Chapel Hill," she said. "I think it makes our University degree have more depth to it."

But UNC's global initiative is

not tied solely to students studying around the world. In conjunction with the University's mission of public service, there are international opportunities to lend a hand.

As part of the senior class campaign, the 2008 class will donate money to Carolina for Kibera, which works to fight poverty and combat health issues in Kenya.

The University's concern extends even as far as international health policies. Across UNC's medical schools there are programs in more than 50 countries.

Those international efforts, which span the curriculum and research efforts of faculty and students, will continue to be a major University focus as the years press on.

"I think when you look at what we're trying to do intellectually in describing the problems of the world and trying to inspire people to go figure out solutions to them

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DTH FILE/LAUREN COWART

Bobby Frasier, Danny Green and Tyler Hansbrough show their moves on the court during a Hawaiian dance at last year's Late Night with Roy.

Basketball starts with Late Night

BY DAVID GILMORE
STAFF WRITER

Tyler Hansbrough's first official move on the basketball court this season won't be a dunk, a shot or even a dribble.

It will be a dance.

Before the first practice of the season tips off tonight, junior standout Hansbrough and his teammates on the UNC men's basketball team will perform dance routines and comedic skits at the annual "Late Night with Roy" pep rally at the Smith Center.

"I'm a guy that can dance," said Hansbrough, who entertained the audience in previous years with a lack of dancing talent. "I'm going to show my skills off the court."

The show, which begins at 7 p.m., will be hosted by ESPN anchor and UNC alumnus Stuart Scott, who also hosted the event last year.

Although the program will be similar to last year's edition, Bonnie Clarke, assistant for sports marketing and organizer of the event, said the crowd should expect new features.

ATTEND LATE NIGHT WITH ROY

Time: Doors open at 6 p.m.; event starts at 7 p.m. today
Location: Smith Center
Admission: free

"I just hate to give away any surprises," she said. "The big thing about this event is that we have to keep the boys to keep their mouths shut."

The mystery of the event was mostly kept quiet by the players.

"We're not Victoria," redshirt freshman Will Graves said. "But we've got secrets."

Players hinted at audience participation and pyrotechnics as possible new additions to the show.

Events last year included a dance and skits, as well as the first scrimmage of the season.

The show marks the moment basketball players can start practice for the upcoming season, according to NCAA rules. Players can start practicing at 9 p.m.

During rehearsals this week the

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UNC's world travels



UNC students travel to Sevilla, Spain, where they celebrated a spring carnival, called Feria.



While studying in Jordan, UNC junior Clayton Pfannenstiel travels across the desert.



Dean Holden Thorp on the Great Wall of China during a trip to interact with UNC students this summer.



UNC medical professionals bring their pediatric expertise to the Mulago National Hospital.

Medical professionals help out in Uganda

Service honors UNC care specialist

BY KATY DOLL
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Ten UNC medical professionals are packing their bags for a two-week trip to Uganda.

There, they will be performing and teaching their skills with heart surgery.

The group will depart Saturday for Mulago National Hospital in Uganda as part of an annual service and teaching mission, funded by the Dr. Amal Murarka International Pediatric Health Foundation.

Murarka was a UNC intensive care specialist who was killed four years ago in a car accident while returning from vacation. Before working at UNC, he spent a year at Mulago hospital researching maternal-to-infant transfer of HIV.

"We tried to commemorate his life or remember him in some meaningful way," said Dr. Keith Kocis, UNC professor of pediatrics. "We ended up deciding the best way we could do that was to return to the Mulago hospital and

establish a pediatric ICU."

So about two years ago, five UNC medical professionals boarded a plane with all the equipment they could carry, heading for Mulago on a \$5,000 budget.

"They basically took a porch, closed it in and added electricity for us," Kocis said, noting that this year's budget is \$18,000.

Kocis added that they had arranged with the hospital to create a pediatric intensive care unit.

Although the doctors were performing the types of surgeries that they practice in the U.S., Kocis said it was a challenge working abroad.

"I knew really nothing about global health," Kocis said. "It's been a tremendous learning experience for me."

This year the group will perform 10 pediatric heart surgeries and teach the hospital staff how to use more sophisticated techniques.

"Our plan is to continue to support them and advance them," Kocis said. "If we can train them and get them to set up these programs, hopefully they'll be able to manage the patients locally."

Missions like this provide oppor-

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Pit driver names insanity defense

BY CATARINA SARAIVA
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Mohammad Taheri-Azar will plead not guilty by reason of insanity for 18 felony charges stemming from the Pit attack in 2006, according to a motion filed at the Orange County Superior Court.

Taheri-Azar's public defender, James Williams, filed the notice Wednesday for the UNC alumnus, who graduated in 2005.

If the defense fails, he could face up to 150 years in prison.

"It's very rare for that to be a successful defense," said Stephen Smith, a Raleigh-based criminal defense lawyer.

A sound insanity plea must meet two requirements, Smith said.

Williams will have to prove that Taheri-Azar wasn't able to understand the difference between right and wrong and that he wasn't able



Mohammad Taheri-Azar will plead not guilty by reason of insanity for a 2006 attack on UNC's campus.

to control himself when he drove through the Pit and injured nine.

The jury will then hear from psychiatrists, who will evaluate him and present the results. Taheri-Azar was ordered to undergo mental evaluation in March after acting belligerently in court.

"There's many, many mentally ill people who get charged and convicted of crimes," Smith said. "There's very few who are that far out there that there's enough body

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DI PHI UNC's debate society and oldest club hears about William Davie's history.

MIX IT UP Students dine at Rams Head and get a taste of different cultures.



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6 DEGREES OF BACON

Check out a graphic examining the six degrees of separation between actor Kevin Bacon and various aspects of UNC's campus and history.

this day in history

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UNC officials dedicate the Johnston Center for Undergraduate Excellence, which houses the Honors Program. About 300 students and faculty attend.

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