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UNC's Kenya NGO closed

Class officers say CFK still needs help

BY KATE SULLIVAN
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UNC senior class officers will continue to encourage students to donate to Carolina for Kibera, even though the organization has temporarily closed most of its operations in the face of violence in Kenya. This year's senior class officers endorsed CFK, which works in one of the slums of Nairobi, Kenya, as their choice for the senior class cam-

paign, but post-election rioting and unrest have made it uncertain when volunteers will be able to return. "The program's stopped right now because of violence, but once the violence subsides, they'll need more help," Senior Class President Ashley Shores said. Even with the organization's near-future plans in limbo, Shores said she hopes students won't be dissuaded from donating to CFK.

She said the current situation only emphasizes the need for help. Rye Barcott, CFK founder and UNC alumnus, said that the violence in Kenya is isolated around the recent elections and that he thinks it will die down soon. "We've got a stable cash flow," he said. "Hopefully the peace will prevail over the next couple weeks." Senior Nick Cain said that despite not knowing much about the issues in Kenya or CFK, he thinks the turmoil will encourage his donations. "I'm optimistic that once the vio-

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lence stops that they'll be able to go back," he said of CFK volunteers. But Shores also said students aren't limited to donating to CFK. Even if students are put off by the situation surrounding CFK, they can choose to donate to a number of groups.

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Building height draws concerns

5-story building too tall for some

BY MATTHEW PRICE
STAFF WRITER

UNC could soon host the East Coast's largest Christian-themed residence at a state school if the UNC Wesley Foundation can garner enough local support.

The foundation, a Methodist campus ministry, is looking to renovate and expand its existing facilities across the street from the Carolina Inn.

But the building, which would loom over Pittsboro Street, is causing tension with University neighbors because of its incongruous height.

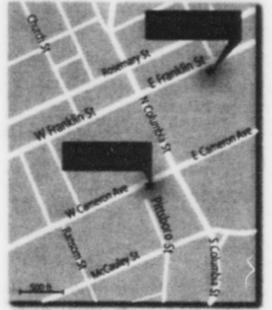
The foundation is now revisiting its plans after presenting them to the town's Historic District Commission, where residents and commission members raised concerns about the building's size.

"Everyone loved the design of the building — it looked great," said Stephen Rich, vice chairman of the commission. "However, everyone had the same concern, too. The building would have too much mass compared to what is around it."

The proposed building would include a two-story student center, connected to five stories for student residents — providing space for more than 150 students.

"There has been a residential component to the current building since it opened about 40 years ago," said Nick Didow, a foundation board member and professor at the Kenan-Flagler Business School.

"With this expansion, we're seeking to serve the community for the next 50 years."



SOURCE: GOOGLE MAPS
DTHALLIE WASSUM

The foundation's current living arrangement, Wesley House, accommodates about eight students. Residents participate in programs including group Bible study and weekly meetings.

Despite the Christian events now supported, Didow said the new facilities would be available for any student who wanted to apply.

"The building will be open to Christians, students of other faiths and students of no faith," he said.

Rich said the foundation had looked at swapping properties to occupy a University building on Franklin Street across from Morehead Planetarium and Science Center, but the building would still need to be reduced in scale.

And although the foundation has to revisit plans after town objections, Didow said that the project is moving forward and that the group still plans on closing its doors in May for construction.

"We've taken the feedback from the commission, and we're developing alternative plans for the town council that respond positively to that feedback," Didow

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N.H. NOTEBOOK

Editor's Note: The Daily Tar Heel sent Alexander Trowbridge to New Hampshire, not to cover the primary — you have countless news sources for that — but to bring back the experiences of a typical college student with no prior exposure to the scene.

BY ALEXANDER TROWBRIDGE
SENIOR WRITER

Months ago, New Hampshire's secretary of state told me that to understand why the Granite State's primary should be first in the nation, I'd have to see it in action.

So I took him up on it.

This is my adventure into that winter wonderland we as a nation, willingly or not, trust with testing and trying our presidential hopefuls from both parties.

Bill Gardner, New Hampshire's secretary of state since 1975, is a Democrat by title but is the champion

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Winner of Republican primary:
John McCain

Winner of Democratic primary:
Hillary Clinton



Women's hoops retires Latta's No. 12 jersey

Bestows honor for only second time at Carolina

BY MIKE EHRLICH
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One of the greatest women's basketball players ever to play at North Carolina stood at midcourt, raising one finger to the Carmichael Auditorium crowd.

Even through a couple of tears, a smile as big as the heart she played with lit up her face. And then she hoisted her framed No. 12 jersey high in the air.

It is a jersey number that no UNC player will ever wear again.

Ivory Latta, the former All-America guard, was honored at halftime of the Tar Heels' ACC opener against Georgia Tech on Saturday with the retirement of her jersey, making her only the second Tar Heel in the program's history to receive the honor. She also received the University's Patterson Medal in the ceremony.

"I was real excited about it," Latta said. "It's definitely a great honor to get my jersey retired here after the best, Charlotte Smith. So I'm just happy."

Latta finished her prolific career with a school-record 2,285 points, which included an ACC-record 345 3-pointers. She was a three-

Latta's career stats
2,285 points: most in school history
599 assists: second in school history
.389 3-point field goal percentage: highest in school history
257 steals: seventh in school history
► Holds UNC single-season records in 3-pointers made (2007), free throw percentage (2005)
► Played in 138 games, tied for school record

time All-American and was the 2006 National Player of the Year, which is the criterion for such a heralded honor.

"What she did for women's basketball, our program and the University is just unbelievable," coach Sylvia Hatchell said. "Because she's such a small package but yet she's got so much energy."

And Latta did not sell this vivacious reputation short Saturday. She pointed to the crowd and pumped her fist before being mobbed by the current Tar Heels in the center circle. And as if four trips to the Big Dance weren't enough, Latta gave one more shimmy for the

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Ferrell comedy tour coming to campus

BY JESS THOM
SENIOR WRITER

Known for his roles in various "Saturday Night Live" skits and movie hits such as "Anchorman," comedian and Hollywood star, Will Ferrell is coming to the Smith Center on Feb. 22.

UNC is Ferrell's last stop on the Funny or Die Comedy Tour, which will visit six other colleges.

Accompanying Ferrell are fellow funny men Zach Galifianakis, Nick Swardson and Demetri Martin.

The tour will coincide with the release of Ferrell's new movie, "Semi-Pro," in which Ferrell plays a singer who uses all his money to buy

his own basketball team.

Clint Gwaltney, associate director of ticket operations for the Smith Center, said that as of Tuesday, about 8,500 student and general public tickets have been sold.

Student tickets priced at \$45 went on sale to UNC students on Dec. 6.

Pennsylvania State University, which is hosting the show on Feb. 11, is charging students only \$20 for tickets.

Ferrell's UNC performance comes only a few days after the Carolina Comedy Festival featuring Lewis Black and Friends, which is put on by the Carolina

The breakdown:

- Will Ferrell featuring Zach Galifianakis, Nick Swardson and Demetri Martin
- Feb. 22 in the Smith Center
- Doors open at 7 p.m., show at 8 p.m.
- Tickets: \$45 students and general admission. Available at tarheelblue.com.

Union Activities Board from Feb. 13 to Feb. 16.

Although Ferrell's performance is not part of the festival, Mallory Cash, the festival's chairwoman, said she doesn't think his show will hinder her event's turnout.

"Will Ferrell and Lewis Black have different types of comedy, and if anything, I hope it brings more people to the Comedy Festival," she said. "It's great to have a big name like that come to campus, and people are excited."

Planning for the Comedy Festival is a year-long process, and Cash said she had no idea Ferrell was coming to campus until it was announced Dec. 5.

Cash said she's seen a mixed response from students when it comes to ticket prices to the Ferrell performance.

"The Dean Dome is really, really expensive to open, and I'm sure that's probably part of it," Cash said. "There's some sticker shock for students used to low prices — CUAB tries to keep prices low for students, and Carolina Performing Arts keeps it low."

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DTHALLIE MULLIN

Former UNC point guard Ivory Latta's jersey was retired Saturday. She is the second woman hoopster to receive such an honor.

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this day in history

weather

DURHAM DROUGHT
Durham city officials held a town hall meeting to discuss water shortage concerns with residents. The current water supply should last until April.

CLOSED FOR BUSINESS
Downtown eating options were trimmed down while students were on Winter Break with Franklin Street eateries the Rathskeller and Buffalo Wild Wings closing their doors.



HOT TOUCH
Shooting guard Wayne Ellington had a career-high 36 points against ACC foe Clemson and hit the game-winning shot in overtime.

JAN. 9, 2002 ...
Bricklayers put the finishing touches on the stairs connecting the Student Union and South Road. The previous stairway was demolished in summer 2000.

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