

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Students must get tickets in person for 3 women's games

Students must have a physical ticket for some upcoming women's basketball games.

Students will need actual tickets for the games against Maryland, N.C. State and Duke University.

Tickets will be distributed at the new athletic ticket office in the Ernie Williamson Building.

The building is farther down Skipper Bowles Drive from the former Smith Center ticket office.

Students can receive up to two tickets per One Card. The office is open between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The Maryland distribution opens today and runs until Friday, or while supplies last.

The Duke and N.C. State tickets will be available between Feb. 18 and Feb. 22, or while supplies last.

For all other women's games, students only need to show their One Cards to gain general admission seating.

Chancellor wins citizenship award for diversity efforts

Chancellor James Moeser has been awarded the Martin Luther King Jr. Citizenship Award by the Martin Luther King University/Community Planning Corp.

During the group's 23rd memorial banquet as part of Dr. King's birthday celebration at the William and Ida Friday Center, the group honored Moeser.

Archie Ervin, the associate provost for diversity and multicultural affairs, presented the award to Moeser.

Moeser's contributions to the state and the county in promoting diversity and access to higher education were cited as reasons for his receiving this honor.

MLK University/Community Planning Corp. is a nonprofit group that promotes religious reconciliation and raises scholarships funds for area high school students.

Museum opening postponed, new date not currently set

The Carolina Basketball Museum, which was set to open today, has postponed its opening until a later date.

No date has been announced yet for the opening.

The museum is on the first floor of the Ernie Williamson Athletics Center, located down the street from the Smith Center.

When it opens, the museum will have normal operation from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and admission will be free.

CITY BRIEFS

Durham P.D. investigating school board member

Durham Police are investigating possible embezzlement by Dennis Whiting, a member of the Orange County Board of Education, The News & Observer reported Monday.

The N&O cited a search warrant that reportedly shows police are looking into evidence that Whiting might have stolen more than \$58,000 from a Durham law office where he worked until 2007.

The firm, owned by Thomas J. Stevens, reportedly noticed discrepancies in accounting books after Whiting left to start his own business.

Whiting has been on the school board since 2004 and served as board chairman for two years.

Ted Triebel succeeded Whiting as board chairman in 2007.

Truck catches fire in north Chapel Hill, injuring none

A pick-up truck caught fire while driving north on Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. on Monday afternoon.

The driver noticed smoke, pulled the truck over to the side of the road before the Weaver Dairy Road intersection and evacuated the vehicle, according to the Chapel Hill police department. Police and the Chapel Hill Fire Department responded to the scene, redirecting traffic while the fire was put out.

Police said the driver was unharmed.

Carrboro dog rescued from drain pipe with backhoe

Emergency officers rescued a dog from a Carrboro drain Friday.

The dog was being walked in the Lake Hogan Farms subdivision of Old N.C. 86 when it went 70 feet into a 12-inch concrete drain pipe.

After the dog's owner unsuccessfully attempted to coax it out, emergency officers used a backhoe to dig down to the dog. The dog eventually came out on its own and wasn't hurt in the incident.

-From staff and wire reports

STUDENT ELECTIONS 2008

Student groups host hopefuls

BY BRIAN AUSTIN
STAFF WRITER

Political campaigning on campus heats up today as candidates move from one-on-one discussions to forums with larger audiences.

Hopefuls for student body president often are invited to these large assemblies to promote their respective platforms and agendas.

"The more publicity you get, the more chance you have of actually winning that office," said Mitchell Caprigione, chairman of the Board of Elections.

The board will be attending some forums to monitor campaigns for possible violations, though Caprigione said it would

pay close attention to the student body president race.

"Especially for the SBP candidates and the CAA candidates," he said. "Public speeches and forums are very important."

Last week, the election rules mandated that candidates could only speak directly to individual students. Now they can reach a much larger audience and show off their speaking and communication skills.

The University's Dialectic and Philanthropic Societies will hold the first forum tonight in the Dialectic Chamber.

Andrew Pham, president of DiPhi, said that in making a decision

Tentative forum schedule

DiPhi: 7 p.m., third floor of New West

Young Democrats: 8 p.m., Jan. 28, place TBA

Bounce: Feb. 5, time and place TBA

Black Student Movement: 5:30 p.m., Feb. 6, Upendo Room

Out-of-State Student Association: TBA

after the forum, the members will try to evaluate the entire person in terms of leadership qualities.

"They all want what's best for

Carolina," Pham said. "It becomes the question of who wants to lead Carolina into a new era."

Many student groups, including the Black Student Movement, Bounce magazine, and the Out-of-State Student Association, hold these yearly forums to address the new candidates' platforms.

George Drometer, president of UNC's Young Democrats, said voter registration is an issue the group would like to see discussed. Charissa Lloyd, chairwoman of the College Republicans, emphasized academic freedom.

Unbiased policies and student

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Custom spam filters coming

BY COLIN CAMPBELL
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UNC's Information Technology Services will unveil a new spam filtering system in the next few days that allows users to sign up for additional protection from offers of increased sexual potency.

The new system offers customized spam filters in addition to the basic protection put in place this fall. Options will include additional protection for users who want to prevent adult spam, said Judd Knott, assistant vice chancellor for infrastructure and operations.

A low-level protection filter from Proofpoint has been filtering all messages to "unc.edu" addresses since Nov. 7, and reportedly blocks 98 percent of spam e-mails.

On Wednesday or Thursday, ITS will release details about the system and how to sign up, Knott said.

"We're still working to resolve one final issue with the vendor," he said.

The customized filters will replace ITS's old opt-in spam protection, which 6,000 people used. Students had to sign up for the service on the ITS Web site. The old system was disabled Sunday.

"The problem was it's not quite as effective as this one," Knott said of the old system. "That was an in-house developed system."

E-mail security company Proofpoint will provide the opt-in protections. The three-year contract with Proofpoint will cost UNC \$120,000 per year.

Junior Becky Gursoy said she might sign up for the new filter if it reduces the number of spam e-mails she receives. "I usually get 10 a day," Gursoy said.

Other students said they don't have problems with spam and would not use the filter. "It's not that important," senior Mihai Savu said.

But the new system will not block unwanted listserv e-mails, which have clogged many students' inboxes lately.

Last week, the School of Information and Library Sciences put 7,800 people on a listserv to send an e-mail promoting the school's programs.

The open configuration of the listserv allowed all users to respond to the entire listserv.

"I woke up to 76 e-mails, and one person was talking about Star Wars," senior Marc Sanchez said.

Knott said that the ITS messaging group, which manages the listserv system, deleted the listserv and that ITS is investigating the incident.

The incident prompted a new ITS policy, which requires the messaging group to investigate any open listserv created with more than 2,000 members.

Because UNC e-mail addresses are widely available, it is difficult for users to avoid being put on unwanted listservs.

"I cannot begin to guess where their list (of e-mail addresses) came from," Knott said. "It's never good to put people on a list unsolicited."

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"We promise to use this appropriation to do great things for North Carolina and the country." DR. ETTA PISANO, DIRECTOR OF UNC BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH IMAGING CENTER



Sen. Elizabeth Dole, R-N.C., speaks about the \$4 million worth of funding she helped appropriate from Congress to support cancer research at the Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center at the University. The funds will support three separate health-related programs.

\$4M FOR RESEARCH

Dole helps secure money for 3 UNC programs

BY KATY DOLL
ASSISTANT UNIVERSITY EDITOR

UNC will receive about \$4 million for health research, Sen. Elizabeth Dole, R-N.C., announced on campus Friday.

Dole said that health and cancer research are areas that are "near and dear" to her heart, and at the announcement, she told the story of a woman who had shared her experience battling cancer.

"I'll never forget a woman telling me of her problems with ovarian cancer and how there was no way to know," Dole said, adding that the money will go to programs that work toward early detection of cancer.

The funds will support three separate programs at the University, focusing on cancer, racial disparity in death and disease rates and biomedical imaging.

"It will provide UNC with the opportunity

to join other states ... in coordinating collaborative cancer research at the national level," Chancellor James Moeser said.

Moeser said the money would allow further research into discovering the molecular signature of cancer and better detecting signs of early cancer.

Last year UNC received at least \$50 million from various cancer research groups, such as the American Cancer Institute. And overall, UNC secured more than \$610 million in sponsored research funding.

Dole stressed the importance of detection and prevention in North Carolina, especially in minority populations.

"You think about diabetes and cardiovascular diseases," she said. "And we are above average in North Carolina."

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Projects funded by the \$4 million

\$2.4 million: N.C. Cancer and Genomics Research Center: This is part of a national consortium researching the molecular basis of cancer and developing tools to improve early cancer recognition and treatment.

\$984,000: Collaborative Initiative in Biomedical Imaging: This will fund the Biomedical Research Imaging Center program, which performs image-based biomedical research across different disciplines.

\$560,310: Programs in Racial Disparities and Cardiovascular Disease: This group studies the different rates and factors that racial disparity causes in health care, especially in terms of cardiovascular disease.

Students study Facebook

More examining online trends

BY RACHEL KUROWSKI
STAFF WRITER

For senior Brice Russ, studying Facebook profiles is schoolwork, not just procrastination.

Russ, of Kernersville, is one of a growing group of academics using the social networking site to research sociology, psychology and communications.

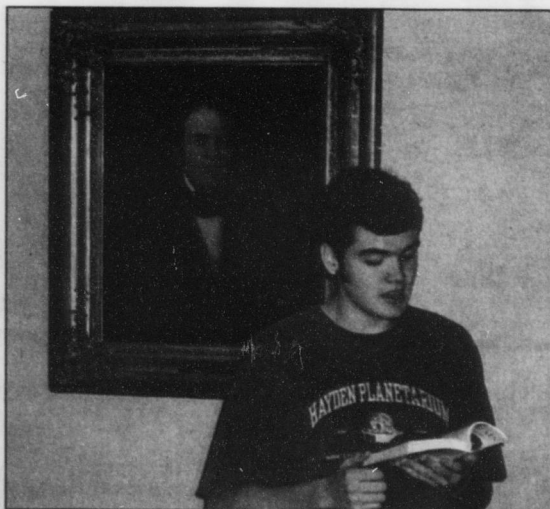
Facebook profiles reveal varying amounts of personal information and show to whom people communicate and how often — information of interest to many researchers.

Russ' senior honors thesis in linguistics is a study of the communication patterns on Facebook walls.

Based on his research, Russ said he doesn't think Facebook messaging and wall postings will be replacing instant messaging and e-mail anytime soon.

Instead, Facebook is a middle ground between the two, "less formal than e-mail but more formal than IM," he said.

For example, a student might write, "Let's get lunch together soon!" on the wall of a friend he or she hasn't seen recently — a message not suited for e-mail but



COURTESY OF BRICE RUSS

Senior Brice Russ is writing his linguistics honors thesis on communication patterns on Facebook, predicting wall postings won't soon replace e-mail.

also not immediate enough for an instant message.

Started by three Harvard University sophomores in 2004 as a directory to connect the higher education world, Facebook now reports 61 million users worldwide.

In its early days, a Facebook profile was just a photo and personal infor-

Faculty come together for jazz performance

BY KELLY YANG
STAFF WRITER

Although time zones and teaching schedules have kept six professors from across the country from rehearsing, the friends and band mates said they'll rely on experience and improvisation to make the first "Jazz Faculty Jam" a success.

Conjured up by a faculty member of the UNC music department, the professors will perform in the "Jazz Faculty Jam" today in Hill Hall.

"The group is made of colleagues and friends who play in different settings," performer and UNC music professor Stephen Anderson said.

Anderson said he has worked with his fellow band mates on previous but separate occasions.

"We've all collaborated with these people, and we kind of wanted to form a group to play some of our original music," he said.

The six faculty band members are Will Campbell of UNC-Charlotte on alto sax, Chad Eby of UNC-Greensboro on tenor sax, Jim Ketch of UNC-Chapel Hill on trumpet, Stephen Anderson of UNC-CH on piano, Craig Butterfield of the University of South Carolina on bass and Rodrigo Villanueva

ATTEND THE SHOW

Time: 7:30 p.m. today
Location: Hill Hall auditorium
Info: www.music.unc.edu

of Northern Illinois University on drums.

"I am grateful to my colleague Stephen Anderson for initiating the program, developing the personnel, organizing the music and overseeing all the details," Ketch said. "It's not an easy task — organizing musicians — have you heard the phrase, 'herding cats'?"

"Stephen wanted to have a collection of music from jazz performances from all the different teachers from different places," Eby said.

After their Chapel Hill performance, the group will go on a mini-tour, performing in Greensboro and Charlotte.

"Our repertoire is of original composition," Anderson said of the eight songs to be performed. "Everyone has their own original pieces in the concert."

Eby had originally written his piece, "Triptych," 10 years ago for a smaller jazz group of three performers.

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