

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Three to be honored by the N.C. Journalism Hall of Fame

Journalism professor Phil Meyer and the late James Davis will be inducted into the N.C. Journalism Hall of Fame on Sunday.

Davis brought the printing press to North Carolina in 1749 and was responsible for printing the state's first book, magazine and newspaper. UNC's School of Journalism and Mass Communication has a scholarship in Davis' name for N.C. journalism students.

Meyer joined the journalism school staff in 1981 and is known for his books, "Precision Journalism" and "The Vanishing Newspaper."

Susan Credle, executive vice president and executive creative director at the BBDO advertising agency in New York, and UNC alumna, also will be honored with the Next Generation Leadership Award.

Credle has been the driving force behind establishing the M&Ms spokespersons.

Campus Y group honored with two monetary awards

Project HEAL, a Campus Y group, was selected as the winner of the \$10,000 Davis Projects for Peace Award and a \$1,000 MTV iThink Youth Venture Grant.

The money will go toward funding Project HEAL's summer program in Ghana. Nine of the organization's members will travel to Africa to talk about health issues and to help establish a library located near a local hospital, while working with local leaders and community members.

NCSU student senate raises money for Carson memorial

The N.C. State University Student Senate has raised more than \$1,000 to benefit the Eve Marie Carson Memorial Fund.

N.C. State representatives will present the money to UNC's student government at a date that has yet to be set.

The Senate will continue to take donations until March 28, but any donations that come in after the deadline will be passed on to UNC.

Forum set to bring together campus arts organizations

The second Student Arts Forum of the semester, held by the arts advocacy committee of student government, will take place at 8 p.m. today in the Franklin Porter Graham Lounge in the Student Union.

Past forums have included discussions about rehearsal space and publicity for arts organizations on campus.

The forum is open to all students interested in participating in the University's arts community.

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University Lake opens for summer recreation season

University Lake reopened for the season Saturday for boating, fishing, picnicking and sunbathing.

In honor of the late Lightning Brown, a community activist and former Orange Water and Sewer Authority member, boat rental and lake-use fees were waived for the first day.

OWASA's reservoirs were at 59.3 percent of their capacity as of Thursday.

Cane Creek Reservoir remains closed because of water levels that are 11 feet, 4 inches below full. OWASA said access to the boating area is too steep to be safe for residents to use.

University Lake is open from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays through Mondays and for the Memorial Day, July 4 and Labor Day holidays. The season runs until Nov. 9.

Hillsborough gets donation of sculpted metal bike rack

Hillsborough's first bike rack is available for residents after a donation from the Carolina Tarheels.

The new metal bike rack is located at 150 E. King St. at the Alexander Dickson House and Hillsborough/Orange County Visitors' Center. The bike rack features a sculpted bicycle climbing a hill.

The Carolina Tarheels Bicycle Club is a group of bicycle enthusiasts who participate in social rides in Orange, Durham, Wake, Alamance and Chatham counties.

The group hosts an annual rural heritage bike festival in August that begins in downtown Hillsborough.

— From staff and wire reports

Clinton visits Cary, Charlotte

Helps launch wife's N.C. campaign

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CARY — Former President Bill Clinton's appearances Friday in Cary and Charlotte signaled the launch of Hillary Clinton's campaign in North Carolina.

The state's May 6 primary is more than a month away, but both campaigns are already heavily invested in the state. Barack Obama made his first N.C. campaign appearances last week in Cary and Fayetteville.

"I think the focus has really turned to us, and I think people are finally realizing that North Carolina is really essential for either candidate," said Amanda Vaughn, director of Heels for Hillary at UNC.

Both candidates have paid close

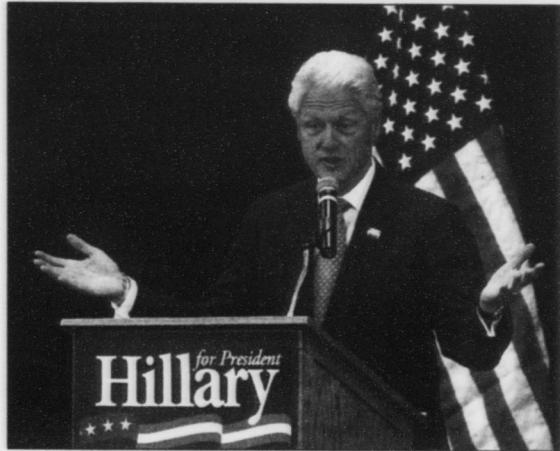
attention to the issues that most concern North Carolinians.

In Charlotte, Bill Clinton spoke at Stonewall Jackson VFW Post No. 1160 to a crowd of about 80, mostly veterans and their family members. He tailored his speech to the mainly military audience by focusing on the war in Iraq and the economy.

His speech at the Cary Senior Center reflected the broader swath of the electorate present — although he elaborated most on the economy and health care, he also touched on green development, college affordability and the war in Iraq.

About 500 people were in attendance in Cary, representing all age

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Former President Bill Clinton speaks Friday in Cary. He also traveled to Charlotte to stump for his wife, presidential hopeful Sen. Hillary Clinton.

Group fights drug promos

Students lobby for new protocols

BY ALICE MILLER
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Most doctors' offices are full of drug company advertisements.

Whether their names are plastered on the clock in the waiting room, on the pen borrowed from the front desk or on a coffee cup in a nurse's hand, drug company paraphernalia is everywhere.

PharmFree, an organization of the American Medical Student Association, is working to eliminate those drug names from doctors' offices. The group has chapters across the nation, including one at UNC.

Members hope that by getting rid of the names, they will end the influences pharmaceutical companies can have on doctors.

"I want to help restore the sanctity of patient relationships by getting conflicts of interests out of medicine," said Anthony Fleg, the national coordinator for PharmFree and a fourth-year medical student at UNC.

Receiving gifts from pharmaceutical companies, Fleg said, might influence how doctors prescribe medication, creating conflicts in trust between doctors and patients.

"No matter how big it is, you are more likely to feel that you have to repay that person," Fleg said.

The UNC chapter of PharmFree has urged the School of Medicine to join dozens of other medical schools in creating a protocol for how to handle drug companies.

In 2004, none of the about 140 medical schools in the United States had a policy dealing with pharmaceutical company relationships. Now about 40 schools have or are in the process of creating one, Fleg said, and UNC's School of Medicine is one of the institutions now drafting a policy.

"Our job as doctors is to do the best for our patients, and if we are being influenced by subfactors, we should try to remove those subfactors," said, Etta Pisano, vice dean of academic affairs for the School of Medicine and part of the committee working on the policy.

The policy should be completed within a few months, Pisano said.

Part of the PharmFree goal is to have medical students sign a pledge now, in an effort to change the next generation of doctors' behaviors.

Signing the pledge means students won't take gifts from drug companies and will use unbiased sources of information about different drugs. This pledge still allows them to accept free samples of drugs that benefit their patients.

Mia Yang, the new UNC PharmFree coordinator, is in her first year of medical school, but she already has experienced the influence of pharmaceutical companies on the medical community.

Yang said she remembers a dinner that a physician put on for his students for educational purposes. At

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SPRING, BUT NOT RAIN, IS IN THE AIR

Nursery gives tips on what to plant

BY KENNETRA IRBY
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The vibrant pink blossoms of the saucer magnolia foretold the last frost of the winter. Across the gravel driveway the sweet breath of spring spread its white blossoms, signaling the changing season.

"You have to utilize your space with things that bloom in sequence," said Laurie Lawson, retail manager of Niche Gardens on Dawson Road.

By touring Niche Gardens and seeking the advice of its staff, visitors can learn how to choose the right plant for the right place.

Though only five people attended the free tour of the garden Saturday morning, several bus loads of garden clubs are scheduled to tour the nursery in April. The complimentary tours begin at 10 a.m. each Saturday.

Plants native to the Southeast are made to cope with heat. For this reason, Niche Gardens specializes in plants that will withstand harsh conditions such as the area's continuing drought, Lawson said.

"Drought-tolerant plants will let you know who they are by habit," she said.

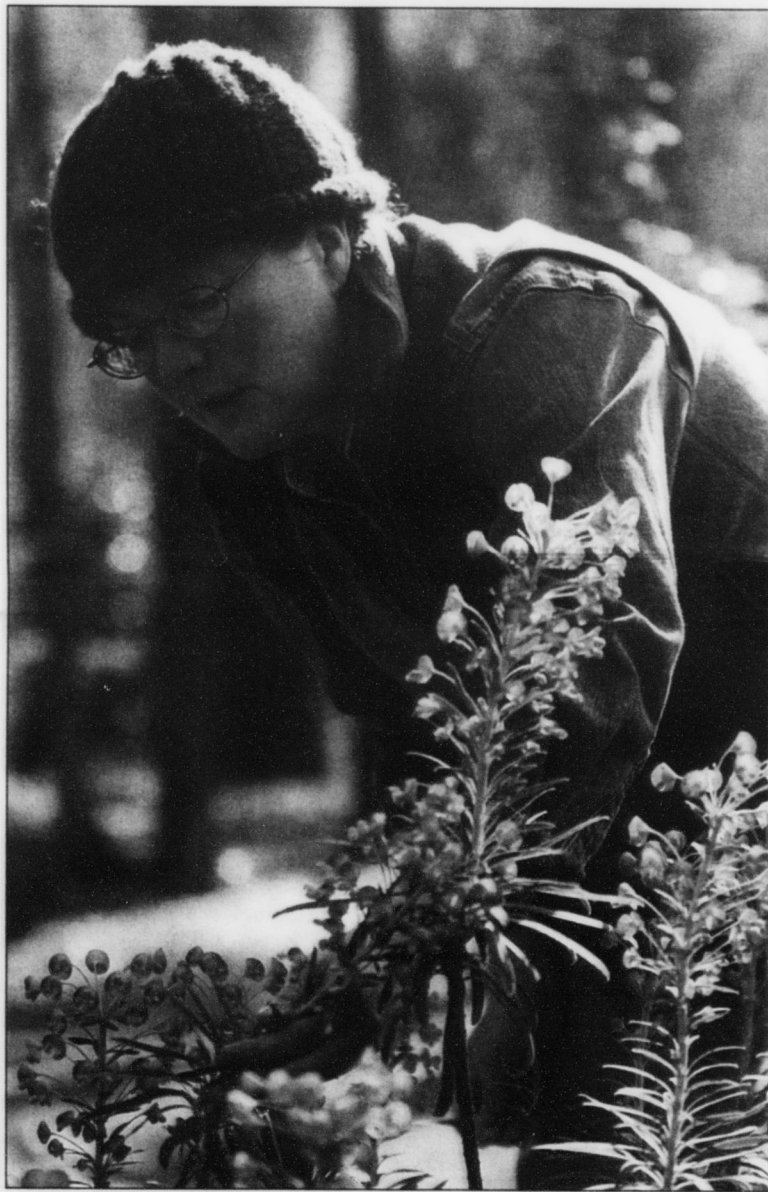
Some plants, such as the soapweed, a type of yucca, have tough, fibrous leaves. These leaves help the plant retain water and withstand heat. The fuzzy grayish-green leaves of plants like catnip indicate their succulence. This quality also allows the plant to retain water.

A plant's root system is another way to gauge a plant's drought tolerance.

"There's a whole little underground universe," Lawson said.

Some drought-tolerant plants tend to have far-reaching root systems, allowing them to draw water from deep within the

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Lauri Lawson, retail manager and horticulturist of Niche Gardens, teaches about the benefits of having drought resistant plants like Wulfenii Spurge or the "Dr. Seuss Plant" on a tour Sunday.

Student fee helps campus go green

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Students are the inspirational and financial driving forces behind UNC's campus effort to go green — all made possible through the renewable energy fee.

The UNC Renewable Energy Special Projects Committee, which has collected \$8 annually from student fees since fall 2004, helps determine how the fee revenues are spent.

As both a student government committee and a student advocacy group, the committee consists of five undergraduates, two graduate students and another nonvoting graduate student.

Cindy Shea, director of the Sustainability Office, has been a formal adviser of the committee since it formed in 2003.

The committee receives about \$190,000 per year, and it's making strides toward a more sustainable UNC campus.

"The students determine how to allocate the green energy fee," Shea

"It's almost to the point where we'll have to start turning projects down."

ALANA WILSON, RESPC CO-CHAIRWOMAN said. "As advisers, we assist students to assess the feasibility and desirability of the various projects."

The renovation of Morrison Residence Hall was the impetus for the committee's creation. Instead of razing the dormitory, students proposed that Morrison be made environmentally friendly.

"It's not something the University was able to fund upfront, and that's how the student initiative came about," said Alana Wilson, committee co-chairwoman.

Thanks to these fees, Morrison has solar panels on its roof and there are plans to install an energy-consumption monitoring system, Wilson said. Installation is slated

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Women's week theme is activism

Organizers plan multiple events

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Girl power will reign over UNC's campus for at least the next five days as campus groups celebrate Women's Week.

In past years there typically has been one theme for the week, but this year the Carolina Women's Center decided to do something different, said Ashley Fogle, associate director of the center.

"The overarching theme is activism," Fogle said. "But each day is arranged around a type of activism."

In an effort to reach out to as many UNC women as possible, the week is jam-packed with events, ranging from speakers to T-shirt painting to concerts.

"I am very excited about the fact that we have multiple events going on every day instead of just one big keynote event," Fogle said.

One of the biggest and most well-known events is Take Back the Night. Project Dinah will co-sponsor the 11th annual march Wednesday

Women's Week events

MONDAY:
Professional Women's Dinner: 6:30 p.m., Stone Center, Hitchcock Multipurpose Room
 > Female undergraduates are invited to attend a dinner with professional females from various fields to discuss careers with other women from various fields. Reservations are required. E-mail either emilyjoy@email.unc.edu or brian@unc.edu to sign up.
Bitch with Mosadi: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Student Union Cabaret
 > Musical poet-performance artist Bitch and the group Mosadi Music will take to the stage combining Bitch's electric violin, bass, keyboard and ukelele with Mosadi's eclectic music style.

TUESDAY:
Women in Politics: 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., Coker Hall, Room 201
 > An interactive panel discussion about what drives women to take part in political groups. The panel will feature women politicians and activists who will share their thoughts and feelings about their experiences.
Kenan-Flagler Business School Dean's Speaker Series: 5:30 p.m., Koury Auditorium
 > A talk by Sallie Krawcheck, chairwoman and CEO of Citi Global Wealth Management and one of Forbes Magazine's "World's 100 Most Powerful Women."
 Reception to follow. RSVP to kfbssvp@unc.edu or 843-7787.

with the women's center.

"Take Back the Night gets better every year," said Emily Dunn of Project Dinah. "The march will be really fun and empowering."

Marchers will gather on the steps of Wilson Library and walk around campus to raise awareness of sexual assault.

The rally first appeared in the United States 32 years ago as a pro-

test to women's fears of walking the streets alone at night.

In the aftermath of the murder of Student Body President Eve Carson, women's sense of safety on campus is an issue many are talking about.

Project Dinah also has planned a self-defense workshop that is free for female students, and the senior

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