

**CORRECTIONS**

In Monday's pg. 3 state brief, "Greg Doucette named ASG president for 2008-09 term," Andy Woods is incorrectly identified as one of the delegates who challenged the legality of an N.C. State delegate. That challenge was brought by Western Carolina University Student Body President Aaron Bloemsm.

Also, ASG Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs Jake Parton was incorrectly identified as a UNC-CH delegate. Parton is not a delegate, because as an officer he can't vote. The Daily Tar Heel apologizes for the errors.

**CAMPUS BRIEFS**

**Mini golf and water filters win entrepreneurial contest**

A plan to bring miniature golf to China and a venture to distribute water filters in Cambodia won UNC's fourth annual Carolina Challenge on Saturday.

The teams beat out 17 teams to win \$15,000 each and left the challenge with a network of advisers and experts to help them launch their for-profit and non-profit ventures.

The challenge, hosted by the Carolina Entrepreneurial Initiative, helps students prepare proposals and trains them to give presentations. The winners were announced after an all-day round of competition, including panel interviews and critiques.

**Oberlin professor to give Earth Day keynote address**

David Orr, a distinguished professor of environmental studies and politics at Oberlin College in Ohio, will give the keynote address for the Institute for the Environment's Earth Day celebration.

The talk will be at 7:30 p.m. in Carroll Hall's auditorium.

Orr has written five books and organized an effort to build the country's first truly green building on a U.S. college campus in 1996.

Other Earth Day events include booths by campus groups and a cookout from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Polk Place.

**Community invited to hear photographer give speech**

Bert Fox, photography director for The Charlotte Observer, will showcase his work and discuss his 33-year career at 7:30 p.m. today in Carroll Hall, Room 33.

Fox has served as photography editor for National Geographic and was named photography editor of the year five times by the University of Missouri in an annual contest.

**CITY BRIEFS**

**Staff recommend replacing Town House apartments**

Chapel Hill town staff Monday recommended approving a project that will close The Town House Apartments.

The popular student rental spot will be replaced by single-family homes expected to cost an average of about \$300,000 if the Chapel Hill Town Council approves a special-use permit in the coming months.

Town House's 111 rental units would be demolished to make way for the 346 units of the Residences at Grove Park.

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**Orange County Democratic Party discusses transfer tax**

The Orange County Democratic Party County Convention met Saturday to discuss issues such as the land transfer tax and the UNC student sit-in.

Jason Baker, political chairman for the Orange-Chatham Sierra Club Group said the group opted to table a resolution in favor of the land transfer tax.

Baker said the group decided to table the resolution in order to maintain party unity.

"We didn't want to approve a resolution that would have been really divisive within the Democratic party," he said.

**STATE BRIEFS**

**N.C. Democratic debate not able to fit into schedules**

The Democratic debate that would have been held this weekend has been canceled because of scheduling conflicts.

Barack Obama agreed to attend the N.C. debate, which would have been hosted by Katie Couric, on the condition that it would be before the Pennsylvania primary.

Clinton has agreed to participate in a later debate, although both candidates are scheduled to meet again May 2 in Raleigh for the Democratic party's Jefferson-Jackson dinner.

So far both candidates have participated in Democratic debates a total of 21 times.

— From staff and wire reports.

# Pennsylvania primary today

## Polls show Clinton leading contest

BY ARIEL ZIRULNICK  
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The race for the Democratic presidential nomination is continuing in Pennsylvania today. The state's 188 delegates will be crucial in deciding if the race will continue on to the May 6 N.C. primary.

Since the Democratic primaries in Texas and Ohio concluded six weeks ago, Hillary Clinton has seen her initial double-digit lead in Pennsylvania drop significantly, although rival Barack Obama's polarizing remarks about economic embitterment have slowed his gain.

Rasmussen Reports polling showed Clinton leading 49 percent to 44 percent Monday, while she led 52 percent to 37 percent March 5.

Significant demographic groups in the state include senior citizens (Pennsylvania has one of the highest average ages in the country), a mostly urban

black population, rural white Democrats, blue-collar union workers and the affluent, educated city and suburb population.

Rural Democrats, who tend to the right of the party, are particularly unpredictable because they have not been a large factor in earlier races.

The state also can be divided into clear-cut geographic areas.

The southeastern population, particularly Philadelphia and its suburbs, falls to Obama because of its high percentage of blacks and affluent, college-educated voters, said Robert Speel, a political science professor at Pennsylvania State University in Erie.

However, Clinton has the advantage in all but one of the remaining regions of the state due in large part to her strong union support.

The entire western half of the state has been hit hard by job outsourcing and a decline in the man-

ufacturing industry, its lifeblood until about 20 years ago.

"Pennsylvania is one of those old Northeastern/Midwestern states that once was heavy in manufacturing," said Steven Peterson, director of the School of Public Affairs at Pennsylvania State University in Harrisburg.

The southwestern region and its more conservative Democrats is Clinton's greatest stronghold; although Pittsburgh, the only urban center in the area, could still swing Obama's way, Speel said.

The largely rural central region of the state will be watched the most closely, along with the northwestern region skirting Lake Erie.

"Those areas are not clearly in any candidate's camp," Speel said.

Those traditionally Republican strongholds have seen a rising number of Democrats, particularly south of Harrisburg.

"This was a state where she began with a big lead, and she has an advantage in terms of the demo-

graphics of the state," Peterson said. "If she were to end up losing, that would make mincemeat of her claim that she could win those large states against McCain and not Obama."

Clinton began strong at least partly because of name recognition — she is a senator from neighboring New York, and former President Bill Clinton was very popular in the state, Peterson said.

And Speel said Obama's inspirational rhetoric hasn't hit home with disillusioned voters as much as Clinton's concrete focus on policy.

"I think if Obama were to win in an upset in the Pennsylvania primary, then the Clinton campaign might not make it as far as North Carolina," Speel said.

"If Clinton wins Pennsylvania by the expected 5 to 10 percent, I think the campaign will continue as it has been for the past six weeks on into North Carolina and Indiana."

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# Second Carson concert tonight

## Benefit event is at Cat's Cradle

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Organizers of benefit concert "An EVE the Carolina Way" said it was impossible to consider another cause to be the focus of their annual concert after the death of former Student Body President Eve Carson.

And today, Heels4Hire, a Triangle-based service company, and Kappa Sigma fraternity will team up to provide music and entertainment to promote the spirit Carson embodied and to benefit the Eve Carson Memorial Fund.

The concert will begin at 9 p.m. today at Cat's Cradle in Carrboro. This is the second year in a row Heels4Hire and Kappa Sigma have presented a benefit concert at the venue. Last year, the groups raised more than \$1,600 for the Amani Children's Foundation.

"We had a date set in the fall (for the concert) and as the events sort of unfolded, we couldn't think of a more pertinent and deserving cause," said Daniel McNatt, co-founder of Heels4Hire. "I hadn't made up my mind until I went to the memorial service on campus. I was so moved and inspired and just very touched by that ceremony and saw how it brought everybody together."

Heels4Hire is led by McNatt and Ed Gronet, both UNC alumni and Kappa Sigma brothers. The group links current students with community members who need services such as yard work and baby-sitting.

"An EVE the Carolina Way" is the second concert this month area organizations have held to benefit Carson's fund. The first was held by student government and Tau Kappa Epsilon on April 13.

Performers said the concert will have a celebratory tone as the bands are intending to remember Carson's positive lifestyle.

"I think (at this concert) little things won't matter as much. It's about why everyone is there as opposed to music," said Campbell Davis, lead guitarist for AlphaMusic and member of Kappa Sigma. "While there's a little bit less pressure, there's also more pressure at the same time because it's such an important cause, so we've put a lot of work into it."

AlphaMusic will perform along with Tobacco Road and Franklin and the Doo Rags. Tickets for the concert will be sold today in the Pit for \$10 each and for \$12 at the door.

"Every person I've told about it has already known about it," said Kappa Sigma President Mike Cowherd about the concert. "It self-perpetuated itself. It really says something about the student body. Thankfully we have a community like that."

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**ATTEND THE BENEFIT CONCERT**  
Time: 9 p.m. today  
Location: Cat's Cradle in Carrboro  
Info: [www.heels4hire.net](http://www.heels4hire.net)



Students enjoyed different types of shrimp, chocolates, pingpong and glass bottles of Dr Pepper in the Student Union Great Hall on Monday night for Forrest Gump Fest '08, sponsored by Carolina Union Activities Board and coordinated by junior board member Lindsey Paytes.

# LIKE PEAS AND CARROTS

## Pingpong and shrimp go together in Great Hall

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There are so many things you can do with shrimp.

You can barbecue it, boil it, broil it, bake it, sauté it. There's shrimp-kabobs, shrimp creole, shrimp gumbo. You can have it pan-fried, deep-fried, stir-fried.

And apparently you can use it for a near-impromptu fete of a beloved American movie.

The Carolina Union Activities Board rolled out the shrimp, Dr Pepper, boxes of chocolate and pingpong tables at Forrest Gump Fest '08, a tribute to the 1994 Tom Hanks comedic drama.

More than 420 people filed into the Student Union Great Hall on Monday to enjoy some of Gump's favorite treats.

And the 50 pounds of shrimp, 300 bread rolls, 15 one-pound boxes of chocolates and 288 bottles of Dr Pepper went fast.

The bottles ran out just before 7:30 p.m., less than half an hour after the event began.

Life was like a box of chocolates for the 80 people who came after then. The shrimp lasted for a while, and the five pingpong tables stayed busy.

But most people said the food and drink were the draws.

"I'm a big Forrest Gump fan, but I also love shrimp," freshman Josh Mayer said.

"Offer me shrimp anywhere, and I'll be there."

Others were more impressed with the Dr Pepper bottles. CUAB had to ship them via UPS from a bottling plant in West Jefferson, about three hours west of Chapel Hill.

"I came for this," senior Luke Dong said, pointing at his vintage-styled bottle. Though he said he wishes CUAB would have played the movie and ordered more Dr Pepper, Dong said the event was a good one.

Lindsey Paytes, CUAB's art collection committee chairwoman, said she felt that the gala — which she said she came up with in a dream — was a success because the crowd well exceeded the 300 people she had expected.

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# Election will impact schools

## Commissioners oversee funding

BY KEELY STOCKETT  
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As the primary election for the county commissioners nears, both candidates and school representatives are examining major issues in the local school districts.

The Orange County Board of Commissioners works closely with the schools in the two districts the board represents, Chapel Hill-Carrboro and Orange County.

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With the property taxes they collect from residents, commissioners offer financial support to the schools in addition to the funding given at the state and federal levels.

Lisa Stuckey, vice chairwoman of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education, said the districts' schools depend heavily on the money they receive from commissioners.

"Chapel Hill's needs include things like technology, new school sites and renovating and maintaining older buildings," Stuckey said.

"We continue to grow in the

Chapel Hill-Carrboro district, and so it's important for us to have a good working relationship with the county commissioners."

Pam Hemminger, chairwoman of the city school board, is running unopposed in her district.

She said she is running on several platforms, including better communication and increased technology in the schools.

She said she also thinks that the exponential growth within the district needs to be addressed.

"Growth is a good problem and a hard problem to have," Hemminger said.

"We've had five new schools in the past eight years. That takes a lot of resources, so we can't focus on our older schools, and it can be frustrating."

Another issue that candidates will tackle is the proposal of a merger between the two area school systems.

Hemminger said that while there are areas where the district needs additional improvement and funding, the combined efforts of administrators and teachers have resulted in progress in other areas.

"We've got diversity and ac-

*"Growth is a good problem and a hard problem to have."*

PAM HEMMINGER, CHAIRWOMAN, CHAPEL HILL-CARRBORO CITY SCHOOLS

demic rigor. We're doing well," she said.

"Our drop-out rate has decreased, and we're doing a better job tracking different kids."

Ted Triebel, chairman of the Orange County Board of Education, said his district has many of the same strengths and weaknesses as the Chapel Hill-Carrboro district.

Triebel echoed Stuckey's wish to continue working with the county commissioners in a manner that is mutually beneficial, regardless of who wins the election.

"Orange County schools want commissioners who are committed to education for all kids as a top priority," he said.

"We have to be flexible, and we look to the commissioners to be flexible with us."

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# Administrator finalist for Colorado position

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One of UNC's associate vice chancellors for student affairs could have the opportunity to return to his home state after nearly eight years at UNC — because another university has solicited him for a job.

A press release last week announced Christopher Payne as one of five finalists for the vice chancellor of student affairs position at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Payne said he was contacted for the vice chancellor search, which began early this semester, after being nominated as a potential candidate.

"I really wasn't looking for the position, but I became aware of the position because someone nominated me," he said.

"Once that occurred, the search chair sent me a note indicating that I had been nominated, attached a position description and asked for my further consideration."

If Payne gets the job, he would be the fourth administrator to leave since September, when Chancellor James Moeser announced his deci-

sion to step down, possibly signaling a larger change in UNC's leadership.

At UNC, Payne makes \$146,086 a year. CU-Boulder Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Ron Stump — whom Payne would replace — makes \$186,423 per year, about \$40,000 more.

Bronson Hilliard, a CU-Boulder spokesman, said the vice chancellor of student affairs is one of four vice chancellor positions, making it part of the campus's core leadership.

"This is a very large job that encompasses housing, admissions and every aspect of student life on campus," he said. "We're looking for someone who's very visionary but also a great organizer — which can be a tall order in higher education."

Associate Provost for Academic Initiatives Carol Tresolini said that she had not yet heard Payne was a finalist but she added that she was excited to hear that news.

"He has a leadership style that is low-key and very effective, and he was very wonderful to work with,"

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