CAMPUS BRIEFS Duke professor talks about effects of obesity at work

The School of Public Health hosted Dr. Brian Caveney from the Division of Occupational and Environmental Medicine at Duke University Medical Center for a speech on obesity in the workplace Tuesday.

Caveney outlined recent issues and concerns for employers in relation to overweight or obese

He explained that obese employees take two to three times more sick days than their nonobese counterparts. Obese individuals are also more likely to file workers compensation claims for injuries on the job.

Caveney said some workplaces reward employees who make an effort to eat well and exercise. He also encouraged health workers to help employees who are at a low risk for obesity stay in this cat-

UNC and SELF magazine team up for eating research

The UNC School of Medicine and SELF magazine conducted a study about eating disorders in

The study found that 65 percent of women between the ages of 25 and 45 reported suffering from dis-ordered eating behaviors, such as anorexia, bulimia and binge eating.

Cynthia R. Bulik, professor of eating disorders in the UNC School of Medicine, said these behaviors are not prevalent in one particular ethnic group or race.

The results, which will be pub-lished in SELF magazine, will help women differentiate between normal and dangerous behaviors, said Lucy Danziger, the editor-in-chief of SELF magazine

Local journalists discuss war correspondent experiences

Dick Gordon and Jay Price, two former war correspondents, will discuss their experiences covering military engagements in Iraq and Afghanistan at 6 p.m. today in the Freedom Forum Conference center in Carroll Hall.

Gordon hosts the radio show "The Story" on North Carolina Public Radio, and Price is a general assignment and military affairs reporter for The (Raleigh) News &

CITY BRIEFS

Chatham police arrest man accused of drug felonies

Chatham County police arrested a man Friday after his release from UNC Hospital.

Jose Gomez Miranda, 34, was charged with several felonies, including assault on a law enforcement officer with a deadly weapon, manufacturing of cocaine, main-taining a dwelling or vehicle for controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, trafficking in cocaine, possession of cocaine and possession with intent to sell or deliver cocaine

STATE BRIEFS

Obama rakes in support from N.C. General Assembly

N.C. General Assembly Senate Majority Leader Tony Rand announced Tuesday his endorsement of Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama, along with that of 28

other state legislators. The American people have had enough of the game-playing and the politics that says you should say or do anything to win," said former House Speaker Dan Blue.

They want something new, and that's what this campaign is all about. That is why I'm supporting Senator Obama

The 29 legislators also included local representatives such as Sen. Eleanor Kinnaird, D-Orange, Rep. Bill Faison, D-Orange, Sen. Vernon Malone, D-Wake, and Sen. Floyd McKissick, D-Durham.

Concert campaign focuses on one-stop student voting

In an effort to get first-time student voters out to the polls, Barack Obama's N.C. campaign is holding two outdoor concerts to encourage one-stop voting

Tickets will be sold near onestop voting centers for a concert by Arcade Fire and Durham band Superchunk.

One of the concerts will be held at the Carrboro Town Commons on

May 2 at 1 p.m. "Not only can you pick up a ticket to see a great rock and roll show but you can cast your ballot for a one-stop early vote location," said

Win Butler of Arcade Fire. Tickets are free but required and are available starting Thursday at the Morehead Planetarium and Science Center. Call 919-929-3460

- From staff and wire reports.

Top Democrats hold debate Forum

Gubernatorial hopefuls discuss goals

BY CAROLINE DYE

RALEIGH - Tuesday night's debate gave each of the candidates for the Democratic nomination for N.C. governor a free forum to respond to voters.

Lt. Gov. Beverly Perdue and State Treasurer Richard Moore were given no time limits as they sought to answer questions voters submitted on the WRAL Web

The candidates were also allowed to directly respond to

This back-and-forth dynamic was especially pronounced dur-ing discussion of higher education policy.

Moore accused Perdue of voting for tuition increases during her tenure in the state legislature.

"We are going to work very hard not to raise tuition any more," he

Perdue then asserted that Moore had also voted for tuition increase in the past and urged that the dis-

cussion be refocused on the issues.

"People are tired of these distractions," she said.

Moore fired back, saying that his votes had been for small tuition increases to match cost of living prices while Perdue had supported more drastic increase

In addition to higher education plans, both candidates outlined their priorities for the state.

oore said that if elected he would focus on running state pro-grams more efficiently while supporting business.

Businesses are the backbone of this state," he said.

Perdue said she would help extend day care and health care programs for N.C. children and would support families whose homes had been foreclosed.

Both candidates emphasized that they would accomplish those goals if elected.

Moore said he would draw on his experience running the state treasury department while Perdue said new investments in education would help propel North Carolina forward.

The candidates later responded to "lighting round" questions rang-ing from driving cars on the Outer Banks to their positions on the



Gubernatorial candidates Beverly Perdue and Richard Moore shake hands before debating their platforms at the WRAL studio in Raleigh on Tuesday.

death penalty

According to statistics released Monday from Public Policy Polling, Perdue leads Moore, 45 percent to 36 percent. That marks the third week she has led by 8 to 10 points. The tone of the debate was gen-

erally friendly, but neither hesitated to criticize the other's records.

Perdue has previously declared

that she is running a positive cam-paign and will not air negative campaign ads.

"I'm not trying to run a posi-tive or negative campaign," Moore told reporters following Tuesday's debate. "I'm trying to run a truthful campaign.

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A POET'S PERFORMANCE



DTH/ELISE HARWOO

of her work during a poetry event held Tuesday at Bull's Head Book Shop. The event celebrated the opening of a poetry exhibit in Wilson Library called "The

oet Anne Waldman reads excerpts Beats and Beyond: Counterculture Poetry, 1950-1975" that examines the emergence and evolution of American counterculture in poetry. Visit University News at dailytarheel.com for the full story.

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the poetry reading? Go online for audio from Anne Waldman's reading.

weighs 1-ticket option

CAA seeks input on distribution

BY DANIEL PATE

About 75 students made their oices heard Tuesday night at the Carolina Athletic Association's basketball ticket policy forum in Hamilton Hall, asking for two tickets per student instead of one

Clint Gwaltney, director of ticket distribution and Smith Center operations, said that awarding students one ticket would reduce the number of unclaimed tickets.

But many students felt reluctant to compromise because they said they prefer to sit with their friends. "We look to the student body to

see why they are signing up for the tickets and still not using them," Gwaltney said. "You'd be amazed at the amount of empty student seats." There are 6,000 student tickets

available per game. He said the problem also existed with UNC's previous bracelet and camp-out distribution systems. Gwaltney proposed a group

seating change that would let stu-dents choose whether to sit in a lower-level section with a friend or a higher-level section with a larger group of friends.

Students brought up the idea of a penalty system for those who are awarded tickets and don't use them, but Gwaltney said the plan was not feasible.

"It takes a lot of manpower to do that," he said, adding that the variety of student excuses for not using the tickets would make it too difficult to establish such a system. "It could penalize the wrong people that don't show up." CAA Director of Ticketing

Graham Boone proposed an online exchange system that would allow students to return tickets they could not use by e-mail. The tickets then would be distributed to a list of students not awarded tickets. Boone said the online exchange

would let students know days in advance that they can attend the upcoming game. Currently students can join the standby line only two and a half hours before

the game.

If the online exchange system is implemented, the standby line still would exist.

Some students expressed concern about making the trip to the Smith Center to wait in the standby line but still not be admitted. But Boone said the line allowed every waiting student into the stadium last year - even at the game against Duke University.

In fact, many tickets that were turned in at the standby line remained even after all students in

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Signs cry Wolff, unsure which Uganda performance

Husband, wife both are running

BY JEFF WOODALL

With the upcoming primary elections, campaign signs are springing up everywhere.

This year, signs reading "Wolff for commissioner" are advertising Democratic primary candidate

She will face her husband, Kevin Wolff, in the he road to the rote general election if she wins the N.C. Primary

MAY 6 primary. Many see the signs, which don't specify which Wolff to elect, as helping both candidates simulta-

county Board of Commissioners. The Wolffs' strategy could give them a significant advantage in getting better name recognition

neously in their campaigns for the

with the county. Jason Baker, a local political observer, said better name recognition could help both Wolffs by attracting inexperienced voters.

"Since North Carolina has become more involved in the larger and presidential primaries, I think a lot of folks will be going into the polls not really knowing a lot about

the lower primaries," Baker said.

He said that the county has a strong reputation for having vot-ers that educate themselves on the

candidates. As rare as it is for a husband and





Campaign signs that read "Wolff for commissioner" could techincally advertise for either Kevin or Mary Wolff, a married pair both running.

wife to run for the same elected position at the same time, officials said the signs do not violate any rules established by the county or state.

"It's definitely quite clever, and they are both obviously get-ting a lot of free publicity from it," said Gerry Cohen, director of bill drafting for the N.C. House of

Representatives. 'Just because it's an advantage doesn't mean it's unfair." Because Kevin Wolff is the only

Republican primary candidate for the seat, voters can assume that the advertisements are for her, he said. "There isn't any requirements for what can or cannot be on yard signs," said Tracy Reams, director of the Orange County Board of Electors. "Anything other than a yard sign, you have to have a legend that says who the sign was paid for or sponsored by."

No matter whom voters choose, it will do little to take away from the unique strategy that has been implemented by the couple.
"It's sort of funny," Cohen said.

"It definitely brings the word 'wolves' to mind.'

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mixes music, dance Shows effects of ATTEND THE SHOW

AIDS, poverty

BY JESS THOM

Carolina Performing Arts' pre-sentation of "Spirit of Uganda" today will use dance and music to promote awareness about Uganda's ongoing civil war and the HIV/ AIDS epidemic.

The performance is part of a tour presented by Empower African Children, a nonprofit organization focused on assisting the 2.4 million Ugandan orphans displaced by AIDS, war and pov-

"The dance they perform is all authentic," said Alexis Hefley, who founded the group in 2006.

"Everything we represent is very real, and it shows the different areas of east African culture and the richness of dance.

"Spirit of Uganda" will incorporate live music featuring a variety of instruments, including different types of drums, flutes and xylo-

The dancers, who range in age from 9 to 22, will incorporate the costumes and different types of dances that reflect the many cul-

tures of Uganda. All of the 22 dancers in the group were selected by Empower African Children and given profes sional training before touring with

Time: 8 p.m. today Location: Memorial Hall

Info: carolinaperformingarts.org

the group abroad. Many of the performers in 'Spirit of Uganda" have lost parents to HIV/AIDS or have parents who have been diagnosed with the

In Uganda, HIV/AIDS is one of the major causes of death, killing

more than 250 people each day. Hefley said "Spirit of Uganda" helps bridge the gap between North America and Africa during a time when many people feel overwhelmed by the things they hear about HIV/AIDS in the

"People think the problem is so huge and that they can't even think about it, but we make it real and diffuse anxieties that people have," she said.

"Sometimes people think that they'll be depressed after seeing the children perform, but the whole message is about hope. We turn it into optimism"

Emil Kang, UNC's executive director for the arts, said "Spirit of Uganda" really drives home the power that the arts can have to bring about change.

"A lot of what we do relates to social justice," he said. "It's very

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