

CORRECTION

In the graphic accompanying the story "City council to eye election funds," the public grant is a larger source of funding than qualifying contributions. The chart also represents the maximum funds candidates can raise. The Daily Tar Heel apologizes for the error.

UNIVERSITY BRIEFS
High school journalism workshop June 16-19

The North Carolina Scholastic Media Association will host its annual four-day journalism workshop - the N.C. Scholastic Media Institute - for high school students and teachers June 16-19 at UNC's School of Journalism and Mass Communication.

The workshop is designed to teach creative and efficient ways to communicate through high school newspapers, yearbooks, literary magazines and broadcasts. High school students and teachers are encouraged to participate. The workshop also allows students to experience college life and to explore media careers.

UNC students named top journalists in the country

Five UNC students have been named as part of the UWIRE 100, honoring the nation's top 100 collegiate journalists from more than 500 nominations.

UNC had the most students honored among 132 schools. A UWIRE panel judged each candidate based on demonstrated excellence in a field of collegiate journalism.

LaToya Evans, Adam Rhew, Walter Storholt, Joseph Schwartz and Julie Turkewitz all were honored for their work with campus and professional publications.

Rams Head Starbucks open after major delays

The Starbucks in Rams Head Dining Hall opened for business May 27 after more than eight months of delays.

Originally scheduled to open in September 2007, the shop faced countless delays including problems with getting an on-site review, an ambitious timeline and rising construction costs.

Starbucks will take over the spot previously left vacant by the closing of End Zone Sports Cafe.

CITY BRIEFS

Triangle leaders search for solutions to urban traffic

Mayors of Raleigh, Durham, Cary and Chapel Hill unanimously declared support of the Twenty-First Century Transportation Committee's recommendations for traffic congestion relief Tuesday.

The committee made recommendations for regional urban congestion relief and the financing of transit improvement projects, among others.

It also recommended that the N.C. General Assembly use the \$172 million it usually transfers from the Highway Trust Fund to the bolster the state's General Fund for transportation needs.

STATE BRIEFS

New vaccine rules to take effect in 2008-09 school year

The N.C. Commission for Public Health has changed rules, which will go into effect in the 2008-09 school year, regarding the vaccination of school-aged children and college students.

A booster dose of Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis) and a second dose of mumps vaccines are now required for certain individuals.

The following individuals should check www.immunizenc.com for more details about the immunization rule change: Students attending public schools and entering the 6th grade on or after Aug. 1; students not attending public schools who turn 12 on or after Aug. 1; individuals enrolling in a college or university for the first time on or after July 1.

N.C. group shoots for Moon to win millions as a reward

In Raleigh, "Team STELLAR," short for "Space Technology for Exploration, Lunar Landing and Roving," has qualified as one of 14 groups competing for the Google "Lunar X PRIZE."

The contest is sponsored by an organization called X Prize, and they specialize in big dollar contests which have an impact on human welfare.

The announcement came at the International Space University in Strasbourg, France.

The first team to land on the moon and complete the requirements within the following two years wins \$20 million.

If no team wins by the end of 2012, first prize drops to \$15 million.

- From staff and wire reports

Carney named interim dean

Will be fourth dean in as many years

BY BRIAN AUSTIN
UNIVERSITY EDITOR

When Holden Thorp was elected UNC's next chancellor, he not only stepped into the highest leadership role at the University, he created a void in his former position as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

That hole has been filled - at least for now - by Bruce Carney, senior associate dean of the College, who was tapped as interim dean this week.

"Obviously in a situation like this, where there's going to be a rapid change, we're trying to find someone

who can move in quickly and will continue the forward motion that Holden Thorp had," said Bernadette Gray-Little, the executive vice chancellor and provost.

She touted Carney's administrative experience, which includes five years as the chair of the physics and astronomy department and four in his most recent role as senior associate dean.

That experience is especially necessary because of the struggles facing the College currently, including high professor turnover, said Madeline Levine, who was the last



Senior associate dean Bruce Carney will act as the interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

interim dean to lead the College of Arts and Sciences.

"What I learned very quickly is that you take what you're given and move forward," she said, adding that the team of experienced senior associate deans helped her keep a sense of continuity in the College.

She encouraged the interim dean to do more than just be present,

emphasizing forward progress.

"Make sure they know you're not going to let the College stagnate for a year," she said.

Carney said he is looking forward to reaching out to departments beyond the sciences, which he said is reminiscent of his role as chairman of the physics and astronomy department, where he said he learned more about other science departments beyond his own.

Though there is a steep learning curve inherent in taking on a position that heads 45 academic departments and hundreds of faculty members, Carney says he is

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Alumni protect NCCU dorm

School OKs \$30 million in funding

BY DEVIN ROONEY
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When the N.C. Central University dorm Chidley Hall was open, it was the kind of building where, oftentimes, things just didn't work right, and it was almost torn down.

But now the building is slated for a \$30 million renovation after being saved from demolition by the alumni who lived there. They said it represents an important part of their memories of their time at NCCU.

Richard Smith, president of the NCCU Alumni Association, who lived in Chidley from 1977 to 1978, said he was saddened when he heard that the dorm might be torn down.

He said he was "disappointed, initially, because of the memories and the importance of the building for many of us."

Smith is among those former residents who described living in the all-male dorm as a rite of passage.

"Those things are a very important part of our educational development," he said.

The dorm was a de facto gathering place even for students from other dorms.

Smith said time spent socializing in the dorm led to deeper connections.

"Absolutely as part of defining the experience, it was the gathering, bonding and forming lifelong friendships," he said.

"It was family. Chidley Hall was the family for many of us."

And more important, he said he also got to know the dorm staff, which made him feel more at home.

"I didn't feel I was a stranger in the building."

But Smith said his experiences at the dorm weren't universally shared.

"It meant different things to different students," he said. "You have to remember they were from all over North Carolina and the country."

The dorm eventually fell into disrepair, and it was closed a few years ago. One of the buildings in the Chidley complex was the impetus for a lawsuit which alleged mold infestations and leaky pipes.

In order to carry out the renovations, the university has authorized \$30 million in funding for the project.

But an independent consultant said the renovation might cost almost twice that.

The plan for the renovation includes building a new dorm on the annex site.

The new building will replicate a dorm called Ruffin Hall, which

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SCROGGS LEAVES LEGACY OF SERVICE

Will retire from post this week

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Steve Scroggs, Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools assistant superintendent for support services, is retiring from his position Friday.

He has held the position for the past nine years.

Scroggs said that he has worked for the school system for 13 years and that he has been working for North Carolina's public schools, educating the state's children for the last 35 years.

"I'm very passionate about my job, he said. "I love coming to work, and I love kids."

Scroggs said he first came to the area in 1995 to become the principal at McDougle Elementary.

He said that he returned to his hometown of Chapel Hill in 1995 "as an opportunity to come back home" and that he knew, as a principal, he could count on friend and colleague Neil Pedersen, superintendent of the school system, to help him in his new job.

He said his passion for his job comes from his love of helping children succeed in the classroom.

He works with five divisions within the scope of the school system; transportation, foods and services, budget and finance and personnel.

Scroggs explained that every division in the system must work together seamlessly in order to benefit the students and their educations.

He said he and the employees of the divisions must be ready at a moment's notice if something goes wrong during the school day so they are able to fix the problem immediately.

"It makes for an exciting day," Scroggs said.

Throughout his career, Scroggs was known for his friendly demeanor, constant smile and

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Steve Scroggs is retiring Friday after 35 years of work in education, the last nine in Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools. He said his passion for his job comes from his love of helping children in the classroom.

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General Assembly eyes gangs

Legislation seeks to curb violence

BY DEVIN ROONEY
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The N.C. Senate has overwhelmingly voted in favor of anti-gang legislation, which is intended to reduce the rates of violent organized crime by focusing both on prevention and punishment.

The bill now returns to the N.C. House of Representatives and it is unclear when that body will take a second look at the legislation in conference with the N.C. Senate.

House leaders have said the bill will most likely pass on to a House-Senate conference for resolving the differences between the two versions.

N.C. Sen. Tony Rand, D-Cumberland, the N.C. Senate majority leader, said the benefit of focusing on sentencing as well as rehabilitation would be a more holistic approach.

"It has some increasing penalties, which I hope would make people think a little more before becoming involved in this sort of thing," he said.

"It also has provisions to try and help people get through these kinds of things."

Bill Holmes, spokesman for N.C. Rep. Joe Hackney, D-Orange, the House majority leader, said this legislation comes out of the

increasingly popular belief that gang violence is a problem.

"They believe they need to get tougher on gang related crime," Holmes said.

"It's been a problem in a lot of the urban communities for a while."

Rand said the issue has been on the minds of the N.C. lawmakers because its impact is growing.

"We've been concerned about the increasing problem. We think it certainly is something that is - seems to be - a growing problem in our state and a growing problem for the young people," Rand said.

Holmes added that the question of gang involvement in the murder of former Student Body President Eve Carson is a consideration for the lawmakers who are handling the anti-gang legislation.

The N.C. Senate voted after mayors and law enforcement agencies from across the state advocated for the legislation at a news conference May 21. Forty-seven state senators voted in favor of the bill and none opposed.

Mark Bridgeman, president of the N.C. Gang Investigators Association, said the legislation is a good foundation for future anti-gang efforts.

"One of the things that we have to look at when we're talking about

Gang Crime in North Carolina

> 19 drive-by shootings were recorded in North Carolina between July and December 2006, the sixth highest in the nation.

> 23 percent of those killed or injured were younger than 18.

> 55 percent were at a residence when they were shot.

> 22 percent of the drive-bys involved shooting at a private vehicle.

SOURCE: 2007 North Carolina Gang Prevention Initiative

this is that it is a start," he said.

There are several reasons that the numbers of gangs are growing.

Bridgeman said that North Carolina is in the middle of the East Coast, and that it serves as a bridge between the North and the South.

He added that the state is growing in population.

Bridgeman said that gangs aren't just growing, but that members are becoming better criminals, so they can have a larger presence without risking self destruction.

"Their level of criminal sophistication is increasing."

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Incoming Kenan-Flagler dean to be named soon

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The search for a leader in the Kenan-Flagler Business School is in its final phase.

Steve Jones, dean of the business school since 2003, will be leaving his position June 30, and his spot has yet to be filled.

But a special committee has been conducting an extensive search to come up with a qualified candidate.

The committee is wrapping up the search as it narrows down the choice to a few candidates.

"The Kenan-Flagler Business School search committee has been able to see two excellent candidates who represent different skill sets and experiences," said Barbara Rimer, the search committee chairwoman.

So far, the committee has interviewed two men. One candidate came from inside the school and the other from outside.

The third candidate, who has yet to give his final interview, is also a man.

"We are very disappointed that we were not able to identify women in the search," Rimer said.

"There is a shortage of senior women professors available and interested in dean jobs."

The committee has not released any additional information about the candidates, including their names.

After months of interviewing, the search committee's job is drawing to a close.

"They had a large number of candidates that were nominated or applied," said Bernadette Gray-Little, UNC's executive vice chancellor and provost.

"It was a national search, so people who were considered came from all over."

The committee first cut down a long list of candidates, then held short interviews with them.

After considering their interviews, the search committee called back some of the applicants for day-long interviews.

The selection committee expects to make its recommendations to the provost within the next two weeks.

"The provost and chancellor make the decision and the announcement," Rimer said.

"We hope it will be by July 1, but it depends on negotiations and what they decide."

The final candidate is scheduled for an interview next week, fol-

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