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A benefit concert Saturday will raise money to pay for cancer treatments for Cy Rawls, a former WXYC DJ and local music supporter.

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Orange County's July unemployment rate — 5.1 percent — is the highest it's been in 18 years of available records.



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An after-school program at the Morehead Planetarium focuses on green and environmentally sustainable activities with a science-based curriculum.

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Plans for a building expansion of Ackland Art Museum have been put on hold pending efforts to raise a \$10 million endowment.

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Local schools expand program to create bilingual students.

GREEK ALLIANCE

Greek Alliance Council holds its first meeting of the year.

ELECTION 2008 BLOG

N.C. delegates respond to Wednesday night's nomination.

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"The most common sight on campus these days is cranes," said Student Body President Paul Parker, by way of opposing construction projects.

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EMS response time has slowed

Cites N.C. paramedic 'staffing crisis'

BY BRENDAN BROWN

SENIOR WRITER

Orange County Emergency Medical Services' response time has been getting progressively worse since 2000.

EMS strives to respond to emergency calls within 12 minutes, said Capt. Kim Woodward, operations manager for the EMS. But county records show that the number of times EMS took more than 15 minutes to arrive increased by about 350 percent from 2000 to

2005.

Since 2005 that trend has continued, according to county officials and records.

"We are trying to reduce that," Woodward said.

EMS has opened an internal investigation after being criticized for its handling of a 911 call by a high school football player earlier this month.

Atlas Fraley, 17, was found dead when his parents returned home about five hours after EMS

responded to his call.

Woodward said EMS has been stretched thin by recent population growth in the county. Calls for EMS service increased by about 7 percent from 2000 to 2007.

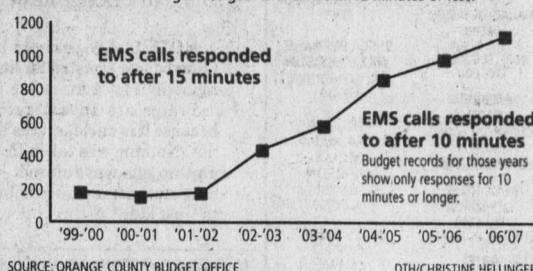
The average response time of EMS reached an estimated 10 minutes in 2008, an increase of almost three minutes since 2000.

Five paramedic units and three or four ambulances are on duty at any point in time, Woodward said.

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Emergency response times increase

Since 2000, Emergency Medical Services is responding to more emergency calls in 15 minutes or longer. The goal is to arrive in 12 minutes or less.



SOURCE: ORANGE COUNTY BUDGET OFFICE

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MAN TO MANNEQUIN



Junior forward Casey Nogueira of the UNC women's soccer team practices in the rain at Finley Fields on Wednesday afternoon. The team is now using a new training method borrowed from London's Arsenal Football Club that involves using mannequins as defenders.

Women's soccer tries mannequin training

BY JOE MCLEAN

ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Anson Dorrance is always prepared to change his practice tactics.

Even after 19 national championships, North Carolina's women's soccer coach is open to the idea that someone else might have a better coaching method than his own.

So after he saw a weakness in his team's finishing passes last year during the lowest-scoring season in North Carolina's history, Dorrance introduced a new opponent to his squad in preseason practice: mannequins.

These defenders aren't just static — they're plastic.

Bright yellow silhouettes with shoulders and a head, they actually bear more resemblance to a piece of lumber than the shopping mall prop from which they take their name.

Dorrance is using them to teach his team to recognize and avoid defensive formations and make accurate passes to teammates.

"What ends up happening with mannequin training is the players see the seams,"

he said. "They're trained to play the seams and play balls between the seams."

The technique is borrowed from Arsène Wenger, the manager of London's Arsenal Football Club. Dorrance calls him "the best coach in the world right now" for his team's aggressive attack.

"Their final passing is absolutely exquisite, and I have a friend that was the assistant women's coach for the Arsenal women," he said. "So since she knew I was a Wenger fan, she would send me e-mails."

The friend, Emma Hayes, is now the head coach of a Chicago team in the new Women's Professional Soccer league. Hayes tipped Dorrance off about the mannequin training, and the coach put it to use in the preseason.

Despite the sophisticated origin, the actual drill is fairly simple.

One attacker stands next to the yellow "defender" while a teammate with the ball, standing several yards away, attempts to make a pass over the defense. If done right, the pass will go beyond the defenders but will be close enough for the attacker to run the ball down.

Velocity, spin and placement all are important — too hard, and it'll go out of bounds; too soft, and it won't get to the sprinting attacker.

"It really helps the midfielder kick the

ball with the right spin and the right speed," junior forward Nikki Washington said.

"When you find the seam (in a game), you've seen it a lot so it's easier."

In addition to one-on-one situations, the mannequins also can be rearranged to illustrate the weak points in different formations.

The training should lead to better breakaways and scoring opportunities, once players have more practice hitting the right spots.

By knowing exactly where to kick that last pass to an offensive player to set up a shot, Dorrance hopes UNC can take advantage of its chances and score more efficiently.

"Final passing is one of the hardest things in soccer to master," senior Yael Averbuch said.

UNC's offensive passing worked wonders in last week's 5-1 rout of UNC-Charlotte, so North Carolina now hopes to recreate that scoring success against its first ranked opponents.

The Tar Heels will put their new skills to the test this weekend in Texas against No. 13 Texas A&M and No. 14 Tennessee.

"We still have a lot of work and a lot of improvement to go," Averbuch said; "but I do think it's proving beneficial already."

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UNC officials shut out reporter

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UNIVERSITY EDITOR

The Daily Tar Heel was shut out of a meeting between University administrators, deans and town leaders Wednesday based on a nonbinding agreement unchallenged in 12 years.

The legal basis for closing the meeting never has been resolved.

The UNC-UNC-CPA nonbinding agreement.

Bernadette Gray-Little, vice chancellors, deans and department heads met to discuss policies related to faculty tenure and faculty and student recruitment.

Carrboro Mayor Mark Chilton and Chapel Hill Mayor Kevin Foy joined them in the afternoon to discuss ways to encourage economic development in the towns.

Daily Tar Heel reporters attempted to cover the meetings because

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Definition of a public body

According to state law, all meetings of a public body are open.

A public body means any elected or appointed authority, board, commission, committee, council or other body of the state that

► Is composed of two or more members and

► Exercises or is authorized to exercise a legislative, policy-making, quasi-judicial, administrative or advisory function.

A public body does not include:

► A meeting solely among the professional staff of a public body or

► The medical staff of a public hospital.

Source: N.C. General Statute 143-318.10
www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/HTML/ByArticle/Chapter_143/Article_33C.html

Area tries to attract gay tourism

BY SARAH FRIER

ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Chapel Hill was the first town in the state to include sexual orientation as a category of hate crime law, as well as the first to elect an openly gay council member.

And now, the Chapel Hill and Orange County Visitors Bureau is one of the first to invest in gay and lesbian tourism.

"The bottom line is that we're trying to capture as many tourist dollars as we can," County Commissioner Mike Nelson said. "We're trying to reach out to a segment in the market that has been underserved in the past."

Although county tourism has seen 8 percent gains in the past five years, strategies must be changed in order to ensure a promising future, said Laurie

Paolicelli, executive director of the visitors bureau.

This year, the bureau budgeted \$10,000 for marketing to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender-identified tourists, and became members of the International Gay and Lesbian Travel Association.

GLBT tourism is a \$65 billion a-year market and growing quickly, Paolicelli said.

"It's because they're largely dual-income with no kids, and also because they like to travel more than the average person," she said. "They also are willing to pay the higher hotel rates, which Chapel Hill has."

But luring the desired demographic may take more than marketing.

"When I travel, I often look to see if there's a gay bar, or if there's



Jason Cross, of Durham, right, and David-Aidan Mackey, a UNC senior, enjoy coffee and conversation at Caffé Driade on Wednesday.