

**CORRECTION**

Due to a reporting error, Wednesday's pg. 3 story, "Di-Phi Hosts Debate," incorrectly attributed a quote. The accusation that Price voted to renew the USA Patriot Act, which Price refuted, was made by Di-Phi moderator Daniel Friedman, not Republican congressional candidate B.J. Lawson.

The Daily Tar Heel apologizes for the error.

**CAMPUS BRIEFS**

**Libraries buy six millionth volume: John Keats poetry**

A first edition of John Keats' "Poems," published in 1817, is the six millionth volume in the library's collection. The addition makes the UNC's Library the 19th university library in North America to achieve the milestone.

The book is part of a 500-item Keats collection that the library purchased this year with support from the John Wesley and Anna Hodgkin Hanes Foundation of Winston-Salem. Through its foundation, the Hanes family has funded each of the library's millionth volumes.

The book will be presented in a free public ceremony at 5:45 p.m. on Nov. 20 in Wilson Library.

**UNC researchers awarded \$2.9 million to study cancer**

The National Cancer Institute has awarded an almost \$2.9 million grant to Dr. Andrew Olshan, professor and chair of the epidemiology department at the Gillings School of Global Public Health, to study pediatric cancer.

Olshan, Dr. Anna Maria Siega-Riz, associate professor in the departments of epidemiology and nutrition, and Dr. Fei Zou, associate professor of biostatistics, will work on the five-year project.

Neuroblastoma, the most common cancer in babies, usually affects children age five or younger. The study will investigate the disease's causes, including mothers' diets and vitamin intake during pregnancy.

**CITY BRIEFS**

**Possible double homicide; bodies found in county home**

Orange County sheriffs responded Saturday to a possible double homicide at a Highway 70 East residence, according to a sheriff's office press release.

A resident called to report a body in the home, and the responding deputies discovered two deceased victims.

Sheriffs said Sunday that they could not release the victims' identification pending notification of next of kin.

Sheriffs also said that no other information was available and that the investigation is ongoing.

**Council endorses process for Carolina North development**

Carolina North has a route to completion, after the Chapel Hill Town Council endorsed a development agreement process Wednesday.

The process would allow a development agreement which would require UNC to present the overall plan of Carolina North, a planned satellite research campus, for approval at one time. Specifics, such as storm water management, would be further addressed later in the process.

Members of UNC and town staff have worked together for several months and will continue to have regular meetings to flesh out the development agreement.

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**STATE BRIEFS**

**UNC-system releases report on NCCU satellite campus**

The UNC-system's Board of Governors discussed the details of a report released Thursday on the unauthorized N.C. Central University satellite campus in Georgia.

The report found that many of the 126 students who attended the satellite campus during its four years of operation received \$3 million in Pell Grants, Perkins loans and other forms of financial aid.

The report also found that satellite students paid only \$296.10 per credit hour in 2007-08 while the UNC system's rate for a non-resident distance education credit hour is \$417.75.

NCCU will pay back \$55,426 of reimbursements to the state for operating costs shouldered by NCCU business offices, as well as for employee compensation.

East Carolina University agreed to partner with NCCU to allow satellite students to finish their degrees which were interrupted when the campus shut down earlier this year.

-From staff and wire reports

**UNC system deals with cuts**

**Schools decide on budget reductions**

BY RACHEL COLEMAN

STAFF WRITER

All schools in the UNC system must cut spending, but system officials are giving each school leeway to decide how to reduce costs.

In anticipation of the impact the national economic crisis could have on the state's revenue, Gov. Mike Easley implemented a 2 percent budget cut on all state agencies in late September.

"One of the most important things is, (Easley) let us know early in the fiscal year about the budget cut, so we will be able to manage it," said Rob Nelson, vice president for finance for the UNC system.

"The budget cut also allows flexibility as it does not mandate any specific area of reduction," he said.

UNC-Chapel Hill is implementing a cut that will target the Division of Academic Affairs, Division of Health Affairs and the School of Medicine's Area Health Education Centers office.

Systemwide, employee positions and travel expenses are experiencing the biggest cuts across the board.

**Nonessential hiring expenses**

Many universities have decided not to fill vacant positions because of the money that goes into searching for a new hire.

"Traditionally, we have dollars lapsed because of vacant positions, and we are holding back on those," said Chuck Wooten, vice chancellor for administration and finance at Western Carolina University.

Other schools, like N.C. State University and Appalachian State University, also are cutting their budgets in the area of vacant employee positions.

"When faculty leaves, we must do a search process, which costs a bit of money," said Greg Lovins, Appalachian State's interim vice chancellor for business affairs. "Now we are just going to hold these vacant positions open."

Charles Leffler, N.C. State's vice chancellor for finance and business, said quality is still a priority despite the cuts.

"Our policy is to try to protect the teaching and research," he said. "It's something we will sort out as we go forward."

**Less for traveling, supplies**

Lovins said that during similar budget cuts in 2001 and 2002, Appalachian State restricted travel to cut expenses.

The university plans to do this again while making fewer purchases for faculty and staff.

"The cutback will have an impact on the faculty's ability to travel for their professional development," he said. "These things may add up, but the governor mandated a balanced budget, and the state will get through this."

Wooten said the budget cut at Western Carolina will restrict equipment replacement.

"If anything, the cut is going to delay some major purchases at the school," he said.

**All areas affected**

UNC-Charlotte plans to make cuts across the board because the school is in the midst of rapid growth, said Elizabeth Hardin, the school's vice chancellor for business affairs.

There will also be spending cuts in administrative programs, rather than academic departments.

"We are just fortunate that the cut is as small as it is given this big

national problem," she said.

**Small schools hit harder**

The 2 percent cut will have a stronger effect on the smaller UNC-system schools, UNC-Pembroke Chancellor Allen Meadors said.

While UNC-P is cutting back in the same areas as other universities, the cuts do more damage, he said.

"The cut is very serious because we are a small school with not many positions, so losing anything at all will make a difference," he said.

Lovins said the universities are working hard to avoid consequences for students and education.

"There is no harmful effect foreseen in the long run for this particular budget cut," Lovins said. "The main question we ask ourselves is what's the effect on the classroom, and this will not affect the classroom."

Nelson said the flexibility allowed by the cut will help because schools can decide for themselves which areas can best cope with less.

"While the impact will vary from campus to campus, this budget cut will be manageable to everyone," Nelson said.

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Next to one of the many fried-dough food joints, fair patrons watch their friends and children ride one of the kiddie rides at the N.C. State Fair in Raleigh on Thursday, the first day of the fair. The fair, which could attract up to one million people this year, ends Saturday.

**FAIREST OF THEM ALL**

**Fairgoers get taste of apple cider, bluegrass**

BY REBECCA PUTTERMAN

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The N.C. State Fair isn't all about the craziest rides and the deepest-fried foods. Look a little closer and the fair can become a real N.C. experience. Here is a top-10 list of things to do:

1. Fireworks go off at 9:45 every night. Get in line early to watch them from one of the three Ferris wheels. You'll even be able to see the skyline of downtown Raleigh.
2. Head down to the Pitzer Heritage Circle and enjoy one of the more relaxed parts of the fair: snacking on an apple dumpling and a cup of steaming cinnamon apple cider while listening to a genuine bluegrass band. Check the daily schedule for bands and show times.
3. Make a stop at the Jim Graham Building to say "hello" to a representative display of the state's livestock. Pigs, cows and goats are awaiting your inevitable fawning.
4. Visit the Village of Yesteryear to watch craftsmen dressed in colonial garb demonstrate their traditional southern crafts-making and give you a good talking-to about the ben-

efits of hard work. From pottery, to banjo carving, to weaving, all the crafts are on sale.

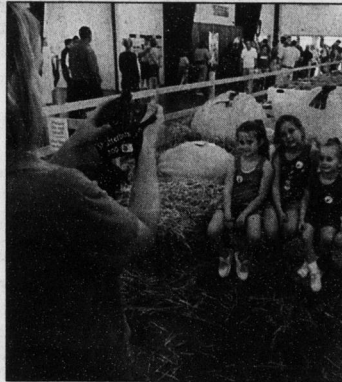
5. While the 100-foot drop and the new Vortex might look like great ways to send your stomach full of fried food straight into your throat, the softer rides that have always been a part of the fair, like Alpine Bobs and the bumper cars, make for a less nerve-racking ride.

6. There is a pig race at least once a day near gate 9. ... What more is there to say?

7. The demolition derby and tractor pull shows. It's impossible to mistake that revving of engines heard as far away as the roasted corn trailer. Check the schedule for times.

8. Try to win a bear dressed in a Carolina hoodie by throwing bouncy balls into a bucket. Just be careful — you might end up spending more on this rigged game than the bear is really worth.

9. Be sure to pick up a McCain/Palin or Obama/Biden sticker at the Commercial Building. Everyone you sit next to on the Ferris wheel will proudly be sporting one or the other.



Julie DiLello photographs her daughters (from left) Emma Kate, Taylor and Elayna Jo at the N.C. State Fair in Raleigh Thursday.

10. Take a load off your feet at the Folk Festival in the Folk Festival tent and watch clogging groups dance to live music.

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**Campus celebrates opening**

BY GREG SMITH

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Today's grand opening of the N.C. Research Campus is a milestone both for universities throughout the state and a town in the throes of a rapid economic transition.

The Kannapolis-based research community is the home of state-of-the-art laboratory facilities for several N.C. universities and has already started transforming the city's former manufacturing-based economy.

The center is an innovative way to bring together agricultural research and medical research, said Steven Leath, vice president for research of the UNC system and board member of the David H. Murdock Research Institute.

He said the center will attack the problem of nutrition and health from both ends of the spectrum.

"This is a neat opportunity to put all of that together at one time — it hasn't really been done before."

The campus's facilities, located on a 350-acre plot of land, are owned and shared by several N.C.

universities which will work with private companies to share their brains and their resources.

The three buildings opening today are UNC-Chapel Hill's Nutrition Research Institute, the David H. Murdock Core Laboratory Building and N.C. State University's Fruit and Vegetable Science Institute.

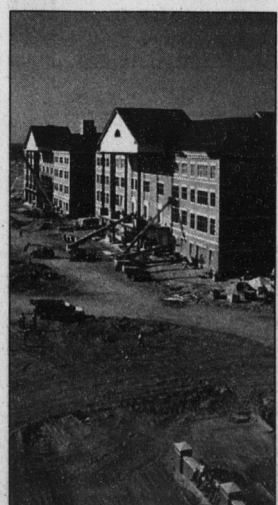
Because the labs are in close proximity, researchers and universities will be able to simultaneously collaborate and forge ahead on their own independent projects.

Although much of this research has yet to begin, changes are already evident in Kannapolis.

"Obviously one of the biggest changes is the whole infrastructure of the campus. It's really started to dominate the town," said Karen Whichard, marketing director for the city of Kannapolis.

The campus is driving a major transition from a manufacturing-based economy to a research-based one. Kannapolis lost thousands of

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The N.C. Research Campus, located in Kannapolis, is having its grand opening this morning.

**Hillsborough sites drop in new transfer ranking**

BY SARAH LAMORTE

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Two potential sites for an Orange County waste transfer station might benefit from consideration of impact on the community.

Evaluations of potential sites for the station previously ranked two Hillsborough sites as the best.

Both sites can be easily seen from transfer sites. 1-40, especially when the trees are leafless, and both fall in one of Hillsborough's Economic Development Districts.

"The economic development zone was put there to attract businesses, and the reality is the type of businesses you are going to have coming in beside a transfer station are not necessarily going to be tourism-type businesses," said Nathan Robinson, a member of Hillsborough's waste transfer sta-

tion advisory committee.

Hillsborough and Orange County would lose tax revenue if one of the locations is chosen, Hillsborough Mayor Pro Tem Michael Gering said.

The sites are privately owned but wouldn't be taxed if turned into county property. The station could also decrease the value of surrounding property, he said.

But the Orange County Board of Commissioners received a new ranking Tuesday which included consideration of proximity to parks and number of residences impacted.

The Hillsborough sites are five and six on the new ranking, with the commissioner expected to narrow the number of sites to three or fewer at its next meeting.

The sites are located on one of the entrance ways to Hillsborough and are near several residential areas.

"This was supposed to be the

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**Staff goes back to class**

**Employees get tuition waivers**

BY STACEY HUNTER

STAFF WRITER

On his first day of class, Jay Eubank was the only student wearing dress slacks, a tie and some facial wrinkles.

"It was funny," said Eubank, the director of career services in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication for the past 12 years. He said he was the oldest student in the class by far.

In spring 2007, Eubank took a break from his desk job to go back to college. He took a political reporting class using the UNC system's employee tuition waiver program.

The program has been available to all permanent full-time University employees since 1977. It allows them to take up to three free classes per year for career development or for personal interest, according to the UNC human resources Web site.

Employees are expected to maintain their normal job obligations and work schedules. But departments are asked to be flexible with student employees.

This semester 500 of 11,700 employees are participating.

"It's hard to work full-time and squeeze this in, too," said Tommy Griffin, the employee forum chairman. "But if you have a good supervisor with a lot of support, you can go to class and still do your job."

Ken Hales, an accounting technician, has taken more than 10 classes through the program.

On Mondays and Wednesdays, you might find him in his cluttered office scarfing down food so he can use his lunch hour to take intermediate Greek. In addition to Greek, Hales has studied three other languages through the program.

"It keeps your mind exercised, and it's a break from routine," Hales said. "Plus, there are so many things you don't have a chance to take in your undergraduate studies."

UNC mason Chuck Grant plans to use the benefit to take a spring course.

"I want to work toward estimating and project managing," Grant said. "If it would help me brush up

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