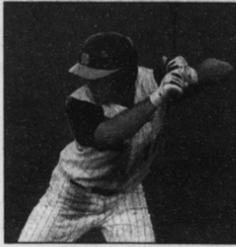


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TAKING THE FIELD

The North Carolina baseball team wrapped up the Fall World Series on Wednesday, its preseason intrasquad scrimmage.

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NEW LEADERSHIP

Professor Gene Nichols will be the next leader of UNC's poverty center after a controversial tenure as president of the College of William and Mary.



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RAW TALENT

A Japanese sushi chef gave a demonstration Thursday for the Asian Students Association showing proper technique for rolling sushi.

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RISING THIRD PARTY

Libertarian Mike Munger increased the visibility of his party even though his bid for North Carolina governor ultimately was unsuccessful.

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FACULTY COUNCIL

The council will learn about the millennial generation.

ELECTION COVERAGE

Watch a newsroom video from election night.

PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

View a slideshow of some of the week's best pictures.

this day in history

NOV. 7, 1984

The Rev. Jed and Sister Pat preach for five and a half hours in the Pit, announcing that God is punishing the Democratic party for its mistakes.

Today's weather

Sunny
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Saturday weather

Morning rain
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10 reasons to watch UNC sports this weekend

1. Coastal seeding

The Georgia Tech-UNC football game puts the ACC Coastal division seeding on the line, and the winner is likely to end up in Tampa Bay. "This is a very critical and important time," UNC coach Butch Davis said.

2. The new guys

Saturday is the first time you'll be able to see the UNC men's basketball team's freshmen in action, and they should get plenty of face time, thanks to injuries to starters.

4. Jonathan Dwyer

GT coach Paul Johnson's No. 1 B-back is averaging 99.9 yards per game for a team-high seven touchdowns. And he's got two other rushers in the backfield with him. "I mean, he can take it the whole way," UNC safety Trimane Goddard said. "He's a very tough, physical back."

3. ACC titles

The women's soccer and field hockey teams will be in Cary and Durham, respectively, and are looking to defend their conference titles this weekend in the ACC Tournaments. Check pg. 5 for the schedules.

5. Women's hoops

UNC outscored its first exhibition opponents by 50, setting a high standard for the men's exhibition tomorrow. The women take on a new opponent tonight, the Premier Players. See pg. 5.

6. Danny Green

Green will get his second career start tomorrow, albeit in an exhibition. You might miss the dancing, but his 3's are bound to be pretty.

7. Award watch lists

Butch Davis just was named to the Coach of the Year watch list, and safety Trimane Goddard is in the running for defensive player of the year. Can they keep it up?

8. Early expectations

The men's basketball team has some pretty lofty goals set this year, and this is their first chance to show a crowd in the Smith Center if they've really got what it takes. After all, the Tar Heels garnered a unanimous 72 first-place votes.

9. Homecoming

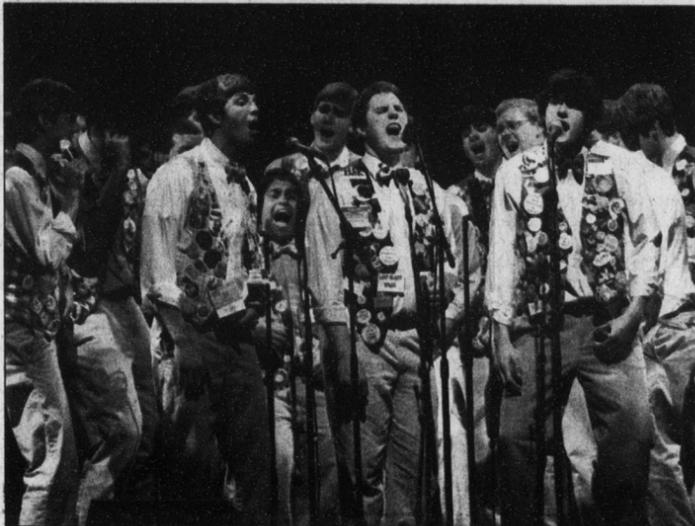
Both stadiums are liable to be packed, so get there early. Defensive lineman Mark Paschal will be happy, anyway, after he reamed the fans last week after the rain kept them away. "If we're here, they need to be there, I don't care."

10. Casey Barth

Connor Bart kicked a career-high four converted field goals against GT last year. See if Casey can match his big brother's successes.

PITCH PERFECT

Four major a cappella groups have concerts in the upcoming weeks



DTH FILE PHOTO

The Clefhangers

Membership: 16
Date Founded: 1977
Signature Songs: "Carolina In My Mind" by James Taylor, and "Hark the Sound"
Clothing Style: Vest, Buttons and Bowtie
Concert Date: 9 p.m. Sunday
Where: Memorial Hall
Web site: www.clefhangers.com

The overwhelming popularity for a cappella music helped The Clef Hangers sell out its fall concert in less than 30 minutes this year.

"We're able to flourish because we have such a devoted student population," said Andrew Simpson, publicity manager and member of The Clefs.

The Clefs, an all-male ensemble and the oldest a cappella group at UNC, celebrated its 30 year anniversary last spring. The time-honored Clefs are known for their long-standing rituals and traditions like singing at the Old Well.



COURTESY OF THE ACHORDANTS

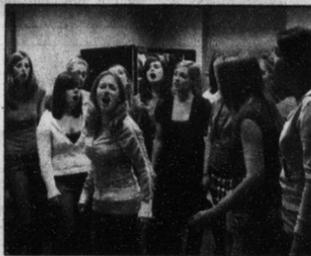
The Achordants

Membership: 14
Date Founded: 2001
Signature Song: "Can't Take My Eyes Off You" by Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons
Clothing Style: Informal attire
Concert Date: 8:08 p.m. Nov. 14 and 15
Where: Hamilton Hall
Web site: www.achordants.com

The all-male The Achordants was formed in 2001 when two founding members were rejected from The Clef Hangers and Tar Heel Voices.

Determined to share their talent, they formed an a cappella group of their own. The Achordants are primarily a service organization and perform their songs in support of causes and charities.

"We like to think of ourselves as more laid-back, using our music to help the community," said President Kevin Wenzel. "We don't have a specific outfit because we think it promotes the diversity we strive for in ourselves."



DTH FILE PHOTO

The Loreleis

Membership: 16
Date Founded: 1981
Signature Song: "Lorelei" by George and Ira Gershwin
Clothing Style: Black dresses
Concert Date: 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday
Where: Gerrard Hall
Web site: www.loreleis.com

UNC's women's a cappella group doesn't just sing pop songs and girly tunes.

Among The Loreleis songs for the group's upcoming performance is "Other Side" by the Red Hot Chili Peppers.

But the women sing a variety of songs from a wide range of genres and artists, both male and female.

"We bring a whole new flavor to the music scene," said Publicity Manager Meredith Rountree. "We sing a very eclectic mix of songs. We're an all-girl group that can sing guy rock with the best of them."



COURTESY OF TAR HEEL VOICES

Tar Heel Voices

Membership: 15
Date Founded: 1988
Signature Song: "American Tune" by Paul Simon
Clothing Style: White shirt and jeans or formal wear
Concert Date: 8 p.m. Nov. 21 and 22
Where: Hamilton Hall
Web site: thv.unc.edu

Unlike the all-male and all-female a cappella groups, the co-ed Tar Heel Voices group has a bass, tenor, alto and soprano section.

Their versatile makeup allows them to arrange and perform music that these other groups don't have the musical range to handle.

The group is known to stray from the Billboard Top 100, performing songs that are familiar to audiences, but ones that were unlikely heard on the radio.

—Compiled by Alyssa Griffith

CARSON INVESTIGATION

Federal charges in case unusual

Dual prosecution adds a wrinkle

BY SARAH FRIER
SENIOR WRITER

The federal attorney's decision to pursue charges against one of the men accused of killing former Student Body President Eve Carson was a rare step in a homicide case.

Demario James Atwater, 22, already is facing state charges.

"Unusual doesn't begin to describe it. They do not do this," said Barry Winston, a local criminal defense attorney.

"The federal government does not go after cases that are legally identical to Atwater's."

There were 2,748 murders in North Carolina from 2003 to 2007. The N.C. District Courts pursued 21 of them — three by the district involved in the Carson case. Of the 21, fewer still were pursued at the same time as a state prosecution for the same conduct.

Experts and lawyers said the case could have been picked up by federal prosecutors for publicity and because Atwater is more likely to face the death penalty in federal court.

Prosecutors say that on March 5, Atwater and Lawrence Alvin Lovette, 17, kidnapped Carson and drove her in her car to withdraw money, then shot her several times in a neighborhood off East Franklin Street.

Atwater is charged with four.

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Construction budgets tighten

\$6.5 million for repairs withheld

BY ELLY SCHOFIELD
STAFF WRITER

The tightening economy will hinder UNC's effort to put more fire safety features in its buildings, as state government is putting the squeeze on money for construction projects.

The state budget office has decided to withhold \$6.5 million in repair and renovations money for University buildings due to state budget constraints.

That will push the renovations scheduled for Woollen Gym and Wilson Library, and sprinkler improvement projects in the Olde Campus Upper Quad Community, onto UNC's increasing backlog of construction projects.

Wilson Library must add exterior staircases to the back of the build-

ing so it meets fire safety codes, and several residence halls still do not have sprinkler systems.

Right now the University has a construction backlog of nearly \$1.7 billion, said Bruce Runberg, vice chancellor for planning and construction.

About \$400 million is needed to update campus buildings to current safety codes set by the state. The required updates include improving exits and installing sprinkler systems and fire alarms.

Aside from repairs and renovations, the remaining \$1.3 billion of the construction backlog includes projects under construction and in the design phase.

Getting caught up with repairs and renovations would require a significant contribution from the

N.C. General Assembly, which contributes to UNC-system schools' budgets.

But in the past five years, its allocations for University repair and renovation have not been as generous as in years past, said Abbas Piran, director for engineering information services.

"We have not received adequate funding to address our backlog, so our backlog tends to increase every year," Piran said.

Jim Klingler, who does fiscal research for the N.C. General Assembly, said there are maintenance and construction backlogs for state-owned buildings all across North Carolina.

Historically, the state has spent more money building new buildings than renovating old ones.

UNC-CH, Klingler said, is a

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UNC tops best value list as its peers raise tuition

BY LAURA HOXWORTH
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UNC is still rated the top value in higher education. And it's likely to stay there, as some of its closest competitors feel forced to raise tuition levels because of diminishing state support.

For the eighth consecutive time, Kiplinger's Personal Finance magazine named UNC No. 1 on its list of best values in public colleges, based on several measures of academic quality and affordability.

The University of Florida, University of Virginia and University of Georgia at Athens claimed the second, third and fourth spots, respectively.

But university spokesmen said that the ranking is not completely a good thing, and that it probably

means they need to raise tuition.

Steve Orlando, spokesman for the University of Florida, said his university has been struggling for years with decreasing state support, experiencing somewhere between \$80 million and \$100 million in budget cuts in the last year alone.

"It's not a good time to be in higher education in Florida at the moment," Orlando said.

The University of Georgia has found itself in a similar situation. "Frankly, it may show that our tuition's too low in these economic times," said Tom Jackson, vice president for public affairs at the University of Georgia.

"We have to work hard to maintain

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