

THANKSGIVING SPORTS GUIDE

TUESDAY NOV. 25

■ **MEN'S BASKETBALL**

vs. Oregon or Alabama

9:30 p.m. ET

ESPN

■ **MEN'S SOCCER**

vs. Jacksonville

6 p.m. in Chapel Hill

■ **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

vs. Wofford

7 p.m. in Chapel Hill

■ **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

vs. Pacific

8:30 p.m. in Chapel Hill

SATURDAY NOV. 29

■ **FOOTBALL** at Duke

3:30 p.m.

ESPN

■ **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

vs. Arkansas or Oregon State

TBA

SUNDAY NOV. 30

■ **MEN'S BASKETBALL**

vs. UNC Asheville

6:30 p.m.

in Chapel Hill

Fox Sports Net

WEDNESDAY NOV. 26

■ **MEN'S BASKETBALL**

vs. TBA

FRIDAY NOV. 28

■ **WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL**

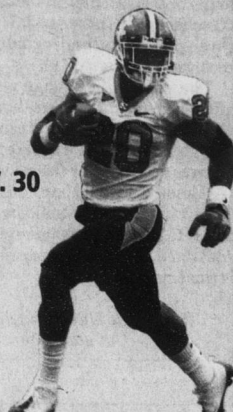
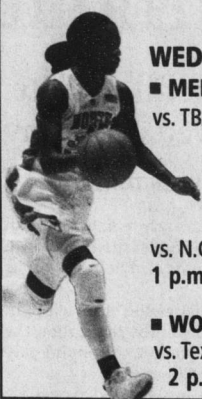
vs. N.C. State

1 p.m. in Chapel Hill

■ **WOMEN'S SOCCER**

vs. Texas A&M

2 p.m. in Chapel Hill



Felnagle, Holesh place in top 30 at NAAs

Both earn All-America honors

BY JORDAN MASON
SENIOR WRITER

Junior Lauren Holesh knew she was not going to place higher than the only other Tar Heel at the NCAA Cross Country Championships on Monday.

Instead, she used All-American teammate Brie Felnagle to help her against the rest of the competition in Terre Haute, Ind.

"I just tried to keep Brie in sight," she said. "Brie is always a front-runner."

"That was the plan, and I just stuck to it."

That plan was effective, and Felnagle finished fourth and Holesh finished 30th to take home All-America honors in their final race of the season.

The two became the first pair of All-Americans for UNC in the same season since three Tar Heels were named All-Americans in 2003.

It was just the third time North Carolina has accomplished the feat.

"They were very focused," coach Michael Whittlesey said of the pair's runs in Monday's championship. "It was a good trip for the two."

Felnagle ended her illustrious cross country career at UNC with her highest finish ever at the NCAA Championships.

She broke the 20-minute mark with a time of 19:53.3 despite battling her second cold this month.

"I didn't know how I was going to feel," she said. "But it didn't really affect the race."

The senior said she is just happy to be able to rest now that the season is over.

She certainly has earned it during her career at North Carolina, finishing first on the team at the ACC and NCAA championships in every year of her career.

But the race had a different feel for Holesh — one that was less final in tone.

The junior emerged this season as one of the Tar Heels' top runners



Senior Brie Felnagle placed fourth in the NCAA championships, her last run as a Tar Heel.



Junior Lauren Holesh placed 30th in the meet and hopes to break into the Top 20 next year.

after injuries and illnesses crippled the team.

"There was a gaping hole on our team," she said. "I figured someone had to close that hole, so I just worked hard over the summer."

Now Holesh will be expected to lead the team that returns most of its top runners besides Felnagle next season.

The team is already brimming with expectations — as is Holesh, who hopes to move into the Top 16 at the NCAA Championships next season.

Despite Felnagle and Holesh's successes, this championship meet marked the first in 11 years that the Tar Heels did not qualify as a team.

But Whittlesey said he believes his team will be up to the challenge next year, after finishing third in the regional this season — only one spot short of a trip to nationals.

"We came very close to pulling it off," he said. "We'll be back."

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Heels roll in Maui opener

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

Largely considered the biggest upset in college basketball history, in 1982 Chaminade defeated Virginia, 77-72.

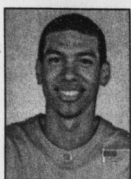
Monday, there would be no repeat performance against the No. 1 North Carolina men's basketball team.

Danny Green led the Tar Heels with a career-high 26 points in a 115-70 romp against their host in the opening round of the EA Sports Maui Invitational.

Green went 11-of-17 from the floor — plus seven rebounds, three assists and two blocks — and was one of four Tar Heels who hit double digits. Three others had nine points.

One was freshman Ed Davis, who got his first career start in the game, going 4-for-6 from the floor and pulling down eight rebounds, even recording three blocks.

Tyler Hansbrough, who got his first start of the season Friday, sat out again to rest the stress reaction



Danny Green scored a career-high 26 points in Monday's game, also pulling down seven boards.

in his right shin.

Coach Roy Williams said Friday after the game against the University of California at Santa Barbara that he probably wouldn't play Hansbrough in Maui, at least not three days in a row.

But Hansbrough wasn't even needed against the Division II Silverswords, who played only seven players and suffered their second-worst loss in program history.

Monday's was the first official game of Chaminade's season.

Thirteen Tar Heels saw action Monday night — and all of them scored at least four points — and freshman Justin Watts offered his

first significant contribution, with nine points, four rebounds, an assist and a steal in 11 minutes.

The Tar Heels shot 60.8 percent on the night, including 45.5 percent from behind the 3-point line.

But the Tar Heels struggled from the free throw line — after finishing 22-of-31 Friday against UCSB, North Carolina went only 9-of-17 Monday, not quite 53 percent.

The Silverswords were held to only 28.6 percent in the first half — eight converted baskets of 28 attempts — 41.7 percent in the game, and had 24 turnovers in the game to the Tar Heels' seven.

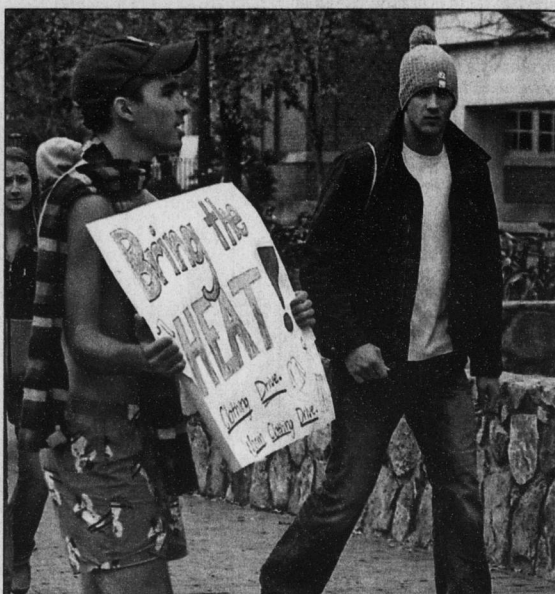
Shane Hanson, Chaminade's leading scorer with 15 points, went only 5-for-17 — his only made baskets were five of his 12 attempted 3-pointers. Hanson led five Silverswords players in double digits.

UNC will play the winner of the Alabama-Oregon game in the semifinals Tuesday.

Earlier Monday, Notre Dame and Texas both rolled in their opening games in the Invitational.

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BRINGING THE HEAT—TWICE!



DTH/SARAH ACUFF

Will Thomason, a member of Carolina H.O.P.E. — Helping Our Peers with Encouragement, walks through the Pit in his boxers Monday. Thomason was collecting warm clothing to distribute to Chapel Hill's homeless. He collected his share of strange looks as well.

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