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The Daily Tar Heel

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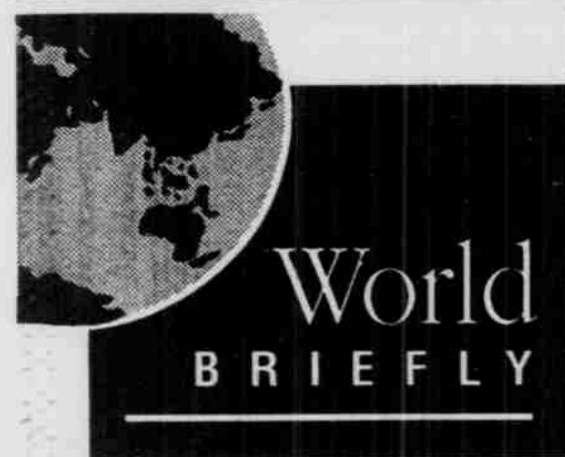
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Shots fired at U.S. embassy in Bonn

BONN, Germany — Shots were fired Wednesday night at the U.S. embassy in the Bad Godesburg district of Bonn, police said. No injuries were reported. ARD television said an initial investigation indicated machine-gun fire was involved in the shooting, and that several bullets struck an outside wall of the U.S. building. Police in Bonn confirmed shots had been fired in the vicinity of the embassy, and that the incident was under investigation. Dozens of police converged on the area and cordoned off the embassy, with submachine-gun-toting police keeping reporters and the curious back from the building. U.S. embassy spokesman Cornelius Walsh said he knew only that an "incident had occurred" near the embassy, and that he was still checking with Bonn police to get details. "I want to emphasize that no one was injured," Walsh said when contacted by telephone in Bonn. He said he could not immediately provide any other details.

Gulf peace initiatives continue in Moscow

MOSCOW — Iraq's foreign minister will meet in Moscow with President Mikhail Gorbachev to pursue talks to end the Persian Gulf War, and a top Kuwaiti diplomat arrived Wednesday, Soviet officials said. Elsewhere, the foreign ministers of Iran and Saudi Arabia, and Pakistan's prime minister, flew to Geneva on Wednesday. Diplomats would not say whether the visits were linked to a peace initiative, but Iran has been actively seeking an end to the war. Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz is to arrive Sunday and will meet with Gorbachev the following day, Soviet officials said. It will be the first visit to Moscow by such a high-ranking Iraqi official since the war began. The visit follows a diplomatic mission to Baghdad this week by Gorbachev's envoy, Yevgeny Primakov. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein told Yevgeny Primakov that Iraq was ready to cooperate with the Soviets in their efforts to reach a settlement, Baghdad radio reported.

36 die in church disaster in Mexico

MEXICO CITY — At least 36 Ash Wednesday worshippers died when crowds tried to cram into a church famed for a religious icon believed to have miracle-working powers. About 25 people were injured in the crush at the Sanctuary of Our Lord of Chalma about 40 miles south of Mexico City, said Carlos Mota, a spokesman for the state of Mexico government in Toluca. "Some people were trampled and others suffocated inside the church in the atrium," he said. Mota said at least 3,500 worshippers were at the Mass and authorities had trouble finding enough ambulances to carry the injured to hospitals. The hilltop sanctuary draws Ash Wednesday pilgrims from all over the nation to pray before an icon of the crucified Jesus. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, which culminates with Easter celebrations.

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UNC 1st in system's athlete graduation

By ELIZABETH BYRD
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UNC-CH athletes had the highest graduation rate in the UNC system in 1990, almost equalling the rate of the University's overall student body, according to a revenue sports study released Friday by the N.C. Board of Governors. Seventy-six percent of student-athletes who entered the University in 1985 had earned degrees by last August, compared to an overall graduation rate

of 77 percent for that year. The average rate of graduation for UNC-system athletes was 47 percent. UNC-CH's position at the top of the academic heap is nothing new, and the numbers are only getting better, said Dick Baddour, senior associate director of athletics. "Our coaches recruit people committed to doing well academically," he said. The percentage of football players graduating has jumped nine points in the past two years to 72 percent, far

above the UNC-system average of 34 percent. The University's adjusted graduation rate is 90 percent, football coach Mack Brown said. That rate excludes penalties for players who transfer to other schools, leave college early to begin professional careers, or leave the University for other reasons while in good academic standing. This adjustment is commonly used by NCAA officials in compiling such statistics, Brown said. Much of the credit for UNC-CH

football players' recent academic success goes to the University's academic support programs and the emphasis the University places on academics, Brown said. Freshmen are required to spend 10 hours a week in study hall, he said. "We're very unique here. We have young people miss practice because of a study session." Besides graduation rates, the report compares 1990 freshman SAT scores and the numbers of admission excep-

tions made for freshmen football and basketball players in 15 of the 16 UNC-system schools. (The N.C. School of the Arts does not have a revenue sports program.) Of 88 exceptions UNC-CH allowed this fall, 14 were athletes, 11 of whom play revenue sports. The University had the highest number of revenue-sport exceptions, followed by N.C. State with eight.

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Speaker warns of deteriorating race relations

By BIRCH DEVAULT
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North Carolina will suffer a race war by 1992, said Linda Shealey Williams, community educator for North Carolinians Against Racist and Religious Violence. "Race relations are quickly deteriorating in North Carolina, and Orange and Guilford counties have the highest percentage of hate violence," Williams said. Harvey Gantt's race for the U.S. Senate might have sparked this upsurge, including four incidents of hate violence at UNC, Williams said.

NCARRV was formed in 1984 by Statesville residents who were responding to Ku Klux Klan attacks in their city, she said. "The Klan has always been our biggest adversary," Williams said. With countless factions and as many as 1,000 supporters in North Carolina alone, the Klan is quite powerful, Williams said. But NCARRV has a file on each one of these members as well as photographs of almost all Klan activities in the state, she said. The KKK's activities include tire slashing, hound hanging and police officers delivering death threats, Williams said. Even the NCARRV is subject to this violence, she said. "Our director, Christina Davis-McCoy, was approached by a police officer who informed her of a relative's

death. The information turned out to be false and the police officer (was) a member of the Klan," Williams said. NCARRV began to get funds from organizations such as church groups and large corporations in 1985 and now has 600 members in the state. "We have so many programs, including victim assistance (and) a newsletter, and we publish reports on racist and religious violence. We also have a toll-free number for victims to report their difficulties. We then use that information to find the proper channels for assistance. "We are a national model for other organizations and we are the first of our kind," Williams said. In 1990, 78 incidents of hate activity were reported in North Carolina, but three or four times as many are not reported because of fear tactics most hate groups use, she said. The incidence of violence in North Carolina public schools increased 51 percent during the 1989-1990 school year, she added. "White students have become more militant, and parents and teachers have become more ignorant of the possibilities for racial tension and violence in their schools," she said. To battle apathy in schools, NCARRV sponsors a youth agenda and programs designed to "break the cycle

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Linda Shealey Williams speaks Wednesday in the Student Union as a part of Race Relations Week

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19 employees allege racial, sexual discrimination

By ASHLEY FOGLE
Staff Writer

Nineteen University employees filed a grievance this week charging that housekeeping workers face racial and gender discrimination in pay and must endure poor working conditions. The details of the grievance were outlined in a letter sent to Herbert Paul, Physical Plant director.

William Morris, the attorney representing the employees, stated in the letter, "The University pay structure discriminates along racial and sexual lines. This structure perpetuates a discriminatory hiring and employment pattern and practice that reflects the vestiges of slavery and women's oppression." Housekeeping employees' rights are

violated by the housekeeping management, Morris said. "Presently, these employees work under conditions where there is a total lack of control, autonomy or accountability given to employees by management," he said in the letter. He cited examples of employees being denied copies of their time sheets, supervisors writing employees up without following the proper procedure

and employees being asked to perform duties assigned to other departments. Charles Davis, University housekeeping assistant administrator, said he had not seen a copy of the letter. "No one has contacted me formally," he said. Paul could not be reached for comment Wednesday. Morris said Wednesday that com-

munication was the key to addressing these problems. "We need to find some kind of forum where they (the employees) will be able to speak openly and candidly without fear of retaliation and address issues that are close to them," he said. "We're trying to establish that these people are

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BSM discusses Heyd endorsement

By WARREN HYNES
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The Black Student Movement Central Committee's endorsement last week of Matt Heyd for student body president was supported in a BSM general body meeting Wednesday. Sabrina Evans, BSM president, said she was concerned some members were disappointed that the committee did not endorse Jonathan Martin, an African-American SBP candidate. "Are we supporting black students or (a) black student?" Evans asked. "That's not to say that we're not going to sup-

port a black student, but that has to be in line with what our agenda is." Most of the members who spoke at the meeting said they supported the committee's decision. "I think people are making it a racial issue and not considering the qualifications as far as the BSM is concerned," said Latonya Brown, a sophomore from Whiteville. Brown said she thought the central committee did the best it could in making an endorsement. "I think in the light of everything that's going on, the central committee's

hands were tied," she said. "I do think that they had good intentions. I don't think they intended for their endorsements to be those of the general governing body." Evans said after the meeting that it was only natural for an organization's members to support various candidates for student offices. "Some members were in support of the central committee endorsement and some members weren't," she said. "There's nothing more we can say about

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Elections Board readies for runoff

By JENNIFER MUELLER
Staff Writer

The Elections Board is busy validating results from this week's student election and preparing for Tuesday's runoff, Chairwoman Mary Jo Harris said. All results must be validated by Friday, she said. Many positions, including those of student body president and Graduate and Professional Student Federation president, will be decided Tuesday in the runoff elections. Student Congress seats in Districts

17 and 18 were not released last night because of a computer error, Harris said. The ballots had to be tallied by hand. "It was basically a problem of time," she said. Winners in District 17 were Elliot Zenick and LaTasha White. Winners of the District 18 seats were incumbents Daryl Grissom and Carl Clark. The area governor results for Morrison also were not released last night because of computer problems, Harris said. Tina Re won with 195 votes.

There were five write-in candidates in District 20: E.L. Flake, Tony Walker, Brannon Cashion, Marion Smith and Kristin Parks. Each received one vote. Harris said their participation in next Tuesday's election depends on the candidates' eligibility and whether they turned in their finance information to the Elections Board by 5 p.m. Wednesday. Jennifer Manning, Elections Board vice chairwoman, left the tallying early

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Civilian casualties heavy in shelter attack

From Associated Press reports
DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia — Allied warplanes, in a pinpoint bombing that sent shock waves far beyond Iraq, destroyed an underground shelter in Baghdad on Wednesday, and officials there said 500 civilians were killed. The United States called it a military command center, not a bomb shelter. By nightfall, 14 hours after the pre-dawn attack, crews were still pulling charred bodies, some of them children, from the demolished structure, an Associated Press correspondent reported from Baghdad. Distraught relatives

crowded the smoke-filled streets. Iraq's health minister, Abdel-Salam Mohammed Saeed, described the precision bombing as "a well-planned crime." But the U.S. command in Saudi Arabia, and later the White House, said the subterranean concrete facility had been positively identified — and accurately targeted — as an Iraqi military command-and-control center. "We don't know why civilians were at that location," said Marlin Fitzwater, President Bush's spokesman. American officials blamed Iraq's leadership for

the tragedy, saying it had put civilians "in harm's way." The AP correspondent, Dilip Ganguly, inspected the ruins with other journalists and said he saw no obvious sign of a military presence. Coupled with continuing civilian deaths elsewhere, the Baghdad bombing was sure to inflame an international debate over the war's costs and tactics. Another new report of civilian casualties came from Jordanian refugees who reached their homeland Wednesday

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Cliffhanger

North Carolina freshmen Clifford Rozier (45) and Pat Sullivan (3) battle above Wake's Anthony Tucker in Wednesday's 85-70 UNC win. See story page 5.

Love is an irresistible desire to be irresistibly desired. — Robert Frost