Trustees consider how enrollment growth affects resources, quality

As many as 80,000 North Carolina high school graduates will enroll across the 16 campuses of the UNC system during the next decade, and Carolina will be expected to admit its fair share.

That is the responsibility — and challenge — that Chancellor James Moeser posed to the University Board of Trustees March 27 before the presentation of two preliminary studies tied to enrollment growth.

“Chapel Hill will shoulder its share of that growth. And we will do it in a thoughtful, informed way,” he said.

The practical considerations related to growth — specifically resources and quality — were the focus of the preliminary studies presented to the trustees.

The first study, conducted by Paulien & Associates, looked at the demand for additional space that rising enrollment would trigger. Lisa Keith, associate principal with Paulien, said the University already had a deficit of nearly 1.4 million square feet of available space based on standards derived from multiple sources including UNC General Administration and adjustments recommended by Paulien for the current enrollment of 28,116 students.

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Should the University reach that cap, Keith said, the deficiency in space would rise to 2 million square feet. If enrollment grew to 33,000 — a hypothetical number used as a point of comparison — the deficiency in space would climb another 400,000 square feet.

The space deficit breaks down to 121,000 square feet of instructional space, 524,000 square feet of research space, $81,000 square feet of office space, 124,000 square feet of library space, 164,000 square feet of support space and 61,000 square feet of student space.

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And as Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost Bernadette Gray-Little pointed out, the main campus has no more free space on which to build.

“With the capital construction program, we have come close to reaching the full capacity of main campus and becoming landlocked,” she said. “If we grow aggressively, where would we put facilities?”

As Gray-Little told Faculty Council members when she briefed them the next day, the campus master plan, developed about a decade ago, was based on 27,500 students — which Carolina has already surpassed.

Trustees approve location of new Medical Education Building

In January, William L. Roper, dean of the School of Medicine, vice chancellor for medical affairs and chief executive officer of the UNC Health Care System, told University trustees that UNC Hospitals needed to expand to meet the health-care needs of the state’s growing population.

For several years, the demand for services has exceeded the availability of existing beds and other necessary hospital space.

Roper also reviewed a master facility plan for the health-care system and medical school that would seek to keep pace with these burgeoning capital needs over the next decade. The University Board of Trustees approved the master plan concept of creating a new bed tower and patient access center on campus.

On March 26, the trustees took a major step toward implementing the master plan when they voted to approve the location of a new 297,000-square-foot Medical Education Building that will provide teaching and office space to accommodate enrollment growth for the School of Medicine.

The proposed site for the Medical Education Building would include where Berryhill Hall now stands in combination with the site north of Medical Drive on the southwest corner of the Bell Tower Development.

University planners and administrators considered several options for the best use of space for the new building, including renovating Berryhill with an addition or redeveloping the Berryhill site in combination with one nearby.

The trustees also approved the site for a 50,000-square-foot addition to the Mary Ellen Jones Building, which opened in 1978 as a research building for the School of Medicine. Based on preliminary designs not yet approved by the trustees, the addition would be to the west of the existing building and would feature a new outdoor plaza above the current loading area that would connect the buildings.

The trustees’ Buildings and Grounds Committee also reviewed a preliminary design for a new 342,000 square-foot Imaging Research Building that would expand imaging and research space for the schools of Medicine and Pharmacy. The building, to be located at the...
Cigarette butts leave unsightly, potentially hazardous trail

Compliance with the University’s expanded no-smoking policy seems to be successful in general. But an unintended — and undesirable — consequence of the policy, which moves smokers 100 feet away from University facilities, is the trail of cigarette butts that litters parts of the Carolina campus.

It is a twofold problem. Not only are the discarded cigarette butts unsightly, they also create a potential fire hazard, particularly in and around the University’s wooded areas.

“Most people don’t realize that spring is the peak time for forest fires,” said Kirk Pelland, director of Grounds Services. “This time of year, before the leaves come out on the trees, is always a bad time for forest fires. And drier ground conditions than usual, as we’ve had, can make the situation even worse.”

During the spring, the fire hazard is elevated because of the higher sun angle and typically windy conditions combined with the dried-out ground fuels and radiant heat from sunlight, Pelland said. The result can be a perfect storm for fires, especially if you add a lighted cigarette in the mix.

Grounds crews have put forest fire warning signs around wooded areas where cigarette butts have been found, including areas near Kenan Stadium and Fetzer Gym, the intersection of Pittsboro and Columbia streets with Manning Drive, and between Campus Health Services and Kenan Stadium.

Pelland’s crews have also put forest fire warning signs near Greenlaw on north campus. Although the area is largely brick, people have been smoking below the building’s overhang and discarding cigarette butts in the mulch bed nearby.

“Of course, people should not be smoking there in the first place because it is much less than 100 feet from University buildings,” Pelland said. “But Ground Services’ primary concern is to make them aware of the fire danger.”

Until recently, the littering of cigarette butts strewn about was particularly noticeable around the flagpole on Polk Place. Because that narrow strip of University property is outside the 100-foot boundary, many smokers gather there throughout the day. And many have left their discarded cigarette butts scattered across the ground.

Within the past couple of weeks, Grounds Services has put two small clay pots in the area for smokers to extinguish their cigarettes, which Pelland said has helped reduce the litter near the flagpole.

In addition to the litter they create, cigarettes can cause environmental problems. Once cigarettes are discarded they become a long-term part of the landscape, because the plastic filters are not biodegradable and can take up to 12 years to decompose.

Being courteous
Awareness and courtesy are a key part of complying with the expanded no-smoking policy, officials said.

In some instances, smokers have moved the prescribed distance from their own buildings, but in the process have ended up smoking within 100 feet of other University facilities — which still violates the policy.

The University policy states that smoking is prohibited in state-owned vehicles and in all outdoor areas controlled by the University up to 100 feet from University facilities.

As people move away from University facilities to smoke, they should also be considerate of people living in neighborhoods that border campus.

“We have received calls from some of our University neighbors who are both supportive of the University’s policy and aware of the difficulties it can create for smokers,” said Linda Convissor, director of local relations. “At the same time, though, our neighbors don’t want their yards to be the new smoking areas.”

Although sidewalks are public property, the walls in people’s yards are not, she said. “If people on campus will take a minute to think about the situation from other people’s perspectives, I think they will appreciate our neighbors’ objections.”

“How would they feel if people suddenly started gathering in front of their houses to smoke?” Convissor said. The University policy and map are posted on the Department of Environment, Health and Safety Web site, www.ehs.unc.edu.

U.S. News and World Report ranks schools, graduate programs

The University appears on multiple lists of schools, programs and specialty areas newly ranked in 2008 by U.S. News and World Report magazine for its 2009 edition of “America’s Best Graduate Schools.” Newly ranked schools and programs, as well as specialty areas listed in the magazine’s top 25, are:

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U.S. News first ranked graduate programs in 1987 and has done so annually since 1990. Business, education, engineering, law and medicine are ranked annually. Those rankings are based on expert opinion about program quality and statistical indicators that measure the quality of a school’s faculty, research and students, according to magazine officials. Other disciplines and specialties in the sciences, social sciences, humanities and other areas, including selected health specialties, are ranked periodically. Those rankings are based on the ratings of academic experts.

For the record

The following errors were made in the March 26 Gazette:

* A story incorrectly stated the name of the chair of the Board of Trustees, who is Roger Perry.

For the record

A story provided by the Division of Research and Economic Development incorrectly identified Betsy Slear’s title. She is a professor in the School of Pharmacy.
Much to celebrate

Oliver Smithies, Excellence Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine and recent Nobel Prize winner in physiology or medicine, wears a Tar Heel jersey in a new ad celebrating the many things we have to cheer about at Carolina.

The men’s and women’s basketball teams had great seasons with Final Four and Sweet 16 appearances. The men won the most games ever (36) in Carolina history while the women swept the ACC regular season undefeated.

The ad references Kiplinger’s Personal Finance Magazine, which ranked UNC the No. 1 best value in American higher education for the seventh consecutive time. And next month, the first class of students in the Carolina Covenant, a national model for providing low-income students with a debt-free education, will graduate.

The full-page ad ran Tuesday in The New York Times. Versions also are appearing in The Charlotte Observer and The News & Observer. To see the ad, refer to universityrelations.unc.edu/campaigns/2008/04smithiesbball.

Forum looks at compensation, control of SPA positions

Forum members considered two resolutions — one concerning the effect of granting the UNC system greater direct control over positions governed by the State Personnel Act (SPA), and the other about adequate compensation for University employees.

Forum members voted unanimously in support of keeping SPA positions in the state personnel system and working to improve the system for employees across North Carolina.

“There is a lot of good that happens in the Office of State Personnel, and I think we should be working on what they can do to improve the system throughout the state, not just for our University employees,” said Tommy Griffin, former chair of the forum. “We are the flagship and we need to speak for folks who can’t speak for themselves.”

A human resources task force formed by UNC President Erskine Bowles issued its report earlier this year calling for the insertion of Article 16 into the State Personnel Act to grant the UNC system greater flexibility in the way SPA employees are hired, classified and paid.

Forum members, however, are concerned about the loss of job security if University employment is removed from the protection of the State Personnel Act. At last week’s meeting, members spoke about the unknown ramifications of creating a “substantially equivalent” personnel system if the state takes that step.

“We put the cart before the horse. They should have designed a substantially equivalent system first, then sought legislative approval for the ability to do it,” said David Brammig of Grounds Services. “But they want us to sign up for a substantially equivalent system of which we know absolutely nothing.”

Calling the forum’s resolution to withhold its support of Article 16 a positive step, Chair Ernie Patterson said the protection of employee benefits was not addressed either in the article or by the N.C. General Assembly’s Government Performance Audit Committee (GPAC).

“This resolution says we recognize that the state personnel system is broken and we hope GPAC will begin to address some of this,” Patterson said. “But if it’s broken for us, it’s broken for others so we need to work on improving the system for the whole state.”

Forum members also passed a resolution supporting employee compensation, particularly for state employees who earn less than $25,000.

The resolution calls for a $2,500 cost-of-living adjustment, a 2.5 percent pay increase and a 1 percent performance bonus for people who demonstrate noteworthy performance.

“The resolution as originally presented focused only on SPA employees, but members introduced a ‘friendly amendment’ to include EPA non-faculty positions as well (those exempt from the State Personnel Act),” Patterson said. “We need to include our EPA folks, too; they are at-will employees,” Griffin said.

The $2,500 across-the-board increase is designed to maximize the benefit for employees at the lowest end of the pay scale, Patterson said.

“We need to ask for a fixed amount as part of the overall raise to bring our lowest-level employees up to a living wage and to protect our EPA non-faculty employees,” he said.

Other action

Forum members passed one other resolution: to include domestic violence in the Workplace Violence Policy and to call on the University to provide mandatory face-to-face training for managers and supervisors in addition to online training resources.

The resolution also calls for funding to provide additional personnel and materials and publicizing the availability of the Employee Assistance Program counselor to assist in situations concerning violence.

For information about the resolutions, refer to forum.unc.edu.
Four undergraduates honored with prestigious scholarships

Four students who won distinguished national or international scholarships received special recognition during the March 27 meeting of the University Board of Trustees. “Carolina has a great track record with these awards,” Chancellor James Moeser said of the scholarship winners. “It’s a great source of pride for our students and the faculty.”

Luce Scholarship

Student Body Vice President Mike Tarrant won a 2008 Luce Scholarship to live and learn in Asia. Tarrant is a senior from Raleigh with a double major in political science and communication studies. During this trip to Asia, Tarrant said he will seek an understanding of how nations in the Far East educate the next generation of leaders so that someday he may be able to help shape a public university whose benefits extend to all those who deserve and require a world-class education.

He plans to pursue graduate degrees in public administration or public policy and higher education administration. During his sophomore year, he had an internship in the UNC General Administration’s federal relations office, which evolved into a part-time job for two years.

For one assignment, he played a key role in developing a federal strategy to secure recurring funding for the Southeast Atlantic Coastal Ocean Observing Partnership, an oceanic observation network capable of predicting maritime conditions critical to public safety, environmental management and protection of the nation’s economy.

Including Tarrant, 27 UNC students and alumni have won the Luce since the program began in 1974. Carolina ranks second only to Harvard in producing Luce Scholars.

Truman Scholarship

Junior Danielle Maria Allen won the distinguished Truman Scholarship, worth $30,000 for graduate studies.

She came to Carolina in 2005 on a Morehead Scholarship, which has since been renamed the Morehead-Cain. Allen plans to use the award to attend law school. A double major in public policy and economics from Monroe, she also is earning a minor in urban studies and planning. She plans to become an attorney for an organization that works to address inequalities in public education.

Allen has researched differences in funding for public education among North Carolina counties and concluded that change at the state level is critical. Allen was one of 65 recipients of the Truman nationwide this year, chosen from among 595 applicants who had been nominated by 283 colleges and universities.

The four-year merit scholarship is awarded for character, leadership, scholarship and physical vigor. Of 30 Truman Scholars from UNC since the program began in 1977, 17 have been Morehead Scholars. Congress created the Truman Scholarship Foundation in 1975 as the official federal memorial to the nation’s 33rd president.

Churchill Scholarships

Seniors Lisa Bond and Stephanie Jones received 2008–09 Churchill Scholarships for graduate work at Cambridge University in England, valued at $46,000 to $52,000 each.

Bond, a biology major with a chemistry minor, will use the scholarship to earn a master’s degree in biochemistry at Cambridge. Jones, a chemistry major with a minor in entrepreneurship, will seek a master’s degree in chemistry in England. Both young women aim to become university research professors.

They were among 13 Churchill Scholars chosen nationwide by the Winston Churchill Foundation of the United States. Carolina is the only North Carolina institution with Churchill Scholars this year. Since 1993, 12 UNC students have received the Churchill. Last summer, Bond interned in the lab of James Sellers at the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute of the National Institutes of Health where she was influenced by the international nature of the research being done there.

Jones graduated from the N.C. School of Science and Mathematics in 2004 and has been conducting research at Carolina since she was a high school junior. She credits chemistry professors Holden Thorp (now dean of the College of Arts and Sciences) and Muhammad Yousaf for accepting her into their labs and mentoring her. Churchill recipients are American undergraduates planning to pursue graduate studies in science, mathematics and engineering. They are chosen for outstanding academic and extracurricular accomplishments and are evaluated on factors including the capacity for original and creative work, character, adaptability, demonstrated concern for critical problems of society and good health.

GRADUATE EDUCATION RECOGNITION CEREMONY

Linda Dykstra, right, dean of the Graduate School, presents the Dean’s Award for Significant Contribution to Graduate Education to Susan Lord, professor of pathology and laboratory medicine and adjunct professor of chemistry, and Rusty Carter, secretary of the Board of Trustees.

Lord, who has been at Carolina for 25 years, was honored in part for her continuing commitment to graduate education, particularly as a previous director of UNC’s Society of Fellows.

Carter was honored for his “persistent support” of graduate students at Carolina in his role as a member of the University Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees.

About 300 graduate students were recognized at the April 3 ceremony for outstanding research, community service, academic achievement and leadership. The event was held at the Carolina Club of the George Watts Hill Alumni Center.

Centennial celebration commemorates Wright’s life, work

This weekend, April 11–13, the University will commemorate the life and work of novelist, essayist and poet Richard Wright to mark the centennial of his birth in 1908.

Events include a staged reading of Paul Green’s revised adaptation of “Native Son,” a colloquium hosted by the Institute for the Arts and Humanities and a performance at Memorial Hall. Carolina alumnus and noted playwright Paul Green’s adaptation of “Native Son,” the revision of the original collaboration between Green and Wright undertaken in Chapel Hill during the summer of 1940, is scheduled for April 12 at 7:30 in Gerrard Hall. The reading will feature the New Traditions Theatre Company.

On April 13 at 1 p.m., the Richard Wright Centennial Colloquium will examine Wright’s contributions to literary, social, and political dialogue in the University Room of the Institute for the Arts and Humanities at Hyde Hall.

Three noted speakers will deliver papers: Wright’s eldest daughter, Julia Wright; Jerry W. Ward Jr., distinguished Emirite Scholar and professor of English and African World Studies at Dillard University and a Richard Wright scholar; and Margaret Bauer, Rives Chair of Southern Literature and professor of English at East Carolina University.

Respondents will include Carolina faculty members Trudier Harris, J. Carlyle Sitterson Professor of English and Comparative Literature, and Randall Kenan and Mae Henderson, faculty members in the Department of English and Comparative Literature. Laurence Avery, professor of English and Comparative Literature, will serve as moderator.

The weekend’s events will culminate in a special Richard Wright Centennial Commemorative on April 13 at 7:30 p.m. in Memorial Hall.

The event features selections from Wright’s fiction and non-fiction, interwoven with Wright’s letters, poetry and music, and film clips and documentary footage. Julia Wright will present a selection from her father’s last unfinished work, “A Father’s Law.”

The evening also will include scenes from Paul Green’s adaptation of “Native Son.”

“The Richard Wright Centennial is sponsored by the Center for the Study of the American South, Carolina Performing Arts, the College of Arts and Sciences, the Institute for the Arts and Humanities, The Paul Green Foundation, the departments of dramatic art and communication studies with support from the Music Maker Foundation and the New Traditions Theatre Company.

All events are free. To obtain tickets for the staged reading of “Native Son” and the Richard Wright Centennial Commemorative, call the Memorial Hall Box Office, 843–3333.

For Richard Wright Centennial Colloquium tickets, e-mail Carry Matthews, Institute for the Arts and Humanities, cramthe@email.unc.edu. For more information about the weekend’s events, refer to www.unc.edu/depts/csas/Conferences/richardwright.html.
**Tribute to zarzuela music benefits scholarship programs**

UNC Opera and the Department of Music present Viva la Zarzuela, a tribute to 20th-century Cuban zarzuela music, on April 10 at 7:30 p.m. and April 11 at 8 p.m. in the auditorium of Hill Hall.

Tickets are $10 for UNC students, faculty and staff, and $15 for general public and are available for purchase in the Pit through April 11 or at the door. All proceeds will benefit future music students through scholarship-funded efforts.

For more information, call Terry Rhodes (962-1039) or e-mail Aaron Salley (asalley@email.unc.edu).

**Student Chancellor’s Awards to be presented April 16**

Chancellor James Moeser will award certificates, prizes and medals on April 16 to students whose achievements in academic work as well as student activities and leadership deserve special recognition.

In addition, he will distribute the Student Undergraduate Teaching and Staff Awards, established by students to recognize outstanding undergraduate instruction.

The ceremony will be held at 3 p.m. in the Great Hall of the FPG Student Union. A reception will follow.

**Dramatic art performs ‘Dead Man Walking’ April 11–15**

More than 30 undergraduate members of the Department of Dramatic Art’s Mainstage will present Tim Robbins’ play “Dead Man Walking,” based on the book of the same name by Sister Helen Prejean.

It will be held April 11-15 in the Elizabeth Price Kenan Theatre in the Center for Dramatic Art. The production is directed by Julie Fishell.

Performances will be held April 11, 13 and 14 at 8:15 p.m.; April 12 and 15 at 5 p.m.; and April 14 at 4 p.m. Tickets are $5 or free for PlayMakers Repertory Company subscribers and dramatic art privilege card holders.

Tickets will be sold at the door up to one hour prior to each performance. For information, e-mail dda mainstage@yahoo.com. Free post-show discussions will be held April 12-14.

**Reading, panel open ‘Beats and Beyond’ exhibit**

Two free public events will open the exhibit “The Beats and Beyond: Counterculture Poetry, 1950–1975” in Wilson Library.

On April 22 at 3:30 p.m., the Bull’s Head Bookshop will feature readings by poets Anne Waldman and Ed Sanders.

On April 23, Waldman and Sanders will participate in a panel discussion in Wilson Library at 6 p.m. on the topic of avant garde poetry in post-World War II America.

Joining them will be Robert Cantwell, professor of American Studies at UNC, and moderator Bill Morgan, author and archivist, whose collections relating to poets Lawrence Ferlinghetti and Allen Ginsberg came to UNC’s libraries in 2001 and 2002.

“The Beats and Beyond” will feature materials from Wilson Library’s Rare Book Collection that show the context for and offshoots of the Beat movement. Highlights include a volume from Beat poet Diane di Prima’s manuscript journals, an unproduced play by New York School poet Frank O’Hara and works by poets associated with North Carolina’s Black Mountain College.

The exhibit will be on display through July 3 in the Melba Remig Saltarelli Exhibit Room on the third floor of Wilson Library.

**Cartooning topic of Wilson Library lecture, exhibit**

Political cartoonist and alumnus John Brunch will speak about his career in a lecture April 17 at Wilson Library: “A Tar Heel Cartoonist in Texas: Drawing the Line in the Lone Star State.” It will be held at 5:45 p.m. in the Pleasants Family Assembly Room.

Branch’s talk will be held in conjunction with a 5 p.m. reception and viewing of the exhibition “Lines of Honor, Shades of Controversy: A Century of Student Cartooning at UNC.” The exhibit, on display through May 31, is mounted in the library’s North Carolina Collection Gallery. The event is free and open to the public. For information, contact Liza Terll (962-4207 or liza_terll@email.unc.edu).

**Planning for a ‘disaster resilient university’**

The Department of Health Policy and Administration (HPAA) will host an informational presentation and panel discussion April 21: “Climate Change, Natural Hazards, and the University: Mitigation Planning for a Disaster Resilient University.”

Free and open to the public, it will be held from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Toy Lounge of Dey Hall.

Scheduled panelists include Peter Robinson, professor of geography and director of the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration Southeast Regional Climate Center, Steve Kenny, director of UNC Risk Management Services, and James Porto, clinical assistant professor and director of HPAA Executive Programs.

For information, contact Anna Schwab (962-4775 or akschwab@email.unc.edu).

**‘Spectacular Justice’ opens in RENCI’s Social Computing Room**

Artist Joyce Rudinsky wants visitors to her interactive media installation “Spectacular Justice” to feel close — uncomfortably close — to the human side of the death penalty issue.

The associate professor of communication studies created the interactive media installation in collaboration with the Renaissance Computing Institute (RENCI) using video, audio and electronic tracking to personalize the issue.

The exhibit, located in the Social Computing Room of the ITS Manning Building, is open to the public every Friday and Saturday through April 25, from 1 to 5 p.m.

**APPLES celebrates service-learning April 17**

The work of service-learning students will be on display in poster presentations April 17 during the Annual APPLES Service-Learning Showcase Celebration: Fruits of our Labor.

The event will be held from 4 to 6:15 p.m. in the Anne Queen Faculty Commons at the Campus Y.

**More information**

See News Briefs, page 11
New automated call system makes 962-HELP even better

When you get almost 100,000 phone calls a year, with an average of five people available to answer them, confidence in the phone system is vital. That is why the ITS Response Center (ITRC) recently implemented a new automated call distribution system, or ACD, to route calls to the Information Technology Services technical customer support line, 962-HELP.

The new system, provided by Angel.com, gives callers the option to enter their personal identification numbers over the phone at the beginning of the call so each analyst can address people personally and immediately focus on the issue at hand. In addition, the system allows calls to be directed to the analyst with the skills and knowledge that can best address callers’ questions and solve specific problems. “We’re excited from an administration standpoint, but even more from a customer standpoint — now we can troubleshoot customer issues and track their requests more easily and quickly,” said Ingrid Camacho, phone services manager.

“The voice-enabling increases accessibility, which is very important to us,” Camacho said. “In addition, we’ve added a toll-free number, 1-866-962-4457, so that faculty and students traveling around the United States and Canada can call without incurring lots of charges. Plus, we’ve enabled a callback feature to allow a customer to leave a message for a non-urgent request. When we have the solution, we call the customer back, and they don’t have to hold while we troubleshoot the issue.”

The ACD uses a Web application to manage routing processes, emergency messages and reporting statistics. The calls are distributed using a telecom provider so that Internet outages do not affect the 962-HELP service. In addition, ITS Telecommunications created a local backup solution for handling phone calls in case the Angel.com system experiences problems.

The Response Center chose the new ACD because the previous telephone system became outdated and could not be supported over time.

Goals for the future include offering daily technology tips over the phone, offering specialized messages in emergencies and integrating the ACD system with Remedy, the campus’ standard service request application. “The sky is the limit now — we’re very excited,” said Camacho.

Appointments to endowed professorships

Joseph M. DeSimone
Chancellor’s Eminent Professor

Richard M. Goldberg
Richard M. Goldberg Distinguished Professor of Gastrointestinal Medical Oncology

Stefan Litwin
George Kennedy Distinguished Professor, Department of Music

Peter Sherwood
Ladio Brinny Sr. Distinguished Professor of Hungarian Language and Culture, Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures

Adam Versenyi
Milly S. Barranger Distinguished Term Professor, Department of Dramatic Art

Francisco Werner
Cecil Sewell Professor, Department of Marine Sciences

Editor’s note: Through the Carolina First campaign, 208 new endowed professorships were created. More appointments will follow in future issues.

Appointments to department chairs

Lawrence Marks
Chair, Department of Radiation Oncology, School of Medicine

Brent McKee
Chair, Department of Marine Sciences

Carolina Performing Arts unveils new season

Carolina Performing Arts has announced the roster of performances in its 2008–09 season. Featured performances include the regional debut of Russia’s Bolshoi Ballet in its only U.S. performances of “Swan Lake,” and “Don Quixote,” the Kirov Orchestra with conductor Valery Gergiev and the New York Philharmonic with music director and conductor Lorin Maazel, jazz legend Ornette Coleman and the 50th anniversary celebration of the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, with special guest Sweet Honey in the Rock.

The season also includes pianist András Schiff, violin da gamba virtuoso Jordi Savall with Hesperion XXI, the Druid Theatre Company performing two of the classic works of Irish playwright J.M. Synge; violinist Anne-Sophie Mutter with Camerata Salzburg, and zydeco legend Buckwheat Zydeco.

Thirty-one programs will be presented in 42 performances in the largest and most varied season yet offered. Seven themed series within the season will present classical, jazz and roots music; experimental and global theater and performance art; and dance.

“This season is in many ways our most ambitious yet, in the depth of the programs, the scale of the companies we’re presenting and the number of new works,” said Emil Kang, executive director for the arts. “In four years, we have grown and matured as a program. We’re able to present things now that we never could have a year or two ago.”

Carolina Performing Arts’ season also includes five major new works resulting from its commissioning program, including the world premiere of the theater work “Vivien and The Shadows,” a post-modern take on Vivien Leigh’s performance as Blanche Dubois by Singaporean director Ong Keng Sen; and “I went to the house but did not enter,” an experimental music theater work by German composer-director Heiner Goebbels, in partnership with the English vocal quartet The Hilliard Ensemble, in its U.S. premiere. Carolina Performing Arts has also co-commissioned “To Be Straight With You,” a dance-theater exploration of sexuality and hate by DV8, a company from the United Kingdom; “Orpheus and Eurydice,” an avant-garde dance by French-Canadian choreographer Marie Chouinard; and “Continuous City,” an experimental multimedia performance work by The Builders Association with director Marianne Weems.

In keeping with Chancellor James Moeser’s emphasis on globalization as a major academic priority, Carolina Performing Arts has included works, companies and artists from around the world in the upcoming season. “Our presentation of global theater gives us the opportunity to bring the world to Chapel Hill in a new way,” Kang said. “And the University’s recent focus on internationalization and a global mission challenges us to present work that engages our students in the broadest possible artistic explorations.”

Carolina Performing Arts will continue its Carolina Creative Campus Initiative, which employs the arts to engage the entire campus community by stimulating discussion of important topics.

The initiative in 2008–09 will be “The Gender Project,” a year-long, in-depth look at questions of gender in society, how gender influences our identities and how we negotiate the idea of gender in our lives.

Subscriptions to the Carolina Performing Arts Series will be available beginning May 19, and tickets to individual performances will be available beginning July 1. Both subscriptions and individual tickets can be purchased online at carolinaperformarts.org and by phone through the Memo Hall Box Office (843-3333). For complete information about the season, refer to www.carolinaperformarts.org.
Faculty elections to be held April 14-21

April means warm weather, spring flowers and new leaves on the trees. It also provides an opportunity for faculty to choose who will represent their viewpoints and concerns. All members of the voting faculty will be e-mailed electronic ballots for the annual faculty elections, to be held April 14-21.

“I believe two things about the upcoming elections,” said Joe Templeton, chair of the Faculty Council. “One, the more accurately faculty governance represents our diverse faculty perspectives, the stronger our institution will be; and two, by successfully encouraging more faculty to vote, we all benefit.”

A list of all candidates with the date of their first appointment at Carolina, their current position and information about their highest academic credentials is included in the Voter Information Guide insert.

To provide additional information about the nomination and voting processes, the Office of Faculty Governance compiled answers to some frequently asked questions.

Where is the faculty elections information spelled out?

- The entire process of faculty elections is spelled out in the Faculty Code of University Government, available on the Faculty Governance Web site, www.unc.edu/faculty/facconn, or by calling the Faculty Governance office at 962-2147.

What do all these representatives do?

- There are 11 elected standing committees of the faculty, which work on everything from educational policy matters to tenure decisions to oversight of athletics.
- The Faculty Council includes about 70 faculty members appointed across 17 electoral divisions encompassing the entire university.

Does my vote really matter?

Joe Ferrell, secretary of the faculty, said: “The faculty claims to have a definitive voice in three things: who shall teach, what shall be taught and who shall be taught. Each member of the faculty who participates in the upcoming elections is helping to choose colleagues who will speak and act for the faculty in these critical areas. Those who choose not to vote are leaving those matters to someone else.”

How were candidates identified?

- A faculty governance interest survey sent by e-mail to all voting faculty in February produced a list of volunteers, and the Faculty Executive Committee suggested other names.
- The Nominating Committee developed a slate of candidates for all elected committee positions. It considered volunteers but also made additional suggestions.
- Divisional nominating committees in each of the 17 electoral divisions for the Faculty Council recruited candidates.

Who is eligible to vote?

- Eligibility to vote is elaborated in Article 1 of the Faculty Code. All tenured or tenure-track faculty are eligible, as are professional librarians and all fixed-term faculty doing teaching or research who are appointed for at least 75 percent FTE and whose actual or anticipated length of service is at least three years.

Where can I find voting information?

- A complete voter information guide, with biographical statements and information about all of the candidates, can be found on the Faculty Governance Web site, www.unc.edu/faculty/facconn.

When and how do I vote?

- All voting faculty members will receive an electronic ballot on April 14 and will have until 5 p.m. April 21 to vote.

Why should I vote this year?

- Joe Templeton, faculty chair, said: “This is an exciting time for UNC and for faculty governance. First, we hope to have a new chancellor coming on board for the next academic year. Second, we have a fantastic slate of candidates for our 11 elected committees. These individuals have agreed to bring energy, intelligence and wisdom to bear on the range of topics tackled by faculty governance. Third, thanks to the efforts of Anne Whisnant, our operation is running more smoothly than ever.”

Conway to lead new Center for Faculty Excellence

The Center for Faculty Excellence officially gets under way July 1 but its director, Patrick Conway, is not waiting for the summer to begin cultivating ways this new University resource can augment faculty success.

Conway, Bowman and Gordon Gray Distinguished Term Professor of Economics, has already begun talking with faculty members across campus. His goal is to chart ways the University can improve existing support for faculty in their research, teaching and leadership activities.

“The faculty of this university is a very accomplished group. The center’s goal is to encourage even greater accomplishments,” he said. “It’s obvious that the physical architecture of Carolina is in renewal. It’s less visible, but no less true, that each faculty member is continually growing and learning. The center will be a place where that growing and learning is facilitated.”

The center will work to enhance faculty development in teaching and learning, research and leadership. It will build on the University’s current infrastructure in creating new pathways for interdisciplinary research, teaching collaborations and mentorships, and leadership development.

Although support for teaching and research is more traditional in a research university like Carolina, the center will work to enhance faculty development in teaching and leadership.

“This type of new innovation for our institution is more traditional in a research university like Carolina,” Conway said. “To make faculty aware of the existing resources to train faculty members are asked to do their research, teach and assume leadership roles,” he said.

For example, the increasing significance of grants for research success is a component of the changing landscape, particularly in the wake of the University’s goal to raise $1 billion in research funding by 2015. “This is a new facet of success, and we will be more effective in achieving it with strong administrative support.”

During the first year, Conway said he wanted to make faculty aware of the existing resources to support their teaching, research and leadership development that are unique to Carolina.

“I don’t want to give up what we are doing well, but I want to make these things transparent to our faculty,” he said.

As he provides leadership for the center, Conway will continue to teach and conduct research on the economic problems faced by developing and transition countries in their international trade and financial transactions.

To share ideas for enhancing faculty support across campus, Conway can be reached at patrick.conway@unc.edu.
Koza appointed director of EHS department

Mary Beth Koza has been appointed director of the Department of Environment, Health and Safety (EHS). She assumed the leadership role last month and has quickly become acclimated to her new position. After nearly 29 years in the pharmaceutical industry, Koza came to Carolina from Bristol-Myers Squibb Company in New Jersey, where she served as director of Environment, Health and Safety/Facilities Compliance and Documentation for the past six years. There, she managed a staff of 46 and provided programs for 8,000 employees and contractors.

Koza’s experience in environment, health and safety spans 27 years, during which time she has focused on issues concerning compliance and regulation, remediation, occupational health and safety, and environmental policy.

“The University is fortunate to have found someone with such a comprehensive background. Given her extensive experience in industry, Mary Beth can make many contributions and bring innovative ideas to our safety program,” said Carolyn Elfland, associate vice chancellor for campus services.

“The timing of her coming to UNC is perfect as we develop Carolina North. Mary Beth led the effort to make the research campuses of Bristol-Myers Squibb sustainable, and her experience in ground-breaking sustainable water practices, combined with her other areas of expertise, will be invaluable,” Elfland said.

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“In my prior position, I reported through the company’s facilities organization, so I’m very comfortable when I talk with people in maintenance, construction and engineering,” she said. “Also, I was responsible for the company’s research labs, so in many ways that experience is very similar to what I do here.”

EHS works to provide a safe and compliant environment for the University’s faculty, staff, students and visitors, she said.

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One thing that attracted Koza to her new role was the University’s focus on sustainability in everything from new campus construction and renovation to the green games that honor environmental and sustainability work undertaken by faculty, staff and students.

“When I interviewed for the job, which was a very intense process, I was impressed with both the level of people’s knowledge and the University’s commitment to the mission of environment, health and safety,” she said. “I related very strongly to this.”

Also, she said, the University’s Web site showed an obvious dedication to sustainability throughout.

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Mary Beth Koza

Mark Kramer, second from left, assistant director for research administration with the UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center, receives the W. Scott Blackwood Excellence in Research Administration Award in February at a luncheon hosted at the Carolina Club by Tony Waldrop, right, vice chancellor for research and economic development. The Blackwood award recognizes a Carolina employee for meritorious and distinguished accomplishments in research administration at the University. Kramer was nominated by Shelton Earp, left, director of the Lineberger center, Lineberger Professor of Cancer Research and professor of medicine and pharmacology, and by Michael O’Malley, second from right, associate director of the center.

In their nomination letter Earp and O’Malley praised Kramer for his excellence, dedication, commitment and service. “For the past 18 years, he has worked tirelessly for the cancer center and UNC,” they wrote. “He has always looked for new ways to improve our systems. He has never shrugged off or refused the challenges of grant submissions — large or small.”

Earp and O’Malley said that Kramer’s “experience, knowledge and skill at pulling together the disparate threads of these large, complex grants put him in a class by himself.”

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Human Resources

Career banding information sessions scheduled

As announced last fall, the General Assembly passed legislation that removed the moratorium on implementing career banding for the university system. All permanent SPA positions (subject to the State Personnel Act) at UNC will be converted to the state’s career banding classification and compensation system effective April 28.

“While the structure of the career banding program may result in changes to classification job titles, it will not usually result in a change to an employee’s working title, and it will not impact an employee’s day-to-day work,” said Vicki Bradley, senior director for employment, classification and compensation.

OHR will offer several information sessions to provide an overview of career banding and to provide an opportunity for employees to ask general questions.

Refer to the Training and Development Web site at www.training.unc.edu and select the University Operations category to register for one of the following sessions:
- April 10 — 9–10 a.m., Stone Center’s Hitchcock Room
- April 14 — 9–10 a.m., Wilson Library’s Pleasants Family Assembly Room
- April 15 — 2:30–3:30 p.m., Room 1131 Bioinformatics Building
- April 16 — 9–10 a.m., Health Sciences Library
- April 17 — 9:30–10:30 a.m., Room 1131 Bioinformatics Building
- April 22 — 9–10 a.m., Wilson Library’s Pleasants Family Assembly Room
- April 23 — 2–3 p.m., Room 1500A Administrative Office Building; and
- May 5 — 9–10 a.m., Room 1500A Administrative Office Building.

OHR will monitor enrollments and offer more sessions if demand warrants. The employee information sessions are considered paid work time. All employees should obtain their supervisor’s approval before attending.

Additional position-specific information will be provided to employees in the near future.

Career banding is a compensation management and position classification program that was first introduced by the Office of State Personnel in 2004. It reduces the number of classification titles into broader classifications with broader salary ranges. The program emphasizes competencies required for the position and aligns compensation with market pay related to the position and its competencies.

For information, contact each department’s employment, classification and compensation specialist on the OHR Connect Web site (hrconnect.unc.edu) or call 843-2300.

Take advantage of employee discounts this summer

With summer just around the corner, it is time to start planning for a well-deserved holiday — either close to home or far away.

Take advantage of the many options to save on vacation plans by using the University employee discount program.

The program features local and national discounts for faculty and staff on everything from car and hotel rentals to great adventures out West.

Experience the Tar Heel state

If staying in North Carolina, why not rent a convertible and head out on a road trip? Explore Biltmore House in Asheville, then head to the coast to enjoy the sun and sandy beaches.

Even closer to home, enjoy the great American pastime with the Durham Bulls baseball team. After an afternoon game, head to one of the many local restaurants offering discounts and revel in the Bulls’ victory with family and friends.

Theme park adventures

Explore the water works at Emerald Point Wet N Wild water park in Greensboro, or go bigger by spending the day at Six Flags in Atlanta or Busch Gardens in Williamsburg.

Wild, wild west

The Grand Canyon Railway offers discounts on packages including hotel and train trips to the breathtaking Grand Canyon in Arizona. This is an excellent adventure for families and an unforgetable experience for young and old alike.

The details

Don’t forget Fido and Fluffy; family pets can have their own vacations by staying at a local pet-care facility. Discounts are available for local pet day cares, where four-footed friends will be treated like royalty as their family is traveling across the country or the state. And don’t forget to take advantage of the savings on car and hotel rentals.

Refer to hr.unc.edu/Data/benefits/discounts to check out the wide variety of discounts available. For more information on Carolina employee discounts, call Employee Services at 962-1483.

Star Heels: Younger does it right the first time

James Younger is Carolina blue through and through. Now a housekeeper in Facilities Services, Younger sold concessions at the football stadium on campus in his early years, which led him to become a die-hard Carolina football fan.

In one of his many Carolina connections, Younger worked as a driver for UNC President Emeritus William Friday and made trips across the state with the former UNC system president.

Younger spent many years working for Chrysler in Detroit but returned to North Carolina in the early 1980s. He worked at two local companies before coming to the University in April 2004.

His current responsibilities in Housekeeping Services keep him busy at the Administrative Office Building (AOB), especially with recent office moves. Dee Perry, business manager in the Office of Human Resources, said, “James is one of the best employees I’ve worked with at UNC. He does his job in a professional manner and is always eager to help in any way that he can. He does this with a smile and friendly comments, usually about sports.”

Younger also serves as a responsive on-call staff member for numerous other buildings near AOB, as well as others in Timberlyne and Chapel Hill North. Younger is excellent at anticipating needs and works quickly and efficiently. “You might as well do it right the first time,” is a motto that Younger lives by.

Younger was nominated for a Star Heels award by several different employees. He is an outstanding example of a devoted employee who works hard to give back to the University and town that he loves.

Recently nominated Star Heels recipients

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

ITS Help Desk service highlighted in EDUCAUSE center case study


The case study was created to complement a core study titled “Service on the Front Line: The IT Help Desk in Higher Education.” According to the study, Carolina’s Help Desk is able to provide a single point of contact for problem resolution and referral because of the close collaboration with the many departmental and college or school technical support desks throughout campus and the use of collaborative tools like Remedy, a problem and service tracking application. This makes it easy for customers to quickly find the help they need.

The University was selected for the study after ITS responded to a Web-based survey that was distributed to 1,473 EDUCAUSE member institutions and participated in a follow-up telephone interview. Two members of the EDUCAUSE team spent a day meeting with Help Desk staff and senior management.

“This report is a tribute to the vision, dedication and hard work of the many staff who have worked to build the program over the years,” said Larry Conrad, vice chancellor for information technology and chief information officer.

Although the case study is currently password-protected, Carolina faculty, staff and students are authorized to create and use an EDUCAUSE login at www.educause.edu/Login/603. Refer to connect.educause.edu/Library/ECAR/UniversityofNorthCarolina/46179 to access the case study.

ECAR assembles leading scholars, practitioners, researchers and analysts to help higher education leaders make informed decisions about information technology.
Carolina honors three with women’s advancement awards

The University has recognized the contributions of three women—a faculty member, a staff member and a student—in their efforts to promote and support a positive campus environment for women at Carolina. 

The University Awards for the Advancement of Women were presented last month to P. Kay Lund, Sarah Graham Kenan Professor of Cell and Molecular Physiology in the School of Medicine; Melva “Cookie” Newsom, director of diversity education and research in the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs; and Emily Joy Rothchild, a junior music major from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The Carolina Women’s Center received 58 nominations for this year’s awards, more than double the number received last year. The awards honor individuals who have mentored or supported women on campus, elevated the status of women or improved campus policies for them, promoted women’s recruitment and retention, or promoted professional development for women.

Faculty and staff winners receive a check for $5,000 and the student scholar receives a check for $2,500. Lund served as president of the UNC Association of Professional Women in Medical Sciences from 2004 to 2007 and is currently the chair of the Working on Women in Science Initiative steering committee. Her lobbying has resulted in future career recognition and benefits to professional women at the School of Medicine. She established the seminar series “Celebrating Women in Science and Medicine,” which recognizes achievements of women in science.

Lund also has trained and mentored many women junior faculty and students throughout her career, including 14 doctoral students and more than 30 post-doctoral students, clinical fellows and undergraduates.

Newsom is chair of the Black Faculty and Staff Caucus, which includes a mentoring program for African-American women, and was instrumental in the development of the University’s first diversity plan. She mentors other women as a member of the Board of Advisors for Leadership Institute and Leadership Academy and through her “Sister Lunch,” a networking and mentoring activity for women of color on campus that she established.

She recently hosted “Conversations with Cookie,” a series of discussions about women’s issues. She serves on the Orange County Rape Crisis Center’s board of directors and is a co-planner of the annual Summer Public Health Research Institute and Videoconference on Minority Health.

Rothchild is co-chair of the Women’s Affairs Committee of the Executive Branch of Student Government and serves as a student representative for both the Carolina Women’s Center program advisory council and the Provost’s Committee on Gender Equity.

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A preliminary finding is that Carolina is utilizing space at the standard expected rate, she told the council. Using classrooms 30 to 35 hours per week with 80 percent of the room in use is considered full capacity. Compared to the national norm, Carolina is at full capacity, Gray-Little said.

Preserving excellence

The second study presented to trustees, undertaken by Art & Science Group LLC, looked at the possible impact of enrollment growth on the quality of the entering first-year class.

UNC General Administration’s projection of 80,000 additional students, while methodologically sound, is somewhat higher than recent projections by the Western Interstate Commission on Higher Education, Art & Science said.

After comparing the two sets of projections, Art & Science estimated the number of public high school graduates would increase by nearly 21 percent between 2011 and 2018, compared to the 2007–08 school year.

As the oldest public university in the United States and as the flagship of the UNC system, Carolina has a responsibility to respond to the growing needs of the state’s growing population, Moeser said.

At the same time, however, the University must do all it can to ensure that necessary resources are made available to accommodate that growth while not diluting the University’s quality or reputation, he said.

Carolina has sought to be the first choice of the top students in the state for generations, and the University continues to make headway in that area.

For instance, 73 percent of North Carolina high school seniors who scored at or above 1300 on the SAT applied for admission in fall 2007, and 39 percent enrolled. Similarly, 86 percent of students with an SAT score of 1400 or above applied to Carolina, and 45 percent enrolled.

UNC must do its part to accept more students, and at the same time, remain attractive to the best students across North Carolina, Moeser said.

But the Art & Science demographer forecast suggested that the pool of top-quality students will not increase in proportion to the overall increase in students.

Ben Edwards, the group’s principal and managing partner, said the number of in-state students who are top SAT scorers has not changed substantially over the past decade, even though the total number of students who took the SAT has increased.

Edwards said his estimates were based on the assumption that this same flat pattern will continue in the ensuing decade.

Changing demographics

A major driver of the growth in high school graduates will be the continuing increase in the Hispanic population. The number of Hispanic high school graduates is projected to increase by 377 percent as the number of white non-Hispanic students remains virtually unchanged.

Among other racial groups, Asian-American high school graduates are expected to increase by 72 percent, black students by 9 percent and American Indians and Alaska Natives by 6 percent.

Even if quality is maintained, Edwards said, the sheer size of the student body might deter some top students from choosing Carolina.

In fact, many of the top students in the state who inquire about Carolina, but do not apply, apply instead to top-ranked mid-sized institutions with 6,000 to 7,000 students, the study showed.

The Art & Science study is testing a range of strategies that Carolina might use to maintain or enhance its attractiveness to talented students even in the face of enrollment growth. As a preliminary step, the study modeled the possible impact of growth using the fall 2007 first-year applicant pool as a baseline.

This preliminary projection suggested that, in the absence of any intervention on the part of the University, growth in total enrollment to 33,000 could result in a decrease in the average SAT score of admitted first-year students to 1327, a 10-point drop from the average score of 1337 posted by students admitted in the current academic year, Edwards said.

University trustee John Ellison asked whether a 10-point drop was statistically significant for Carolina and its reputation as a highly selective university.

“A 10-point drop in a class this size is significant,” said Steve Farmer, the University’s assistant provost and director of admissions.

Ongoing study

Gray-Little said the University’s work to examine issues associated with enrollment growth would continue. For instance, administrators will seek additional input from students about their perceptions of educational quality and whether the size of a university affects their decision to attend a school.

Calling the challenge facing the UNC system “a virtual tsunami” for education, Moeser told the Faculty Council, “We must grow in a thoughtful way. The University’s motto is to do no harm during this effort and to push our university toward even higher levels of attainment.”

Information about the preliminary studies is posted on the Board of Trustees Web site at www.unc.edu/depts/trustees.

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corner of West Drive and Mason Farm Road directly south of the Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center, will house the Biomedical Imaging Research Center and the Center for Nano-medicine plus offices, labs and support space.

Carolina North

In other matters, Jack Evans, executive director of Carolina North, updated trustees on ongoing progress between the University and the town in moving Carolina North, the University’s planned mixed-use academic and research campus, forward.

Evans said the UNC Board of Governors approved a resolution in support of Carolina North at its March 7 meeting.

“The resolution states that Carolina North would promote the economic transformation of North Carolina and would make a ‘significant contribution to the recommendations of the UNC Tomorrow report, especially by making North Carolina more competitive in the global economy, transforming the economy of the community and the state, providing a home for research to improve health and the environment, and engaging in civic outreach.’”

The resolution said, “There is now an urgent need to develop Carolina North to help the state attract the talent and resources that drive innovation.”

Evans also provided updates on two foundational studies.

The first is the transit study that had been scheduled for completion in late February. The second is the fiscal impact study, which would attempt to measure the myriad ways the development of Carolina North would increase tax revenues for the town of Chapel Hill, and at the same time, require an expansion of town services.

Evans said he hoped to have a written report of the fiscal impact analysis by the end of May.
**Spring Fling**

**FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2008 3-MILE FUN RUN — 1.5-MILE WALK**

**Location**: Front of Woollen Gym  
**Time**: Registration and check-in: 11:30 am – noon  
**Run/Walk start**: 12:15 p.m.

**Prizes**: All participants will be eligible for prize drawings following the run/walk. An award will be given to the team with the most participants. An award will also be given to the team with the most creative costumes celebrating the spring season.

**Food Drive**: Collections will be made for two charities this season: Non-perishable food items to be donated to a local food bank. Non-perishable PET items to be donated to the local animal shelters (besides food, old blankets, leashes, bowls, collars, etc., are all welcome). Those making a donation to either cause will be eligible for a special drawing.

**Refreshments**: Free refreshments will be provided for participants after the event.

**Reminder**: Pre-registration forms must be received by **Monday, April 28**. Participants may register on the day of the event, but only pre-registered teams will be eligible for the team award. Please have each member of your team fill out the attached team registration form, and return to campus mail.

**Mail to**: Employee Fitness, CB# 8610, Fax: 962-0489, Phone: 962-7348

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    - www.unc.edu/applies.
  - **POSTER PRESENTATIONS, ANNUAL APPLIES SERVICE-LEARNING SHOWCASE CELEBRATION**
    - FRIDAY, APRIL 17
  - **BELL TOWER TOASTMASTERS**
    - Contact Doug Strong: 843-8937, strongd@med.unc.edu. www.unc.edu/belltower/tbstmaste.htm
  - **EVERY TUESDAY**
    - Practice formal and informal presentations with feedback. 5th floor conf room, Health Sciences Library. 11:45 a.m. - 1 pm.

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**CAROLINA ENTREPRENEURIAL INITIATIVE**

- RSPV to revpkenan@unc.edu. www.carolinahallenge.org.
  - **4/10** Cumulation of 2008 Carolina Challenge. Includes presentations by four finalist teams, announcement of winners. Celebration with band, barbecue follows. Aud, Koury. Presentations, 5-6:30 pm; announcement of winners, celebration, 7 pm.

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**CHANCELLOR’S AWARDS**

- Contact 966-3128.
  - **4/16** Student Chancellor’s Awards presentations
  - **4/16** Student Undergraduate Teaching and Staff Awards, Great Hall, Union, 3 pm.
  - **FRIDAY CENTER FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION**
    - FRIDAYCENTERCENTER@UNC.EDU. 962-2563. $ WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA?

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**FOOD DRIVE**

- Janie Brookshire as Constanze and Ray Dooley as Antonio Salieri appear in PlayMakers Repertory Company’s production of “Amadeus,” playing through April 20. Dooley is a professor of dramatic art. For ticket information, call 962-PLAY (7529) or see www.playmakersrep.org.

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**KEEP LEFT-HAND SECTION AS A REMINDER**

- I understand the potential health dangers associated with vigorous exercise and hereby assume all risk of injury which may be associated with participation in the 2008 Spring Fling. I waive any and all claims, and release, absolve, and indemnify the University Administration and Department of Exercise and Sport Science/Campus Recreation staff for any injury I may sustain while participating in this event. I further agree to obey all pedestrian traffic laws (i.e. remain on the sidewalk, stop at all red lights, cross at crosswalks, wait for oncoming traffic to pass, etc.) and release from responsibility the Town of Chapel Hill and all of its officers and agents, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

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**READINGS | FILMS | PERFORMANCES**

**BULL'S HEAD BOOKSHOP**
Call 962-5060, bullshedd@store.unc.edu

**4/17** Eric Jerome Dickey reads from his newest novel "Pleasure." 3 pm.

**4/22** Poetry readings to celebrate Wilson Library's Rare Book Collection exhibit "The Beats and Beyond." Readings by Anne Waldman, co-founder of Jack Kerouac School of Disembodied Poetics at Naropa, and Ed Sanders, founder of the Fugs. 3:30 pm.

**CAROLINA PERFORMING ARTS**
Call 843-3333, performingarts@unc.edu, www.carolinaperformingarts.org. $ Unless noted, all performances on Carolina athletics, see www.carolinahawks.com.

**4/15** New Music from the Composition Studio. Masterclass: Garnet Ungar. Aud, Hill. 4 pm.

**4/18** UNC Guitar Ensemble Spring Concert. Garnet Ungar, piano. Aud, Hill. 8 pm.

**4/20** Circus of student cartooning. From "The Art of Inbetween." 8 pm. Free. For students’ benefit. $ Registration required. For students' benefit.


**4/20** Music in the Galleries. Roger Akers, David Cohen, Columbia U. Person Recital. 2-4 pm.

**DEPARTMENT OF DRAMATIC ART MAINSTAGE**
E-mail ddmaintstage@yahoo.com.

**4/11** "Ten Robins Blues" "Dance Walking," based on the book of the same name by Sister Helen Prejean. Kenan Theatre. For Dramatic Art. 4/11, 14, 18: 8 pm; 4/12, 15, 19: 8 pm; 4/13, 4 pm. $ (for play—Fees: students $6, others $10).


**FACULTY**


**4/25** "On the Record." Memorial. 4 pm.

**FOCUS**

**4/21** "Our Vanishing Night." Star Theater. 7:30 pm. Free.

**4/25** "Celebrating National Occupational Therapy Month." RENAISSANCE COMPUTING INSTITUTE


**ROBERT AND SALLIE BROWN GALLERY AND MUSEUM**
Stone Ctr, 150 South Rd. 962-9001. Gallery hours: 10 am-7 pm, Mon-Fri, closed University holidays.

**WILSON LIBRARY**

**at the Art Gallery**


**ATTRACTIONS**

**MOREHEAD PLANETARIUM**
Call 549-6893 for show times or 962-1238, planet-e@unc.edu. www.moreheadplanetarium.org.

**CLASSES**

**4/11** Digital Camera Workshop. $10. 8:30-11:30 am. Free. For students’ benefit. $ Registration required. For students’ benefit.

**4/14** Native Plant Studies: Spring Flower. $10. 8:30-11:30 am. Free. For students’ benefit. $ Registration required. For students’ benefit.

**TOURS/WALKS/HIKES**

**4/22** Saturday morning tours of the plant displays. Meet in front of Botan Ctr. 10 am.

**4/23** Tour of Coker Arboretum. Meet inside arboretum at Cameron Ave. 11 am.

**CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**


**FOURTH FLOOR**

**4/25** "Paper Trail: The Poster Art of Casey Burns and Ron Liberti." Lectures | Seminars | Colloquia

**THURSDAY, APRIL 10**

**School of Journalism and Mass Communication**

**ROY H. PARK Distinguished Lecture with Knight Professor Rich Beckman**: "The Road Less Traveled: Changing the World One Story at a Time." 111 Carroll. 5:30 pm.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 11**

**ITS Teaching and Learning Distinguished Speaker Series**: "Teaching and Learning Innovation: Taming the Tiger-Munch Brown, director of academic computing, Dartmouth, Toy Lounge, Den. 10:30 am. Free. For students’ benefit. $ Registration required. For students’ benefit.

**IT’S ALL ONLINE**

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