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Editorial: Irons receives deserved award
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No institution has been more instrumental in improving health care access to eastern North Carolina than the Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University. And few, if any, people associated with the school have more profoundly affected the lives of patients than Dr. Thomas Irons, associate vice chancellor for health sciences and professor of pediatrics.

During the course of three decades serving the people of this region, Irons has helped to provide direction to the school in various roles, always keeping sight of the medical school’s founding intent to improve the care afforded to area residents. His receipt of the Award for Excellence in Public Service from the UNC Board of Governors last week is just another in a long line of honors, all deserved for one of this community’s most distinguished citizens.

Some people make a deliberate choice to devote themselves to public service, while others find forces beyond their control compel them toward that noble endeavor. In Irons’ case, the trajectory of his life seemed intent on his finding a way to help people — a task to which he has dedicated all of his professional career. The Greenville native was born to parents who worked as primary care physicians, which clearly made an inspiring case for a life in medicine.
After graduating from Davidson College and the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Medicine, Irons served from 1975 to 1978 in the U.S. Army. There he developed a child abuse prevention and management program that involved clergy, social services and military police. It was three years later that he returned to Greenville, joining the East Carolina faculty at a time when the School of Medicine was long on potential but relatively short on product.

Irons continued his child abuse prevention work before accepting a role leading the charge for the medical school as associate dean beginning in 1989. In positions of increasing responsibility, he helped direct an institution providing invaluable services to eastern North Carolina that changed the face of the region. There may be no clearer indication of how people view Dr. Irons’ work than the annual award for medical professionalism bestowed by the Brody School of Medicine named in his honor.

It takes determination and a love for the work to spend so long at so difficult a task, but Irons has done so tirelessly throughout his career. Last week’s honor was one of many, and a small but deserved token of appreciation for a life devoted to helping others.
Women hold a candle and a yellow rose in memory of a victim of domestic violence during a vigil to recognize October as Domestic Violence Awareness month at City Hall on Tuesday morning. (Rhett Butler/The Daily Reflector)

**Chance to end silence on domestic violence**

*By* Michael Abramowitz

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A woman’s harrowing tale of physical and emotional brutality at the hands of someone she loved and trusted gripped the audience Tuesday at a Greenville domestic violence conference.

Tanisha Bagley, a native New Yorker who moved to North Carolina, recounted beatings and cuttings from her husband that led to the loss of a child during pregnancy. It wasn’t until she got help that she realized several of her pregnancies were the result of marital rape, Bagley said.

Bagley has been free of domestic violence for nine years, and has written a book about her experiences as a victim of domestic violence titled, “The Price of Love.”

She now joins other victims’ advocates to tell everyone who will listen that the walls of silence that envelop and hide the pain and loneliness of domestic violence victims must be broken down.
As part of Pitt County Domestic Violence Awareness Month, a panel of government officials and law enforcement officers met in the City Council chambers to share their commitment to protect and help crime victims.

The event, sponsored by the Pitt County Domestic Violence Network, was hosted by Chelsey Waters of the Center for Family Violence Prevention and Christine Clift, victims’ advocate for the Greenville Police Department.

One in three women, one in five households and one in four high school students are victims of domestic violence, Waters said.

“No one wants to talk about domestic violence, preferring to sweep it under the rug,” she said. “Victims feel shame and embarrassment, and they fear the consequences of revealing their problem to others.”

Domestic violence counselors this year are seeing more women with children who depend on their abusers for the basic provisions of food and shelter, making it more difficult for an abused partner to leave a harmful relationship or marriage, counselors said.

“Where we once heard women telling us about alcohol abuse sparking abusive behavior, we hear more about financial problems leading to violence,” said Pitt County victim advocate Leigh Place, who attended the conference with her work partner, Sharon Singleton.

Speaking out about the abuse that infiltrates and captures victims’ lives can empower them to end the cycle of violence, Waters said.

“At least they will know where to turn for help and not feel so alone,” she said.

The problem was called a local epidemic by Pitt County Commissioner and former law enforcement officer Glenn Webb. It touches friends, relatives and neighbors of victims and abusers alike, Webb said.

“For years, law enforcement officers have chiseled away at the walls of silence, but they cannot do it alone. We need the victims’ help, and now, there is an entire army of people to assist you in your crisis,” Webb said.
Greenville Police Chief William Anderson, who participated with Sheriff Neil Elks and District Attorney Clark Everett, highlighted domestic violence as a community policing concern.

“When citizens and police come together to heighten awareness, it’s a good thing for all,” Anderson said.

The fact that two Pitt County courts now are dedicated each week to deal with domestic issues speaks to the seriousness of the issue for all county residents, Everett said.

He contrasted the current attention given to domestic violence to how the crime was addressed 34 years ago when he began his career.

“No one liked to think about such things back then; it was messy, and too complicated. So we treated it like a driving infraction or other minor matter. When a victim got frustrated and dropped the matter, it was an easy way to get rid of it,” Everett said.

Fortunately, starting in the mid-1990s, law enforcement started to address the problem more seriously, Everett said.

Pitt County was one of the first in the state to design a protocol for handling domestic violence reports. It became a model for courts and law enforcement agencies, followed by legislation to protect victims’ rights.

Elks said most law enforcement officers can recall domestic violence cases they have known. But many officers also have seen people’s lives turned around through the support of others.

“The price domestic violence victims pay to come forward is beyond measure,” Elks said.

The issue of domestic violence also extends to the East Carolina University campus, Assistant ECU Police Chief Dawn Tevepaugh said.

“Unfortunately, we receive calls at a steady pace about domestic violence against our students, especially at our off-campus housing locations,” Tevepaugh said.
The university has planned a campus information session for 6 p.m. on Oct. 19 at the campus’ cupola, the chief said.

A memorial vigil followed the conference, honored 28 Pitt County who have lost their lives to domestic violence since 2000.

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Where it hurts

The story of Ashley Williams is enough to make a listener both proud and tearful. For here is a young woman giving her all to get a college education at a University of North Carolina system campus, and having to use a good bit of her emotional energy to keep herself going against a tide that's getting stronger.

She has two part-time jobs, and has lost $1,000 that she used to get from state grants to attend college - in her case at UNC Pembroke, to which she commutes from nearby Laurinburg. Williams lives with her unemployed parents. She attended UNC Charlotte for a while, but piled up debt and finally had to come home.

Without her grit, and her willingness to work so hard while also trying to focus on her studies, she might have been one of the 500 other Pembroke students who didn't come back to school for this fall's semester. Millions of dollars of cuts in financial aid grants for North Carolina students have seen higher numbers of dropouts, as The N&O's Jane Stancill reported Sunday.

Cuts and consequences

This is a sad situation indeed, because the state's public university system long has been regarded as a jewel in the crown, its very existence a sacred promise that if you are a suitably qualified young person in North Carolina and you want to go to college, you can go.

The problem is, economic reality and a Republican-run legislature inexperienced in governing and apparently uninterested in the consequences of slashing budgets willy-nilly have combined to put, in this case, college students or potential students in a choking bind. Some will simply not be able to further their education. And their potential as contributors to the state's economic and civic life will be needlessly diminished.

Republicans passed up the continuation of a temporary sales tax that would have brought in more than $1 billion annually, money that could have helped college students and educators in the public schools and lots of other North Carolinians who are doing important things that benefit the state. It was a harsh and wrong-headed decision.
A heavy load

So what are university students to do? Ashley Williams is setting an example in a way, but she's having to do too much. Yes, a university education is of value, and yes, some sacrifice on the way to getting one is appropriate. But in these times, with so many other strains, the public university system should remain accessible (as the state constitution says it must be). There must be ways to achieve that accessibility while not forcing good and ambitious students to go into deep debt or to spend all available time working.

No doubt fund-raisers at all schools are doing their best. Might those at the flagship institutions such as UNC-Chapel Hill and N.C. State (where the financial aid pinch is not as strong) do something to help their smaller counterparts? Could the university system, through the legislature, suspend increases in tuition and fees at those campuses?

Some have argued, in a well-meaning way, that in fact tuition should be increased, with the extra revenue going for financial aid. The problem is that such a maneuver runs the risk of pricing out of the market some in the middle class who might not qualify for financial aid but are facing strains over money and are simply unable to absorb additional burdens.

Lawmakers should reverse themselves on that sales tax. Standing behind anti-tax rhetoric does far more damage to the state and to many citizens than a barely noticeable sales tax ever did.
Amos O. Clark

Dr. Amos O. Clark, 84, died Monday morning, Oct. 10, 2011 in Greenville. The funeral service will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m. in the Wilkerson Funeral Chapel. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery.

He was the son of Amos Olivia Clark (1882-1944) and Maggie Smith Clark (1882-1952), both natives of Pitt County. A native of Greenville, Dr. Clark graduated from Greenville High School in the War Class of August, 1943.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from East Carolina Teachers College in 1948, a master's degree from East Carolina College in 1951, and a Doctor of Education degree from Duke University in 1962.

In 1950, he began his teaching career as an English teacher at New Hanover High School in Wilmington, NC. From 1952 to 1960, he was a teacher and principal in the New Bern City Schools.

From 1962 to 1989 Dr. Clark was a faculty member in the School of Education at East Carolina University, including several years as department chair in the 1980s. He retired as Professor Emeritus in June, 1989.

He was a member of several honorary and professional organizations, including Phi Sigma Pi, Pi Omega Pi, Phi Delta Kappa and Kappa Delta Pi.

In addition to his parents, three of his sisters have died, Olive Clark Mayo, Louise Clark Brewer and Blanche Clark Jones. Dr. Barbara Campbell Clark, his wife of 48 years, died in 2003. His son, David Campbell Clark, died in 2010.

He is survived by a daughter, Lisa Olivia Clark Miller of Powder Springs, Ga.; son, Dr. Kevin Amos Clark of Austin, Texas; and his twin sister, Margaret Clark Inman of Ft. Pierce, Fla.
The family will receive friends Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. at Wilkerson Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church, 510 South Washington St., Greenville, NC 27858.


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There is never a good time for panic in college football, but East Carolina approaches the midway point in the regular season still in search of its second win.

A 1-4 record is perhaps enough to hammer home the point that the time to win is now for the Pirates, but that notion comes with the knowledge that they can’t change everything in one weekend.

ECU was the underdog to each of the four teams that have beaten the Pirates so far, and it won the lone game in which it played the role of favorite. For Pirate players, especially the seniors, there is an expectation to make the trend continue against 1-5 Memphis this Saturday.

“You press too hard and anything can happen,” said senior receiver Lance Lewis, the Pirates’ go-to man in the pass game at the outside X position. “But if you take it one play at a time, as you practice and as you’re taught to do, anything is possible. Throwing the ball is what we’re designed to do so we’re going to throw the ball, but if we press too hard the quarterback can
make the wrong read or the receiver can run the wrong route, and you can try to do too much as a team.”

Even during the Pirates’ early-season woes, opposing defenses have rarely gotten the best of the 6-foot-3 Lewis, who made 89 receptions for 1,116 yards last year after transferring from East Mississippi Community College. He is still on pace to equal or even better last year’s numbers, making 39 catches for 433 yards and five touchdowns in five games.

The Concord native echoed a team-wide sentiment following Tuesday’s return to practice that the team understands its position and is embracing the chance of reaching a turning point in the season.

“We came in Sunday and everybody talked, we had a big team meeting about things,” said Lewis, who set an ECU single-season standard with 14 touchdown receptions last season. “We came into practice (Tuesday) with a mentality that everybody’s got to push everybody. We’ve got stay focused, we’ve got to execute things, we’ve got to fly around to the ball, catch passes, get through reads, everything.

“It was a different team out there from last week.”

**Position prowess**

Aside from speed, size and great route-running ability, Lewis possesses the gifts of uncanny leaping ability, timing and body positioning when facing opposing defenders.

Even in the face of fierce double coverage for much of his 2011 campaign to date, Lewis has routinely defied his team’s offensive struggles with big plays and big games.

Much of what he does on the field has been learned in the film room.

“You watch film so much you teach yourself how to do certain things, like position yourself to make a turn,” said Lewis, who considers the fade route he’s utilized to score numerous touchdowns his strongest weapon. “(Outside receivers coach) Dennis Simmons taught me about pad level, keeping it low,
and that once you have low pad level you overcome a lot of things like when they’re trying to jam you, and you can get the inside shoulder through (defenders) and make the catch.”

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UCF coach: ‘Everything in place’ for move

“I think the idea would be 10 or 12 (teams). It won’t be 16.”

Chuck Neinas
Interim Big 12 commissioner

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ORLANDO, Fla. — Central Florida coach George O’Leary said Tuesday that he’s hearing from friends around college football with no ties to UCF that “everything’s in place” for the Knights to soon be invited to join the Big East Conference.

O’Leary declined to identify his friends, but said he’s been kept in the loop by UCF officials. However, the coach said he had no idea as of early Tuesday afternoon if UCF had been extended an official invitation from the Big East.

“I would think that just looking from a numbers count, we’d be on the lips of a lot of people obviously,” O’Leary said. “I would hope that they strongly consider us. I would think it would help them as much as it’s gonna help us.

“...Just the people I’ve spoken with, no UCF but the people from the outside — everything’s in place. It’s a matter of putting the gavel down and making a decision.”

East Carolina also has been mentioned as a possible candidate for the Big East. The Pirates applied for membership last month. Air Force, Army, Navy, Memphis, Villanova and Temple also are viewed as possible Big East targets.

In an e-mail to The Associated Press, UCF spokesman Grant Heston wrote that there was “nothing new to report from UCF,” adding that “the university continues to work for the best possible outcome for the Knights.” He declined to say if that meant the school had not been contacted by the Big East.
Big East schools gave a go-ahead Monday for the conference to expand to as many as 12 teams for football, a move that could involve adding six members.

UCF officials have said moving to any conference would require an all-sports invitation.

The Big East has lost some longtime members during the ongoing conference shuffle. Monday’s move by the school presidents and chancellors is its first formal attempt to make up for its losses.

Syracuse and Pittsburgh started the exodus by deciding to leave for the Atlantic Coast Conference. The governor of Connecticut has said UConn also is interested in the ACC, and there have been reports that Rutgers, too, could leave the Big East.

The league thought it had strengthened its football status by adding Texas Christian. But TCU reversed course and accepted an invitation to join the Big 12.

O’Leary said that he isn’t worried about moving to the Big East and it possibly losing its BCS automatic bid when contracts expire.

“You hope the administration has done due diligence as far as their homework regarding all that and I’m sure they will,” he said. “But I’m given a schedule and I play the schedule that’s given and we go from there.”

Asked if he would like a college football setup controlled by a few super conferences O’Leary, who coached in the ACC at Georgia Tech for eight seasons, said he’s always been more in favor of playing regionally.

“That’s what football is built on is regional play,” he said. “Everybody looks, when you bring in teams from 6 or 7 states away it may be great for TV and all that, but it really hurts players’ families (and) the fan base. The popularity of football came because of regional play and rivalries and all that. You may have one rival, but you have people who you play four or five years in a row. That becomes a mini-rival type of game.”

He said that a super conference system would be a threat to that, though he said he realizes that in a tough economy that the ability for schools to be able
to rely on guaranteed money from television contracts is a big draw for many decision makers.

Still, O’Leary said he wonders who will be left out if there are just a handful of conferences.

“They have an avenue right now between bowl games and between the BCS games themselves to get the best teams playing each other,” O’Leary said. “I think the major conferences are gonna eliminate a lot of the other teams, which I don’t want to see happen.”

**Neinas: Big 12 set for 10 teams for 2012**

Interim Big 12 Commissioner Chuck Neinas said Tuesday that the league is set with 10 teams for 2012 with the addition of TCU, even though Missouri is exploring a possible departure to the Southeastern Conference.

“If Missouri was going to change horses, it wouldn’t be for 2012 anyway,” Neinas said.

The Big 12 has given no deadline for a decision from Missouri, though Neinas said there would need to be some determination by the end of the current academic year. The school has not ruled out remaining part of the Big 12.

Neinas said the Big 12 needs to know what Missouri plans to do before the league can fully evaluate whether to stay at 10 members or expand back to 12.

“We can’t address the 10 vs. 12 until we determine that Missouri is going to be one of the 10,” he said. “There’s no consensus at the present time between the conference members as to 10 or 12.”

TCU accepted an invitation Monday to join the Big 12. The Horned Frogs will replace Texas A&M, keeping the league at 10 members when the Aggies leave for the SEC next July.

While TCU will be the first new member since the Big 12 started play in 1996, Texas A&M will be the third school to leave. Nebraska (Big Ten) and Colorado (Pac-12) left this year.
There were some indications after Big 12 athletic directors met last month that some might be in favor of staying at nine members. That has apparently changed.

“I don’t think anyone is holding that position now. I think the idea would be 10 or 12,” Neinas said, adding: “It won’t be 16.”

A 45-page document presented to Missouri curators earlier this month suggests the school would hope to get as much as $12 million more each year in additional revenue with a move to the SEC if TV deals are renegotiated. The document, which was obtained by The Associated Press, was shown to the curators after they gave Chancellor Brady Deaton authority to explore a departure from the Big 12.

Asked about the report and the financial projection, Neinas responded, “I don’t think that’s accurate.” Such projections would suggest the SEC would have to redo current deals and increase its annual TV income by $168 million based on a 14-team league, he said.

Big 12 leaders recently agreed to switch to equal revenue sharing after years in which the schools that made the most television appearances received the most money. The proposal, which would require schools to give their top TV rights to the Big 12 for six years, requires approval from the governing boards of Big 12 schools.

With equal sharing and a 13-year TV deal with Fox Sports worth more than $1 billion, Neinas indicated that the potential money per team could be similar in the Big 12 and SEC.

“We’ll give Missouri time to evaluate its situation, and have an opportunity to look at the Big 12 Conference and perhaps get a better understanding of where we’re going,” Neinas said. “I think we’re on the verge of making some good progress.

“We’re in process of solidifying the conference, and I think that’s already been proven,” he said. “There are a lot of positives the curators of Missouri have a chance to listen to.”
Neinas said he recently had a cordial conversation about Missouri with SEC Commissioner Mike Slive, who he has known for a long time.
“I said basically, if you’re going to extend an invitation to Missouri, let me know,” Neinas said.

According to Neinas, Slive said no invitation had been extended to Missouri and that the SEC commissioner “didn’t indicate one way or another” if that would happen. SEC leaders met Monday for their regularly scheduled fall meeting but took no action on expansion.
Media coalition seeks Butch Davis' phone records

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A coalition of media outlets led by The News & Observer and The Charlotte Observer has subpoenaed former North Carolina football coach Butch Davis in an effort to obtain his phone records.

On Oct. 7, a law firm representing the media coalition sent Davis a certified letter and subpoena at his home address in Chapel Hill.

The letter asks for:

Copies of all phone records provided to UNC or its agents or representatives in connection with the NCAA's investigation of the school's football program.

Copies of all phone records, including "personal" phone records, related to his job at UNC.

Copies of Davis' phone bills, including "personal" phone bills, paid for with his expense allowance from UNC.

The subpoena instructs Davis to appear at the media lawyer's office on Oct. 21 to produce the records, giving him the option of turning them over on an earlier date.

Efforts to reach Davis' agent, Jimmy Sexton, were unsuccessful Tuesday.

Media agencies are seeking Davis' phone records as they search for information related to the 16-month NCAA investigation of impermissible benefits and academic misconduct in the football program.

Fourteen players missed at least one game as a result of the probe in 2010, with seven missing the entire season. The NCAA has charged North Carolina with nine major violations, and school officials are scheduled to appear in front of the Committee on Infractions on Oct. 28 in Indianapolis.

North Carolina has self-imposed penalties including two years of probation, the vacating of 16 wins from 2008 and 2009, and the reduction of three football scholarships in each of the next three seasons.

Davis was not personally cited by the NCAA in the Notice of Allegations.

In April, Wake County Superior Court Judge Howard Manning ruled in favor of the media coalition, requiring North Carolina to turn over the phone
records of Davis, former associate head coach John Blake and athletics
director Dick Baddour.

North Carolina argued unsuccessfully that the records were protected by a
federal student privacy law because they contained phone numbers of
football players.

Although North Carolina released phone records for land-line numbers for
Davis' office, the monthly records of a university cell phone issued to him
indicated no calls were made from December 2008 to November 2010.

North Carolina officials have said they don't have Davis' personal cell phone
records. They said their outside counsel, Rick Evrard, reviewed them, but
North Carolina never made copies. University spokeswoman Nancy Davis
has said the review found "nothing of concern."

On July 21, Davis told reporters he would turn over his personal cell phone
records to the media on his own. He said he would redact personal calls but
would allow all his calls relating to North Carolina to be inspected.

Six days later, North Carolina fired Davis, and he has not turned over the
records to the media.

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NEW YORK — Big East schools gave a go-ahead Monday for the conference to expand to as many as 12 teams for football, a move that could involve adding six members.

The schools’ presidents and chancellors gave approval for the league to talk with outside schools. The Big East said in a statement that it’s “considering moving to a model that includes 12 football playing schools.”

East Carolina has applied for membership to the Big East. Conference USA members Central Florida and Memphis also have been looking to join a conference with an automatic bid in the Bowl Championship Series.

The Big East has been ravaged in the ongoing conference shuffles, losing longtime members. The move on Monday is the league’s first formal attempt to make up for its losses.

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TCU will have to pay the Big East an exit fee to leave without ever playing a league game.

The Big East is now down to six football schools: West Virginia, Louisville, Cincinnati, South Florida, Rutgers and Connecticut.

The conference also includes DePaul, Marquette, St. John’s, Seton Hall, Villanova, Georgetown, Providence and Notre Dame for sports other than football.
Former Notre Dame head football coach Ara Parseghian said over the weekend that Notre Dame could be forced to join a conference for football if the move toward a few super conferences continues.

The Fighting Irish are independent in football, but they have an exclusive television contract with NBC and automatic access to a BCS bowl game if they finish in the top 8 of the final regular-season BCS standings.
Disease in remission, UNC's Adams hoping to play again

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CHAPEL HILL North Carolina receiver Joshua Adams zipped down the sideline, pulled in a short pass, and grinned as if he had caught a game-winning touchdown.

It was only practice, a drill he had performed hundreds of times. But nine months ago, after being diagnosed with ANCA vasculitis, a rare autoimmune disorder that attacked his kidneys, he wondered if he would ever leave his hospital bed, much less put on his pads and return to the football field.

"There were a lot of people who said I would never play again ... and when things got bad, I would lay there and think, 'If I could catch a pass right now, I would be the happiest person alive,' " said Adams, a redshirt sophomore. "Getting back out there drove me, pushed me - and I'm more appreciative now, because you never know when it's going to be your last time on the field."

Adams, who is from Cambridge, Mass., isn't expected to play Saturday when North Carolina (5-1, 1-1 ACC) faces Miami (2-3, 0-2) at Kenan
Stadium (12:30 p.m., WRAL). But now that his disease is in remission, he could appear in a game this season - something that has his teammates, coaches and even his doctors shaking their heads in wonder.

"You've got to understand that at the beginning of this thing, we thought that football would be icing on the cake ... if he got back to football, great," said Dr. Mario Ciocca, North Carolina's director of sports medicine. "The concern was for him, his life. There was a chance he wouldn't survive, a good chance that he would need a kidney transplant."

"Joshua loves football, so to have him come back and watch him do the thing he loves, it's a great feeling."

ANCA vasculitis is a type of autoimmune disorder in which abnormal antibodies attack one's own cells and tissues - in Adams' case, his kidneys. According to Dr. Ron Falk, Director of UNC's Kidney Center, the average age of someone diagnosed with it is 55, making Adams, 20, an extremely rare case.

Although one in nine people in North Carolina show evidence of kidney problems at some point in their lives, this illness didn't even have a name, much less a course of treatment, as recently as 25 years ago.

One of the keys to overcoming ANCA vasculitis is diagnosing it early. Adams said he feels lucky to have been in the right place, with the right doctors, "because not that long ago, if you got the disease, you would die."

**Touch and go**

After starting four games in 2010, including the Music City Bowl, Adams had returned to campus early in January to resume weight room workouts when he noticed blood in his urine. He had been feeling oddly fatigued the season before, something he and the football team's training staff attributed to physical games and hard workouts.

When tests revealed abnormal kidney function, Ciocca, the team's doctor, immediately sent Adams to his wife, Cynthia, a nephrologist in UNC's Kidney Center. That led to a visit with Falk, one of the foremost authorities in ANCA vasculitis.

"We were blessed that we were here in Chapel Hill ... where (Joshua) had access to Dr. Falk, who wrote the book on the disease," said Timothy Adams, Joshua's dad.

It was a touch-and-go challenge, though.
In and out of the hospital for months, Adams went through plasma replacement, through chemotherapy treatments.

At one point, he said he was taking upward of 16 pills a day, as he developed blood clots in his lungs and legs, gained weight - and then suffered a seizure.

He wasn't allowed to drive because of the drugs' side effects. He couldn't do anything that would bruise him, because of the blood thinners. He took antibiotics, steroids, and pills whose names he could barely pronounce.

He remembers one night he went to take a shower and was so confused he couldn't figure out how to turn on the water. Seeing him in the hospital, teammate Dwight Jones said, was heartbreaking. Teammates tried to comfort him with smiles and prayers.

"I kind of got depressed for a little while, and I thought of everything I'd done and everything I want to do. I want to ride a motorcycle, I want to bungee jump, I want to do a lot of fun things, because you don't know how long you're going to live," Adams said.

**Back on track**

Always, though, his goal was to return to the football field - a dream his teammates and coaches inspired every time they visited him in the hospital. His doctors and parents reinforced that as he was weaned off his medication and as he regained his strength.

"He needed the football as a point of reference to move forward, and not give up, and not let what was happening overwhelm him," said Timothy Adams, whose family had moved from Massachusetts to North Carolina the summer before. "He made it his goal to stay in school ... and every time he would fall down, he would get back up."

Most were smiling - albeit, a little nervously - when Joshua resumed working out during the summer. He returned to non-contact individual drills in August training camp, and by the second week of the season, doctors had cleared him for full practice.

"And that first day, when I got my first little pop (on a tackle) - it felt good," Adams said. "I felt so good to be back."

His teammates felt good for him as well.

"I used to see him out there, he'd have a little cool pack on. His body really couldn't get too hot," said Jones, a senior receiver. "He used to do a couple
of individual drills. That was during training camp, and he never really did too much.

"Now he's doing a lot more. He's running routes on scout team, and I see him out there on scout team punts, and he looks like he's back at full speed."

There is no cure for ANCA vasculitis, and Falk cautions that like any disease in remission, it could return. Team doctors continue to perform weekly blood tests to monitor Adams' kidney functions, but when, and whether, he plays in a game this season is a matter of conditioning and roster space, rather than his disease.

"I just imagine myself out there every single time I watch the team - where I think I could make a play, a catch, something," Adams said. "Every day, I have visions of catching my first pass in a game, my first touchdown of the season."

He's not the only one. When Adams was at his most sick, and no one knew what might happen, Dr. Falk inspired his patient by telling him he knew he was going to catch a ball in the end zone during a game one day.

Adams, in turn, promised to give him the ball after he scores his first touchdown.

"And I have a feeling," Falk said, "I'm going to get it."

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College Radio Day: An SOS for student-run stations

By Daniel de Vise

Ooh, that’s right! It’s brave new radio on WPSC-FM! . . . [HISS] . . .

Everybody’s moving, everybody’s moving, everybody’s MOVING, MOVING . . . [CRACKLE] . . .

College radio is a genre, a format that belongs on the tuner alongside all your other basic offerings . . . [HISS] . . .

My mental state is all a-jumble, I sit around and sadly mumble . . . [HISS] . . .

All right! Here we go! It’s College Radio Day!

On Tuesday, 350 stations from across the college-radio universe spoke with one unruly voice, broadcasting an all-day celebration of eclectic music and the student-run, pizza-stained stations that play it.

Quirky, loud and unpredictable, college radio has dwelt for a half-century at the left of the dial, a youthful counterpart to public radio. The genre seeded protest in the ’70s and launched the careers of U2 and R.E.M. in the ’80s,
but now finds itself under siege. Over the past decade, the economics of radio have pushed more than a dozen major stations off the airwaves.

One by one, universities are selling off stations to raise cash. FM licenses in major markets are worth millions. Recent sales include KUSF at the University of San Francisco, KTRU at Rice University in Houston and WXEL at Barry University in Miami.

Locally, the University of Maryland, University of Virginia and the College of William and Mary still own broadcast radio stations that are largely student-focused. But students at other schools have lost their access to the airwaves, including those at Georgetown and American universities in the District and Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.

Georgetown sold its feisty radio station to the University of the District of Columbia in the 1970s for a dollar; UDC turned around and sold it to C-SPAN for $13 million in 1997. Johns Hopkins sold WJHU in 2002, spawning the professional public-radio station WYPR (88.1 FM). American University lost its student-run station in 1997, when the AM counterpart to WAMU (88.5 FM) shut down.

Students at all three schools fought to get back on the air. Instead, the universities moved the stations online. Students are mostly happy with the new format — although they’re lucky if a streaming show draws 20 listeners.

“It’s an incredible freedom that you get, if you’re a freshman in college, to have an hour time slot to talk about whatever you want to talk about, to play the music you think people should hear,” said Caroline Klibanoff, 21, general manager of WGTB at Georgetown, which operates solely online.

Howard University’s WHUR (96.3 FM) has evolved from a laboratory for future broadcasters into a professional outfit. Howard students must make do with an AM station.

United they stand

A group of station managers organized College Radio Day in hope of generating enough support and positive pressure that universities won’t pull the plug.

“College radio is a very, very important medium. Don’t take it for granted,” said Rob Quicke, general manager of WPSC-FM at William Paterson University in New Jersey. “Because if it vanishes, the voice of an entire generation of students will vanish with it.”
Quicke said the idea of a unifying college-radio event came to him last winter as he watched the film “The Social Network.”

Tuesday’s event drew 350 official participants, including six broadcast and Internet stations in Virginia, and three each in Maryland and the District. WTJU (91.1 FM), U-Va.’s station in Charlottesville, marked the occasion by broadcasting a series of student testimonials about the power of college radio. WGTB broadcast public service announcements about the event and posted an essay penned by Klibanoff. DJs at U-Md.’s WMUC (88.1 FM) were instructed to work college-radio talking points into their shows.

**Airwaves in age of Pandora**

College radio dates to the 1920s. Student-run stations diversified FM radio by playing free-form set lists as commercial stations settled into tightly scripted formats. Many acts admired by critics broke through on college radio; the pattern became so pervasive in the 1980s that the decade is often termed the “college radio era.”

But many college students today don’t own a radio. With the help of iPods, shuffle buttons and “smart” Internet stations such as Pandora, they build their own stations.

“We are one of many voices at this point,” said Alex Rudolph, 22, general manager of WVAU, an Internet-only station at American. “College radio is not the be-all, end-all as far as getting the next Sonic Youth out there.”

Leaders of the college-radio industry embrace Internet stations, but not as substitutes for traditional broadcast stations, which have greater reach. And with the number of those stations shrinking, they felt it was time to unite.

“The hardest part for college radio is letting people know that it’s still here,” said Peter Kreten, general manager of WXAV-FM at St. Xavier University in Chicago. “And if you give us a shot, you may hear your new favorite band.”
One Plus One Equals...
Some students hope a separate graduate degree will make their M.B.A. that much more valuable
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Are two graduate degrees better than one? Ryan Heller, who recently transformed himself from rock-band guitarist into a cable-network media manager, seems to think so.

When Mr. Heller set his sights on a career in the film and television industry, he decided he needed to get an M.B.A. to learn about finance, marketing and business strategy. But he also thought a graduate degree in film would be useful, considering he didn't have a background in that field.

"I felt the combination of these two degrees was going to make me a little more unique and give me that extra look for a job," says Mr. Heller, age 32.

This spring, he graduated in the inaugural class of New York University's M.B.A.-M.F.A. program, a three-year dual-degree program for aspiring film producers offered by the Stern School of Business and the Tisch School of
the Arts' Kanbar Institute of Film and Television. In June, he started work as a senior manager of digital media at Starz, a pay-TV channel of Liberty Media Corp.

Mr. Heller says the extra year of studying—an M.B.A. alone would have taken just two years to earn—and the $150,000 or so in tuition were well worth the investment. "I do think it gave me an edge," he says.

**Additive or Repetitive?**

As the U.S. unemployment rate rises and the economy struggles, some students are betting that having an M.B.A. plus a second graduate degree in another field will help boost their marketability and provide career security. In the 2010-11 academic year, about 10% of those who received M.B.A.s at accredited U.S. schools earned them as part of a dual-degree program, says the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, a trade group.

Sean Kelly

While a dual degree is more expensive than a traditional M.B.A. because it involves an extra year of study, it is still cheaper than pursuing two master's degrees sequentially—an endeavor that could cost nearly $260,000 and take five years, depending on the school.

The business-school trade group and individual schools don't track the return on investment of a dual degree compared with that of an M.B.A. alone. But administrators and alumni say such a program may make sense when a student plans to go into a specific field and wants a leg up on competitors.

To be sure, not everyone is a fan of the dual-degree trend. Some critics say having two degrees can make a job candidate look overqualified or cause an employer to question a staffer's commitment to a certain industry. And unless a job straddles two fields, the dual-degree holder may never need to use both skill sets at once, they say.

Take Sybil Collins, who earned an M.B.A.-M.A. in international relations in a joint program with Columbia University and Johns Hopkins' School of Advanced International Studies. Like many of her business-school classmates, she moved on to a job in investment banking.
Now a vice president in Morgan Stanley's natural-resources group in New York City, Ms. Collins says she appreciates the "macroeconomic perspective" her M.A. studies gave her and believes it might prove useful the future. Still, she says, "I never use it in my day-to-day work right now."

**Career Protection**

Some experts say an important consideration when evaluating a dual-degree program is whether the course work for each major is different enough to provide value.

"People get wrapped up in this idea that the more degrees I have the more marketable I will be, and they may not take the time to look at the courses in the joint degrees," says Sally Jaeger, assistant dean at Dartmouth University's Tuck School of Business and head of the M.B.A. program, which counts dual-degree seekers as 6% of its enrollment.

A program that combines medicine and business, for example, is likely to have fewer overlapping courses than one that combines public policy or diplomacy with an M.B.A., she says.

In fields increasingly buffeted by market forces, such as medicine, some students seek an M.B.A. as a form of career protection. Anurag Gupta, who completed an M.D.-M.B.A. at the University of Michigan, is now doing an emergency-medicine residency at Beth Israel Medical Center in New York City. He expects the M.B.A. will help him navigate the dynamics within the hospitals where he works.

"It seemed like there was a disconnect between the physicians in charge and the [executives] of hospitals," says Dr. Gupta, 28 years old, who has done business consulting on the side and served on hospital advisory boards. "I envision kind of a dual career where I practice part time and have my hands on the business side part time."

Another dual degree growing in popularity at some schools is a "green" M.B.A., which mixes business and environmental studies. Some 10% of the M.B.A. students at the University of Michigan's Ross School of Business are pursuing such a joint degree as part of a program with the university's School of Natural Resources and Environment.
Cynthia Koenig, 33, entered the Michigan program after 10 years working in international conservation because "I thought I was a bit lacking on the business and science sides." After graduating this spring, she is now working on a start-up she launched while in school, manufacturing a $25 rolling water barrel, the WaterWheel, for women in India and other developing countries who need to fetch water from faraway wells.

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### On Both Burners

Dual-degree programs at U.S. schools in the 2010-11 academic year

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