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Presidential Profiles

Special to the Pilot

In this SGA election, the Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates will run unopposed, barring any write-ins.

It has been many a blue moon since a major SGA office has not been hotly contested. One only has to harken back to last year's race between SGA President Mike McCauley and candidate Nicole Nichols to realize how tempers flair during a campaign.

The Pilot spoke to the sole candidates for President and Vice President of SGA and formed profiles for your information:

Kevin Cloer is a candidate for president. He is a rising senior majoring in Business Administration. He is currently serving as junior class president.

Cloer's focus is on the issues of increasing student visitation and a push to improve cafeteria service. He also wants to establish an honor code. He says that he wants to run for



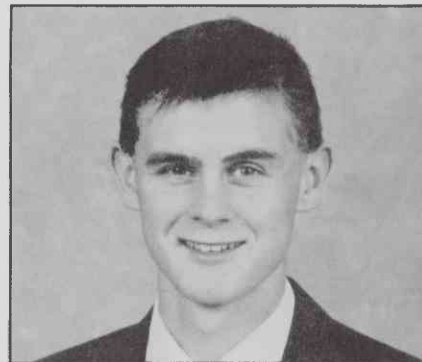
Kevin Cloer, says that he could not have chosen a better institution in which to pursue his higher education than Gardner-Webb.

president to "give something back" to Gardner-Webb which has given so much to him.

Cloer will serve as a senator if he is not elected president.

Jeff S. Price is the candidate for vice president. He is a rising junior double majoring in Social Sciences and Political Science. He is currently a senator.

Price wants to make the senate a more efficient body. He promises to listen to stu-



Jeff Price, stated he will live on campus to remain in-touch with students. He wishes to see an increase of student awareness of SGA activities.

dents if elected. He would also like to see senate meetings televised over WEBNET.

Price's platform is based on the idea that communication between the office of vice president and his constituents is vital.

Price says that the things he saw while serving as a senator is not all that could be done by the organization. He wants to instigate change.

Candidates For SEA Chair



Brian Dixon:

B. Dixon is running for SEA Chair. He read a Dr. Seus poem during his speech. His theme is "Make A Little Magic." He wants to eliminate weekend entertainment. He is a senior, set to graduate this December, double majoring in Religion and Psychology.



Mark Dixon:

M. Dixon is running for SEA Chair. His platform supports weekend entertainment and bringing a higher quality of entertainment to Gardner-Webb. He will be able to serve a complete term. He is a junior majoring in Business Administration.

Candidates For Treasurer and Secretary



Crystal Higgins:

Higgins is running for the position of treasurer. Her main focus is on informing students on how their money is being spent and being a liaison between students and the administration. Higgins is a sophomore majoring in religious education and sign.



Telesa Wilson:

Wilson is running for secretary. She says that we can't keep looking to the future because "it's what we do now that's important." She promises a column in *The Pilot* to keep students informed. She is a freshman majoring in communications.

Student Voting

E.J. Dolce

Editorial Topic:

Last year, barely 25% of the student body voted. Still, most students on campus are not merely displeased with SGA, but are disgusted by it. Is that justifiable? Not according to a former senator [name withheld by request].

"What I'd like to see is a list of names of the people who voted. Then have the SGA only listen to *their* complaints." It was a profound statement and it shaped the way I saw the election and SGA.

True, SGA stands for STUDENT Government Association, but it is only put in power by the students who voted and made it happen. For this reason, only the students who vote have a right to tap into the power that their vote established. Right? Right.

Let's be real for a minute. It's true that SGA has serious problems. I know that it's always the same people, promising something new, but nothing ever changes. These are things that the new SGA has to handle though. But think about this...

What kind of job would you do if nobody cared what you did? How much would an "A" mean to you if your final grade in the class could only be a "P" for passing or an "F"? In the same way, why should SGA work hard when no one cares how they perform except to complain once or twice a year? Better yet, how can they work without support anyway?

There are no laws that say SGA must perform well. Just like you and me, they need people to push them on to better things. Those people are you and me. The bottom line is this: If we don't care who will?