

Gingrich admonishes liberals, Clinton

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Newt Gingrich spoke at Lane Tree Golf Course on January 18 at 11:45 a.m. for a fund-raiser for Third District Republican Congressman Walter Jones, who also spoke to an audience of more than 1000.

Admission to the event was \$50 per person.

Jones commented on North Carolina's nickname of "The Tarheels," meaning "we stick to our promises."

Jones said about Gingrich, "[His] vision for America is kept in the same mold as our founding fathers'-- Adams, Franklin and Jefferson."

Gingrich's main focus of the speech was the balanced budget and the proposals the Republicans have made to the President.

Gingrich commented that he was not satisfied with where America is right now. "I am disappointed in the President. I am tired of having a Do-a-lot Congress and a Do-nothing President."

Gingrich said he and Jones share a serious concern for the balanced budget.

Gingrich said that he is mad and frustrated that the President has vetoed every bill Congress has put forth involving the balanced budget.

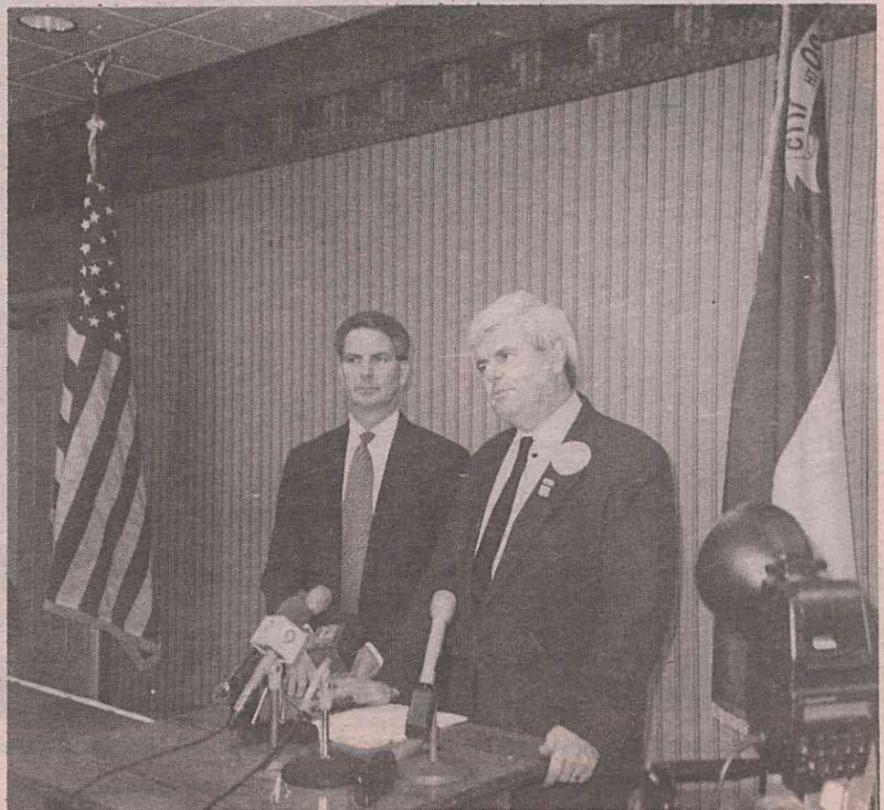
He said that the Republicans' plan for the balanced budget is for the children of tomorrow and the liberals' plan is destroying the safety net and beginning to strangle the children of tomorrow.

He said the liberals' plan is also demolishing status and responsibility parents have gained in past years.

Gingrich said, "To be an American, you get up in the morning and start making your dreams come true. You do not sit back with your coffee in hand and wait."

Following the luncheon Gingrich responded to questions from media representatives from all over eastern North Carolina.

One reporter asked Gingrich why the First Lady has so much involvement with the President's duties and actions. Gingrich answered, "That is the President's business, not mine to discuss."



Newt Gingrich and Walter B. Jones address the crowd at Lane Tree Country Club. PHOTO: JAIME WHITFIELD

Student reacts to Gingrich

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On January 18, 1996, I heard House Speaker Newt Gingrich speak at a fundraiser for Third District Congressman, Walter Jones, Jr.

It was hard to catch a glimpse of either man because of all the reporters, cameramen and paparazzi.

The place was so loaded with people, I was lucky to get a seat so close.

After eating a delicious Lemon Chicken lunch, I awaited the speeches from Speaker Gingrich and Congressman Jones.

The anticipation was really killing me: I had paid \$50 and cut class and work just to see and hear these men.

When Congressman Jones introduced the speaker, the roof went off the place.

Gingrich joked in response, "When I get an introduction that warm, I find myself wanting to hear from the guy myself."

The speech was mainly focused on Medicare and social issues as well as on the budget.

Gingrich listed many of the things the Congress had passed-- all vetoed by President Clinton.

I agreed with the majority of Gingrich's speech, but the speaker made the same kind of mistake that Jesse Helms sometimes makes.

He spoke about a press conference in California where the President had misinformed the people eight times and said, "Californians have strange ways of thinking, so we were helped by the environment we were in."

Now, as much as I like Gingrich and as much as I like his ideas, the most powerful man in the United States Congress, just should not say things like that in public.

However, Clinton did veto the Balanced Budget Amendment, Welfare Reform and other issues that are important to this nation.

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