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quickly apprehended suspects for the bombing but are still searching for another suspect. The bombing has lead Congress to debate new terrorist laws that would include giving the FBI easier access to tracing and eavesdropping on phone calls.

After much debate in the House and Senate, the idea of a nationally subsidized health care system was extinguished.

■ Also this year, the American people elected a Republican Congress. With presidential elections coming in 1996, President Clinton has voiced his desire to run again for the presidency.

■ Republican Speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich proposed his "Contract with America". The program failed to limit term limits, but succeeded in cutting corporate- and personal- income

taxes. Debate still continues about the program's plans to overhaul the welfare system.

■ The United States celebrated the 25th anniversary of Woodstock and Earthday this year.

■ O.J. Simpson, the former football star, was accused and is currently being tried for the murder of his wife, Nicole Brown-Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.

■ Floods in California and Texas left millions of dollars in damage and over eleven people dead.

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■ Next year Bryan dormitory will become a female residence hall while Hill House will be converted into a male dormitory.

■ Ground was broken for the new Education and Technology Com-

plex. The building will house new laboratories, classrooms, and a theater, and is planned to be open in 1996.

■ The Science Olympiad and the Model United Nations teams attended national competitions this year.

■ Third West student life instructor, Lane Wright, was dismissed and charged with sexual misconduct with a student this year.

■ A new schedule that includes eight classes, fifty minute periods, and fewer alt-days will be used next year.

■ Science and Math celebrated the following annual events: the Pow-wow, Asia Fest, and World Fest. For the first time, a women's conference was held on campus. Internationally renowned doctor, activist, and writer Nawal-el Sadawi was the opening speaker.

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time when the boys of Wyche House used a Hawaiian Christmas theme to decorate their hall.

Mr. Liles also remembers the only time it has ever snowed during SPW. The administration felt that students were getting too much of a slack attitude during SPW. SPW was moved up to mid-February to avoid the spring fever attitude. During the large snow storm, people who had traveled off campus were stranded. After that, SPW was moved back to spring time.

The Stentorian newspaper has been a unique preserved tradition since the first year of the school. The name was chosen by members of the first graduating class and it originates from the word "stentor." Stentor was a Greek herald in the Trojan war. Stentor also means "loud" in Latin.

Some of you may wonder where the school symbol, also known as "The Flaming Diaper," came from. The idea came from

Ralph Wildman, a professor at UNC-Chapel Hill. He was trying to promote the idea of the school and thought a school symbol would be nice. After much thought, he and a group of his students decided that three equilateral triangles at the bottom would represent Mathematics and a geometric sun at the top would represent the Sciences. Some members of his group thought the symbol resembled something that should go on top of a Chinese take-out sign. The symbol stuck and has remained ever since.

Finally, graduation is an event looked forward to by many. It was not always held outside of Watts on the lawn. In past years, it has been known to be held at the gymnasium of Northern Durham High School or at N.C. Central University. Dr. Friedrick came up with the idea to hold graduation on our own campus outside. So, as our time comes to march across the stage, we can all think back on the many traditions that we have been a part of here at NCSSM.

Editorials**SGA: By the people, for the people
Janora brings vigor to the SGA program**By **TONY BORELLI**

Sports Editor

It has undoubtedly been a very successful, productive year for the NCSSM SGA, a year chock full of interesting SGA activities and progress in the SGA's reputation as an influential part of the school. Just some of the great activities the SGA took under its wing this year were the "Mr. S&M" pageant, two Spirit Weeks, and lunch discussion tables (such as those on Martin Luther King Day). Brand new methods of incorporating student input were introduced, such as the SGA suggestion box, SGA surveys, an SGA newsletter, and the posting of the SGA agenda for each week's meeting, to which all students were invited. All in all, the phrase "by the people, for the people" could more appropriately be applied to the school's SGA than in years past, when such activities and methods of including student voice were at a minimum.

So just what has been the difference in making the SGA of this year more successful than those of past years? Senior Cozy Bailey served as an SGA representative during both his junior and senior years at NCSSM. While noting that

credit should definitely be assessed to all the SGA members, he cites the leadership of SGA President Janora McDuffie as, by far, the greatest influence on the transition of S&M's SGA from an often disoriented unit to an efficient, effective, well-oiled machine. "Last year we spent too much time arguing and not getting through the agenda," Cozy says, "but this year Janora makes sure we get through the agenda, and she straightens us out when things get out of hand."

Cozy is not alone. Anthony Lewis, another senior SGA rep, calls Janora a "high-minded, independent person" who is always looking at the bright side of things and who is dedicated to hard work and progress. He says that because of Janora's leadership, "The administration takes us more seriously this year. They realize we are not just another club allocating funds."

Indeed, perhaps the greatest achievement of this year's SGA has been its improved relationship with the administration. One SLI said the SGA's reputation among the faculty has grown "by leaps and bounds" from years past. Janora says much of this improvement is owed to the newly-installed

"buddy program," which pairs an SGA member with an administrator. Janora says the program "not only allows the faculty to communicate with the students, but it also allows the students to communicate with the faculty." She hopes the ties between the SGA and the administration will only grow stronger in the future as a result of the buddy system, saying she hopes that it "will leave a legacy for later years."

So now we all know what Janora meant when she proclaimed those immortal words, "Take the 'dis' out," at least from an SGA standpoint. Clearly, in the opinion of her closest colleagues, she has taken the dis out of disorganization, the dis out of disinterest, and the dis out of disrespect. By superbly guiding the advancement of the SGA, Janora McDuffie has done all NCSSM students of the present and the future a favor which we cannot nearly repay.

So what are Janora's parting words? "Thank you to the Class of 1995 for electing me your Student Government President — I did my best. Good luck to the class of 1996, and remember...smile, care, and take the 'dis' out, and then you will be happy."

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