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Elections Board shortcomings inexcusable

To the editor:
We must accept the fact that no election can be run perfectly and that a certain margin of error is inevitable. But last Tuesday's campus elections have clearly exceeded any acceptable boundaries: signatures not required in James, ballots left unattended in several locations, the Craige polls closing 45 minutes early, poll workers obviously unaware of their responsibilities or election laws, etc., etc.

The Elections Board's many shortcomings during the election are perhaps excusable. Their conduct during the hearings of last Thursday night is not. It was a meeting characterized by confusion, an inability and an unwillingness to grapple with the stated laws, and above all, a desire to be done with it with as little trouble as possible. Again and again, complaints and irregularities were conveniently dismissed as "inherent in the system," and therefore factors over which the board had no responsibility or control.

I would like to single out Tom Jessiman's case. Section 5G of the Election Laws states that certification of election results must depend on "Affirmation that no Election Law violation, or other elections irregularities have been detected which could materially affect the outcome of the election." In a race as close as that for DTH editor, where Jessiman needed only 19 more votes for a runoff and 80 votes to win outright, how can the closing of Craige polls 45 minutes early be dismissed as immaterial? Furthermore, Thomas Sharpe's investigation into alleged James violations only determined that the poll tender had brought the situation under control. He did not determine that violations had not occurred.

Many members assumed that they had no authority to call for a re-election on the basis of the Craige case. Under this logic, the Elections Board would be unable to call for re-elections if half the polling boxes had been closed by noon. Perhaps their rationale is best summarized by board Executive Assistant Deana Williamson, who said that members had decided to certify the election results because they knew Jessiman could appeal it to the Supreme Court.

Passing the buck was not the function of the Elections Board hearings. If anything, the board might have redeemed itself by recognizing the importance of election law violations and deciding that a re-election for certain races was the only equitable option. Instead, the whole process was a farce, and election results remain questionable.

It should be hoped that future Elections Boards will not only take steps against unacceptable problems "inherent in the system" but will take responsibility for their own mistakes.

Jonathan Rich
E-12 Carolina Apartments

Editor's note: Jonathan Rich was campaign manager for Thomas Jessiman.

Buckner

To the editor:
As state affairs director and executive assistant to the student body president and third-ranking official in the 16-campus UNC system of student governments and as student body treasurer, we have had a chance to observe and work with both Scott Norberg and Joe Buckner. Though both candidates have excellent credentials and experience, we are confident Joe Buckner has the necessary personal qualities and skills to assume the responsibilities and duties of student body president.

Norberg's experience as an executive assistant and aide to the chancellor's committee coordinator clearly cannot be overlooked. But the position of student body president requires more than an accumulation of credentials.

Norberg's platform includes provisions to use staffers to support student groups and to raise the noise ordinance limit beyond 75 decibels. He will also work for a trial book rental system and recruitment of minority students. All of these proposals are now under consideration by the present administration.

Though Norberg's ideas are not bad, we prefer Joe Buckner for president because he has from the beginning emphasized that one of Student Government's most important functions is acting as an

advocate for the students. Being an advocate of the students does not necessarily mean being adversarial with the offices of the University administration. The main function of Student Government should be to act as a liaison between students and administrative offices, and not as an organization constantly in conflict with University officials.

Anyone who thinks Student Government can function effectively without good student-administrative relations is terribly wrong. Buckner is the only candidate to emphasize diplomatic relations as an issue in the campaign.

Students we have talked with say they want someone with new ideas. Buckner has shown innovative leadership and creativity by developing programs to deal with campus security and academic deficiencies — Rape and Assault Prevention Escort (RAPE) and Student Tutorial Aid Referral, respectively. As director of student services, the largest cabinet post in Student Government, Buckner expanded Action Line, which serves as a general information center for student complaints and a referral for Student Tutorial Aid Referral and the Fraternity and Sorority Transport Service.

More importantly, he believes Student Government must participate fully to encourage recruitment and admission of minority students and that the office of Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs is a step in that direction. Further, he has pledged to work with Vice Chancellor Harold Wallace and the Black Student Movement in this effort.

Chancellor Christopher C. Fordham III, in his installation address, stated the traditions of the University "... will require a high motivation and commitment by our students, a sorting out of serious purpose from trivialities, but with a light heart and a steadfast refusal to take oneself too seriously..."

The one who represents the student body should possess the spirit of high motivation and commitment. Joe Buckner has this spirit and will bring to the office leadership experience including but not limited to Student Government. Moreover, the ability to motivate large numbers of people is clearly a skill needed over the next year.

Darryl Smith
Executive Assistant
to the Student Body President

Rochelle Tucker
Student Body Treasurer

Theriot

To the editor:
This year the clear-cut choice for CAA president is Steve Theriot. The other candidates for CAA lack the original ideas and respect for the student body that Theriot is offering in his campaign. The "ideas" of Kelly are the same campaign promises that I've heard the past two years.

Steve Theriot is the obvious choice for CAA president. Because Theriot worked for the CAA, he has both the experience and insight to be a successful CAA president. Theriot's insight into the CAA has given him the ability to come up with the ideas to make the CAA a more effective part of Student Government. Theriot is thus my choice for CAA president.

Gray Jolly
109 Lewis

Mann in GPSF

To the editor:
The runoff election for GPSF president presents all graduates and professional students with a stark choice. The results of the vote could have a profound effect on the ability of the GPSF to act as an advocacy organization for graduate interests.

Because we are such a small minority of the student population, the greatest need of graduate students is unity of purpose. If we are to protect our student revenue allocations and our scholarship money, then we must work together, regardless of our political ideologies.

One of the candidates in the runoff election has openly promised to "politicize" the office. Andy Harkov, with the backing of a small (but highly organized) group of political purists, intends to use the GPSF to promote his own views on controversial issues such as abortion. Never mind that the GPSF hasn't the

slightest thing to do with abortion (or the oil companies or any other political issue), these fundamentalists of the left will vote against anybody who doesn't fit their mold.

A candidate who runs for a non-ideological office as an ideologue cannot hope to represent anybody other than those who accept his own viewpoint. Robert Mann, the other GPSF candidate has talked of the real issues of the campaign. He has called for a survey to ascertain graduate views, for open communication, and for protection of graduate rights. His non-judgmental and unifying view of the office represents the best way to ensure the effectiveness of the GPSF. Graduate students don't need anybody to tell us how to think about sensitive and non-relevant political issues. We do need somebody dedicated to working for the good of us all. Robert Mann is such a person and the best candidate for GPSF president.

Ray Warren
School of Law

Editor's note: Ray Warren was a candidate for GPSF president.

Vandenbergh for CGC

To the editor:
As a student of CGC District 23, I have been very concerned about this district's representation on the council. I want to urge the members of this district to vote for Mike Vandenbergh for CGC representative.

Mike will be a strong representative. He plans to post in each fraternity and sorority house in this district a monthly CGC newsletter and to visit each house from time to time. The newsletter will also be posted in central locations for those who don't live in fraternity or sorority houses. Mike believes the CGC should be more active in asserting student opinion through referenda, which have been effective in the past, on issues such as the noise ordinance and the food service. As a member of the North Carolina Fellows Program, Mike has worked to create a new advising program, and a pilot program will begin next year.

I have tremendous respect for Mike's judgment and his ability and desire to get things done. I know Mike Vandenbergh will be an excellent CGC representative for District 23.

Ruthie Leaver
406 Ransom Street

Course review

To the editor:
The Carolina Course Review is, in principle, an evaluation service for the use of students and faculty of UNC. However, due to problems with program used for the Spring 1981 issue, this most recent Course Review is clearly flawed. The bar graphs used to represent student evaluation of classroom teaching, course value, individual attention, textbooks, tests and grading, and difficulty are completely invalid. For this reason, the chairmen of the Spring 1981 Carolina Course Review retract this publication, with sincere apologies to both faculty and students.

Ellen C. Starr
John C. Rossitch

Editor's note: This retraction was issued before the article "Course review suspended" was run Feb. 11.

Buckner flyers

To the editor:
I would like to extend an apology to the members of the Black Student Movement and supporters of Scott Norberg. Campaign flyers recently distributed by workers for Joe Buckner used my name and association with BSM without permission. I am not an official spokesperson for the BSM, and the use of such title is a violation of the BSM endorsement.

Wanda Montgomery
Chapel Hill
Politics

To the editor:
We students have a problem. The purpose of Student Government is being misunderstood, distorted, misplaced, and thrown to the dogs. In the self-made

intensity and bitterness of this student body president campaign, ideology is being trampled.

Isn't the purpose of Student Government to benefit the students? For this, we need a person with integrity. I can hardly see how a person can be called "creative" for finding a loophole where he could shadily buck propriety. Then this person uses this loophole to create a personal image, which turns a competition originally based on platforms and issues into a popularity contest. Visions of high school pep rallies enter my mind. But that's not the whole problem.

What about us students? Have we fallen for it? Have you ever wondered how many people the Fraternity and Sorority Transport Service has actually helped out? Was the Par obstacle course really a one-man project as is implied by a certain campaign pamphlet? What is integrity when one must be prodded to tell the truth? Are we fooled by a political cartoon which appears defensive but in reality is so offensive that it must be accompanied by an editor's note?

How about an editorial page story "reporting" on another candidate's fraternity membership to the degree of calling the fraternity a political machine? The mid-campaign timing and rude implications made by this story deem it offensive.

Politics may be politics, but Student Government is still Student Government, nothing more nor less. I hold this philosophy and encourage you fellow students to at least weigh the choices. Compare the experience and the issue awareness of the presidential candidates. Be critical, be informed, be independent. It's your duty to yourself. Please don't vote for a platform as ambiguous as one that focuses on "motivating people," or that makes light of sexual abuse in the forums in order to break the ice. Vote for ideals and, most importantly, vote for yourself.

Tom Taylor
Tim Harper
and 12 others
Morrison Residence Hall

Saunders, Shadroui kudos

To the editor:
It's election time again and I, for one, am not looking forward to it. Choosing sides in the race for DTH editor was one of the hardest choices I've ever had to make. Student body president wasn't quite as hard, but still difficult. But, I guess anytime you have to choose between friends you're in for some sleepless nights.

But it's always more fun to watch a race in progress. It's not so exciting to look back on ones already won. By that I mean last year's races which gave us Bob Saunders and George Shadroui.

Bob Saunders has never been a showman and he's not a silver-tongued orator, either. What he is, though, is an honest, sincere individual who has very quietly and without a lot of flash, run a fairly efficient student government. And he hasn't given any money to the Marxist government of Nicaragua or given away "our" Panama Canal. What he has done is a good job and the new student body president would do well to emulate him.

George Shadroui has proven to be one of the few truly liberal-minded people in the universe. He's an editorialist that you have problems disagreeing with simply because he thinks before he writes. And I think some of that thoughtfulness may have rubbed off on some of the other writers, although I always found it easier to disagree with most of them. But, he too has done a good job and the new DTH editor would do well to emulate him.

I guess what I'm trying to say is that in the midst of all this election rigamaroll we tend to forget all the time and effort and grades some very dedicated people have sacrificed. Bob Saunders and George Shadroui are two such individuals. They deserve our sincere thanks. I'm giving them mine now.

Joey Holleman
330 Ehringhaus

The runoff

Students tomorrow will vote in runoff elections for student body president and Carolina Athletic Association president. Although fewer students tend to vote in such runoffs, these elections should be close enough — and the choices to be made distinct enough — to draw a fairly heavy turnout.

The Daily Tar Heel already has endorsed Scott Norberg for student body president. Norberg's experience, knowledge of the issues facing Student Government and clearer grasp of its role make him better qualified than runoff opponent Joe Buckner. Student services have been the focus of Buckner's campaign, and as director of student services in Student Government last year he was impressive in organizing programs such as the Rape Escort Service, Fraternity and Sorority Transport and Student Tutorial Aid Referral. Still, Student Government should be more than services and clever acronyms; the president must act as a well-informed advocate for students, influencing administrators and affecting University policy. Norberg's experience indicates that he can handle this responsibility while efficiently managing the other areas of Student Government—including student services.

In the race for CAA president, Jake Kelly surprised many observers by leading in the first election. Her principal qualifications are participation on the junior varsity tennis team and boundless enthusiasm. These attributes, however, are also her weaknesses. Kelly sees the CAA as a sort of booster club for Jayvee and minor sports teams, and has suggested that the CAA act as a fund-raising organization for non-revenue athletic teams. Kelly would have the CAA supplement the athletic department in providing support for athletes, but the athletic department does not seem to need any supplementing.

Steve Theriot, conversely, offers a clearer idea of the CAA president's role as a students' representative to the athletic department. He hopes to bring continuity to a post that has had little in the past and has suggested a practical proposal for reorganizing the CAA's structure. Theriot would handle the duties of CAA president effectively while setting an important precedent of organization.

As last week's close races proved, a dozen or so votes can swing an election. In the two races still to be decided, Norberg and Theriot have the best grasp of the issues they would confront as student body president and CAA president and the avenues available to best deal with them. But whomever students support, they should exercise their voice in Tuesday's election. Then, with a clear mandate in hand, the winners can put campaigning behind and get on with the business of running their offices and improving The University of North Carolina.

The grim reaper

President Ronald Reagan wasted little time in letting the American public know he meant business when he said the federal budget had to be cut. Reagan's hatchet man, Budget Director David Stockman, also wasted little time attacking what he considers excessive and wasteful government spending.

Stockman, a 34-year-old bachelor who once led leftist causes as a student at Michigan State University, has wowed even the most skeptical since coming to Washington less than a month ago. His grasp of the most minute details in the federal budget has left Democrats and Republican, liberals and conservatives, impressed and somewhat optimistic about Reagan's chances of success. Stockman knows what he wants to do and, more important, he apparently knows how to do it.

He plans to cut in a wide-range of areas — from social services like food stamps to aesthetic programs like arts and humanities. These cuts will amount to \$13 billion in the fiscal year ending Sept. 30 and perhaps \$40 billion in 1982. The extent of this budget-cutting makes it clear that gaining the approval of a skeptical Americans will be one of Stockman's most difficult chores.

In virtually every area ripe for cutting, there are a host of people and special-interest groups prepared to battle Stockman and Congress. That a fiscal war is imminent cannot be denied.

Many of Stockman's cuts are brilliant. The fraudulent waste that exists in many government programs lends itself to a knife-man like Stockman. Yet, there are other programs that cannot be cut without leaving lower-income people desperately hurting.

Cuts in food stamps, aid to cities, child nutrition and federal assistance to college students, which will affect about 4,000 students at Carolina, are not so easily made.

That Stockman has sharpened his scythe is admirable, for all of us must sacrifice if the economy is to recover. However, in his excitement to rid us all of government excess, Stockman should take careful pains to distinguish between the "undeserving" and the unfortunate. Otherwise, Stockman the wonderman is likely to become the grimmest of all reapers.

Taking tests: Exam anxiety can be beat

By DAVID POOLE

ENGLISH MIDTERM

INSTRUCTIONS: Choose one of the following questions. Answer it.

QUESTIONS

- Discuss the themes found in English novels since 1598. Talk about the authors and how they see the world. Explain how cultural, economic, societal, historical and other factors influenced these themes.
- Explain how cultural, economic, societal, historical and other factors have influenced English novels since 1598. Discuss the themes and talk about how the authors see the world.

YOU HAVE ONE HOUR

It's midterm time, friends, and it could not have come at a worse time. I won't be taking any tests quite like the one above (since I'm not in any English courses), but I'm sure my instructors will come up with something just as good on their own.

I don't remember much about the third grade, but I do remember the first test I took there. I guess we had tests in the first and second grades, but we were all too dumb to know it. Anyway, the third-grade test was one of the most harrowing experiences of my life.

All we had to do was learn 20 spelling words and none of them was longer than "police." But I was still petrified. I stayed up until 2 a.m. the night before (a pseudo-all-nighter). I didn't sleep at all and I was up at 5

a.m. to study some more. I woke my mother up and I still remember the conversation.

"What are you doing up?" Mom asked.
"I'm studying," I said. I was real quick with those tough answers back then, too.

"My gosh, you'll be able to spell those words backward by the time you have the test," Mom said.

"BACKWARD!!!" I yelled. "Oh no, what if she asks us to spell the words backward! I'll fail ... I'll flunk the third grade ... I'll fail behind my class ... I'll never make it to high school ... I won't be able to get into college ... I won't be able to be a secret agent or a star football player. I'll be a nobody all my life ... I'll ... I'll ..."



Mom went back to bed.
The people over in the counseling office call what I get test anxiety. They're nuts — I'm scared to death.

I've always been able to do well on tests, but that doesn't mean tests still don't make me break out in hives. I've never been able to confirm this, but I think that teachers on all levels have a "Teacher's Guide to Testing Students" that outlines the way to make guys like me turn into putty when trying to spit out all the facts crammed into our skulls.

In this manual, there are but three rules:

- Never ask a question that has anything whatsoever to do with anything you have discussed in class.
- Never allow students to think they're prepared. Always hint that there might be something on the test that even the most prepared of all students would miss.
- Wait at least three weeks before handing the papers back but hint repeatedly that everyone in the class did horribly during the interim.

Things, of course, are much worse when you get in college because the entire academic world is based on the concept that no student knows as much as he thinks he does. It's only logical that instructors make up tests so that no one can make a perfect score — if everyone knows everything then why would we need instructors?

My first test here came in Spanish class. I was a stupid freshman and I thought I had it licked. I was certain that I would make a great grade on the little quiz — I had always done well in high school.

I got my name right. After that, it was all downhill. I made the third lowest grade in the class — two people missed class the day of the test.

Things have become better since then and, unless I suddenly revert to my freshman level, I should do well enough on the coming battery of midterms so that I won't flunk out.

Unless, of course, I have to spell anything backward.
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