

Senator McCain at the luncheon.

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McCain Cont.

He said, "Many people think broadcasting is the problem with political corruption and the drive for money to buy advertising on television. We have a

big problem and [broadcasting] needs to be a part of the solution."

Providing free airtime for political candidates could alleviate some of the pressure to generate campaign funds.

"Candidates should be given airtime to discuss issues," he said.

As an introduction for McCain, Goodmon said, "Senator McCain stands up and says what he believes."

McCain was elected to represent Arizona in the United States House of Representatives in 1982, where he served two terms before being elected to the Senate in 1985. In November, 1998, he was re-elected to a third term in the Senate.

McCain was born to a family of Navy admirals in 1936 in the Panama Canal

Zone. He attended the **United States Naval** Academy, and began a 22 year career as a naval aviator upon graduation in 1958. McCain served in Vietnam, where his plane was shot down and he was held as a prisoner of war from 1967-1973. In 1981, he retired from the Navy as Captain. During his career, he received naval honors that include the Silver Star, Bronze Star, Legion of Merit, Purple Heart and Distinguished Flying Cross.

More information about the NC Center for Voter Education can be found at www.ncvotered.com, and more information about the Reform Institute can be found at www.reforminstitute.org, and more information about judicial campaign reform can be found at www.ncjudges.org.



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Students take fall service trip to help hurricane victims

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Two Meredith Students spent fall break near their homes in Carteret County helping neighbors clean up damage left behind by Hurricane Isabel over a month ago. Sue Ann Lewis and Kristi Arthur visited a church and several residences in Eastern Carteret County to offer their help in repairing damages and cleaning debris.

Residents in this coastal area of North Carolina were hit particularly hard by the storm, with floodwaters invading homes, garages and completely covering yards and roads. People are still waiting for money to arrive from disaster relief services and insurance companies to begin repair on their properties. Due to the outpouring of volunteers offering their

services right after the hurricane, much of the debris has been removed and houses are ready for the much-needed repairs.

Lewis and Arthur, along with Arthur's mother. encountered

trash piles on tennis courts, basketball courts and on every other available space on their way to the Baptist Men's Check-in to report for duty. Washers, dryers, furniture and carpets could be seen lining the sides of every road and ditch.

"The parks and recreation tennis courts in Smyrna has been turned



Floodwaters cover roads in Carteret County. Photo courtesy of Sue Ann Lewis

into a trash dump. There was a pile of washers, dryers, and refrigerators that were stacked high into the air along with piles of carpet and other debris," Lewis stated after her visit.

The group first helped replace bathrooms in Wiliston United Methodist Church parsonage house, just recently emptied of the 3-4 inch floodwaters

tered during the hurricane, and in the days after the storm. They then drove farther east to go door to door, asking residents if assistance was needed. After

several

attempts, the group helped an elderly woman and her son move lumber out of their garage to open it up for storage space for their personal

"At first they couldn't think of anything for us to do, but once they did you could see that they were really appreciative of our help," stated Lewis, of the assistance she helped pro-

Lewis was in charge of the School Supply and Personal Items drive last week. Many students, faculty and staff participated by donating items such as pencils, paper, notebooks, clothing and personal hygiene items. Heidi LeCount, along with the Office of Residence Life. donated 5 cases of 'goodie bags' like those given to residents upon moving in dorms, including items such as deodorant, toothpaste and other personal items.

If you would like to help in your community beyond, contact Lynne Wheatley, Coordinator of Volunteer Services with the Office of Volunteer Services at 760-8357.