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Shot of the first stage of the construction of the Softball fields at the Black Mountain Campus. Stay tuned for more information in the next issue of the Whetstone.

Republicans Grab House, Senate in Election Victory

By Scott Denkman

The G.O.P. took a landslide victory over the Democrats during the midterm elections, taking control of both the House and the Senate. The highlight of this year's election in North Carolina is the election of Elizabeth Dole (R) as senator over two years after her failed election bid

to become the first female president. Oddly enough, both of the wives of the Presidential Candidates from the 1996 election are now Senators — Dole, wife of former senator and failed presidential nominee Bob Dole (R) and Hillary Clinton (D), wife of President Bill Clinton.

In other noteworthy election results, Tennessee approved a state lottery by popular vote, joining other states that have some form of gambling. This is the first form of legalized gambling since the state chartered its constitution. The proceeds from the lottery are slated for grants for students of higher education.

Nevada voted to not legalize marijuana in its state. Nevadans can tolerate casino gambling and open prostitution, but evidently marijuana would be taking it a bit far.

In the North Carolina Senate race, Elizabeth Dole (R) beat Erskine Bowles (D) by a margin of 54%-45% to fill the seat left vacant by the conservative Jesse Helms (R). In Western North Carolina's House District 11, Charles Taylor (R) edged out Sam Neill (D) 56%-43%. This is Taylor's

seventh term.

In the South Carolina gubernatorial election, Mark Sanford (R) won against Jim Hodges (D), the incumbent, 53%-47%. Lindsey Graham was elected into the Senate over Alex Sanders (D) 54%-47%.

In Tennessee Phil Bredesen (D) beat out Van Hilleary (R) 51%-48% to become the next governor. Lamar Alexander (R) defeated Bob Clement (D) 54%-44% to replace the seat currently held by actor and senator Fred Thompson (R).

In Georgia, the race for Governor was won by Sonny Perdue (R) who beat Roy Barnes (D, inc.) 51%-46%. In the senate, Saxby Chablis (R) ripped open Mac Cleland (D, inc.) 53%-46%.

In Virginia, John Warner (R, inc.) won a seat in the Senate against little opposition from two independent candidates 84%-9%-7%.

Florida's Jeb Bush (R), brother of President George W. Bush, won over Bill McBride (D) 56%-43% to become the first Republican in Florida to win a reelection as governor.



Sittin' in on Breakfast With Tiffany

By Lyndsay Mayer

A young couple struggles with their sins in Gareth Davies' one-act play, *Breakfast With Tiffany*. "We may judge, we may express disdain, but we will definitely reflect," says student-director, and leading man Jarrod Moore.

Not to be confused with the Audrey Hepburn classic, this play features a man named Jack who is in love with one woman, Tiffany, but betrothed to another. Jack and Tiffany engage in a steamy affair that is complicated by Jack's obligation to his fiancée. Human emotions cloud the windshield of moral integrity, leaving Jack to decide how clear he wants his vision to become.

Leading lady Carrie Loughhead, a sophomore from Charlotte, will play Tiffany, while Jarrod Moore interprets the role of Jack. The chemistry between Loughhead and Moore must be explosive to portray the passion

behind an expressive play like *Tiffany*. Moore says "As long as we keep smiling throughout rehearsals, it will be okay." Both Loughhead and Moore are aware of the gravity of the material they will be performing, and the potential controversy surrounding a play peppered with expletives and immorality.

Loughhead, an English communications major, has worked with the Charlotte Children's Theater and was active with her high school theater group. She hopes that people will "look past the surface issues and really see the true meaning of the play." She adds that *Breakfast With Tiffany* "speaks of a man who makes a poor decision and loses all that he loves." There is a lesson to be learned if people will only open their minds and be objective, which is Moore's hope.

On the lighter side, M.C. Phillips is directing *Sittin'* by Christopher

Ceraso, starring freshman Lucas Fisher and junior Johanna Wright. Fisher plays young Jimmy, who spends his summer vacation trying to break the world record for most consecutive days spent perched in a tree. Wright plays the part of his kid sister, Jeannie, devoted to feeding her big brother, keeping him company, and counting the days he spends lofted among the leaves.

Phillips coins the production as "a playful comedy, a bit ironic." As Jimmy dreams of competing in the Olympics, he voices his desire to work alone. Dependency is not a virtue he intends to embody, he tells Jeannie, as he extends an arm from his tree haven, hoping she'll feed him another cookie.

Jeannie stands by her brother all summer, even though the kids in the neighborhood, including Jimmy's

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Alphi Chi Inductees



On November 13, Alpha Chi National Honor Society inducted these new members (from left to right): Lindsey Vartanian, Jennifer McGee, Lee Vartanian, Candace Kohli, Clay Hannah, Janice Zellers, Pete Thompson, Johanna Wright, Becca Snyder, Alison Jones, Carly Albee, and Chip Pennel.



Look, here are some leaves.

Quote of the Week

"If you would converse with me, you must first define your terms."

- Voltaire