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Out of the Bubble

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Hopefully everyone's gotten into the swing of things by now. It's about time that I got the word out to all the juniors that there is a time to work and a time to play. Call a friend, talk to your parents, beg those loving SLIs - whatever it takes to break out of the bubble!

Music

- 10/6: Dashboard Confessionals at The Ritz, Raleigh
- 10/8: Edwin McCain at Cat's Cradle, Carrboro
- 10/10: Jump Little Children at Lincoln Theatre
- 10/11: Nelly & the St. Lunatics at Alltel Pavilion, Raleigh
- 10/12: Hobex at The Pour House, Raleigh
- 10/12: Aerosmith at Alltel Pavilion

Movies Out This Month

- Sweet Home Alabama* (Reese Witherspoon)
- Ballistic: Ecks vs. Sever* (Antonio Banderas, Lucy Liu)
- City By the Sea* (Robert De Niro)
- The Tuxedo* (Jackie Chan)

Arts

- 10/2: Les Miserables at BTI Center-Raleigh Memorial Auditorium
- 10/6: FestiFall Street Fair on Franklin St.

Dating

Enough with seeing your "crush" at I-Vis and happy half; like I tell all my friends, some times you've just got to bust a move. Get some courage and ask someone out! *Corny dating ideas for those who have guts:*
-Throw your very own tea party for two! Gossip like pals and do the "get to know you thing."
-PLAY Twister.
-Go people-watching!

Students protest Dole at Duke

BY ANGELA KILBY

Few of the several hundred Duke students streaming out of Duke's auditorium after Elizabeth Dole's speech realized that most of the dozen or so protesters greeting them with had arrived on a short, white school bus.

On August 29, 2002, these Science and Math students arrived outside of Duke's Page auditorium to protest Elizabeth Dole's speech, part of a campaign to elect her as Jesse Helms' replacement in the U. S. Senate as a representative from North Carolina.

Among the dissenters,

signs were held that criticized Dole's stands, from "Bikers against Dole" (she rode onto the stage on a motorcycle) to messages decrying her stands on abortion, education, and the military. They also handed out fliers with information on her platform as compared to those of the other candidates.

They were not allowed to



<http://www.elizabethdole.org>

actually attend the speech as they were not Duke students.

Paul Smith, the organizer of the Science and Math brigade to the Dole speech, said of the speech/demonstration/Dole in general, "Nothing could be more indicative of the depth of her campaign than this speech. She's running entirely on fluff and image, ignoring the issues that matter to North Carolina, and leaving any voices of decency out in the rain."

The speech itself consisted of Dole's stances on the current issues she thought were plaguing America.

She lauded the military's performance in the "War on Terrorism" and gave her support for increased spending for the American troops, with

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Heather Carroll

NCSSM students hold signs protesting Elizabeth Dole's campaign.

Responses to 9/11

BRYAN BUTLER

A year has passed since the September 11th attacks, but we still hear daily about our war on terrorism, rebuilding the World Trade Center, and, occasionally, the public's reactions to these events. Although not emphasized in the news, there is wide diversity in thought about the attacks and related issues.

Daniel Quinn, author of *Ishmael*, after being asked numerous times for his thoughts on 9/11, responded in a letter on his web site. "We want to see an end to terrorism - on that we're agreed," he begins. "Our leaders are...posing as knights in shining armor. ...The good we can bring about is to aban-

don this pose and to stand resolutely on the truth, which is that we can't pretend to bear no responsibility for the spread of terrorism and to have earned none of the hatred that drives it."

Quinn explains further: "I'm not in the least condoning terrorism. I'm just rejecting as useless the fiction that we are immaculate saints while our enemies are Satanic monsters." When asked what to do about the situation, Quinn makes it clear that we should not "...rage out into the world with our hands full of bombs to wreak vengeance on the tools of Satan," if we want to have even a guise of being sensible, truth-minded people.

Susan Sontag, often called a high-art intellectual,

wrote her reaction to great furor in the September 24, 2001 edition of *The New Yorker*. She immediately calls the commentary given to the public "self-righteous drivel" and "outright deceptions."

Sontag deeply resents the naming of the attacks as "cowardly"; this does not make sense to her, as the attackers were "willing to die themselves in order to kill others." She wants us to acknowledge that the attacks were "undertaken as a consequence of specific American alliances and actions," and asks how many are aware of our ongoing bombing of Iraq.

The center of Sontag's bitterness is presented in one

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Accepting the "Greater Challenge"

JANE CHUN

Last year at convocation NCSSM students received pens with the inscription, "Accept the Greater Challenge." This year, many seniors may have been puzzled - or perhaps even disappointed - with the piece of paper, rolled up with a neat ribbon, they received instead.

But the words printed on that sheet of paper were incomparably more significant than a ball point pen. The Ethical Awareness Group of 2001-2002 worked rigorously to develop the "Declaration of Character." This included

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