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## Wes Galbo for CAA President

The Daily Tar Heel endorses Wes Galbo for Carolina Athletic Association president for his commitment to making CAA inclusive, maintaining a fair ticket distribution policy and opening up the Homecoming queen selection process.



Galbo is a strong candidate for his commitment to including as many students as possible in CAA by reaching out to the student body and trying to set up an inclusive committee structure. His plans to better use the CAA hotline, implement a suggestion box and send out CAA news via e-mail are steps in the right direction. Galbo also hopes to interest freshmen in the organization by speaking to them during orientation.

Knowing that lower-level basketball seats are near and dear to any Tar Heel fan's heart, Galbo plans to make ticket distribution as fair and consistent as possible by actually penalizing those who try to camp out before 6 p.m. and controlling the crowd to avoid line-jumpers.

Galbo not only wants to continue to see students allowed to camp indoors for basketball

tickets, he would like to see through the feasibility of the CAA subsidizing food services in the Smith Center on camp-out nights. Galbo's suggestion is for the CAA to take up between 30 and 50 percent of food cost to bring it down to a more affordable level.

Under Galbo's leadership, Olympic sports attendance would be encouraged through continuing the Blue Blitz initiative and improving the prizes given out as incentives to attend the sporting events. Although Galbo said the Homecoming queen selection process is fair overall, he suggests that the faculty may play too big a part in a decision that belongs in the hands of the students. By holding forums about the best way to choose the queen, Galbo could single-handedly remove the veil of secrecy that can exist about the selection process.

Finally, Galbo wants to see more big-screen showings of important games in Carmichael Auditorium or the Smith Center and see through the development of a satellite fitness center to serve students living on South Campus.

Galbo has an impressive open-door approach to running CAA that would benefit the entire student body. Vote Wes Galbo for CAA president on Feb. 14.

## Jessica Godwin for RHA President

The Daily Tar Heel endorses Jessica Godwin for president of the Residence Hall Association. Her experience on the RHA governing board as area governor for Cobb-Joyner residence hall will enable her to effectively build a more visible and active organization at the campus and state level.



Godwin will bring greater visibility to the organization through structural changes geared toward resident participation and awareness. By holding mandatory information meetings in each residence hall, overseeing the distribution of the RHA newsletter and creating an RA liaison executive assistant position, she will open new lines of communication between housing and RHA. Residents of each area will benefit from her plans to increase social and academic programming. Godwin's proposed enhancement

reform will allocate enhancements purchased with student fees more equitably between the areas and individual dorms. By working with individual enhancement executive assistants, Godwin will introduce a new standard of fiscal responsibility to the organization.

At the statewide level, Godwin will continue to pursue UNC's bid to host the North Carolina Association of Residence Halls annual conference. Her plan to pursue high individual participation in the conference on the part of each residence area by providing additional funding through expanded annual fund raising will give UNC a greater presence at the conference and in the state.

Godwin's plans to increase the presence and efficiency of the Residence Hall Association on both the campus and statewide level will bring prestige to the University and a greater sense of community to the individual residence halls.

Vote Jessica Godwin for RHA president on Feb. 14.

## Steve Hoffman for GPSF President

The Daily Tar Heel endorses Steve Hoffman for president of the Graduate and Professional Student Federation. His previous experience with student government and University affairs has proven his effectiveness and will enable him to serve graduate and professional students as an outspoken advocate for their interests. The main goals of his platform are crucial to the graduate and professional population at UNC.



He has laid the groundwork for a successful term through his past work with the Graduate School and the Faculty Council as a lobbyist to the General Administration for guaranteed health insurance for teaching assistants, research assistants and graduate assistants. He will be a strong and effective advocate of salary increases for TAs and research assistants, and his ability to work successfully within the university system will enable him to achieve his goals.

The GPSF has lacked a true presence on campus. Hoffman has the opportunity and the

ability to improve this situation by working to build a stronger infrastructure. Keeping the GPSF constituents informed through extending the Web service will give them more exposure to scholarships, fellowships, campus events and other relevant issues.

Hoffmann has presented a solid plan for the effective representation of the GPSF. He has taken into consideration the needs of the graduate community concerning health insurance, funding levels and GPSF infrastructure and has already taken the steps necessary to achieve his goals. He is an experienced representative of graduate and professional students and has proven his ability to work effectively with the administration to accomplish his goals and to gather information concerning tax-exemption and health reform. He will provide a strong voice for the GPSF and improve its representation in student government.

Hoffmann will work to increase graduate student involvement in student government and to direct more graduate student fees back to graduate students. Vote Steve Hoffman for GPSF president Tuesday.

## ... Melt Into the Sea

We don't like false promises. We've made that clear already. But we hate defeatist attitudes even more.

Platforms for all student offices — especially student body president — should be subject to strict scrutiny. And candidates who haven't done their research should be called out.

But by the same token, we want student leaders who take their positions and duties seriously. We don't want a student body president

who doesn't feel capable of changing the direction of the University administration and the student body.

Leadership implies the capability to create change. But leadership also requires the wisdom to know which battles to fight and which goals to set.

So be critical and realistic when evaluating candidate platforms. But don't lower your expectations either.

## Tar Heel Quotables

"We decided on Jen because Jeff had only 21 percent name recognition ... just kidding, kind of."

**JEFF BERKAW**, former running mate of SBP candidate Jon Fiumara  
Describing the criteria they used to decide which of the co-candidates would run after the Student Supreme Court decision outlawing co-SBPs

"We don't kiss ass."

**MICHAEL WILLIAMS**, former SBP co-candidate  
On how he and candidate Kelly Jo Garner had planned to deal with Student Congress if elected

"I hope it will be far more than just a black students' center, because we all know white students need black culture, too."

**BENJAMIN CHAVIS**, former executive director of the NAACP  
Expressing his support for the Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center

"Get off the court ... We want hoops!"

**Sellout crowd at a UNass/Rutgers basketball game**  
Responding to a group of students staging a sit-in at center court. The students were protesting racial comments made by Rutgers' president.



## Anniversary Marks 200 Years of Student Activism

The first state university to open its doors" reads the historical marker on Franklin Street. It uses those words because UNC's chartering in 1789 was not the first state university charter in America. Nor was the laying of the corner stone of Old East in 1793 the beginning of construction of the first state university building.

Nor was the hiring of the first staff member a first for state universities. UNC was the first state university to have a student.

No doubt that is why Frank Porter Graham used that phrase. UNC was first "to open its doors" when Hinton James arrived here on February 12, 1795.

We all know the famous story of Hinton walking here from Wilmington. Since that time, the ranks of students have swollen into six figures, and one could go on at length about all of the great things that UNC alumni have gone on to be, from President of the United States to right fielder for the Birmingham Barons, but let's not go into all of that.

Instead, I propose that when UNC quietly turns 200 this Sunday, we celebrate those people who have made UNC what it was in 1795, the first state university, and what it is in 1995, the best state university. Those people are students.

For 200 years, the students of UNC have pursued excellence in art, athletics, music, science, journalism, politics and religion. Their endeavors have helped to shape our community, and the students themselves virtually define Chapel Hill itself.

If there is one thing that makes Chapel Hill different from the rest of North Carolina, it is that we are young. And we are young in many ways.

First we are numerically young. Over half of our population is under 25 years old. About 40

percent of our population is made up of students. Any day spent on Franklin Street would certainly corroborate these simple statistics, but we are also young in other ways.

Chapel Hill is also young at heart. Anytime we beat Duke, look at the crowds downtown. Mostly you will see your classmates, but you will also see people of all ages being young and carefree if only for a night. UNC's 24,000 students make it happen.

Chapel Hill is also a paradoxically dynamic place. Although one in five or so of all Chapel Hillians will leave each year, there are always others who take their place. Thus, though the individuals change, Chapel Hill is forever inundated with lost first year students and allegedly wisened fifth-year seniors.

The arts are well represented here as well. I couldn't even guess how many plays are put on every year here.

And concerts? How many bands do you think there are in town?

No one knows. Chapel Hill is kept creative by a constant influx of fresh minds and brilliant ideas which make sure we find it no surprise to see that a neighbor has built a giant papier-mache cat in her yard.

Students have also led us through generations of social change in Chapel Hill. Frank Porter Graham was still an undergraduate when he led a student raid on prostitution in the town's graveyard.

Allard Loewenstein was also in college when he brought an end to religious discrimination in university housing in the 1940's. Scorned at the time, Pat Cusick and John Dunne were undergrads at UNC when they became two of the key leaders in the struggle to desegregate

public accommodations in Chapel Hill. Paul Dixon, then student body president, sued the State of North Carolina to overturn the infamous Speaker Ban law. Students did as much as or more than faculty to protect intellectual freedom in that struggle. Even today, students keep questions of race, gender, sexual orientation, housing and environmental protection at the forefront of public debate.

Even in the midst of these efforts, students find time to study (well, at least some). UNC seems to produce more Rhodes and Truman Scholars every year. And we're not too bad at basketball either (now in its 85th year at Carolina). In fact, with relatively little fanfare, UNC was recognized not too long ago for having the most well rounded athletic program in the nation, excelling in many sports, both men's and women's.

(In fairness to my hosts, we also have one of the finest student newspapers in the country. Go to any college campus in the country, skeptics, and see if you can find a single paper to compare with the one in your hands. There might be three.)

I could go on, but I have probably gone on too long already. My point is this: Congratulations UNC students.

This Sunday is your 200th birthday, so take the time to celebrate a little and re-dedicate yourselves to the great community you create. Congratulations on 200 years of youth, of fun, of education, of art, of social change, of hard work and of passion for all those things which make us Chapel Hill — that is, congratulations on 200 years of students.

Mark Chilton (UNC '93) is a member of the Chapel Hill Town Council and wishes he were still a senior Geography major from Chapel Hill.

## Do You Think Romeo Knew Juliet's Last Name?

So we're single. So what? So what?! Being single sucks! It sucks for everybody, but especially if you're an English major. Our minds have been warped by thousands of stories that tell us if you're thrifty, reverent and clean, cross all your T's, dot all your I's, eat all your vegetables and never leave a dangling participle, someday your princess/prince will come. If you're waiting for that to happen, friends, then you're waitin' for Godot.

We can't help but wonder — what led to the accepted system of dating which we use today? It's about as true to you as Kenneth Branagh was to Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*, as refreshing as a mouthful of sand in the Mohave Desert, and as good for your heart as a Chicken Filet Combo at Bojangles.

It's only getting worse, too. Asking someone on a date today is like applying to the F.B.I. Academy.

There's the initial interview, a fitness test, a full background check, and it really helps if you have accounting experience (you'll probably be dealing with a lot of withdrawals).

Pretty soon, you'll just walk up and say, "Take this disk."

It's got copies of my resume, previous relationships, three letters of reference, medical history, financial reports, an essay on the symbolism of harpoons in *Moby Dick*, and a personal statement entitled, "Wookin' Pa' Nub: My life as a 90's Guy."

E-mail me when you've made your decision. We'll 'Net'.

One of the most challenging levels of the dating system is the task of actually finding someone who won't send you screaming into the abyss.

There's an overwhelming number of people to consider on a university campus like UNC. We reject the current equation of how to find a date, which states:

[Number of Single Women / (Number of Beers x Number of Bars)] - Athletes = Potential Mates for English Majors  
It's humiliating for us, degrading to them — and we can't do math, anyway.

Besides, it's hard enough to find out what their names are. We have noticed an alarming tendency to "define" prospective candidates by a specific characteristic of theirs, usually a body part. We don't want to discriminate here; men



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and women do it alike. Us, too? Guilty as charged.

We have quite a litany: "The Brow Babe" (so we have a thing for eyebrows), "El Rojo" (flaming red hair), "The Curl Girl" (ohhhh, Curl Girl — in your best Homer Simpson), "The Eye Girl," "Eye Girl: The Next Generation," "The Mocha Mama" (Grind those magic beans, baby!), "The Tall Girl," "Tall Girl 2: Taller," "Tall Girl 3: Tallest," and finally, "The Southern Bell" (seen once and only once gabbing on the phone at Caffe Trio).

A friend of ours refers to a certain guy on campus as "The Lobe Guy." We can't talk much, since we have "The Brow Babe." But ... "The Lobe Guy"?!? Sorry, buddy.

Let's say that you make it to the coveted first date. The dating system is full of pitfalls. A friend fell into a deep one.

He managed to get through the first date without learning the girl's first name. Okay, no big deal. Then he made it through the second one.

Then the third. Suddenly, they were an "official item" and he still hadn't caught her last name. And it was way too late to ask her (hell, it was probably too late after the first date). So, what's a boy to do? Elementary, my dear Watson. He requested our help, and we came to the rescue:

"Get into her room and find her mail." Didn't work.

"Ask to see her I.D." Fake name.

"Ask her to write her name and 'a little something' on the back of a picture." Nice try.

"Consult the Oracle at Delphi." Didn't work for Oedipus, and why risk finding out she's your mother.

Finally, we went to the bowling alley, and she wrote her last initial on the scorecard. With this

small clue, we looked through an entire section of the phonebook. Unlisted — Damn!!!

We can't ask her friends, they'll tell her (or they don't know, either). So, what do you do? To date, we still don't know her last name. Our friend is still climbing his way out of that pit (and still dating away).

After years of painstaking research, we've developed a system that just might work. Imagine a brave, new world where life is so much easier because you're attached (figuratively) with your partner from birth, and they're with you 24-7. Think about it.

You and someone else are born as a couple, and you spend the rest of your life trying to become single.

Granted, this is a little askew from the pre-Raphaelite notion of a "soul mate." The biggest difference here is that those poets spent their lives looking for their mates.

In our world, we would spend our lives trying to scrape them off.

"What are you doing tonight, Dave?"

"Not much, Jeff. Just sitting at home by myself."

"You lucky dog! I've gotta' go on this date. She'll probably want to have sex, too. Damn."

First, there's pre-school; either you beat it into her, or she beats it into you. Nothin' says lovin' like a smack upside the head. In elementary school, the process used for establishing a relationship followed the same system and philosophies as early America's Pony Express — just write it down, entrust it to a messenger, and she'll get it ("Do you like me? Check One: Yes, No, Maybe").

In high school, dating was like one, huge, four-year game of "Telephone" — just say it, pass it on, and she'll/he'll get the message. It just might not be the same one you sent ("Guyana is my native state?!?") No!!! I said, "Do you wanna' go on a date?!" College dating is more like a long game of Solitaire — there's one set of rules, you play all by yourself, and everything is based on chance. To all those who are currently engaged in healthy, happy relationships: we bite our thumbs at thee. For the rest of us, we'll keep shuffling the deck.

Matt Olin (Dom Casual) is a senior English major from Matthews. Tim Miner (Frank Goth) is a junior English major from Charlotte.

## Letters of Endorsement

The Daily Tar Heel will accept letters of endorsement for candidates running for student office.

Candidates for student body president, senior class president/vice president, CAA presi-

dent and RHA president may each have one letter submitted in their support.

Letters cannot be written or signed by the candidates themselves and can have only one signature. Endorsement letters are due at the

DTH office in Union Suite 104 by 2 p.m. today and are limited to 420 words. No late submissions will be accepted.

Direct any questions to Thanassis Cambanis or Kelly Ryan at 962-0245.