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Student body president candidates share final words as the elections night countdown begins.



DUSTYN BAKER
Charlotte

"I want (students) to remember that students do have a voice."



CORREY CAMPBELL
Waxhaw

"It's just a title. I'm still going to get my voice heard whether I'm SBP or not."



ERIC JOHNSON
Greensboro

"... (L)et's use student government as a way to leave this place better than when we got here."

ELECTION DAY 2001

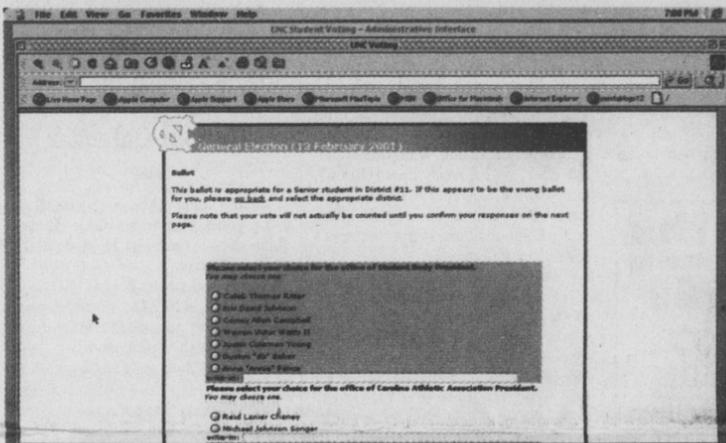
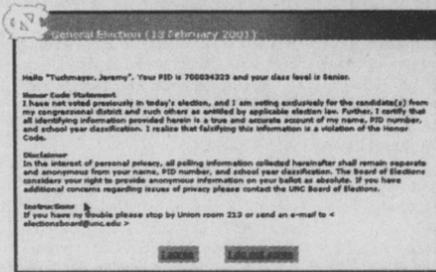
Races to Be Decided in Cyberspace

Online Voting 101

Today's student elections mark the debut of online voting for major races on campus.

■ **studentcentral.unc.edu.** To vote, first log on to the Student Central Web site. After typing in your PID and password, you'll reach a rules/Honor Code statement site (right).

■ **Ballot 2001** Click "I agree" on the Honor Code site to reach the official ballot for all student election races (below).



Board of Elections officials are confident the online voting system will be free of the errors that plagued last year's tabulations.

By **STACEY GEYER**
Staff Writer

The forums, Pit-sits and fliers that pop up yearly for student elections will culminate today with a new election feature — clicking on a computer mouse.

The Board of Elections has installed online voting for student elections. The Web site can be accessed through Student Central with a PID and personal access code.

Students, including those accessing the Internet from an off-campus location, can vote online from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. today. Paper ballots will not be available.

Jeremy Tuchmayer, chairman of the Board of Elections, said the Web site will have the names of candidates listed in a scroll-down format with the option of clicking on a button or writing-in a candidate in the available box.

The listed order of positions is as follows: student body president, Carolina Athletic Association president, senior class officers, Graduate and Professional Student Federation president, Residence Hall Association president, Student Congress positions and the fare-free transit referendum.

A polling site with staff available to help voters will be located in Union 213 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Continuing seniors who wish to vote for senior class officers must vote at the polling site.

Frederick Hill, assistant chairman of the board, said some

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ANNIE PEIRCE
Charlotte

"... I'm the candidate that didn't write their platform. It should be representative of what the students want on campus."



CALEB RITTER
Fontana, Wisc.

"I've taken a very relaxed approach to this election. I have a simple, realistic platform that is geared toward everyone."



WARREN WATTS
Arcadia

"I want (students) to make an informed decision when they vote."



JUSTIN YOUNG
Stone Mountain, Ga.

"... (A)ll I'm trying to do is bring back a creative and different approach to student government."

Candidates Strive for Last-Minute Support

Staff Reports

The cold and rainy weather might have left the Pit unusually vacant of student body president campaigns, but under the shelter of residence halls, dining halls and sorority houses, most candidates concluded their election bids with as much enthusiasm as ever.

■ In the final day before student elections, the candidates attempted to reach a wide audience, reiterating their campaign promises across campus.

■ Dustyn Baker emphasized the same thing on her last day before elections that she focused on for her entire campaign — meeting the students she will be representing if she is the next student body president. "Many students don't know the candidates, so I'm meeting students and introducing myself," she said.

Baker casually wandered around Chase Dining Hall while handing out fliers about housing issues and encouraging students to vote. She chatted with students and asked if they had questions.

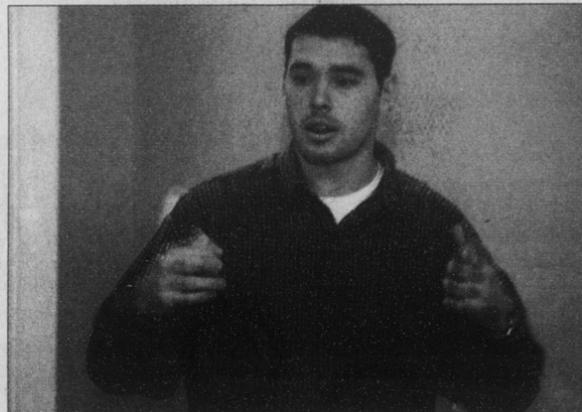
"I'm introducing myself to students because it doesn't happen enough," she said to one student. "Student government doesn't always reach out to students enough."

Baker ended her day of campaigning by "dorm storming" at Carmichael Residence Hall. Several students voiced support for Baker by complimenting her position on bus overcrowding and increasing funding for club sports. She told another student, "Vote tomorrow online to make sure your voice is heard."

■ Correy Campbell spent the final day before elections strolling around campus handing out fliers promoting his platform and chatting with students, which is what he says his campaign has been all about.

Campbell said that to serve the students of UNC, he must meet them, and with a personality as congenial as Campbell's, that wasn't a problem.

He said that he wants students to think of him as just a normal student, alluding to his propensity for video games, Foosball and "The Simpsons." He even manages to take a crack at grade inflation in his flier.



DTH/BRENT CLARK

Student body president candidate Caleb Ritter speaks at the Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority during the last day of campaigning.

Campbell lamented that campaigning has left him weary. "I just want to get back to my Jimmy Buffet-esque lifestyle."

■ Candidate Eric Johnson used the final night of campaigning to spread his ideas from lavish sorority dining halls to the bustling Granville Towers cafeteria to the laid-back atmosphere of South Campus.

Johnson completed his comprehensive campaign tour of sorority houses by giving a short prepared speech during dinner at three houses. "I like this," he said. "This isn't people bashing me for

their campaigns, this is me getting out and sharing ideas with students."

Johnson was then joined by about 15 of his volunteers for South Campus door-to-door campaigning. At Hinton James Residence Hall, he apologized to each student for bothering them in their rooms, but many residents warmly received him.

Johnson's short message consisted mostly of asking students to visit his Web site, but he also expressed concern for a high voter turnout. "My biggest hope is

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10 Face Arrest for Postgame Rioting

By **CAROLYN PEARCE**
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Chapel Hill police have identified and expect to arrest at least 10 suspects this week for vandalism that occurred during the UNC-Duke postgame celebration.

Police are still searching for the fans who vandalized two parked cars during a celebration on Franklin Street after North Carolina's 85-83 victory against Duke on Feb. 1. One of the vehicles was overturned and sustained severe damage.

Police used photographs and eyewitness testimony to identify the suspects, whose names

are being withheld pending their arrest.

Chapel Hill Police Chief Gregg Jarvis said no arrests have been made, but that police have several names and faces of people who could be responsible. Those responsible for the incident will be charged with the felony of engaging in a riot and sentencing could include jail time.

Jarvis said some of the information has come from people who called the police and Chapel Hill-Carboro CrimeStoppers to report names of people who they know were involved.

Chapel Hill police also are using tapes from WRAL television that captured the incident to pinpoint suspects. Jarvis said police obtained

the tape from WRAL with a court order and are making still photographs from the tape to identify those responsible. The police also are studying photographs submitted by bystanders.

Jarvis said he believes up to two dozen people were involved in the incident. He also said the police hope to identify about half of them from the photographs and the submitted names.

"We have about two to three names with no faces and three to five photos identified with names," he said. "But we also still have many faces with no names."

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Matthews Endorses Newcomb For Student Attorney General

By **KIM MINUGH**
University Editor

Student Body President Brad Matthews has recommended sophomore Brad Newcomb for the position of student attorney general, citing his commitment to the office and his enthusiasm.

Newcomb, a journalism major, will go before the Rules and Judiciary Committee of Student Congress tonight for approval to be appointed to the post.

Newcomb has been a member of the Student Attorney General's staff for 14 months and has been a special investigations associate student attorney general for the last four, Matthews said.

"He is unquestionably dedicated to the office and is interested in it for the right reasons," Matthews said.

Newcomb was unable to be reached for comment Monday night.

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Bad officials are elected by good citizens who do not vote.

George Jean Nathan