

# Students Nominated for ASG Positions

Ducote will present the nominees Sept. 14

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Five students were nominated last week to head up different facets of the UNC-system Association of Student Governments and could be approved by the association's full body on Sept. 14.

The nominees were chosen over the summer by ASG President Jonathan Ducote, a junior at N.C. State University.

Amanda Devore, a senior accounting major from N.C. State, is the nominee for vice president of finance and development, the newly-created committee responsible for overseeing the ASG's \$165,000 budget. Devore worked last year on N.C. State Student Senate's Finance Committee.

Ducote said Devore has the technical qualifications necessary for the job of heading the newly created committee charged with overseeing ASG's expanded budget.

"She has the level of responsibility

needed to do the job," he said.

The \$165,000 ASG budget was generated by a systemwide \$1 student fee increase for the 2002-03 academic year.

"My main concern is making sure, with all the budget concerns, the fee money is spent responsibly and that it goes along with the constitutional bylaws," Devore said.

Ducote also said Devore's close proximity to the new ASG office, which will be located in Raleigh, is an added advantage. "I wanted to work side by side with (her) to cut down on any problems there may be," Ducote said.

Victor Landry from Fayetteville State University is Ducote's choice for ASG vice president of legislative affairs.

"He has great adeptness and skill in organizing things," Ducote said. "He can send a strong, consolidated message to the legislature and include the public in that message."

Andy Ball, a sophomore from Appalachian State University, is the nominee for vice president of public

affairs. "One of (Ball's) biggest assets is that he is very up-to-date and has the ability to look around corners and see where he needs to go," Ducote said.

Marsha Moore, the nominee for vice president of academic affairs, is a senior elementary education major at Appalachian State University.

Moore gained insight into the guiding principles of a state university while working with the chancellor's office at Appalachian State last academic year, Ducote said.

"She was a natural choice," he said. Ducote nominated Sadie Cox for vice president of student affairs. Cox served as the student body president at East Carolina University last year.

Ducote said Cox has experience addressing students' needs on a local level and brings innovative ideas to the table.

Ducote said the nominees all have one thing in common.

"They had been thinking about the issues for a long time before they applied for the job," Ducote said. "They made that clear when they applied. They are all solid, credible individuals.

"They know what they want, what they need to do and how to get there."

UNC-Chapel Hill Student Body President Jen Daum said she has worked with all of the nominees.

"I think they are all exceptionally qualified," she said. "I trust (Ducote's) leadership and think he made a good decision in choosing these nominees."

Ducote will present the nominees to the ASG General Assembly, headed by ASG Senior Vice President Kian Brown of N.C. Central University, on Sept. 14.

The ASG General Assembly members will then vote on whether or not to approve Ducote's vice presidential nominees.

The chairman and vice chairman of the ASG Council of Student Body Presidents were also recently appointed by the council at its first meeting last month.

Ryan Eller from Appalachian State was appointed chairman of the council. Deon Winchester from Fayetteville State will serve as vice chairman.

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## University Research IN BRIEF

### Birds Might Not Have Come From Dinosaurs

Two UNC doctors have found what they believe is proof that birds did not descend from dinosaurs.

Alan Feduccia and Julie Nowicki opened a series of live ostrich eggs at various stages of development and discovered the first concrete evidence of a thumb in birds.

Feduccia is a professor in UNC's Department of Biology.

Scientists agree that dinosaurs developed "hands" with digits comparable to the thumb, index and middle fingers of humans.

But Feduccia said he and Nowicki's study proved that birds have only the digits comparable to the human index, middle and ring fingers.

This would make it nearly impossible for birds to develop from dinosaurs.

Feduccia has been a critic of the theory that birds evolved from dinosaurs since it surfaced in the 1970s.

He said it is much more likely that birds and dinosaurs had a much older common ancestor. Because both birds and dinosaurs walked upright, their body structures might have begun to look superficially similar over millions of years, the research shows.

### Expert: Outlook Bright For U.S. Economy

The forecast is bright for the U.S. economy, according to James Smith, adjunct professor of business administration at UNC's Kenan-Flagler Business School.

The United States will outperform all other large democratic economies, and the economy could grow by as much as 2.6 percent this year and 3.8 percent in 2003, Smith said in the latest issue of the Business Forecast, a Kenan-Flagler newsletter.

Smith said this year will see econom-

ic activity at all-time record levels, and next year will be even better.

The United States will experience growth in real gross domestic product annually with very low inflation for as long as the next decade, Smith said.

Smith was rated by The Wall Street Journal as the nation's most accurate economic forecaster in three of the past five years.

### Doctors Find Hope for Artificial Heart Valve

Albert Banes, a UNC professor of orthopedics, and Wayne Cascio, cardiologist and professor of medicine at UNC, collaborated to build a bioengineered, rhythmically beating experimental model of heart muscle.

The new model system is a bioartificial trabeculum, or BAT. Trabecula are thin sections of cardiac tissue within the inner surface of the heart's main pumping chambers.

The discovery is not ready to be used in human patients, but the model could serve as a valuable scientific tool for exploring cardiac disease, including electrical and mechanical disturbances of the heart.

Banes and Cascio hope to use this system to study the effects of mechanical loading on normal cardiac physiology and to develop a model system for the study of cardiac illnesses such as congestive heart failure.

### Pollution Might Elevate Risk of Breast Cancer

A research study led by a UNC professor shows that exposure to pollution from car and airplane exhaust and cigarette smoke and consumption of grilled and smoked foods moderately increases a woman's risk of breast cancer.

The study, conducted in Suffolk and Nassau counties on Long Island, N.Y., shows that the pollution particles, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, elevate the risk by 50 percent.

The principal researcher, Marilee Gammon, is a professor at UNC's School of Public Health.

The study cast doubt on a theory that exposure to organochlorines, found in compounds like the pesticide DDT, directly increases a woman's cancer risk.

But researchers said it is possible that organochlorines could hurt a woman's chances of surviving breast cancer.

## Campus Calendar

Today

5:30 pm - Carolina Leadership Development is hosting the first of two information sessions for the Womentoring Program, a mentoring program for first- and second-year undergraduate women, in Union 208-209.

7:30 p.m. - The Women's Voices Chorus, the Triangle's only classical community-based women's chorus, will hold an open rehearsal until 9:30 p.m. at

the University United Methodist Church, 150 E. Franklin St. For more information or to schedule a tryout, call Mary Lycan at 919-932-5455.

7:30 pm - Fellowship of Christian Athletes is holding its kickoff meeting. Come out to Union 1505 for a lot of fun, a time of praise and worship and to hear a great message from Rev. Peter Rochelle. Hope to see you there!

Tuesday, Aug. 27

4:45 p.m. - We all have the same amount of time - come learn how to use

yours more effectively! Alpha Epsilon Omega and the Learning Center are sponsoring a time management seminar until 5:45 p.m. in Union 5218B.

5 p.m. - Don't hate - associate! The UNC-Chapel Hill Chapter of the NAACP invites you to attend its first general body meeting of the year in Union 3502-03 until 6 p.m.

6:30 p.m. - The Black Business Student Alliance will hold its first meeting. Please join us in 3000 McColl Building. We will hold an informational meeting and discuss events for the upcoming year. All students are welcome to attend!

Wednesday, Aug. 28

5:30 p.m. - Carolina Leadership Development is hosting an information session for the Womentoring Program, a mentoring program for first- and second-year undergraduate women, in Union 208-209.

6:30 p.m. - The United Nations Organization holds various events during the course of the year such as MUN,

Adopt-a-Minefield Campaign and fund raising for UNICEF. Join us for our first meeting in Union 2511.

8 p.m. - UNC Rotaract, a young adult professional service club sponsored by Rotary International, will have its interest meeting in Union 2518A. Cal Allen, executive director of Public Allies NC, an organization in support of diverse young community leaders, will be the guest speaker.

Point of Interest

Any student who wishes to be added to The Daily Tar Heel's Association of Student Leaders listserv for 2002-03 should contact DTH Managing Editor Alex Kaplun at [kaplun@email.unc.edu](mailto:kaplun@email.unc.edu).

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