# **TUITION**

students and families to better plan for increases. "If you set an upper limit, a reasonable person can really define what really is as free as practicable."

Thursday, October 31, 2002

Although Ducote said he supports the proposal as a whole, he said he is disappointed that it does not require campuses to hear student voices when deciding on tuition increases. "As the policy is written now, I have many concerns as to why student involvement was not better-defined," he said. "Tuition increases

have kind of been a closed-door policy, and in a lot of cases they cut students out of the process entirely."

BOG member Ben Ruffin, who creat ed the ad hoc committee in spring 2002 near the end of his second two-year term as board chairman, said the potential changes in the proposal are indicators of

stem's long-held stance on tuition. "(The draft) just says we will continue to have low tuition," he said. "As you read the original intent of the university, it was to be affordable to all North Carolinians.

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### **BOWLES**

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ter's in business administration in 1969. From there, fate had its way, and his role as heir to the Skipper Bowles legacy was set. Erskine Bowles took a job at the New York office of Morgan Stanley & Co. and in 1975 founded the firm that would become Charlotte-based Bowles

Hollowell Conner – one of the nation's leading investment banking firms. In 1993, President Clinton asked Erskine Bowles to head the Small Business Administration, and in accepting, he

began to fulfill the civic part of his destiny.

And Erskine Bowles certainly has given more hours to public service than the average citizen, whether it's by presiding over the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation or heading North Carolina's Rural Prosperity Task Force. No matter the nature of his endeavors,

Erskine Bowles' career and his civic minded pursuits have gone hand in hand.

His banking expertise has enabled him to handle deftly not only his clients' for-tunes but also has helped him provide apt guidance to charity organizations, non-

profit groups and government agencies. But it is actually political duties – particularly time spent balancing the federal

budget - that have driven home the need

for fiscal planning, Erskine Bowles says.
"We've got to get back to fiscal responsibility," he said at a Chapel Hill campaign stop in September. "Don't let anybody tell you that you can't be fiscally responsible."

Though Erskine Bowles says his public service has taught him responsibility and selflessness, he abandoned it to a large extent after the spotlight on the Clinton administration cast him in a somewhat negative light.

But fate would again intervene, drawing him back to public life. The terrorist attacks of Sept. 11 nagged at him, Erskine Bowles says, even after the ini-tial shock and horror had faded.

"I kept hearing my dad's admonition that all of us have to add to the community woodpile," he told a group of UNC students in September. "I realized that I wanted to spend the rest of my life in public rvice. I really thought I could go back to

Washington ... and make a difference." So Erskine Bowles finds himself seeking high office – a position from which he says he hopes to have a positive impact on the lives of North Carolinians. One can only imagine that Skipper Bowles would be proud.

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lege application, particularly in the essay,

does not have an influence on the admission decision, said Jerry Lucido, UNC

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reiterated that in shaky times like those after Sept. 11, citizens need lawmakers

who are led, at least in part, by faith. For Elizabeth Dole, faith – though inte gral to her – is only a part of the package she offers, says her husband, Bob Dole. "She's well-respected because of her

work ethic," the former U.S. Senate major ity leader said at a campaign stop in Hillsborough. "I tried to leave work in the office. She brings stuff home with her."

And with a résumé that reads like a laundry list of high-power positions secretary of transportation, secretary of labor and president of the American Red Cross - Elizabeth Dole has had plenty of

work to bring home over the years.

Elizabeth Dole's seven-year stint at the Red Cross is the most recent of her pres tigious posts and is the position she has focused on the most while campaigning.

But she counts her ability to break through the intangible barriers in U.S. society as one of her greatest achievements. As a woman in a male-dominat ed field - and the first viable female candidate for president – Elizabeth Dole has broken through more than her fair share of glass ceilings, she says.

And she plans to continue the fight – not only for herself but for others who

find themselves at a societal disadvantage "I'll take second to no one in helping women and minorities," Elizabeth Dole said during an Oct. 19 debate with her

Democratic opponent, Erskine Bowles.

And on the campaign trail, pledging to fight for disadvantaged, and in some cases even privileged, North Carolinians, Elizabeth Dole is backed by a loyal core of volunteers who are helping her battle for the state's coveted Senate seat.

Volunteers range from university students to her campaign manager, Mark Stevens, a Salisbury native and long-time family friend, and even to her husband. But no matter the volunteers' differences, they all say their dedication is simply a testament to the dedication Elizabeth Dole has shown throughout her life.

"She did it for me," Bob Dole says of his campaign efforts. "She didn't do it because she had to, she thought I was

qualified. I think she's qualified too." And that aside, he adds, Elizabeth Dole has the best interest of North Carolinians at heart. "They will be pleased with her if she's elected. Even those who don't vote for her - they'll be pleased."

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#### **Notice of a Public Hearing** for the Proposed Widening and Improvements of SR 1733. Weaver Dairy Road, from NC 86 to SR 1734, Erwin Road

Project 8.2501601

The North Carolina Department of Transportation will hold the above public hearing on November 14, 2002 at 7:00 PM in the East Chapel Hill High School auditorium, 500 Weaver Dairy Road.

The hearing will consist of an explanation of the proposed location, design, right of way and relocation requirements and procedures and the State-Federal relationship. The hearing will be open to those present for statements, questions, comments, and/or submittal of material pertaining to the proposed project. Additional materials may be submitted for a period of 15 days from the date of the hearing to: C.B. Goode, Jr., P.E. at 1583 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1583.

Under this project, it is proposed to widen Weaver Dairy Road to a fourlane median divided facility with curbs and gutters, sidewalks, and bicycle accommodations from NC 86 to just east of Silver Creek Lane. It is proposed to construct the same type roadway on new location from east of Silve Creek Lane to Erwin Road to connect to Sage Road. Additional right of way and the relocation of homes are anticipated for this project.

Anyone desiring additional information may contact Mr. Carl Goode, P.E. at the above address or phone (919) 250-4092. Individuals wishing to speak may register by calling this phone number or signing in immediately prior to the hearing. A five minute time limit for testimony will be imposed. After those who have registered have spoken, additional time will be permitted if

A copy of the Environmental Assessment and a map showing the design for this project are available for public review at the Town of Chapel Hill Engineering Office, 306 North Columbia Street.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services for disabled persons who wish to participate in the hearing to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. To receive special services, please contact Mr. Goode at the above address or phone number or fax (919) 250-4208 to provide adequate notice prior to the date of the hearing so that arrangements can be made

#### **ADMISSIONS** From Page 1

Diversity adds significantly to the college experience by exposing students to people from different backgrounds, said Jerry Sullivan, executive director of the American Association of Collegiate

Registrars and Admissions Officers.

"Higher education is a healthier place when it's inclusive," he said. "People should be exposed to people who have different lifestyles and different senses of what's right and what's wrong."

But expressing one's sexuality in a col-

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ctor of undergraduate admissions He stressed that a student's potential for impacting the campus weighs more heavon the minds of admissions counselors. What's more influential is what the student expresses and might bring to the campus as a result of their understanding of self and the world around them.'

Experiences with sexuality have strong potential as an essay topic because many students are interested in writing about events deeply personal to them, said Steve Farmer, UNC senior associate director for admissions. "It wouldn't surprise me at all if kids began to address this subject more than they

But Farmer emphasized that it is not the person but the way he handles a sub-

ject that makes his application stand out.
"We care about what (students) care about," he said. "We want to see the places where kids are most passionately engaged. ... As long as they can make us sense something of the passion they feel, that's a good thing.'

Farmer said the number of UNC students addressing sexuality in their essays has remained constant during the past decade. "I can recall a half-dozen cases a year where kids address one or another aspect of their sexuality directly

that's been pretty constant," he said.

Admissions counselors should not place one essay over another simply because it deals with a controversial topic, Lucido said. "(Someone) can do a beautiful treatment of these through a lens of sexuality, but it may not be more valuable

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than a person who does a treatment from an entirely different perspective."
All the attention paid to LGBTQ issues

can overshadow the intensely personal nature of revealing one's sexuality in a sensitive situation like college admissions.

For many high school students who classify themselves as members of the LGBTQ community, advice on whether to "come out" on their application is not readily available from their high schools.

But universities and outside groups are aiming to make the transition to college easier for students struggling with sexuality. Multiple resources are available for gay and lesbian students trying to pick the right college.

A guide published in 2001 by the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education provides suggestions for LGBTQ high school students on how to choose a college. It also provides advice for transgender students, who choose not to identify with what they see as society's stereotypical definitions of gender roles and behaviors.

The brochure suggests possible questions for applicants, including inquiries about courses in LGBTQ studies and the percentage of students who identify themselves as gay.

Heightened sensitivity to the needs of LGBTQ students also often is addressed in an individual institution's informational material.

Harvard admissions officials decided last year to add a statement to the appli-cation booklet describing the atmosphere of the university's LGBTQ community. The brochure cites Harvard's cli-mate toward alternative lifestyles as one consisting of an active, visible group of students and faculty. It emphasizes that students are given a range of opportuni-

ties according to their own preferences.

Lewis, who was responsible for the statement being added, said it was a direct result of the school's desire to make its published material accurately represent issues students are concerned

But some officials stressed there is no ideal way for a school to uniformly appeal to the LGBTQ community at large.

Much of the response from prospective LGBTQ students depends on a campus's overall attitude toward the

community, Sullivan said.

He said he has not seen extensive effort from admissions officials to attract students who practice alternative lifestyles. Instead, he emphasized it is more the job of the individual campus to position itself as friendly to the LGBTQ community, at which point applicants will feel comfortable applying.

"I have seen more of an effort on campuses in general to create a more welcoming atmosphere," Sullivan said.
"Society itself has been moving to that position that is accepting.'

The AACRAO has no official position on whether schools should give preference to students who identify themselves as in LGBTQ, Sullivan said.
Some institutions have found the best

way to reach out to an underrepresented minority is through making them-selves known through a college fair as

On May 18, more than 40 colleges and universities set up booths at a college fair in Boston aimed specifically at gay and lesbian youth. Schools in atten-dance ranged from small liberal arts colleges like Grinnell College in Iowa to Harvard and Brown universities.

But despite much effort and the best possible outreach efforts, Sullivan ques tioned whether it is possible for admissions officials to ever construct a class that reaches an ideal level of diversity.

"Mathematically, since minority groups are minorities, you can work rel-atively hard and be not as successful," he said. "(You) attract more majority white and straight - than minority, be they Native-American, Hispanic, African-American, gay, lesbian.

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# Considering Graduate/Law Programs?

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