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ALL EYES ON N.C.

ENDING THE NATION'S MOST EXPENSIVE RACE, ERSKINE BOWLES AND ELIZABETH DOLE MADE A FINAL APPEAL TO VOTERS MONDAY



AP/CHUCK BURTON



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On the eve of the 2002 election, Elizabeth Dole and Erskine Bowles try to energize supporters. Left: Ex-New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani (right) joins Dole at a rally in Charlotte. Left: Bowles (right) shakes hands with Gov. Mike Easley as Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., looks on at a rally in Raleigh.

BY GILLIAN BOLSOVER AND LINDSEY WHITE / Staff Writers

On the eve of today's elections, the two candidates in North Carolina's pivotal U.S. Senate race spent their time energizing supporters and urging undecided voters to swing their way.

The final week of the campaigns has found the two candidates locked in an extremely close race. According to a Mason-Dixon poll released Wednesday, Erskine Bowles trailed Elizabeth Dole by 6 percentage points, with 42 percent of votes compared to her 48 percent. The Carolina Poll, released Friday, shows a split of 7 percentage points, with Dole leading Bowles 47 percent to 40 percent.

But national party leaders still consider the race a dead heat, leading both candidates to intensify activities as they reaffirmed their platforms

on the final day before the general election. Combined, the two candidates have spent about \$22 million on the election, making it the most expensive and one of the most closely watched Senate contests in the nation.

The two candidates have had national figures — including President Bush for Dole and former President Clinton for Bowles — campaign on their behalves.

Both parties have targeted the race because it is one of a handful that could decide which party controls the Senate when lawmakers take office in January. The 2001-02 Senate was composed of 50 Democrats, 49

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Elections Voter Guide

U.S. Senate

Democrat

Erskine Bowles

Occupation: businessman and banker, former President Clinton's White House chief of staff

Republican

Elizabeth Dole

Occupation: former American Red Cross president, former U.S. secretary of transportation, former U.S. secretary of labor

Libertarian

Sean Haugh

Occupation: executive director of the Libertarian Party of North Carolina

State Senate

Democrat

Ellie Kinnaird

has served three terms
Committees: Children and Human Resources (Chairwoman), Pensions (Vice Chairwoman), Agriculture, Appropriations
Occupation: attorney

Republican

Peter Morcombe

Occupation: retired electrical engineer

Libertarian

Christopher Todd Gross

Occupation: sound man at Chapel Hill nightclub

U.S. House

Democrat

David Price

has served three terms

Committees: Appropriations & Budget

Occupation: professor

Republican

Tuan Nguyen

Occupation: flight instructor

Libertarian

Ken Nelson

Occupation: business system analyst

N.C. House

District 54

Democrat

Joe Hackney

has served 11 terms
Committees: Environment, Finance, Judiciary, Legislative Redistricting, Rules
Occupation: partner, Epting & Hackney law firm, farmer, legislator

Republican

Frederick Blackburn

Occupation: communications consultant and trainer

N.C. House

District 56

Democrat

Rep. Verla Insko

has served three terms
Occupation: retired health program administrator

Libertarian

Will Shooter

Occupation: field manager with Cordell Earthworks Inc.

SOURCE: NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS
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Cast Your Vote

All listed polling locations for precincts are within Chapel Hill unless otherwise noted.

Battle Park: Chapel Hill Community Center
Booker Creek: Grace Church
Carrboro: Carrboro Elementary School, Carrboro
Cedar Falls: Chapel Hill Bible Church
Coker Hills: Church of Reconciliation
Coles Stone: Union Grove Methodist Church
Colonial Heights: Sewell School
Country Club: Fetzer Gym, UNC campus
Damascus: Grey Culbreth School
Dogwood Acres: Mary Scroggs Elementary School
East Franklin: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Eastside: Ephesus Road School
Estes Hills: Chapel Hill Public Library
Greenwood: Meadowmont Clubhouse
Greenwood: General Administration Building, UNC campus

King's Mill: Aldersgate Methodist Church
Lincoln: Lincoln Center Administrative Building
Lions Club: Carolina Spring Apartments, Carrboro
Mason Farm: Chapel Hill Kehillah
North Carrboro: Homestead Community Center
Northside: Hargraves Recreation Center
OWASA: OWASA Administration Building, Carrboro
Patterson: New Hope Community Center
Ridgely: Binkley Baptist Church
St. John: McDougle Middle School
Town Hall: Carrboro Town Hall, Carrboro
Weaver Dairy: Fire Station No. 4
Weaver Dairy Satellite: Carol Woods Retirement Center
Westwood: Frank Porter Graham Elementary School
White Cross: White Cross Recreation Center



DTH FILE PHOTO

Provost Shelton says UNC will take the latest cuts across the board.

UNC Ready To Deal With Held Funding

BY DANIEL THIGPEN
University Editor

With yet another round of budget reductions hitting the UNC system, University departments are struggling to trim already-meager spending plans, even if some officials believe the effects will be temporary.

But it seems campus officials are anything but surprised by their fiscal predicament.

Facing even more dismal state economic projections, Gov. Mike Easley has temporarily halted 2 percent of the UNC-system's funding — roughly \$8.2 million for UNC-Chapel Hill.

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Walkers Reflect on Violence to Women

BY KATE HARRINGTON
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Cars slowed to a crawl, groups of people ceased talking, and others just stared, but during that moment, people were reminded of the acts of violence against women across the world and at the University.

Carolina V-Day Initiative sponsored the first ever silent walk of remembrance Monday for women who have lost their lives to violent acts and for those who have survived.

About 20 students, both male and female, gathered at Polk Place and made their way silently through the quad and onto the sidewalks of main campus roadways.

"A lot of times when people protest through walks, they are loud and angry and upset, so we made the walk silent for people to have a time to heal," said senior Kim Benton, founder of the Carolina V-Day Initiative.

The idea to hold a silent walk of remembrance came after the Carolina V-Day Initiative learned of a similar walk that was held at Appalachian State University earlier this year.

Founded in November 2000, the V-Day Initiative's purpose is to raise awareness of violence against women through campuswide programs and a production of Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues."

"The Carolina V-Day Initiative



DTH/LIZ WINTER

Members of the Carolina V-Day Initiative lead a silent march on campus Monday night to silently protest violence against women.

holds the majority of its events in February, but violence takes place year round," said senior Emily Griffith.

Participating students joined the walk for a variety of reasons.

"It's very helpful to do something like this if you know someone who has been affected by violence," said senior sponsorship coordinator Sarah Parker.

"There are a huge number of women on this campus who have been affected." Senior Melody Rodgers walked

with her sophomore friend Tasiyiwa Mapondera on the walk.

"I think violence against women is an issue that isn't addressed very often or understood," Rodgers said. "As women, we need to get involved with our own rights and stand up against that kind of behavior."

Senior Larry Niles originally joined the V-Day Initiative because Benton, his friend since high school, saw it as a worthy cause.

But after becoming involved with the group, he became more passionate about the group's cause.

"It is important to raise awareness in a place like this," Niles said. "It just seems like the thing to do."

As the students walked, perhaps the message from Benton's opening address echoed in their ears.

Benton read a poem published in 1978 by Ntozake Shange titled "With No Immediate Cause."

"Every three minutes a woman is beaten, every five minutes a woman is raped, every 10 minutes a little girl is molested, yet I rode the subway today," Shange wrote.

Students carried equally effective messages on red signs: "1 in 3 women worldwide," "1 in 4 college women" and "in one hour 75 women are raped."

At the end of the walk, Benton addressed the group again, encouraging victims and friends of victims to break the silence. "However, the first step to breaking the silence is education," said Benton, who invited participants to come to a talk by Sabrina Garcia.

Garcia, a crisis counselor with the Chapel Hill police crisis unit, will speak at 7:30 p.m. today in 103 Bingham Hall.

Benton said, "This can be an impetus to start your own healing process, or to help others."

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BOG: Tuition Plans OK, But Not Final

BY JAMIE MCGEE
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Members of the UNC-system Board of Governors say they support UNC-Chapel Hill's early discussion of campus-initiated tuition increase for the next three academic years.

But board members emphasized that the BOG will have the final say on the proposal.

UNC-CH's Tuition Task Force, which met Thursday, is nearing a decision on a tuition increase plan despite the fact that the BOG Special Committee on Tuition and Fee Policies has yet to release its recommendation for campus action.

The special committee is charged with evaluating the BOG's tuition policies and is scheduled to report its findings at the board's Friday meeting.

Ben Ruffin, the former board chairman and creator of the task force, said he does not see UNC-CH's early action as problematic.

"I don't see a problem with it as long as students are involved," Ruffin said. "They are doing the right thing by talking about a difficult financial climate."

"With a student body as large as

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The ignorance of one voter in a democracy impairs the security of all.

John F. Kennedy