# STUDENT ELEC

## SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT





**VICTORIA FRANGOULIS** 

**BLAIRE HUNTLEY** 

Web site: www.unc.edu/o-five Hometown: Charlotte **Endorsements:** none

Distinctive Platform Item: The Carolina Senior Service Initiative, which will allow seniors to offer their help to various student organizations without an obligation to join. Registered seniors would aid organizations in small tasks such as registration or ushering. Key concerns platform expected to address: Lack of communication among the senior class; senior apathy; lack of cohesion among the senior class Quote: "We are the most attractive candidates for senior officers because we have the energy, drive and enthusiasm needed to improve senior life at Carolina. We dream big and live even bigger."





**JOVIAN IRVIN** 

**BECCA FRUCHT** 

Web site: www.unc.edu/jb2004 Hometowns: Winston-Salem; Charlotte **Endorsements:** Black Student Movement, Sangam, DTH Editorial Board.

Distinctive Platform Item: An emphasis on consistent communication strategies (off-campus publicity, newsletters, forums, on-line procedures, etc.) to ensure the success of the senior class gift, Commencement speaker, senior social activities and service projects.

Key concerns platform expected to address: Communication between seniors and officials; senior apathy to campus life; unity within diversity Quote: "We are the serious candidates for a fun senior year. With our leadership experience and passion for Carolina, we are more than qualified to take on the role of senior class officers.'

### REFERENDUM

# EXPAND THE STUDENT UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING AWARD

The student body will have the choice to expand the Student Undergraduate Teaching Awards to include University employees along with professors and teaching assistants.

The referendum was placed on the ballot after receiving overwhelming approval from Student Congress at the body's last meeting.

In the past, the award has been presented to three professors for \$5,000 and six TAs for \$1,000. The referendum, if approved, will add an additional award for an employee.

Officials central to the awards proposed the addition Jan. 23. The \$1,000 award will be called the Student Undergraduate Staff Award and will be presented at the Chancellor's Awards Ceremony in

April. The proposed changes to the award were suggested by Student Body President Matt Tepper and the Chancellor's Task Force for a Better Workplace.

The SUTA committee, comprising 10 to 15 undergraduate students, will select an employee for distinction after a nomination process is completed.

The resolution states that nominees for the award should be employees who directly enhance undergraduates' experience, demonstrate excellence in service and dedication to undergraduates and posi-

tively affect a broad spectrum of students.

The staff award will come from the same student fee money that funds the teaching awards.

A wide range of employees could receive the award, including housekeepers, librarians, groundskeepers and academic advisers.

#### Web site:

www.unc.edu/calabria Hometown: Cornelius **Endorsements: Young** Democrats, Sports Club Council, The Blue & White, SEAC **Experience:** Chairman of the Academic Affairs Committee of student government; co-chairman of Information



**MATT CALABRIA** 

Technology Committee of student government; founder and editor of "The Hill"; Student Academic Advising Board chairman.

Distinctive Platform Item: Creating the UNC Lobby Corps to maintain positive relationships with legislators and support candidates who support UNC through candidate report cards and the use of student government's human resources. This would combat tuition increases by ensuring more financial support from the N.C. General Assembly. Key concerns platform expected to address: Improving students' quality of life on campus; bringing student organizations together; making

ideas and needs. Quote: "With extensive experience both in and outside student government, I hope to work hard to serve students by providing innovative, wellthought out solutions to our biggest problems."

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Web site: www.unc.edu/ashley Hometown: Charlotte **Endorsements:** none **Experience:** Executive assistant to former student body vice president Aaron Hiller; executive student board member for the Honors Program;



STUDENT BOD

**ASHLEY CASTEVENS** 

General Alumni Association programs intern

Distinctive Platform Item: Creation of a non-partisan campus political action committee to expand on the Carolina Lobby Corps. The committee will be student-run and seek to raise funds for campaign contributions, stimulate student awareness and involvement and develop a relationship with the members of the N.C. General Assembly. It will focus on state-level governance and will operate in collaboration with yet remain independent of the executive branch of student government

Key concerns platform expected to address: Promoting honor and integrity; making the campus arts community a priority; improving safety

Quote: "My ability to inspire and achieve honest success is unrivaled. I am assertive, extraordinarily involved and personally accountable; I never forget that I am a student first ... SHAKE IT UP!"

#### Web site:

www.unc.edu/pierre04 Hometown: Miami, Fla. **Endorsements:** none **Experience:** Member of **Victory Campus** Ministries, Campus Crusade, InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, **Baptist Student Union** and the Carolina **Sports Business** Association.



**FAUDLIN PIERRE** 

Distinctive Platform Item: Establishing the United Executive Body Meeting — a yearly gathering of student government leaders from both public and private N.C. Universities to supplement the Association of Student Governments. The body will discuss initiatives that have and haven't worked on different campuses and large issues that face all students.

Key concerns platform expected to address: Combatting tuition increases; campus safety; unifying the student body.

Quote: "I am the best qualified for this position, because my efforts are concentrated on curing key issues that effect all of the student body, thus impacting the future as well as the present and promising a better university experience for everyone, not just a select few."

#### Web site:

www.unc.edu/laura Hometown: Pine Level **Endorsements:** none **Experience:** Student Congress representative; vice chairwoman of Congress' Fall Forum Committee; C-TOPS orientation leader. **Distinctive Platform** Item: Holding the UNC



**LAURA THOMAS** 

administration accountable by researching the way the University spends money and by creating a Student Budget Committee that is a watchdog for inappropriate spending practices of the University.

Key concerns platform expected to address: Tuition increases; campus security, including lighting and transportation; academic freedom and diversity of intellectual thought.

Quote: "I stick to my principles, even when under fire, showing that I have the ability to stand up for all students. I'm honest, and I don't pander to any special interest group. Those that have an ear, let them hear that empty words lead to empty pockets."

# CANDIDATE OPINIO

### **TUITION INCREASES**

CALABRIA: Wants to make increases more predictable by encouraging the administration to outline its five-year financial needs. Also plans to revive the Carolina Lobby Corps to advocate more financial support for students.

CASTEVENS: Will advocate for reasonable and responsible increases through the creation of a political action committee and a one-hour credit lobbying seminar.

COMPTON: Wants to create a long-term plan of action to make tuition increases predictable. Also plans to create the Carolina Parents Network and re-establish the lobbying seminar to assist in protecting funding.

LILES: Plans to create an intense lobbying campaign that will prevent further out-of-state tuition increases unless they are needed and are fairly distributed.

PIERRE: Wants to form a Student Task Force against tuition increases as well as a gathering of student government leaders from private and public universities in North Carolina, such as Duke, N.C. State, Wake Forest and UNC.

THOMAS: Will require a financial report from the administration that the executive branch will post on its Web site. Also plans to lobby the University administration for better use of funds.

WALKER: Wants the administration to be held more accountable for its spending. Also plans to lobby the UNC Board of Governors for smaller tuition increases and create the Office for Out-of-State Student Help Center.

WEST: Wants to bring members of the UNC Board of Trustees to campus so they will understand better the repercussions of tuition increases, strengthen the Association of Student Governments and revive Lobby Corps.

# **EXTERNAL RELATIONS**

CALABRIA: Will publicize town government with those selected. Also will create a downtown development and Carolina N

CASTEVENS: Plans to get students invol and increase bus service during games. tration drive and push students to vote

COMPTON: Wants to use the Carolina Council and provide its members with in on issues that affect the student body. W

LILES: Plans to form an agenda that figl duplex ban and the expansion of the U to get sprinklers put in all Chapel Hill

PIERRE: Wants to better communication University by inviting Town Council inc a student government reception or ope

THOMAS: Believes student government bying the University administration an

General Assembly regarding UNC's fin WALKER: Wants to continue efforts alrea Council as well as promote voting in a ni

WEST: Plans to create a Government Re utive branch, have a representative of

Council meetings and create the "Raise