

BSM

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several highlights of his proposed initiatives.

He said he wants to overhaul both the academic advising program and Student Health Service.

"Academic advising right now is a disaster," he said.

His plan to change Student Health involves hiring more nurses — more doctors would require higher fees, he said.

Allred also told BSM mem-

bers that he will look at graduate school enrollment to ensure that UNC attracts minorities. He also discussed his plans to increase diversity among the members of the Honor Court.

Holloway began his address by telling the audience not to vote for him for his experience or BSM membership, but for his broader goals for the University.

"I want you to join a movement to make this campus better," he said.

Holloway went on to discuss his

plans to create a group of student advisors to the Board of Trustees to help them stay connected to the interests of the student body.

He also said he wants to get students involved with municipal elections.

"The elections in Chapel Hill and Carrboro are the most important elections during your four years here," Holloway said.

The three pairs of juniors running for senior class officer presented their platforms as well. Weiss and McDonald said they

plan to create a discount card allowing seniors to get special deals at local businesses.

Eric Schmidt and Meg Petersen discussed their intentions to institute a senior "disorientation" program to help seniors prepare for life after college.

Barry Turner and Jonathan Friedman said they will bring drink coasters to campus that can detect date-rape drugs in drinks.

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TICKETS

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for outlasting the competition.

"I'm going to sleep all night Thursday and skip class on Friday," said Matthew Fletcher, a junior history major from Hickory. Fletcher cited the lure of Duke riser tickets as his motivation for entering.

"I need Duke tickets, and I've had bad luck with distributions in the past," he said.

Other students said they didn't need any special motivation.

"I'm just a big basketball fan," said Naresh Sundaresan, a junior chemistry major from Greensboro. "I know I can win."

Although only one student will be the last contestant standing, Smith said, numerous incentives for participation exist.

"The basketball team might come by and support," he said. Smith added that several players already have agreed to visit the contestants.

Smith noted that consolation prizes will be given to the students in second through seventh place.

Despite those enticements, participants still face sleep deprivation and January weather, which might prove problematic for some students.

"I'm pretty notorious for always being the first to fall asleep," said Michael Sonntag, a junior from Cary majoring in political science and public policy analysis.

Last year's competition lasted almost 59 hours, despite temperatures that dropped to 23 degrees.

The two finalists ultimately

'Hands on a Duke ticket' rules:

Students can get a bracelet today in the Pit from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The bracelet number will be drawn at noon Friday in the Pit.

20 students will meet at 3 p.m. Friday to duke it out for tickets.

All contestants must have one hand on the ticket at all times.

Contestants cannot lean on the table or sit down.

Contestants will be allowed a 10-minute break every two hours and a 15-minute break every six hours.

agreed to split the prize, Smith said.

But even a weekend spent vying for Duke tickets has extra perks, Fletcher said.

"This will keep me from going out and spending all my money at the bars."

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TEXTBOOKS

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Students are required to wait in a line to request a book. Staff members then transfer the requested books from a storage location to the customer service desk at Student Stores.

"Right now we're squeezed," said John Jones, director of Student Stores. "We're doing everything we can."

Despite the hassle, customers said they were pleased with the quality of the employee service.

"The staff is pretty congenial," said Rita Lauria, a graduate student at the School of Law.

Service aside, the lengthy wait has discouraged students from buying textbooks at Student Stores.

"It does not allow us to view the thing we're about to put \$100 into," Lauria said. "It almost compels Web purchase."

Steve Thurston, manager of Ram Book and Supply on West Franklin Street, said students are seeking out alternative textbook providers.

"I've heard several people talking about it over the last few days," he said.

"Some people seem to think that Student Stores wasn't even selling books at all because the upstairs was roped off."

Ram Book and Supply con-

sequently has experienced an increase in business.

"For this time in the semester, the foot traffic definitely seems to be heavier," Thurston said.

Although the closure of the second floor is inconvenient for the time being, it is necessary, Jones said.

"If we didn't close it now, we wouldn't have had it back in time for back-to-school sales in August," he said.

The second floor of Student Stores is scheduled to re-open

Aug. 1.

"Our goal is that there's going to be no wait no matter how many people are shopping at one time," Jones said.

With a new floor plan on the drawing board, Jones said he is confident that the added features will bring students back.

"I think we're going to have the layout and number of registers to make that happen."

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WATER

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Old East Residence Hall was the last building without water service, but residents said water was flowing again by 7 p.m.

Some North Campus residents, who said water service was cut off during parts of Tuesday, said the water was behaving erratically Wednesday.

"The water was running brown at one point, and the water was off at one point," said Student Body Vice President Adrian Johnston,

who lives in Old East.

An OWASA press release warned that water discoloration or air bubbles might be present but that the water is safe to drink.


People should run cold water through for several minutes until it clears up, according to the press release.

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SENIOR GIFT

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to lure seniors to the donation desk, where students could donate via OneCard, cash, check or debit card, Newkirk said.

She added that other fundraising efforts, including direct e-mail, flash e-mail and a phone-a-thon, are or soon will be under way.

Students can donate online at carolinafirst.unc.edu/gift.

Students also have the option of channelling their donation to an unrestricted campus reserve that the Chancellor can access in times requiring urgent funding.

Senior "give days" will commence in the near future, Wilson said.

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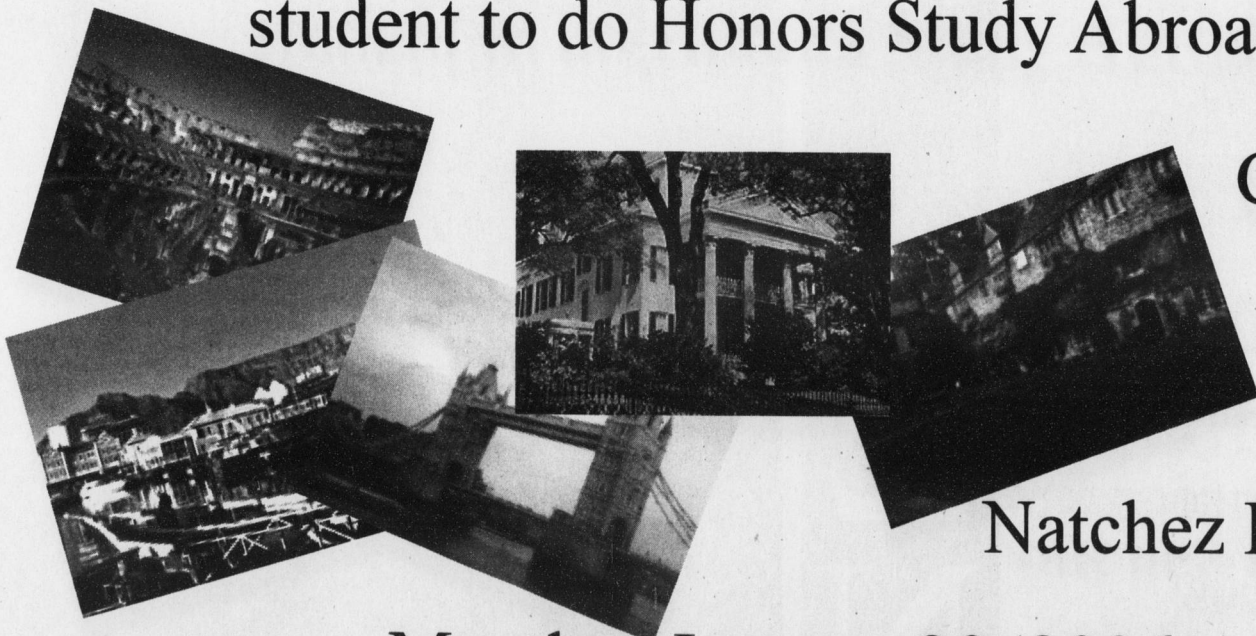
She said the event was successful, noting that more than just the same few students who are viewed as being connected to the issue came out to show their support.

Asked if the \$40,000 goal will be met, Newkirk replied, "Absolutely... probably will exceed it"

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