

FEATURES

# SARR works to advance unity through diversity

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"If you throw a rock at something, it's going to make an impact. But if you throw some pebbles at something, the pebbles are not going to do anything. We need to be like a boulder. We need to unite."

Esa Davis, co-chairwoman of the Campus Y's Students for the Advancement of Race Relations committee, used this metaphor to describe one of the main themes of Race Relations Week — "Unity Through Diversity."

This message, which SARR has tried to communicate to the campus this week, is one they operate on all year.

"If you look at the members of SARR, we're all from various backgrounds. We're not one group or race," Davis said. "We're a very diverse group and the fact that we're able to work together to come up with something like Race Relations Week says something."

SARR co-chairwoman Genie Walker said: "We really like to stress that we

are a race relations group, which means that this is a pluralistic, multicultural group. It's not just black and white."

SARR works to demonstrate the necessities and advantages to diversity, Walker said.

"The way to harmony is not necessarily saying that we don't have differences or looking past someone's color or religion," Davis said. "I think we should recognize this person's black, this person's white, this person's Native American and try to understand the differences and accept them."

SARR tries to promote understanding and acceptance of cultural differences between groups, said freshman Fred Wherry, a member of the group.

"SARR believes people act out of ignorance, and if people understood each other, they'd respect one another," Wherry said.

The group promotes understanding between cultural groups in several different ways. Race Relations Week, SARR's primary activity, held this week, included many programs like

workshops, speakers and films, educating students about different cultural groups, such as Arabs, Israelis, Hispanics, Native Americans, African Americans and Asian Americans.

"One of the focuses of this week has been to try to include other minorities, not just black and white, and to really address their issues," Walker said. "I've been pleased with the success of this."

The week emphasized that people should also celebrate the diverse natures of these groups, Davis said.

SARR member Anita Foye came up with one of the mottoes for the week — "Unity Through Diversity."

"We have so many diverse groups, races, sexual orientations — just so many diverse people that we need to unify," Foye said. "I'm not talking totally melt together, but unify."

Wherry said he had learned both positive and negative things from his involvement in Race Relations Week.

"It's shown me how much apathy there is on this campus, and that so many people are convinced that they

don't need to learn about race relations because they think they know all there is to know. But, at the same time, I've seen the people who do come to the functions really benefit from them."

SARR also tries to improve race relations through education during the year. SARR members, trained as facilitators, lead race relation workshops.

Recently, SARR worked with Sibby Anderson-Thompkins, assistant dean of students, to create a brochure on racial harassment.

"This gave us an opportunity to assess the racial harassment policy at UNC and to challenge it," Walker said. "It also gave us the chance to provide a brochure that students could pick up and say, 'What is racial harassment? What do I do about it?'"

SARR is not just a proactive group, it is a reactive group, Walker said.

"When I say reactive, I mean that anything that happens on campus that we feel falls within our jurisdiction, we make efforts to become involved in."

SARR supports the Sonja Stone Task

Force, SEAC, the multicultural curriculum and the housekeepers, Davis said.

Davis and Walker would like to see SARR's influence on campus grow.

"I think it makes an impact now, but I would like to see it make a huge impact," Davis said. She said she wanted SARR to sponsor more events that incorporated the mass of the student body like Race Relations Week.

Walker said she would like more people to become involved in SARR and for them to feel that the group's activities had great value for UNC.

"There would be a mushrooming effect — the more people thought it was valuable, the more it could do and the more effective it could be," Walker said. "I think we have been effective, but we have a long way to go."

Foye said she was optimistic about the role SARR has played and will play in creating better race relations. "Any help is a big help. You have to crawl before you can walk, and I think that's what we're trying to help the University do. I think it's a very big role."

Pratt

Pratt also supposedly verbally threatened Rep. Elliott Zenick, Dist. 17, Stuts said. Zenick, an ethics committee member, did not vote on the censure because of his involvement in the matter, Stuts added.

Pratt could not be reached for comment Thursday.

Mike Kolb, ethics committee chairman, said the vote did not finalize anything. The full congress will hear the committee's report at Wednesday's meeting, he said. The censure must be approved by two-thirds of the congress before action can be taken, he said.

If the measure passes, congress Speaker Tim Moore would have to decide what action to take, Kolb added. Moore was out of town and could not be reached for comment.

Ethics committee member Caroline Doyle, Dist. 19, said the hearing was fair.

"It went very smoothly, and I think both parties were satisfied," she said.

Kolb said that regardless of what happened to Pratt, it would not affect him in next year's congress, which begins in two weeks. Even if Pratt were expelled from congress, he would be allowed to return as soon as the new session began, Kolb said.

John Johnson, CGLA treasurer, and Bob Garris, CGLA office coordinator, said the CGLA would wait to see what happened in Wednesday's meeting before commenting.

## Campus Calendar

**FRIDAY**  
10 a.m. SENIORS: Sign up for free one-year membership in the Educational Foundation (Rams Club) until 2 p.m. in the Pit.  
NOON: CGLA Lesbian Lunch in the Union. Check schedule for room.  
1 p.m. Juggling Club will meet at the flagpole on the Quad. Rain location: Carmichael Ballroom.  
3 p.m. SEAC Bowl-A-Thon until 5 p.m. in the Union Bowling Alley.  
8 p.m. Campus Y/SARR Race Relations Week Multimedia, Multigenerational Performance, "The Claw and the Feather: A Child Looks at Race Relations," will be given in Hanes Art Auditorium.  
9 p.m. UNC-Russia Exchange Benefit with Selected Hilarity and Still Life in the Union Cabaret. Tickets are \$3.  
9 p.m. CHiP presents Latin American Dance until 1 a.m. in the Great Hall. Tickets: \$3 in the Pit, \$4 at the door.  
**SATURDAY**  
8:30 p.m. Asian Students Association is sponsoring a dance until 1 a.m. at Carolina Apartments with a \$3 cover.  
**SUNDAY**  
5:30 p.m. Rainforest Action Group will meet in the Campus Y.

**ITEMS OF INTEREST**  
BSM Umujo Awards Nominations are extended until 5 p.m. Monday. Pick up forms at the BSM Office.  
German Honorary Society, Delta Phi Alpha, is recruiting new members who have completed at least German 4 and have a German GPA of 3.0 or better. For more information call 933-3443 or stop by 415 Day.  
CAA is forming committees for Rampage '92: UNC's Homecoming. Applications are available at the office.  
Juniors: Senior class marshals applications for the class of 1993 are available at the Union Desk and are due by Monday.  
Sophomores and Juniors: Deadline for applying for academic credit for Summer and Fall 1992 internships is March 31. Information available in 213 Hanes.  
Yackety Yak is taking yearbook portraits in 213 Union from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. until April 16. Come to 213 Union to schedule an appointment.  
**ARTS**  
UNC Dance Theater — ModernExtension presents an evening of dance choreographed by faculty and students at 8 p.m. March 26 & 27 in Memorial Hall. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$5.



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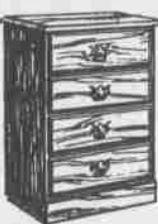
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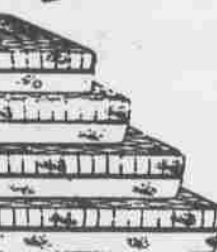
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## Tsongas

the last thing I want these good people to think is that I'm taking them for granted."

In the delegate race, Clinton has gathered 947, Tsongas 430 and Brown 129.

Tsongas said that he would not endorse Brown or Clinton and that he has no immediate plans for the future.

Tsongas termed his exit as a suspension of his campaign, a technicality that allows him to keep control of his delegates and to maintain his eligibility for federal matching funds to help pay off a debt approaching \$1 million.

Tsongas said his campaign, while drawing in money now, never fully recovered from the lean startup days.

The race was lost in 1991, Tsongas said, and his message almost rescued it this year.

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