

SG candidates campaign for Sept. 22 elections

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Students will head to the polls Sept. 22 as Student Government holds elections for the legislature, Student Budget Advisory Committee and freshmen positions for the Honor and Ethics Council.

On-campus students will be able to vote in their residence halls from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Residents of satellite housing and students living off-campus can vote in the Benson University Center. Election results will be tabulated and posted that night near the SG office.

Senior Ryan Opel, the speaker of the house, said that several students have expressed interest in SG legislative positions and that many students turned in their candidate registration well before the deadline. "I'm pleased with the turnout so far," he said.

"I think Student Government is a good opportunity to be directly involved with the issues that impact experiences for all students," said legislature candidate junior James Faucher.

SG legislators are elected as representatives of their residence halls and the SBAC and HEC elections are campus-wide. One

SBAC member will be elected from each class and two freshmen HEC members will be elected from four candidates on the ballot. Only freshmen will be allowed to vote in the HEC elections.

After an initial application and screening process, an SG Elections Committee narrowed down the HEC candidates to four. They are freshmen Lindsay Dedo, Jonathan Kelly, Chris York and Katharine Young, Opel said. "HEC (candidates) will only be able to campaign via word of mouth," Opel said. However, candidate biographies, which include platforms and experience, are listed in this edition of the *Old Gold and*

Black and will be posted in the rotunda of the Benson University Center.

Opel said this campaign regulation is intended to prevent the HEC elections from turning into a popularity contest. "The use of e-mail is absolutely prohibited for any campaign purpose," he said.

Campaign rules differ slightly for legislature candidates, who will be allowed to solicit votes with posters and flyers, Opel said. These candidates are also profiled in this issue of the *OG&B*.

Positions for upperclassmen on the HEC were filled in an election last spring, but due to one member being abroad this semester,

a replacement was needed this fall, Opel said. The Elections Committee selected sophomore Amanda Major for the position this week after an interviewing and appointment process required by SG policy.

SG executive officers will hold a legislature orientation Sept. 26 for newly elected representatives. Those interested in becoming chairmen of the six legislative committees will be interviewed before the first session. "I think this is going to be a very exciting and productive year in the legislature in which we'll keep the ball rolling from the work that was done last year," Opel said.

WORLD WIDE

Networks debate airing of Clinton's testimony in front of grand jury

NEW YORK — As they wait for the House Judiciary Committee's decision today on whether to release the video tape of President Bill Clinton's testimony before the grand jury, television networks are wasting no time preparing their strategies for airing it.

Expecting the tape to be available sometime Sept. 18, CNN, MSNBC and Fox News Channel said Sept. 16 they plan to air the four-hour footage as soon as it is released. ABC executives said they will watch the tape before deciding what to show; NBC said it will air excerpts; and CBS was not available in time to comment.

Like the report special prosecutor Kenneth Starr released last week, the testimony's potentially graphic nature might make it inappropriate for some viewers. In response to this problem, CNN will air frequent advisories warning that the content may be inappropriate for children to see.

Gov. Wallace, famous for opposing segregation, laid to rest in Alabama

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Mourners at the funeral service today in the state Capitol remembered former

Alabama governor George Wallace as a figure from American history who had "the courage to change."

An estimated crowd of 25,000 consisting of both blacks and whites visited Wallace's open casket Sept. 15 and 16 prior to the service. The controversial politician from the 1960's Civil Rights movement spent the last years of his life retracting his early battles in favor of segregation.

Iran sends more soldiers, tanks to protect Afghanistan border

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — The Islamic Republic News Agency in Iran has reported that more troops in the form of soldiers and tanks have been sent to join the 70,000 others taking part in maneuvers on the Iran-Afghanistan border.

These claims come on the heels of the recapturing of the key central Afghanistan town of Bamiyan by the opposition fighters. The tensions between Iran and Afghanistan stem from a confession by the Taliban religious army that its members had killed nine Iranians in a battle for the northern Afghan city of Mazar-e-Sharif.

Pakistan has been accused by the Iranians of sending money and arms in support of the Taliban army. The rebels however claim to still have control of Bamiyan.

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rush hour. The Starr Report is subdivided into two parts: "Narrative" and "Grounds." Copies are available at dozens of sites throughout the Internet.

The Whitehouse Rebuttal is composed of an introduction, followed by 11 sections, each of which counters the accusations in Starr's "Grounds."

The "Narrative," by far the more sensational of the two, is composed of 14 sections and deals with the relationship between Clinton and Lewinsky in its entirety.

"Grounds" elaborates eleven accusations, or impeachable offenses by the president: Sections I-IV and VIII are concerned with lies told under oath; Sections V-VII, IX and X deal with obstruction of justice, and section XI summarizes, stating that "(these) action(s) ... have been inconsistent with the President's constitutional duty to faithfully execute the laws."

As part of the wired world, living on a campus with more Ethernet jacks than people, students are as caught up in the shockwave of presidential admissions and partisan power plays as the rest of the country.

Yet, despite the controversy that is engulfing the nation's television shows and newspapers, students

displayed opinions that were decidedly one-sided.

Though all of the students interviewed believed that Clinton had lied, each believed that the investigation itself had been unnecessary, having little bearing on his ability to act as an efficient executive.

"While I believe that Clinton lied, I don't think he deserves to be impeached for his actions," freshman Ryan Estes said. "I think that the country should put the whole ordeal behind it."

"All of this could have been avoided if the government had never initially pried into the personal affairs and sex life of the chief executive," sophomore Jacob Kline said. "Their actions are as inexcusable as Clinton's mischievous sexuality."

There were exceptions to the rule, most of whom identified themselves candidly as loyal conservative Republicans.

"I think that he ought to be impeached," sophomore Rob Barnes said. "The fact that it's about his sex life is trivial; what is not trivial is that he lied to the American people. This proves what most Republicans already knew — that Clinton is an inveterate liar."

Few interviewed felt that there was a reasonable chance that the president would be impeached.

"The question of impeachment will be answered largely on the public reaction to the report," predicted Katy Harriger, a professor of politics. "(Politicians) are looking for cover, particularly those in Congress, as

elections approach. Congress' intent may be to shift public opinion and prepare the way for an impeachment, but no such shift has yet taken place."

Theories also abounded as to why the president avoided impeachment. "The Republicans are about 10 short in the house to come through with a vote of two thirds to impeach," Kline said. "No self-respecting Democrat would vote for impeachment."

"Some have said, although those within the party say it 'sells them short,' that the Republicans would prefer a weakened Clinton to giving Gore a chance to run the country for two years," Harriger said.

The university has scheduled two "town hall" meetings to address moral and ethical topics related to the report.

The meetings will be held Sept. 22, and Sept. 30. The first meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Scales A102. The second will be held at 8 p.m. in Benson 401.

The first will focus on the topic, "Ethics and Leadership in Government: What's Gone Wrong?" It will explore general and specific issues related to conduct in public life or government stemming from Clinton's relationship with Lewinsky.

The topic of the second meeting will be "Private Behavior and Public Crisis: How Do We Respond?" It will focus on whether private behaviors are a basis for a crisis in government and what is acceptable behavior in the public domain.



Happy days

ABOVE: Amanda Green blows bubbles while listening to Big Daddy Catfish at Fiesta Del Mundo Sept. 12. LEFT: Junior Allen Roda plays the marimba before the show. Delta Sigma Phi fraternity organized the event, a benefit for the Brian Piccolo Cancer Fund. The Lilting Banishes and Big Daddy Catfish performed for a crowd of approximately 250 students in Reynolda Gardens.

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POLICE BEAT

Trespasser charged with abandoning children

An individual was issued a trespass warning and charged with child abandonment for leaving a 5-year-old and a 6-year-old child alone in a parked car at 3:30 a.m. on Sept. 12.

Two students discovered the children in Lot P, behind Huffman Residence Hall. The parents returned after University Police arrived.

Theft

A digital camera worth \$350 was taken from an office desk drawer in the Scales Fine Arts Center between 2 p.m. Sept. 3 and 1:15 p.m. Sept. 8.

An emergency route sign in Collins Residence Hall was removed from a wall frame between 3 p.m. Sept. 2 and 5 p.m. Sept. 9.

A computer case and two university-owned laptop computers, an IBM and a Macintosh, were taken from the top of a desk in a locked office in Tribble Hall. The incident occurred between 7 p.m. Sept. 10 and 8:50 a.m. Sept. 11. The items were worth a total of \$6,090.

An IBM ThinkPad computer and a carrying case were taken from the top of a cabinet in a locked office in Tribble Hall between 4 p.m. Sept. 10 and 12:50 p.m. Sept. 11. The university-owned items were worth \$3,040.

A student's bicycle was taken from a bike rack at Reynolda Hall between 12 p.m. and 3:24 p.m. Sept. 7. The bicycle was worth \$100.

Twenty-two dollars was taken from a university employee's wallet between 4

p.m. Sept. 7 and 9:30 a.m. Sept. 8. The incident occurred in Scales.

A student's backpack was stolen while it was momentarily left unattended in a library computer lab around 1:45 p.m. on Sept. 8.

The backpack and its contents — a wallet, textbook, credit cards, bank cards, and drivers license — were worth \$164.

A student's \$180 printer was reported stolen on Sept. 8. The incident occurred between June 8 and June 15 in a Potate House room.

A student's bicycle, which was left unlocked outside Collins, was stolen between 6 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Sept. 9.

A wallet belonging to a Graylyn Conference Center employee was lost or stolen between 8:30 p.m. Sept. 9 and 9:30 a.m. Sept. 11.

A videocassette recorder was discovered missing from a Luter Residence Hall lounge at 2 p.m. Sept. 9.

The VCR was worth \$100.

An unidentified person took 10 to 20 bottles of water and juice from the North Campus convenience store between 10:30

p.m. and 10:43 p.m. on Sept. 10. The bottles were each worth \$1.79.

Damage

A bathroom window in a Davis Residence Hall suite was broken between 5 p.m. Sept. 8 and 1:25 a.m. Sept. 9.

Miscellaneous

Winston-Salem police officers found an intoxicated, underage university student at 11:18 p.m. on Sept. 12 on Polo Road. The officers escorted the student back to campus. The incident was forwarded to Harold Holmes, an associate vice president and the dean of student services.

A student was escorted to Student Health Service at 12:15 a.m. on Sept. 12 after consuming too much alcohol and becoming ill. The incident was forwarded to the dean's office.

An underage student who was on University Plaza with alcohol, lied to a University

Police office about his age at 12:20 a.m. on Sept. 12. The incident was forwarded to the dean's office.

A student living in Bostwick Residence Hall received an obscene phone call at 12:45 a.m. Sept. 9.

A student living in Student Apartments was reportedly threatened and hit on the head by another student between 1:49 a.m. and 2:20 a.m. Sept. 13.

Two juveniles in Lot M, next to Reynolda Hall, were issued trespass warnings at 8:55 p.m. Sept. 10. The individuals could not provide a reason for being on campus.

In response to a call about a suspicious person, University Police issued a trespass warning to an individual in Lot F, next to the campus power plant, at 9:28 p.m. Sept. 12.

The Alcohol Law Enforcement agency gave four underage students citations for possession of alcohol on Sept. 10 at Groves Stadium. All the incidents were forwarded to the dean's office.

University Police handled 73 calls including 22 incidents and investigations from Sept. 7 to Sept. 13.