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NCSU continues Chancellor Search

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The search for N.C. State's next chancellor is still in the process. Former chancellor Dr. Marye Anne Fox has resigned and has become a chancellor of the University of California at San Diego.

Fox achieved many accomplishments during her tenure here at N.C. State. Fox is credited with establishing the first interinstitutional graduate degree in the UNC system, a master's and a doctoral program in biomedical engineering between N.C. State and UNC-Chapel Hill. During Fox's tenure, N.C. State experienced an increase in the number of patents.

The UNC Board of Trustees established a thirteen-member committee composed of campus leaders to conduct a search for a new chancellor. The committee has held several forums on campus to generate feedback from the general campus community. The last forum was held on Aug. 26 in the Talley Student Center.

Students, faculty and administrators throughout campus have expressed a variety of concerns in regards to what type of person should be selected for the chancellor position. "I think the first thing I would look for is a person who listens to what people have to say. A person who can gather the information necessary to make a good decision," said Janet Howard, the interim director of the African-American Cultural Center.

Dr. Bruce Branson, an associate professor in accounting, said that the College of Management's budget limited supplies and the amount of students who could be admitted into the college. Branson noted the university needs a chancellor who is a good communicator and understands the role of land grant institutions. "We can't meet demands. I believe it is the most difficult college to transfer into from any other college on campus, "said Branson, referring to the College of Management.

Dr. Dennis M. Daley, the faculty chairman and a member of the search committee, believes the chancellor needs basic administrative skills to run a university. "A chancellor needs to be someone who has been a teacher and a researcher, "said Daley, who is also a professor in public administration. Daley also said that the chancellor needs to be someone who can motivate the university, which operates on limited resources and be a "cheerleader" for faculty and staff.

"One of my major concerns seems to be the issues of economy, healthcare, education,



File Photo

the revolving door at the administrative level in academia," said Dr. Carolyn Miller, a professor in English and member of faculty senate. Miller mentioned that there were many vacant positions on the administrative level within the university. Miller feels that when positions are vacant, decisions are stalled and the university loses communication with the legislature.

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SAAC/AKA panel discusses political issues

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Some days it feels like you can't walk through the brickyard without being badgered about registering to vote. It seems like you can't sit in the Atrium without getting a flyer for a political forum. Well, this is a good thing! More and more African American organizations on campus have been holding several forums on the topics of politics and the presidential election of 2004, such as the presidential election's program "What's All the Fuss About?" on Thursday.

The Society of African and American Culture (SAAC), along with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. hosted this event in the African American Culture Center. The program entailed a panel of African American citizens with different backgrounds and levels of merit who answered a series of questions regarding the presidential elections. Hosts Ervin Johnson and Mariah Thorpe, asked questions such as, "Why does the African American community tend not to vote?" and "Are gay rights also civil rights?." No one was sure to leave without a better knowledge on some of the issues facing this year's elections. With four intelligent and wellinformed panelists, there were major facts, from foreign policy and terrorist attacks, civil rights, gay rights and Affirmative Action. Some questions were thrown out for the audience to consume.

"The purpose of this event was, to put emphasis on voting and actively engage the African American community in the voting process", said Portia Overton, president of SAAC . Overton also feels that it wouldn't have been fair to go through the same event as the previous election. As for the

audience, Mia Watson, a sophmore, decided to go to the event to get involved more with the African American organizations, and in the end she left with the yearn to to do more research, when it comes to elections.

The Cultural Center was packed, with several people standing. Not only was it filled with students, more importantly it was filled with citizens, who all have a voice and are the voice of this nation. With an estimated turn out of about 80 people, who knows what future political affairs are yet to come.



Students attend the AKA/ SAAC Panel.

"Every time the playing field has been leveled in America, African Americans win", said Stella Adams, President of the African-American D e m o c r a t i c Caucus.

" I applaud to the plate," said that included and voting couldn't have and AKA should attendees as the everyone for stepping up Overton. With a closing audience participation registration, the event ran smoother. SAAC be content with the event came to a close.

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A season of anticipation



Football teams practices before the season Ray Black III

MARCUS GIBBS

Heavy anticipation hovers around the new N.C. State football season. With that anticipation, many questions arise concerning the replacements. The main question being, who will step up to replace Wolfpack quarterback phenomenon, Phillip Rivers? In the Saturday September 4th game, junior Jay Davis was introduced to the Wolfpackers and the rest of the football world as the starting quarterback for N.C. State. In the 42-0 win over Richmond, Davis played a solid game with 168 yards passing and two touchdowns. As one would imagine, a team performance of that caliber will have many Wolfpack fans excited. "I was kind of worried about how good the team would be without Rivers as quarterback but we seem to have a good team," said Eric Stevens, a student and a fan of the Wolfpack.

Another question is how the teams will fare with the new alignment of ACC teams? With the addition of Miami and Virginia Tech, the conference will expand to 11 teams. N.C. State will now have to battle against the newly acquired Hurricanes of Miami and Hokies of Virginia Tech. With these new additions to the conference, competition has gotten stiffer. This Wolfpack team will definitely be tested in the 2004-2005 season.

The talent for N.C. State is already there. Wolfpack running back T.A. Mclendon will look to stay more healthy this year and help out the offence with his speed and elusiveness. Senior rover back ,Andre Maddox, is a player to look at this year also. This defensive back is a candidate for numerous awards this year. This is proof that there is talent on both sides of the ball and will make the football season exciting and well-worth watching.

In the Wolfpack's bye week last Saturday, N.C. State prepared to take on Ohio State this weekend. If this game is any where close to last year's game, Wolfpack fans will not be disappointed. With a loss to the Buckeyes last year in a multiple overtime loss, this year's Wolfpack team will undoubtedly look for revenge on the now number seven ranked team in the country. "It was a heart-breaker," said Jeremy Gaines who saw the game on television last year, "we were so close to winning." This time the game will be played at Carter-Finely Stadium, and the fans will try to back up the Wolfpack to its second victory in a row for this season. Other big games this year will be against North Carolina which is always a game between two arch rivals and Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia in away games. Miami will be a tough test as they have always been and they will be facing N.C. State for the first time since their admittance to the ACC. Florida State will visit Raleigh once again to face the Wolfpack in what is sure to be another competitive game.

This football season is shaping up one of excitement. There is nothing else to do but sit back and enjoy what is to come.



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One of the most powerful tools for stress relief and a simple craft that everyone has the ability to create is the poem. The poem is a powerful art form because it conveys the fluid emotions and raw personality of the poet. Thinking that I should illustrate what I mean, I thought I would share one of my own personal favorites with the population. For all the women, this poem was written to inspire and to give women strength in the tender issue concerning

Why does he do it to her? He appears to enjoy his position As a slave master, a magician Who has a power with words And knows he cannot afford To lose her from his side

But he keeps her in selfishness Since really his heart is restless When it comes to making her his wife

Can she step into the world without him Can she break her chains And free herself from his reign? an she leave her unfaithful man Reclaiming her heart from his hand?

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would like to see someone who believes CHASS is an important part of the institution," said Miller.

Students were interested in how the chancellor could change certain aspects of the university. Marcus Gibbs, a junior in communications, believes that the chancellor needs to be someone who can be an advocate against rising tuition costs.

"I don't like that tuition hike, either," said Gibbs

Curtis Hill, a senior in political science,

the former chair of the African American Student Advisory Council (ASSAC) met with Chancellor Fox on several occasions to talk about issues of diversity on campus and retention rates among African American students.

In regards to his vision of the next chancellor, Hill commented, "I think the university needs to have a chancellor that really and truly can articulate a vision that the whole campus can buy into. I would also like a chancellor that is able to define diversity as it relates to the academic mission of the university.

UNC Board of Trustees President,

Molly Broad selected Dr. Robert A. Barnhardt to be interim chancellor until a permanent chancellor is put into place.

The search committee will send the names of applicants to the board of trustees. The board will forward the names of the three finalists to Broad. Broad will decide out of the three finalists who will be hired as N.C. State's chancellor. The search is closed to the public to ensure confidentiality.

The Nubian Message • September 14, 2004 • PAGE 3 How Kerry can win ?

DAVID THIGPEN Daily Mississippian (U. Mississippi)

(U-WIRE) OXFORD, Miss. -- The Kerry campaign was dealt a serious blow in the

polls this past week following the Republican Convention, making one wonder

whether or not they can recover from the deep hole in which they are stuck. It is possible, and this is how.

For starters he can refrain from talking about the Vietnam War.

John Kerry's service in Vietnam should be applauded, but what made him think he could bring up the most controversial war in U. S. history without causing problems for his campaign?

The Vietnam War happened 30 years ago, and Kerry wants to bring up Dick Cheney's five draft deferments.

Who cares about the fact that the Vice President got those draft deferments? If it weren't for draft deferments there would not be near as many college professors as there are today.

For Kerry, bringing up the war in Iraq is equally as stupid as bringing up the war in Vietnam.

All the Bush camp will do is use Kerry's words against him, because no matter what he says there is always going to be something he said in the past that contradicts his current message.

When it comes to the war in Iraq, Kerry can only look like a flip flopper.

The truth is that when people go to see Kerry speak they aren't there to hear him talk about foreign policy; they are there to hear him speak on domestic policy.

The Kerry camp should focus its energies on the domestic agenda, where he

has the biggest chance to make headway in the polls.

For Kerry to win the election, foreign policy cannot be the big issue.

Out of all the domestic issues, Kerry needs to focus on healthcare, education, the environment, and what's left of the employment issue; issues for which the Democrats are traditionally perceived to be strong.

On healthcare Kerry needs to expand the plan that he currently has and talk about how he will not increase the Medicare premiums on our elderly like the Bush administration did this past weekend.

Healthcare is definitely a major weakness for Bush, and Kerry should exploit

it.

On education, Kerry needs to expand the programs that he currently has, while emphasizing his plans on afterschool and college programs.

Kerry's education programs are the strength of his platform.

On the environment, Kerry can use the political stereotype that Republicans are not environmentally friendly to hurt Bush.

Because of this, he can keep his current environmental plan, which should be sufficient window dressing to make him look environmentally friendly.

Employment may be a tough issue for Kerry to use against Bush, given the recent job numbers, but he must bring up unemployment in order to win the election.

Kerry needs to keep pounding on Bush for having the worst job record since President Hoover and continue to follow the Clinton mantra of "It's the economy, stupid."

The biggest thing that Kerry needs to do is show more of his personality and charisma to the voters.

Many people claim that Kerry's success in the primaries was a direct result of Jim Rassmann and his statement of gratitude to the Democratic candidate for saving his life.

This is only part of the reason why Kerry did well in the primaries.

While Rassmann may have helped Kerry a little, the media helped him even more by making him look charismatic. They used images of Kerry from private Kerry Campaign parties, along with pictures of Kerry and staffers throwing snowballs to make him look lighthearted and humanize him.

The images the media used may seem trivial to some, but they made Kerry look more human, something the tired and boring reputation desperately needed.

It may sound bad, but to most voters, the fact that you are a war hero isn't nearly as important as how comfortable they feel with you as a person. Kerry's goal should be to recapture some of his magic from the primaries.

Even if he follows all of this advice, it's not a forgone conclusion that he'll win. As stated earlier, for Kerry to win, the war on terror cannot be a big issue.

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