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ELECTION DAY TO MAKE HISTORY

Obama's Grandma Passes Before Election

BY JADA F. SMITH
Nation & World Editor

On Monday afternoon at a rally in Charlotte, N.C., presidential hopeful Sen. Barack Obama announced that his grandmother, Madelyn Dunham, passed away from cancer. Dunham was 86 years old.

"She has gone home and she died peacefully in her sleep with my sister at her side," Obama said at the rally.

The senator briefly took a break from campaigning on Oct. 23 to be with his grandmother in Honolulu, Hawaii as her health continued to fail. He returned to his duties on Oct. 25 after his wife, Michelle, filled in for him during the time he was gone.

Obama and his sister, Maya Soc-

toro-Ng, released a statement about their grandmother, saying, "she was the cornerstone of our family, and a woman of extraordinary accomplishment, strength and humility. She was the person who encouraged and allowed us to take chances."

Senator John McCain, Obama's opponent in today's election, and his wife, Cindy McCain, also released a statement offering condolences to his competitor.

The McCains' statement read, "Our thoughts and prayers go out to them as they remember and celebrate the life of someone who had such a profound impact in their lives."

The death of Obama's grandmother comes just before the culmination of nearly a year-long battle for the highest office in the country.

"I don't think it'll affect people's

vote, but I do think it puts him in a bittersweet situation," said Aleja Parsons, a junior psychology major. "It's obviously a tragedy he has to deal with that's emotional as well as dealing with the climax of everything he's been working towards. It's a personal situation with him; rather than its impact on the general population."

Junior political science major and Chicago native, Charles Beavers, also does not think voters will be swayed by Obama's loss.

"This event may sway a few votes, but I believe at this point, the majority of people have already decided who to cast their votes for," he said. "I am sure he would have loved for his grandmother to be here for the big day, but it must have been painful to know day in and day out, his grandmother was suffering."



A tearful Sen. Barack Obama announced the passing of his grandmother, Madelyn Dunham, on Monday. He once said she had a big impact on his life while growing up. She was 86.

Howard Law Takes Initiative, Extra Step To 'Rock the Vote'

BY ANGELA P. SMITH
Staff Writer

Howard University School of Law (HUSL) students are using their skills today to ensure that election laws are followed and to encourage voter enthusiasm.

Many of them are stationed in the swing state of Virginia to monitor the voting process.

Some duties of these observers include assisting voters with questions about their rights and finding solutions to problems that may jeopardize voters' rights such as long lines and voter intimidation efforts in the 2004 presidential election.

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said. "But as law students we can still inform voters of their rights."

Howard law students are also assisting in election patrol in other states including Maryland and Ohio. Ohio, like Virginia, is a hotly contested state and was plagued by long lines and voter intimidation efforts in the 2004 presidential election.

Logan said that it was important for HUSL students to sponsor election activities because they must continue the legacy of prominent lawyers from HUSL.

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Historic election coverage from Howard University journalism students will be displayed both locally and nationally, via the Internet.

Classes Cancelled For Journalism Students to Cover Historic Election

BY DANIELLE HOPKINS
Contributing Writer

Students in Howard University's Department of Journalism will be doing a lot more than voting today as the nation goes to the polls in possibly its most historic election.

Scores of broadcast, print, public relations and advertising majors will spread out across D.C., Virginia and Maryland to cover the election and deliver it to viewers locally and nationally through the Internet, via newspapers and broadcast.

Students will be going to polling locations, congressional offices, college campuses, viewing parties and diverse neighborhoods to interview residents,

take photos and provide up-to-the-minute reports on the contest between Democratic Sen. Barack Obama and Republican Sen. John McCain for the White House.

Sophomore broadcast journalism major Rodney Hawkins will be going to Rep. Elijah E. Cummings' (D-Md.) office in Baltimore, to monitor what his staff will be doing to help his constituents during the election.

"It's very important that we as students get involved in this election because of the history that is being made," Hawkins said. "The experience that each student will get doing this will only happen once in our tenure at Howard."

Sophomore broadcast journalism major Candice Smith will be broadcasting from Dunbar High School in North-

"It's very important that we as students get involved in this election..."
- Rodney Hawkins

west D.C.

"I think that using students to do regular news coverage is innovative for our department and university," Smith said. "It will also be greatly beneficial to students in their future endeavors to be journalists."

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A University of District of Columbia professor discusses the impact of the '08 election.

D.C. College Students Back Obama Early

BY ANDREA GISCOMBE
Contributing Writer

For the first time in America's history, there will either be an African-American man as president or a woman as Vice President.

In 2004, over 20.1 million young people between the ages of 18 and 29 voted, almost the same amount as voters over the age of 65. During the primaries and caucuses in 2008, however, the amount of young voters has increased by more than

103 percent in comparison to the past.

American University broadcast journalism major Geraldine Avila has cast her absentee ballot in support of Sen. Barack Obama.

Avila, a first-time voter, said she did not become politically active until she began college.

"Here [American University], they are for Obama," she said. "But I am from Texas so most of my friends and their families are really strong McCain supporters."

The Republican Party has been

winning the state of Texas for the past seven presidential elections.

Internal relations and gender studies major Grace Morrow also attends American University. Her father is politically active and her mother plans on voting for Obama.

"I am from Chicago so I was always interested in what Obama was doing," Morrow said.

The most significant issue for

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Political Discussion Makes Its Way Into Classrooms

BY CHELSEA TAYLOR
Contributing Writer

With election season concluding today, some students are finally breathing a sigh of relief. "I have been tired of this election since September," said Ayesha Graham, a pre-physical therapy major. "It seems like everyday at least one of my professors shouts out 'Obama' in class."

To students like Graham, it appears that Howard University has caught fever for presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama.

In the midst of T-shirts, buttons and banners, students have found ways to express their favorite candidate on the Yard. As Election Day has arrived, however, the energy found in Obama supporters is spilling into the classroom.

"This is the perfect opportunity to connect the election to Research and Statistics," said Richard Seltzer, an Introduction to Research and Statistics in Political Science professor. "I spend half the time talking about research methods, exit polling and the uncertainties of this election."

While Seltzer remains neutral in his political discussions and only states the facts, he feels that unless something drastic happens, Obama will be the victor.

"The discussions wouldn't bother me so much, but I do not vote," Graham said. "We'll devote entire discussions to Barack Obama, even if it's math class. I feel like its one of those things, like religion, which should be left out of the classroom."

The display of support for Obama on Howard's campus has

left students wondering if this would only be acceptable at HBCUs or if colleges and universities all over the country are secretly endorsing a particular candidate.

Anne Kristensen, a junior at the University of Pittsburgh, said that her professors remain neutral.

"Only my world politics professor initiates political discussions about this election, and that doesn't happen often," Kristensen said.

She said that political discussions would be inappropriate for the classroom, considering Pittsburgh is a "blue-collar" city and Obama is the likely choice among many.

"If we were to talk about politics in class, I don't think the discussions would be conducive because Obama supporters would outnumber McCain supporters," she said.

She said that unless the McCain supporters were actually a working part of the campaign and knew everything pertaining to McCain and the election, the discussion would be "slanted" because the McCain supporters are "underrepresented" and outnumbered by those of Obama.

Although some professors at other schools remain neutral, Taylor Smith, a junior public relations major at Howard, believes a few of her classes have an Obama undertone.

"I had a test in my Introduction to Public Relations class in which the entire first part was devoted to developing a public relations strategy for Barack Obama in the remaining days of his campaign," Smith said. "I don't mind it, though, because public relations actually ties in really well with the current election and it helps us to see both sides of the issues and remain somewhat

objective, which is important in PR."

Tanya Heath, a junior at Widener University, agrees that while many subjects do not tie into the election at all, many do and the issue is worth being discussed.

"If you're discussing politics in math or gym and they don't relate to the subject, that's definitely off-course," Heath said.

She said, "Since this is such a big and crucial election, I don't see why or how it wouldn't be conducive to having a balanced classroom discussion. Everything we learn in school somehow ties in to the election — for example, the economy, health care and education in general."

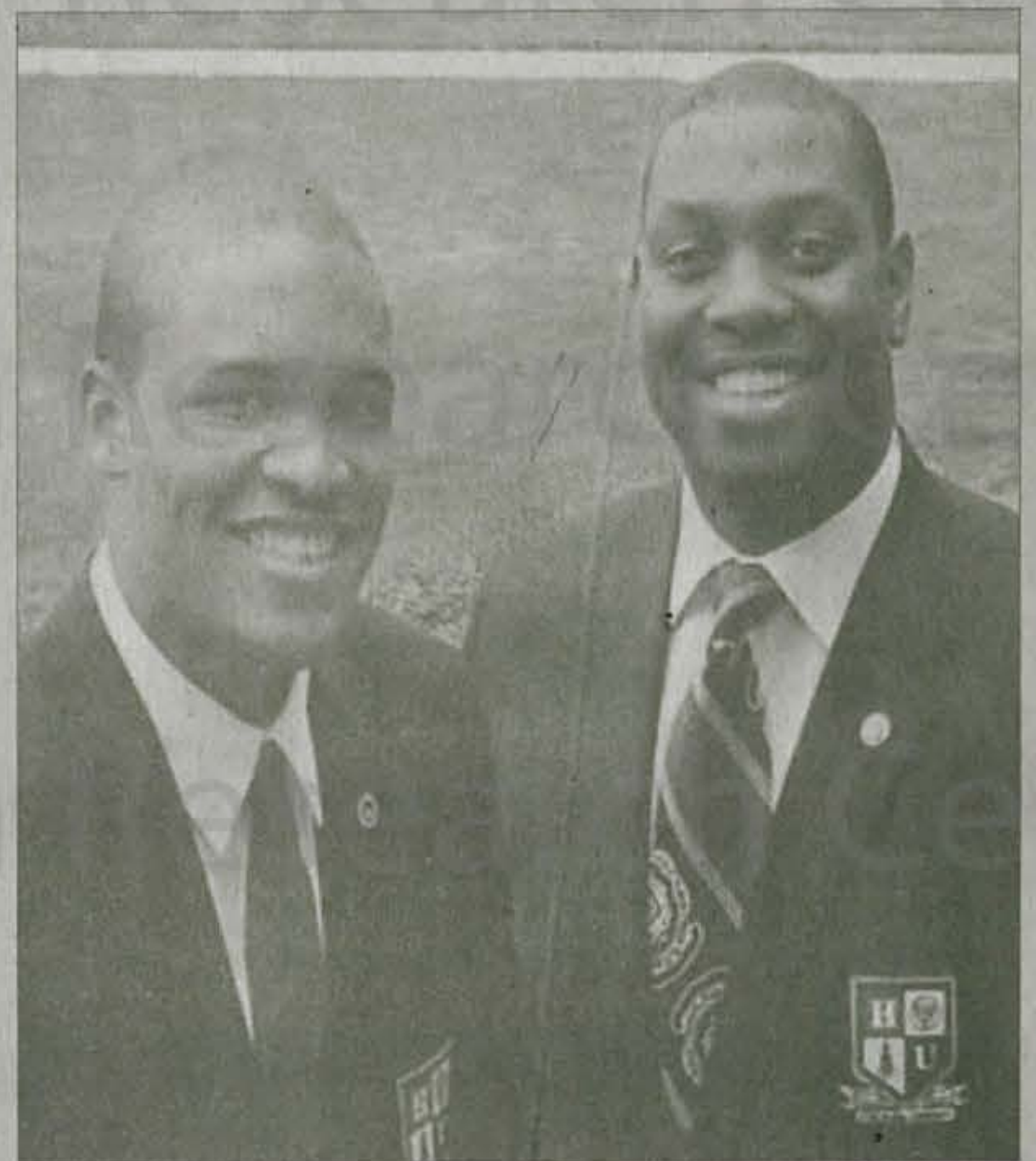
While some professors at Howard openly discuss their political views, they are not the only ones tackling the questions in the classroom. Professors at universities all over the country have taken matters into their own hands and brought politics to the forefront.

"Discussing an issue as major as this election inside of the classroom is crucial," said Tiffany Procter, Ph.D., a political science professor at Temple University in Philadelphia.

"I don't like to stress which candidate to vote for, but I do use terms like 'change' and 'hope' which more likely resonate with Barack Obama," Procter added.

Procter said that it is more important to encourage young people to vote, rather than who to vote for.

"They will decide this election," she said, "and they need to understand that the key to their future and their children's future is in their hands."



HUSA President Nicholas Owen and Vice President Kellen Moore answered questions Students assessed the 48th Howard University Student Association administration and compared its achievements to last year's administration.

Politics 101: Where Do My Issues Fit In?

BY JESSICA LEWIS
Staff Writer

Is my student government doing everything it can to represent my interests and better my college career? What exactly do they do for me if I do not know who they are?

Why have we had the same problems for decades when we have student representation within the Howard administration?

Students posed those questions as they weighed in their opinions on the 48th administration of the Howard University Student Association's executive, legislative and judicial branches.

"Although HUSA does do its best to fulfill its purpose on our campus, I do feel as though they can better fulfill their most important purpose as being the link between the administration and the student body," said Shasta Blanton, a sophomore political science major.

She said, "It says something about an organization when you can ask any given student here at Howard, whether it be a freshman or a graduating senior, and they are not aware of A: who the members of HUSA are, B: their current initiatives, and C: where our student fees are going."

Blanton does not stand alone in her assessment of the current HUSA administration.

Trina Peterson, a sophomore television production major, said, "I really do not know much about student government, I know that they are doing stuff because I hear about them sporadically."

She continued, "If the HUSA president were to walk in front of me right now, I would not know it. I definitely would not recognize the vice president. I don't even know their names."

HUSA Vice President Kellen Moore explained that HUSA has focused its energy on familiarizing freshman with the student government because in his opinion, "A lot of people don't know what HUSA is until [they are sophomores]."

Moore said, "We try to be as physical as possible and put ourselves out there as much as possible. For our First Friday, we were in the middle of the Yard. Nick [Owen, president of HUSA] and I might not have necessarily stood out from our staff, but we were definitely out there collecting grievances and holding signs."

However, other sophomore students also identified lack of visibility as an area of primary concern.

Ashley Bruce, a sophomore journalism major, said, "We do not see them, but we know they are there, like roaches in the hood."

Peterson continued to say that she was more familiar with the HUSA administration last year, whose executive board consisted of

former president Marcus Ware, a senior political science major, and William Roberts, a first-year law student.

Bruce shared the sentiments of Peterson, explaining that Ware greeted her when she transferred to Howard this year and not current President Nicholas Owen, whom she has never met.

Ware believes that Owen's administration has focused heavily on external issues versus internal.

"In terms of programming, they throw a lot of programs," Ware said. "But as far as student issues, I really think that Ribea is more open to student leaders' suggestions than the previous president was. So I feel that they could get a lot more accomplished than they are now."

He added, "I honestly feel that they have a lot of potential to do a lot of good things, but I have not seen much yet."

However, not all students feel that the 48th administration of HUSA has failed to maintain a level of visibility with the student body.

"I think HUSA is doing a great job," said Rogi Banks, a sophomore theatre education major. "The president is very personable. He just comes up to me and asks how I am doing, and he genuinely wants to know what is going on."

Banks continued, "I think we have people in office that are really concerned. I do not have any doubts that they can fulfill the goals that they set out to accomplish. I have a lot of faith in HUSA."

Some students recognize the programs are an initiative that HUSA publicizes, but are unaware of what happens with these initiatives once plans are outlined.

"Hear about them supposedly doing a lot of things like beefing up security and work on the cafe, but I never see the end results. But I hear that they do stuff," Peterson said.

She pointed to HUSA working to resolve security, administrative issues and housing problems as well as student government working to make a better environment for students.

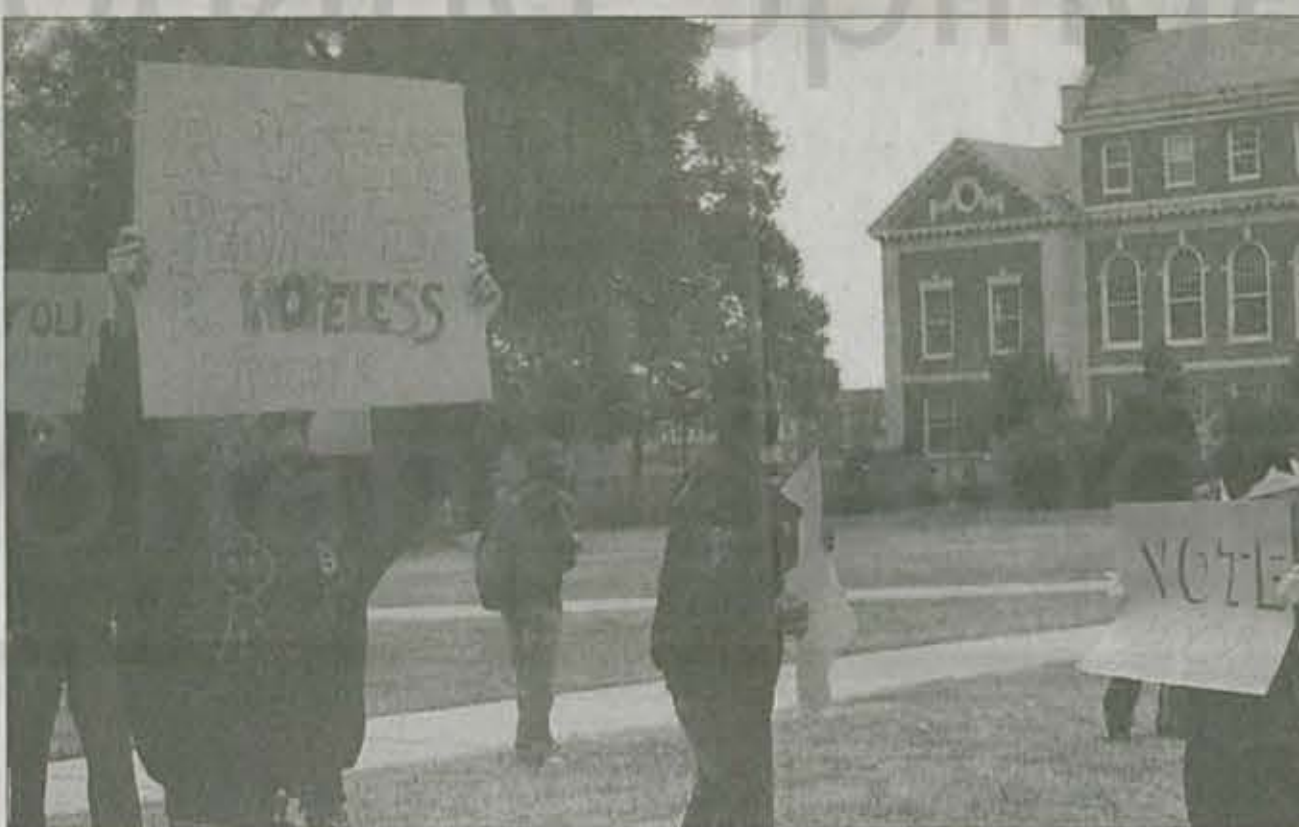
She said, "They are supposed to represent me. They need to go represent us. That's why they are a part of student government: to get it done."

Bruce also expressed the lack of connection with her student government as a reason behind her discontent.

Bruce said, "I am sure that they do something because their name is stamped on every poster." Bruce said she has no knowledge of what it is that HUSA is actually doing.

Blanton does believe that HUSA is trying to better the lives of the students, but says they can do a better job. "HUSA is an exemplary organization, but overall improvement can be made."

Students Rally to Encourage Student Voter Turn-Out



Energized students rallied today, waving posters in an initiative focused on getting Howard's student body out to vote in today's presidential election.

The demonstration was held by the flagpole and hosted by members of Beta Chapter, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., in conjunction with Mr. and Miss Howard University 2008-2009, Melech Thomas and Kendall Isadore.

Craig Allen, a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., said that the rally served as an opportunity for students to be reminded of the importance in voting.

He cited one major issue that affects students to be health care, which is also an important part in this year's election.

- Travis White, Staff Photographer

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Area Students Gear Up for Election

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Morrow in this election is health care. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, there are 47 million Americans who do not have health insurance. Morrow thinks health care should be a "universal system." "My family has a lot of health coverage issues and it's a natural right to have health care," Morrow said. "For the past eight years, our administration has not been focused on us [Americans]; it should be about what the people need."

Shala Godsbey is journalism ma-

for at the University of the District of Columbia and a supporter of Sen. Barack Obama as well. When it comes to the impact Obama will have on the United States, "he'll inspire the youth to believe that things are more attainable," Godsbey said. "He has the capability of impacting the community and providing us with a better economy."

Nkemka Anyruo's main worry is the quality of America's education system. Anyruo is in her first year at the University of Maryland, College Park, majoring in African American Studies. "We need more money to educate the youth," Anyruo said. "We

spend more money on military defense and it is a major issue. The budget for education is decreasing. Public schools aren't being funded the way they should be. We are not competing at the levels of other countries on an academic level."

A study done by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) researchers ranked the United States No. 18 out of 24 nations. The ranking was based on the relative effectiveness of the nation's education system comparing each nation's performance. "My peers feel they are making a change in the world by casting their votes," Anyruo said.

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There will also be a number of students who will remain on Howard's campus to help organize the masses of information that will be submitted throughout the day from the reporters and photographers that are at different sites. Their jobs will be just as important as those who leave campus, according to adjunct Prof. Ron Harris, director of convergence for the effort.

"Some students will create packages solely about first time voters," Harris said. "Other students will be responsible for organizing packages on older voters for example."

Yanick Rice Lamb, a journalism professor, said there are many different aspects to this project. According to Lamb, some students will be working with Final Cut Pro software, uploading stories, finding links, posting blogs and multimedia database reporting.

"We will function as any other working news organization to cover this election," Lamb said. "Everything that everyone does will be important."

Not only is this a historical election, but students will be receiving first-hand experience in their professions.

"As time goes on, people will continue to see changes in the journalism world," Lamb said. "This project will utilize media convergence in every aspect and help our students use the right media to tell the story."

There are also some students who have returned home to vote. They will be doing coverage from their hometowns.

Sophomore public relations major Victoria Thomas is from Chicago. She will be attending the invite-only viewing party with Obama and his family in Grant Park in downtown Chicago.

"I am so excited to have the chance to do this because this is a once-in-a-lifetime

experience," Thomas said. "I will be taking pictures and interviewing many people and hopefully I will get a chance to speak with Senator Obama himself."

Every professor in the journalism department is responsible for editing students' work and students will be assigned to a specific editor who will help them throughout the day with their assignments. "In order to be effective, students will have to call their editors at least every 20 minutes," Harris said. "They will have to file their work early and often."

This election project is the vision of Phillip Dixon, chairman of the Department of Journalism, Lamb, Harris, Ingrid Sturgis and Peggy Lewis, all professors in the journalism department. The professors spent several weeks to plan the historic project.

Many of the professors involved in this project said that it is going to be very beneficial for their students.

"This is probably the most historic election in a lifetime," said Lewis, director of broadcast for the project. "Who wouldn't want to cover it?"

Local Elections on the Backburner

In light of today's presidential election, congressional candidates vie for limelight

BY GENET LAKEW
Staff Writer

Today, voters will flock to the polls to select the next generations of leaders. But for local elections, some voters lack knowledge of the crucial issues and candidates' platforms to cast a sound vote. Abortion, health care and the economy are some of the keys issues voters will consider as they select a presidential candidate. Although much focus and emphasis is placed on voting for a presidential candidate, Nov. 4 is also a day to select various officials. Voters in the D.C., Maryland and Virginia area may not always be knowledgeable about these different positions that will affect them.

"I know of very, very few people who are running for other state positions," said Ashley Strickland, a sophomore biology major and Woodbridge, Va. resident. Although she is not quite sure about which Virginia senators, gov-

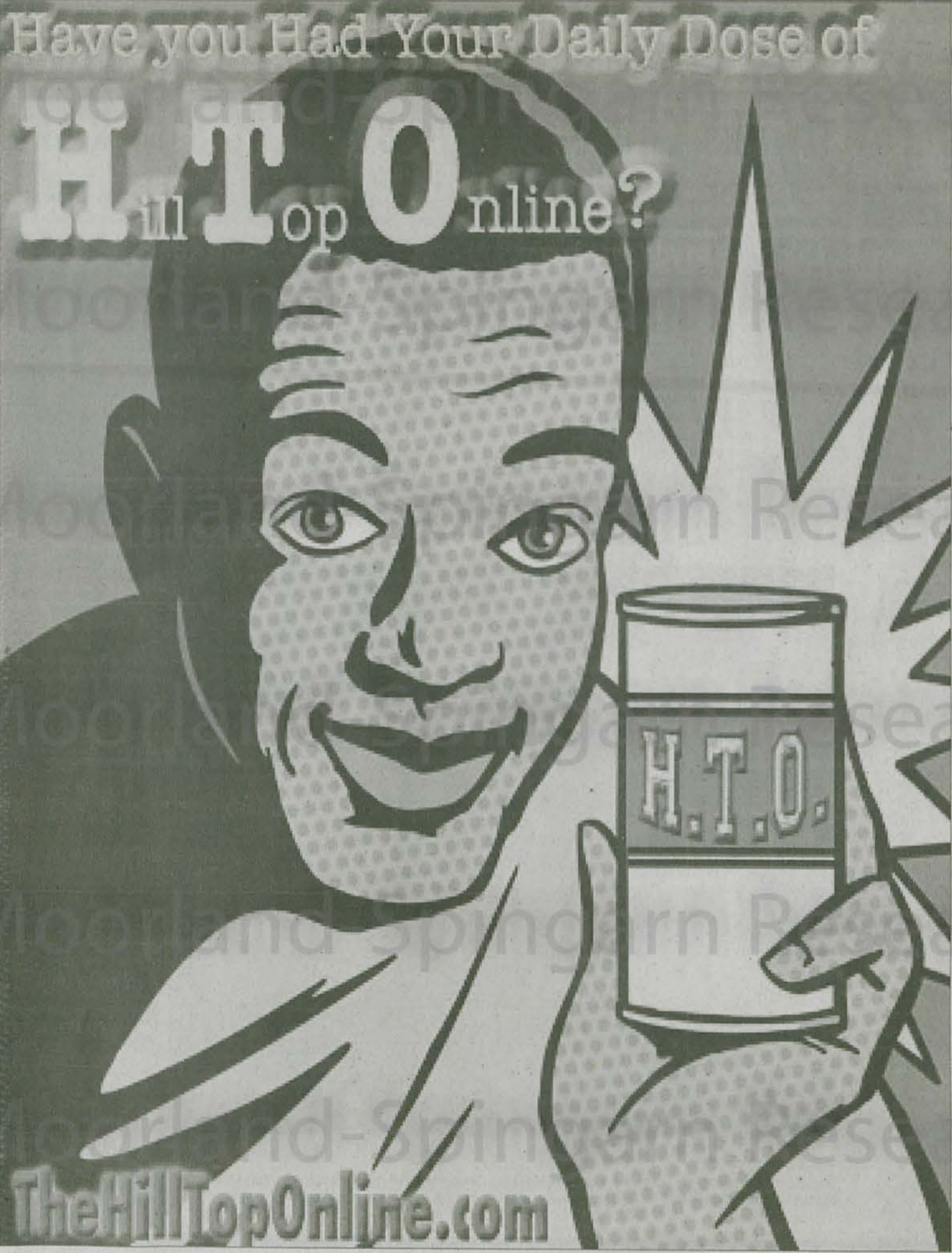
ernors and attorney generals are up for election, Strickland has chosen a presidential candidate. "Although I disagree on issues with both Democrat Barack Obama and the GOP candidate John McCain, I am voting for Obama because his general campaign aligns with who I feel should be taking office, based on the current state of our nation as well as my personal faith," Strickland said. Andrea Jaimes, a 19-year-old Arlington, Va. resident, will be exercising her voting rights for the first time in the upcoming election. She too is confident in her choice of America's next commander in chief and knows why she is voting for that person. Jaimes has also had exposure to the candidates in her state. "I am knowledgeable to the other presidential names that will be appearing on the ballot on voting day," Jaimes said. "I know the basic candidates and their platforms."

Although Jaimes is fully aware of the candidates of the presidential election, she does not have in-depth

information about the local election. "I've only seen the names of candidates on the local level a few times and am not nearly as knowledgeable as to their platforms," Jaimes said. "I don't feel I've had as much exposure to issues relating to my state as to the national issue[s]."

Besides presidential hopefuls, the ballot will contain names of candidates hoping to represent Virginia or Maryland in the U.S. Congress. Voters may also vote for county board members who are responsible for dealing with local issues. According to the Arlington, Va. Web site, the board consists of five members who are "vested with its legislative powers." Board members in Arlington serve staggered four-year terms. School board officials are elected to make education decisions that will affect children and their parents. The members of the board govern policies pertaining to local schools and educational practices.

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TRUE LIFE: I Vote

BY ALEESA MANN
Life & Style Editor

For days, weeks, months, I've been caught up in the excitement of having a black man run for president, but nothing, nothing, *nothing*, compares to the actual moment, ballot in hand, when I colored in the circle next to Barack Obama's name.

Never in life did I believe that I would be able to vote for a black candidate in the first presidential election I would be eligible to vote in. It's like landing a high-paying job right out of undergrad; it almost never happens, but when it does, you should take full advantage.

They say seeing is believing, but when I opened my absentee ballot and saw Obama's name, it was surreal. As if, were I to close my eyes and open them again, it would all be gone. No ballot, no Obama.

I feel like this is one of the opportunities my generation has to do something proactive for the African-American community on a large scale. While my parents, although young, went through the Civil Rights movement, and my grandparents rallied around Rosa Parks and Emmitt Till, this is our chance to imprint ourselves in the history books of future generations.

I couldn't go through life saying I didn't support the first black candidate running for president as the nominee for a major party. Not to say all black people should vote for him because he's black, but if your principles align, there's no reason not to.

I can imagine it's one of those stories for your grandkids, the kind that starts: "When I was your age..." and leave them hoping that they too can do something to better their community.

Anyway, I fill out the ballot, fold it up and walk to the post office. I say walk, because outwardly that was what I was doing, but on the inside I was sprinting, flipping, rockin' and rollin' the couple of blocks from the Towers to the A building.

You know those truth commercials where they burst out into song? That was me. I was tempted to grab the people that were walking past me and yell out "I got my ballot, I got my ballot!!!! I'm voting!! Have you??? But for the sake of appearing sane, I didn't.

I get to the post office and hand in my envelope. The postal worker asks me, "Is that all?"

Is that all? *Is that all?* I thought. NO! It's just the beginning. This is my ballot and I'm voting for Obama!!! I wanted to scream, but again I refrained from giving in to the internal combustion that was going on in my mind. Instead, I simply said "yes." But in the excitement of it all, I said it a little too loud and he probably thought I was being rude. Regardless, I can say I have voted, and nothing I've done in my life has given me such a sense of civic engagement.

The moment is mine, is ours, and nothing can take that away from us, the African-American community. No racist remarks, not assassination attempts, no ignorance can take away the achievements we have made in our history and those that we will make in our future. Why? Because we have the power to vote.

Mixed Families Overcome Cultural Differences

White mothers adjust to issues of hair care and racial prejudice when raising black daughters

BY JENERRA C. ALBERT
Staff Writer

Imagine looking into the eyes of a 6-year-old, black girl as she asks you, "When is your skin going to turn brown like mine?"

A number of years ago, this is the exact question that Jennifer Klotz received from her daughter, Katelyn. She was only 2 months old when Klotz, a white woman, adopted her.

Klotz is the Assistant Director of Adoptions Together, Inc. and oversees the placement of children up for adoption in homes.

Klotz expressed that raising a child in general is a fear, but adopting a child of another race and background heightened that fear.

"Raising a child of a different race is different," she said. "You may have to ask others for help."

Klotz said while raising Katelyn, she would get questions like, "Are you the babysitter? Or the nanny? How did she get that brown skin?" Questions that normal families don't get asked. It's gotten better over the years though," she said. "16 years ago it was a lot different."

Klotz was forced to make several adjustments in order to provide a safe and happy home for her daughter, where race would not be an issue.

She said that having a supportive and understanding community was essential to the growth of her daughter, considering the circumstances.

"If you don't live in a diverse or accepting community, that makes it an issue. You don't want your child to stick out," Klotz said. "Location plays a part in it; families in southern Maryland experience more [prejudices] because they stick out."

She said adopting a child requires a lot of support and education. "There is certain education that comes with adopting a child, but also around [the] trans-racial [aspect]," Klotz said. "How are you going to deal with your daughters identity?"

Besides outside prejudices, white mothers raising black daughters face challenges including hair care and skin care.

Klotz said she had to realize that the same products that worked on her hair would not necessarily work with Katelyn's hair.



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When it comes to parenting across racial lines, a supportive community has proved to be the key to success.

"I made sure that I purchased and kept the types of products that were good for her hair," she said. "I found out that I can't wash her hair everyday."

In learning to properly care for daughter's hair, Klotz explained that she went and bought a book and began to practice.

"[When I adopted a black daughter], I had to learn how to braid," she joked.

Sophomore business management major Felicia Gordon is of Jamaican and Caucasian descent. She experienced similar issues with her mother, who is white, and the upkeep of her hair in her younger years.

"When I was younger, my mom started my dreads in third grade because she got tired of having to put my hair into the typical ponytails and braids," Gordon said. "Instead, she put them in dreads and just learned to re-twist them."

Gordon, who is from Montclair, N.J., realized having a supportive community was beneficial to her biracial situation as well.

"If I went in the mall, it was a regular thing," she said. "There is a huge population of biracial families, so seeing me with my white mother was common. From my point of view, New Jersey appreciates my family's diversity."

Kandace Barker is a junior advertising major who was adopted by her white grandmother and has faced several racial stereotypes.

"I believe the struggle extends far beyond just the daughters of white mothers," Barker said. "I believe the identity problem is something that is inflicted by society and not necessarily the family. I hated to even tell people that my grandmother was white because people would assume that I was 'bragging' or [they would] automatically try to place a negative stereotype on me."

Barker admits to rejecting part of her heritage in order to escape being stereotyped.

"To this day, if anyone asks me if I am multiracial, I usually say no," Barker

said. "It's just easier that way."

For Barker, family relations were strained between the biracial and white children in the family.

"My grandmother definitely experienced prejudice from others, including her children from her previous marriage to a white man," Barker said. "It was very rare that her biracial children interacted with her white children."

Klotz said that it is absolutely necessary that the extended family of the adopted family be accepting of the child, whether it is an aunt, niece, cousin or grandparent, they should all be respecting of the child.

Also, the parent must be willing to stand up for his or her child.

"If you don't do it, nobody else will," Klotz said. "Families must be willing to [adapt], willing to learn about their child's race, culture and ethnicity and expose them to as much diversity as you can. It takes a lot of sacrifice to adopt and if you aren't willing, you probably shouldn't be doing it."

Energy Drinks Cause Energy Boost, Health Risks

BY LENDORA WASHINGTON
Contributing Writer

Kristen Jones, a junior psychology major, was looking forward to yet another rough and tiresome day. Between schoolwork, organizational meetings and her upcoming test, time wasn't the only thing she was lacking — she was also running on empty and needed a significant energy boost.

With few options open, she called her friend exhausted, looking for some advice on staying awake for the remainder of the day.

Her friend advised her to drink an energy drink. She went to the nearest 7-Eleven and purchased a Chaser 5-Hour Energy shot. After taking the energy shot, she had a noticeable boost in energy. However, her body's reaction to the energy drink was more than she had bargained for.

"My hands started shaking, my eyes were jittery and my stomach hurt," Jones said. "It made me feel like I would never go to sleep again. That was the first and last time I used an energy drink."

Though this response isn't common, according to advertisements of the Chaser 5-Hour Energy shot, another young woman had a very similar experience.

"The energy drink made me restless," said Irene Harley, a sophomore speech pathology major. "My hands were shaking and I felt nauseated."

The ingredients listed on the bottle of Chaser 5-Hour Energy shot include taurine, caffeine and about 8333% of the daily allowance of the vitamin B12 and 1600% of B6, according to the editor of Energy Drink Re-

views. Chaser's commercial advertisement says that the boost in energy is caused by the vitamin B12.

"B12 will give you energy," said Dr. Rovenia Brock, a nutritionist and author of the national best-seller, *Dr. Ro's Ten Secrets to Living Healthy*. "Since the drink says it contains as much caffeine as a cup of coffee, I'm pretty sure most of the energy is derived from the caffeine."

A cup of coffee contains about 65 mg of caffeine. A few of the most popular energy drinks such as Impulse, Red Bull, Naughty Boy and V, contain about 80-88 mg of caffeine per 8.5 ounces. This can be compared to the 44 mg found in a drink of Coca-Cola of the same measurement.

"Caffeine speeds up your heart and is not good for anyone to consume in large quantities," said Brock.

Other brands of energy drinks promise increased agility, endurance and — of course — energy. These promises undoubtedly appeal to the energy-driven society of today.

"What these drinks do is give a surge of energy, which lasts for a couple of hours and then results in an energy crash," Brock said. "There is also a high use among students who try to stay up and study for exams. Young people that are clubbing use it for an extra boost of energy."

According to Canada's Minister of Health, Tony Clement, improper use of energy drinks, such as intake with alcohol or in greater quantities than recommended, can result in health risks.

According to the Australian Drug Foundation's Drug Info Clearinghouse, the effects of combining energy drinks

with alcohol could be a risky mix, being they are a depressant and a stimulant. There have been reports of young people dying, associated with the effects of mixing alcohol and energy drinks.

There are health risks specific to women, when consuming large amounts of caffeine in these drinks.

Brock said, "Caffeine leaches Vitamin C and Calcium within a woman's body."

According to Medline Plus Medication, Vitamin C is a water-soluble vitamin that is necessary for normal growth and development. The human body does not manufacture or store Vitamin C on its own, so it's important in one's diet.

Calcium is equally important because it is one of the most important minerals for the growth, maintenance and reproduction of the human body.

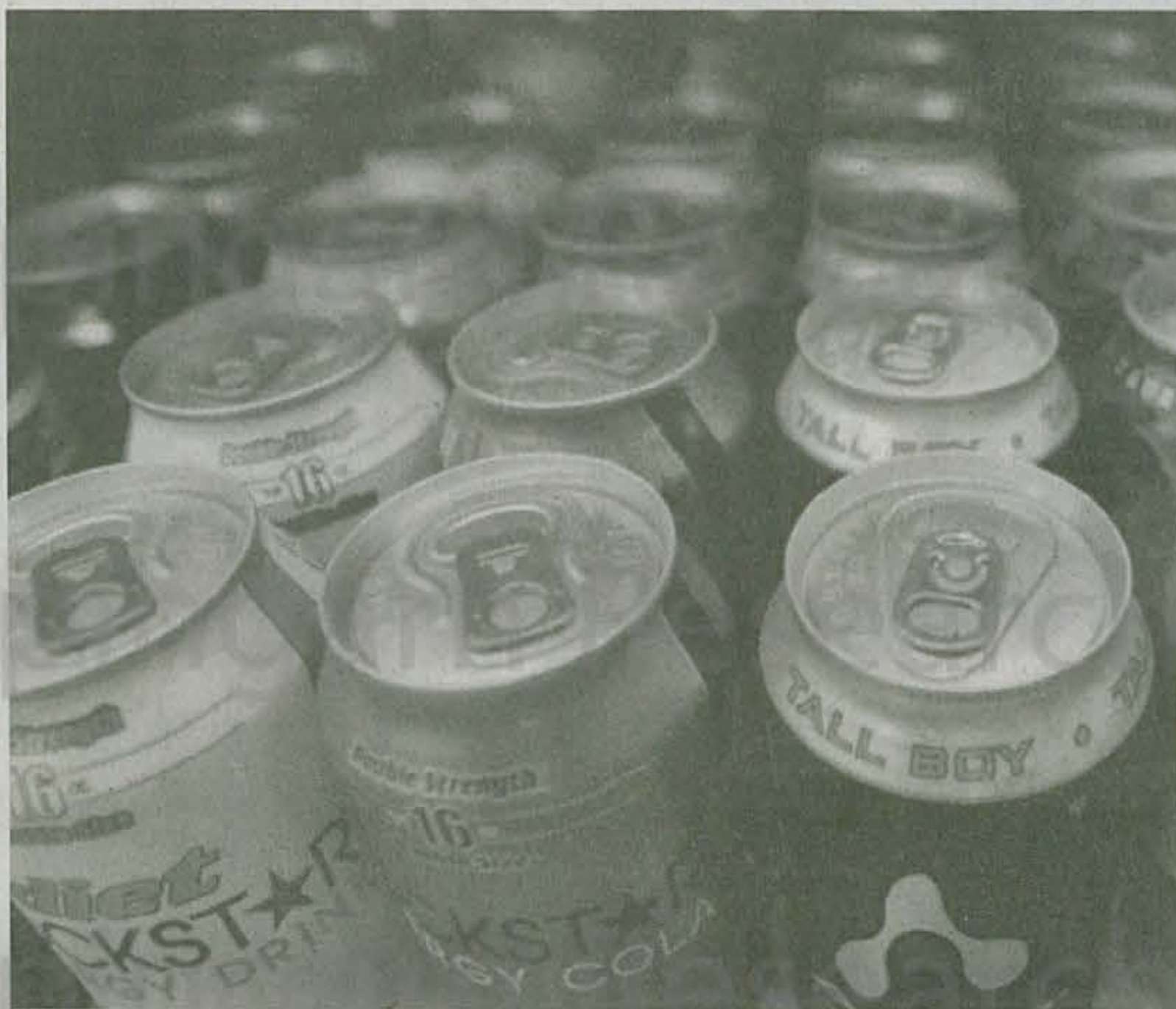
Consuming large amounts of caffeine also poses a lesser known — but equally significant — health risk.

"Caffeine increases the cyst growth within women with fibrocystic breast," Brock said. "This can make it difficult to read mammograms, which detect breast cancer."

Women who are pregnant should also avoid the large amounts of caffeine often found in energy drinks. Within the first three months of pregnancy, high amounts of caffeine can cause miscarriage and difficult child birth or can result in lower-weight babies later in pregnancy.

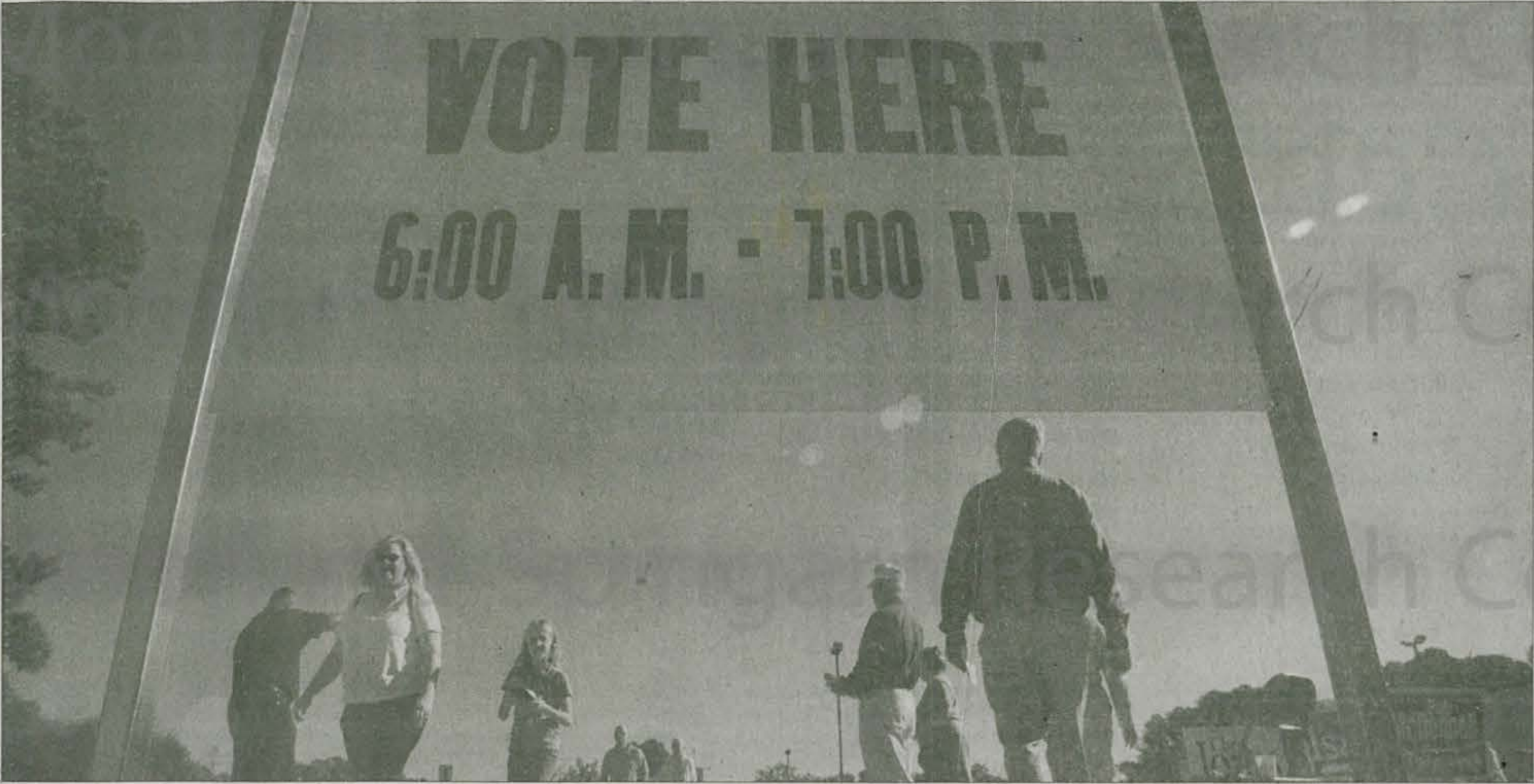
Brock suggests more natural and safer alternatives to gain energy, which would provide an overall healthier lifestyle.

"If it's energy that you need, change your diet and increase the amount of time you exercise," Brock said. "However, for an instant boost in energy, you could get a smoothie with a side of spirulina and fresh water algae."



Laura Morton-Seattle Times (MCT)

Energy drinks can cause health problems in people who drink them. This can especially occur with the intake of energy drinks and alcoholic beverages together. Dr. Brock suggests alternatives for boosting energy besides drinking energy drinks.



Adm. Stricker - Newport News Daily Press (MCT)

Though Virginia has voted Republican in the presidential elections since 1964, it has become a battleground state in this year's election. Neither Sen. Obama nor Sen. McCain has had an overwhelming amount of support in Virginia.

Obama, McCain Duel in Virginia, a New Swing State

BY CRYSTAL COOPER
Contributing Writer

Sen. Barack Obama (D-Ill.) and Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) are dueling to win several battleground states. Among them is Virginia, a first-time swing state in the election.

Virginia holds 13 of the 270 electoral votes needed to win the presidency and will likely be decided by a small margin of victory if polls are indeed accurate.

Virginia is recognized as a conservative "red" state that hasn't voted for a Democratic presidential candidate since 1964. McCain's goal this year has been keeping the state red by preserving the Southern conservative base and swaying liberal Northern Virginians to vote Republican. Obama, on the other hand, hopes to create a blue Virginia this time around.

Although the state is rooted in conservatism, neither candidate has overwhelming support in the state. In fact, recent polls show Obama holding a slight edge, though the extent of the lead varies. The CNN/Time poll conducted between Oct. 23 and 28 show Obama with a nine-point lead, 53 to 44. On Oct. 26, Fox News/Rasmussen showed McCain only trailing by four points, 51 to 47.

Obama's Virginia Campaign Spokesman Clark Stevens said that although Virginia hasn't elected a Democrat for president in 44 years, Democrats Mark Warner and Tim Kaine were both elected governors in 2001 and 2005.

"Both Warner and Kaine have similar qualities to Obama," Stevens said. "These include having an independent record and using bipartisanship to tackle issues."

However, neither of these gubernatorial races resulted in a landslide vic-

tory. In 2001, Mark Warner won 52 percent of the votes while Republican Mark Earley received 47 percent, according to USelectionatlas.org. These statistics are similar to polls that show a single-digit difference between McCain and Obama.

All Northern Virginia counties, including Prince William, Warren, Page and Culpeper, voted for Warner in 2001, with the exception of Fairfax County. At McCain's Sept. 10 rally in Fairfax, he asked the Fairfax citizens to remain loyal to the Republican party.

"The Commonwealth of Virginia is a battleground state," McCain shouted. "We must win it, and we will win it!"

Though Tim Kaine became governor in 2005, Southern Virginia counties such as Roanoke and Lee voted for Republican Jerry Kilgore.

Varying demographics in the northern and southern parts of the state contribute to the differing opinions.

Northern Virginia is more developed, with cities such as Arlington and Alexandria and the affluent, suburban Tyson's Corner. Southern Virginia, on the other hand, is rural, with vast farmland. The region also includes to the state capital Richmond, home of the White House of the Confederacy.

Despite these distinctions, spokesman Stevens thinks that, like voters in other swing states, Virginians have seen the failed policies of the last eight years. Whether they are Northern or Southern, liberal or conservative, all Virginians want the same thing: accessible health care, better education and lower taxes.

Not all Virginians support Obama's methods of achieving such goals. Lea Colburn, a freshman at George Mason University in Fairfax County, is a proud Libertarian who supports McCain. The slogan headlined at the top of Lp.org, the Libertarian Party Web site, describes

her view: "Smaller Government. Lower Taxes. More Freedom."

"As a Libertarian, the economy is one of my most important issues," Colburn said. "For years, McCain has been against the pork-barrel spending that has caused this unheard of national debt."

She continued, "My family is middle-class and considered rich by Obama when, in fact, most of our money goes to taxes and paying off a normal-sized house."

Howard sophomore Agnes Erskine, a Northern Virginia native, thought differently.

"Although Virginia has been pretty conservative in the past, I think this election has brought to light some things that have obviously been done wrong in the past years," she said.

Erskine late said that all of her friends plan to vote for Obama.



Jeff Sner - Charlotte Observer (MCT)

Students have participated in rallies and phonebanked at Obama's D.C. headquarters in order to prepare voters for Election Day.

Students Gear Up for Last-Minute Preparations at Obama Headquarters

BY CHAZZTEN PETTIFORD
Contributing Writer

With Homecoming and midterms behind them, students are volunteering at the Obama campaign headquarters in D.C. to prepare for the election.

The office, located at 803 Florida Ave., N.W., less than two blocks from Howard University Hospital, allows students to volunteer between classes.

Students have been flowing through the office throughout the day, and some come in teams in the evenings, according to Sammie Whiting-Ellis, a volunteer. Howard students have participated in rallies, canvassed and turned out in large numbers during the primaries.

"Howard is Obamaland," Whiting-Ellis said.

The D.C. headquarters' goal is to make sure every Obama supporter turns out to vote.

Their focus is on Virginia, a major battleground state in the election

with 13 electoral votes.

Jae Murphy, a sophomore broadcast journalism major, volunteered for the first time on Tuesday.

"I decided to volunteer at the Obama D.C. headquarters because I wanted to not just be a voter to say I voted [in] the upcoming election, but I wanted to be a voter that made a great contribution and played a key role as [a] U.S. citizen," Murphy said.

Student volunteers staff the phones, canvass in neighborhoods and participate in the "Get Out the Vote" initiative.

Murphy was introduced to phonebanking, where he was given a list of the names and telephone numbers of local residents who expressed interest in supporting the Obama campaign.

"I had to call them, greet them, thank them for supporting Obama and inquire if they would like to join us...to go on the organized canvass trips to Virginia this weekend," Murphy said.

Senior political science major Sajdah Bryant has been volunteering at

the office for more than a month, four times a week.

She also volunteered at the 2008 Democratic National Convention in Denver and at Wednesday's Obama rally in Leesburg, Va.

She learned about the office through an e-mail and said that her experience as a volunteer has been "great."

"I love being with Obama supporters," Bryant said. "It's like a utopia." Bryant also does phonebanking.

Almost every room in the three-level building, including the basement, is occupied by volunteers.

Students from other local colleges and universities also volunteer. Jessica Rodriguez, a freshman pre-med major at Northern Virginia Community College, drives to the office on weekdays and Saturdays.

Rodriguez leads GOTV at the Obama D.C. headquarters.

"There is never a boring day in the office," she said. "It's fun and you meet a lot of people."



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Mark Long is running for city council at-large. He said he has a "desire to serve."

Long is a Change Agent With Passion for District

BY ASHLEY MASON-GREENE
Contributing Writer

Barack Obama and John McCain are not the only men promising to bring change to Washington.

Mark Long, a candidate for city council at-large, hopes to do the same. The native Washingtonian and Morehouse-bred candidate is confident in his ability to bring change to the city.

"I have a sincere passion and desire to serve," Long said.

He wants to continue improvement of the District's schools, increase public safety and improve health care and health-related services for all citizens. He is also concerned with economic development as well as social services and wants to make Washington, D.C. a "greener" city.

"I have experience working with small businesses and have worked with a lot of youth and churches," Long said. He also has worked for Congressman Julian Dixon and Senator Edward Kennedy.

"I know how good the education system was at one time," Long said. I went to D.C. public schools and it got me to where I wanted to go."

Long was a student at Wilson High School and lived in Ward 7. He

is running for office city-wide, but acknowledges Ward 7's specific needs.

"Ward 7 has the greatest gap between the wealthiest and the poorest in D.C.," Long said. "My concern is, 'how are we addressing this gap?'"

Ward 7 also has the most underdeveloped land which Long sees as a great opportunity for economic development.

Today, Long and six other candidates will vie for the two open spots for city council at-large. In a letter written by Will Stephens, commissioner of the Dupont Circle Advisory Commission, Stephens urges Washingtonians to consider Long.

He said, "[Long] displayed intellectual honesty," and he "hopes [they] take a look at Mark Long before making [their] decisions."

Others around the District also appreciate Long's heartfelt passion and are looking forward to seeing him win the election.

Mary Smith, a resident of Ward 7, said, "I can tell he is genuine and not just into the party of politics."

Jordan Banks, a local college student said, "I went to one of the debates and Mr. Long was definitely one of the best candidates. I really hope he gets one of the seats."



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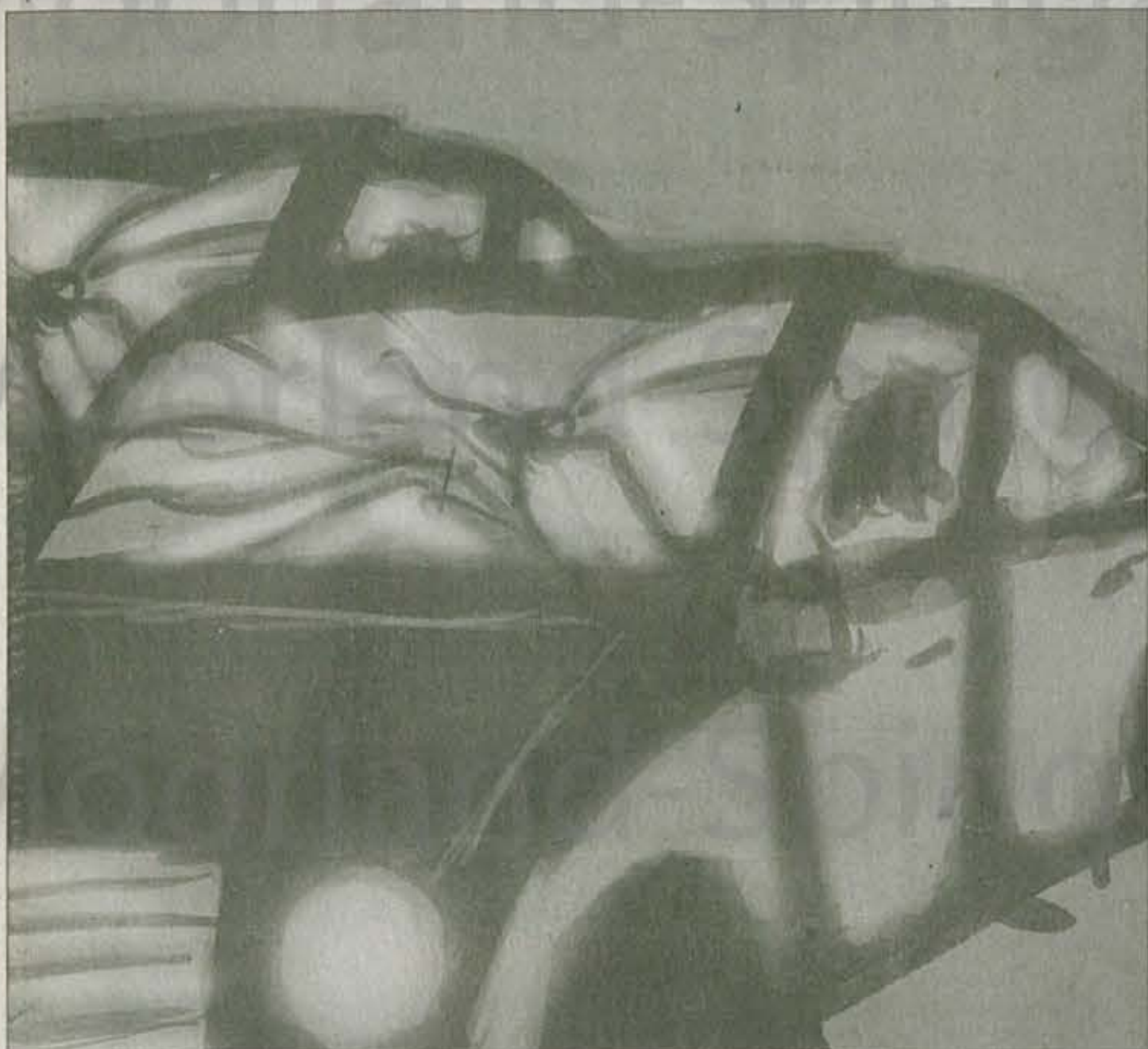
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Vandalism Issues Give Rise to Campus Security Concerns

Throughout the year, car vandalism on Howard's campus has remained an ongoing issue and despite this continuing problem, little has been done to improve the surveillance and security of parking lots across campus.

Last week, nearly 30 cars were broken into, 17 of which were broken into in one night in the Plaza Towers' parking lot.

How is it that 17 cars can be broken into in one night and the assailant go unnoticed? Students pay hundreds of dollars annually to obtain parking permits, but some of us end up having to pay for car repairs in addition the parking fee. This is simply unacceptable.

In addition to enhancing police security, drastic facility changes should also be made. Parking lot accessibility should be limited to students and security

only. Those wishing to enter the gate should have to show proper identification to the person working at the entrance of the lot. In order for this to work, there needs to be a gate installed at all parking lots, especially behind the Towers.

Our View:

Students should speak up about the necessity of better security and hold authorities accountable.

Lights should also be installed in each of the campus parking lots so that anyone attempting to break into a car can be easily noticed.

Students should also make efforts to improve the safety around campus and this involves holding the campus police department accountable for our expecta-

tions.

If they host a "Put it On Blast" types of forums, then you should attend. Unless we express our growing concerns, no one will know that we are as discontent as we are. While some things, like the increase in car vandalism and theft, are obvious, other grievances will go unnoticed as well, unless we exercise our rights as students.

Requesting that the security be enhanced on and around campus is a simple request that we should be guaranteed throughout the year.

Many of us are thousands of miles away from home and safety is a top concern of our families. Although no one has been hurt during these incidents, it is only a matter of time before a student may be injured. Before this occurs, these improvements need to be made.

Perspective

Student Leaders Fail to Inspire Free Thought

Election 2008, one of the most contested, and no doubt, historical elections in Generation Y's lifetime has finally come to a close.

This perspective is addressed to not only the campus community, but to student leaders (elected and non-elected), *The Hilltop* and various student organizations that did not use this election to show what college is about: "the opportunity for free thought."

This means that student leaders, journalists, faculty and student organizations should help foster free thought and open debate, without imposing rhetoric based on their own personal views.

I have been critical of *The Hilltop* in the past and I have the utmost respect for its staff, yet the opportunity was missed to be the one objective voice on campus to provide just the facts — not opinion. Meaning, whether or not you're rooting for Obama, still report stories about Tony Rezko, Bill Ayres (who some Hilltop staffers have never heard of) and a mannequin dressed as Sarah Palin hanging from a noose, which some individuals found offensive.

You also should not question why a certain candidate is still "running" without providing

facts, or allowing for rebuttal. As a very wise journalist once said to me, "When it comes time to report a story, all personal biases and feelings attached the story must be left behind." I know that this may anger some people in the editorial office at the *The Hilltop*, but it is only a perspective.

Additionally, I didn't understand why student organizations were so pressed about traveling to Virginia to turn that state blue, when the District of Columbia doesn't even have voting rights in Congress.

Why not help the community that many student leaders are using as a personal launching pad? The concern was not of student leaders trying to get people to register to vote; they were attempting to tell the people of Virginia who to vote for.

Most of the "leaders" failed to realize that you disenfranchise people when you tell them which candidate is best for them, without understanding that person's background and what goes on within their own communities and their own homes.

Within the last month or so, several "make-shift" efforts at fair and balanced panel discussions have sprung up around the campus of Howard University.

A point of advice, balanced

doesn't mean a one-staunch liberal, Dr. Carr (for whom I have the greatest respect), and a self-called "moderate" all seated on a panel, with questions geared towards bashing the Republican Party.

Furthermore, the audience should be more mature and not shout out and interrupt a person who has an opinion different than their own. Of course the most "politically conscious" people on campus can't even name one of their two U.S. Senators (I think this is something that history professors need to look in to).

The point of this perspective was not to rant, but only to point out that if we are going to be "leaders in the global community," the first step that you must take is fostering open thought and respecting a person regardless of who they vote for and which initiatives they choose to support.

As the next four years of a new presidency begins on Jan. 20, 2009, be aware that no change has not and will not be made, unless individuals are willing to work toward it. At the moment, "Change" and "Country First" are nothing more than campaign slogans.

— Steven M. Page, senior Radio-TV-film major

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