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From the President

Greetings! It is my great honor to be your president for the 2002–2003 year, and I look forward to working with the Executive Council during my tenure in office. As North Carolina and the country mourn the innocent loss of lives on September 11th, please join me in remembering them. While we help others understand and grapple with the tragedy through our community services, the annual meetings provide a forum for our own understanding of this and other local, state, and international issues.

The North Carolina Political Science Association (NCPSA) will hold its Thirty-Second Annual Meeting at Elon University, Elon, March 21–22, 2003. The Program Chair is Don Livingston (828–227–3808, dlivings@wcu.edu); Rudolf Zarzar (336–278–6426, zarzar@elon.edu) is the host institution contact person. You can download the membership (institutional and individual) and conference (participation and registration) forms from the NCPSA web site (<http://www.apsanet.org/~ncpsa>). Please, send your conference proposals to Don Livingston and membership (calendar year) and registration fees to the Treasurer, Andrew Dowdle (910–672–1247, Andrew.Dowdle@uncfsu.edu). Also, please send announcements to the Web Master, Frank Trapp (910–521–6447, frank.trapp@uncp.edu), and Newsletter Editor, David Thornton (910–893–1488, thornton@mailcenter.campbell.edu).

I look forward to working with the Executive Council in three areas: professional excellence, membership growth, and transparency. In continuing our tradition of excellence, I would like us to consider conference paper sale as an additional step in giving a professional image to our annual meetings. Not only would the discussants have completed papers, but also attendees can benefit from a copy. I hope to work with the Executive Council to more effectively reach out to our colleagues in the Community Colleges. By the same token, we need to diversify the decision-making process in regard to ethnicity and gender. However, that warrants new members running for office, including committee membership. In addition to the bi-annual Newsletter, periodic updating of the web page allows us to keep the general membership informed about changes in rules and regulations, including the constitutional process. Given that the responsibilities are accessible through the internet, I would like us to consider posting the Nomination Form for Executive Council position openings.

Wish you a pleasant and productive year. Look forward to seeing you in Elon in March 2003.

Rolin G. Mainuddin
North Carolina Central University

In Memory of Dr. Charles Stevens
1995-96 President of the North Carolina Political Science Association

It has been almost one year now since Charles Stevens, the 1995-96 President of the North Carolina Political Science Association, succumbed to cancer and passed away. He was planning to enter phased retirement in the fall of 2001. Charles was one of the most courageous individuals and one of the most decent men that I have ever known. He continues to be thought of and missed here on the Western campus and in the local community. The following is a tribute to our dear friend.

Charles Stevens received his Ph.D. from Duke University. He joined the faculty here at Western Carolina University in 1969, one year after completing a one-year term appointment at The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina. He thus moved from what many South Carolinians consider to be the Holy City on the eastern seaboard to Cullowhee, which is located in the beautiful mountains of western North Carolina, to begin in earnest his career in the field of higher education. At that time, Cullowhee was light years away and very different from the garden state of New Jersey, where Charles was born and raised. One can only imagine the cultural shock that Charles and his wife, Christine, must have experienced during that first year in rural and isolated Jackson County. Yet they liked what they found here enough to settle and raise two fine sons.

Charles was the reticent, methodical, and tactful one in a Department comprised of such colorful and beloved characters as Professor Bill Latimer and Dr. Salvatore Nerboso, two of his more opinionated and outspoken colleagues. But faculty and administrators listened closely to what Charles had to say when he spoke, because they knew that Charles had done his homework and was prepared to offer an informed opinion on the matter at hand. Charles, a student of diplomacy, understood that it was more prudent, whenever conditions allowed, to reflect than to react. His credibility and fair-minded approach in dealing with sensitive issues enabled him to bring people together and influence decisions. Charles was a strong advocate for his department, but he was also a statesman in that he acknowledged and respected the legitimate interests of other departments, even when such interests came into conflict with his department's interests.

Charles, whose area of expertise was international relations, did a remarkable job of "covering the world" for the Political Science Department for more than three decades. Conflict resolution and the rights of refugees in wartime were topics at the top of his research agenda. Charles earned the rank of Professor and served with distinction as the Head of his Department for four years. He was a delightful, conscientious, and supportive colleague who possessed a keen intellect, a sense of humor, and a biting wit. Charles Stevens was a true intellectual, and the epitome of a good university citizen.

C. Don Livingston
Associate Dean
College of Arts and Sciences
Western Carolina University

CALL FOR PAPERS

32ND ANNUAL MEETING

NORTH CAROLINA POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION (NCPSA)

March 21-22 2003
Elon University

Program Theme: America at War: New World, New Challenges, and Old Problems

The NCPSA invites participation in its annual conference, and invites proposals for papers, panels and roundtable discussions from all fields of political science. The participation of students is welcome and encouraged, however, proposals from undergraduates should be recommended by a faculty member. To submit a proposal for a paper or panel, please fill out and mail in the completed Conference Participation Form (in this newsletter), along with a one-page abstract to:

C. Don Livingston
Department of Political Science and Public Affairs
Western Carolina University
Stillwell 201-D
Cullowhee, NC 28723

Panels proposed (so far) and the names of chairpersons:

Congressional Politics and Elections (David Sutton at Appalachian State University)

Global Politics (Niall Michelsen at Western Carolina University)

Islamic Fundamentalism (Rudy Zarzar at Elon University)

Judicial Process and Politics (Ruth Ann Strickland at Appalachian State University)

Local Government and Politics (Marty Sellers at Campbell University)

North Carolina Politics (Chuck Prysby at UNC-Greensboro)

Politics and the Press (Andrew Dowdle at Fayetteville State University)

Public Policy (Gordon Mercer at Western Carolina University)

Southern Politics (Tom Eamon at East Carolina University)

The American Presidency (Jim Corey at High Point University)

The New Europe Panel (Betty Morgan at Elon University)

DEADLINE FOR CONFERENCE PROPOSAL: February 1 2003

NCPSA CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION FORM

March 21-22 2003 Elon University, Elon, NC

DEADLINE FOR CONFERENCE PROPOSAL: February 1 2002

In order to participate in the conference, you must pre-register for the conference AND become a member of NCPSA. Registration & Membership Forms are included in this newsletter and should be mailed directly to the Treasurer.

NAME: _____

RANK/DESIGNATION: _____ If STUDENT: ___ [G] ___ [U]

DEPARTMENT: _____

INSTITUTION: _____

MAILING ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE: (____) _____ - _____ (____) _____ - _____

FAX: (____) _____ - _____ E-MAIL: _____

I am interested in taking part in the 2003 NCPSA Annual Meeting in the following capacity (check all that apply):

_____ **Organize a PANEL. Theme:**

_____ **Present a PAPER. Title:**

_____ **Organize a ROUND TABLE. Theme:**

_____ **Serve as:** _____ **DISCUSSANT** _____ **CHAIR** _____ **MODERATOR**

Proposals for organized panels are particularly welcome. However, the organizer is expected to provide information for all the members along with the panel proposal. The same applies to a round table discussion. In submitting a paper/panel/round table proposal, the individual/group assumes the responsibility to attend the Conference upon acceptance by the Program Chair.

NCPSA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

RANK/DESIGNATION: _____ If STUDENT: ___ [G] ___ [U]

DEPARTMENT: _____

INSTITUTION: _____

OFFICE ADDRESS:

HOME ADDRESS (Optional): _____

TELEPHONE: [O] (_____) _____ - _____ [H] (_____) _____ - _____

FAX: (_____) _____ - _____ E-MAIL: _____

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE:

Please check one of the following:

	PRE-REGISTRATION*	REGISTRATION
FACULTY	_____ \$10	_____ \$15
STUDENT	_____ \$5	_____ \$10

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Make checks payable to NCPSA (North Carolina Political Science Association).

Send to: Andrew Dowdle

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Fayetteville State University

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*NOTE: Conference participants must PRE-REGISTER and become a MEMBER** of NCPSA by the February 28, 2003 deadline.

**Membership includes subscription to Politics & Policy and listing in the NCPSA Membership Directory.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP FORM
North Carolina Political Science Association

NAME: _____

RANK/DESIGNATION: _____ If STUDENT: ___ [G] ___ [U]

DEPARTMENT: _____

INSTITUTION: _____

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FIELD(S) OF
SPECIALIZATION: _____

MEMBERSHIP FEE (Calendar Year) * **Includes subscription to Politics & Policy** *

_____ Faculty \$25

_____ Retired Faculty \$20

_____ Student \$15

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INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIP FORM
North Carolina Political Science Association

DATE: _____

CHAIRPERSON: _____

TITLE (Other than Chair): _____

DEPARTMENT: _____

INSTITUTION: _____

ADDRESS: _____

_____ CITY: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: (_____) _____ - _____ FAX: (_____) _____ - _____

NO. OF FACULTY: _____ (Full time) _____ (Part-time)

N. C. STATE COURIER NO. (If applicable): _____

INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIP FEE: * Includes subscription to Politics & Policy *

Please, check one of the following:

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| _____ Two-year institution | \$25 |
| _____ Department with 3 or fewer faculty members | \$25 |
| _____ Department with 4 or more faculty members | \$50 |
| _____ Sponsoring*** Department | \$100 |

**All institutions will be recognized in the membership listing.

***Receives special recognition in the membership listing.

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FALL 2002 NEWSLETTER

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