Ford, Lewis seek presidency

Ford qualifies and has interest in students

Donnie Ford, a senior from Jacksonville, is a candidate for the office of SGA President. He is majoring in Accounting and minoring in Economics and ROTC.

Ford serves as Treasurer of the Student Accounting Association. He is also a member of Scabbard and Blade and the Rangers. His interests include "all sports."

Ford feels qualified to seek the office of President, first because he has met all the qualifications and requirements set forth for the office by the election committee.

He also cites his interest in the student body and desires to work for it.

When asked his reason for seeking this office, Ford replies, "Basically, I would hope that by attaining this office I would be able to use it in such a way as would be beneficial to the entire JSU student body.

Questioned about what he would hope to accomplish, he answers, "Perhaps most importantly, I would direct my efforts toward making the relationships between students and the Administration stronger.

"In relation to the students, he feels that the SGA should be "to preside over SGA functions and to use whatever influence the office gives me to implement the desires of the student body."

Ford feels that the SGA should "know the wants, needs, and opinions of the students, articulate them to the Administration, City Government, etc., and effective in some cases and useless in others. He considers apathy, both on the part of students and on the part of the administration to be the main obstacle to the total success of the SGA."

According to Ford, the proper relationship between the SGA and the Administration "should be one of cooperation."

In relation to the students, he feels that the SGA should be "a tool by which to articulate student desires and implement desirable changes."

Ford feels that, for the most part, the actions of the SGA have demonstrated the responsiveness to the student body's wishes. He believes, however, that in some cases the SGA's efforts to find out the student body's wishes have been "inadequate."

Ford expresses strong views on student apathy. He states, "The only effective way to combat student apathy is to provide the student with representation which he can trust to work for him. Apathy comes only from the belief that one's opinions carry no weight. The SGA could decrease apathy by insuring that student opinion does carry weight in the formulation of university policy."

Lewis seeks to serve—enjoys public service

Don Lewis, the current SGA Vice-President, is seeking the office of SGA President. He is a senior from Talladega and is majoring in P. E. and minoring in Economics.

Lewis has held various offices on campus—Justice of the Men's Judicial Court, Chairman of the Traffic Committee, and Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, and dorm Homecoming Chair. He also served as a dormitory counselor and a SCOAG. He has received the honor of being included in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. His activities include participation in intramural basketball and softball.

Lewis is seeking the President's office to serve the students and because he enjoys the type of public-service work the job requires.

If elected, Lewis will work to get a Bad Check Bureau set up which would "keep local merchants from arresting a student who writes a bad check." He will also work to get more money for intramural sports, to get academic scholarships, and to get people involved.

In criticism of past SGA Presidents, Lewis states that they "were not willing to talk in reasonable terms to accomplish goals." He feels the purpose of the office should be "to run an efficient student service, i.e. the Student Government Association."

The purpose of the SGA, Lewis feels should be "to do as much as possible to make the life of the student better while at this institution." He is his belief that before this year the SGA has not been effective in this, but that it has been so this year. He sees the main obstacle of the past as unwillingness on the part of the administration and on the part of the student to compromise. He feels that in the past year "simple reason" has "diminished" this obstacle.

Lewis sees the SGA as the "middle man" between the Administration and the students. The Administration exists "to run an educational institution," and the students are necessary for such an institution.

Lewis feels that the actions of the present SGA have, in fact, demonstrated the SGA's responsiveness to the student body's wishes. "We have tried to do whatever the student majority wants," he stated.

To combat student apathy, Lewis suggests "combating the apathy in the leadership of the school as a whole."
Two vie for SGA vice-presidency

**McBay:**

Gary McBay, who will be a graduate student after this semester, is running for the office of vice-president. Gary is a graduate of the West Limestone High School of Athens, Alabama, and is majoring in Physical Education and minor in history.

McBay is a former president of the PE major’s club of the John C. Calhoun Junior College where he also served as an advisor to the entertainment committee. At JSU, he has been named “Who’s Who”, and has been a member of the SGA senate for the past year. McBay served as Chairman of the SGA’s Mike Little Drive and is presently serving as a Collecting Agent for the CHANTICLEER.

McBay feels that he is qualified to run for the office of vice-president because he has been “associated with the SGA over the past year as the Senior Class resident senator and has worked with various committees as directed by the SGA president.” McBay feels that the fact that he has worked closely with the present vice-president is also an asset.

McBay seeks the office of vice-president primarily to "bring the SGA and the student body together." He also hopes to make the SGA the voice of the student body and to "cater to one group or faction of people, but to survey the wishes of the students as a whole and determine the student opinion in all areas of student life." He would survey not only the entertainment area at JSU, but would also survey "every area relevant to the students."

"The main purpose of the vice-president’s office,” McBay feels, "is to provide the student body with quality entertainment at the lowest possible cost to the students and to carry out any other duties as directed by the president."

McBay feels the SGA should be the official "voice" of the student body and that "there is room for improvement." McBay feels that the SGA should serve as a "go-between" for the students and Administration. "The wishes and desires of the students in all areas of school policy," he feels, "should be presented to the Administration by the Student Government. They should act as the representatives of the students."

McBay feels that the SGA has demonstrated a responsiveness to the student body’s desires to "some extent." However, he does feel that "there is room for improvement."

McBay feels that the key to combat student apathy is for the SGA to gain the confidence of the students as their elected representative body.

**Holman:**

Mike Holman, a junior from Rockford, is seeking the office of vice-president. Mike is a graduate of the Coosa County High School and is majoring in management and minor in economics.

Holman was elected as his high school’s Junior Class President and Senior Class Representative. He served as delegate to the Lion Club’s Youth Conference and also as a delegate to the National Beta Club Convention. Holman is the recipient of an honorary college scholarship.

Holman feels that it is important for the SGA vice-president to have a "broad knowledge of entertainment."

He feels that he has such a knowledge, "obtained through first-hand experience." Holman feels "able, capable, and willing to cooperate with the other officers of the SGA for the betterment of the student body."

Holman is seeking the vice-presidency because he feels he has a "sincere desire to work for and with" his fellow students. He feels that after having been a JSU student for three years, he can "adequately represent the students needs and also be able to fulfill their needs."

If elected, Holman plans to be "responsive to the students needs" and to provide them with many services. His plans include a crisis line, an extension health center, an active Student Book Exchange, a more complete communication system for the students, and longer office hours. Holman also plans to conduct a survey to determine student's attitudes toward entertainment and various other changes on campus.

Holman feels that the present SGA vice-president has done a "good job in accordance with his platform. There are no major criticisms that I feel are in order."

Holman feels that the major purpose of the office of vice-president is that of "organizing the goals of the students, administration and SGA to reach a final composite result for a better understanding for all concerned." He feels that the foremost role of the SGA should be that of a "communicating link between the students and the administration."

Also, he feels, it should "carry out the desires of the student body and relay their wishes and ideas to the administration who should be objective in considering our (the students) needs."

"The triangle of the students, SGA, and Administration, must have communication, understanding, and respect for each other’s position on this campus," Holman said. In commenting on our present SGA, Holman stated: "as student wishes vary from student to student, the present administration has tried to do the best job possible."

"To combat apathy," Holman feels, "you must find the source of where it starts and must provide activities to provoke the interest of the students."

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Warnick Wishes

To Be A "Helper"

Debbie Warnick, who is running for treasurer of the SGA, is a junior from Gadsden. She is majoring in home economics and minoring in psychology.

Warnick feels that she has had the experience necessary to run for SGA treasurer: "My freshman year I served as a Senator so I have a knowledge of the procedure of the Senate. I have also been a counselor for the past two years so I have worked closely with the students and I know their suggestions for a better SGA and their criticisms of the present SGA."

Warnick is seeking office because she "enjoyed working in the SGA Senate." She feels that by seeking this office she will be able to become more "involved with the activities of Jacksonville. I also want to work closer with the students and help them have a better and more enjoyable college career."

If elected, Warnick says she will strive to "keep accurate and up-to-date records of business transactions and keep the money by the books." She will strive to promote better communication between the student body and the SGA and try to get more people "involved in SGA." She also feels it important to "publicize the meetings more." She has a record posted of each SGA meeting in every dormitory.

Warnick has no criticisms of the present SGA. "I believe that the SGA officers have helped unify the students and I hope that this unity that they have started will continue."

According to Warnick, the main purpose of the office is to "work with and serve the students. She also feels that it is important for the treasurer to 'keep accurate records of all business transactions and try to get more people involved in SGA.'" She feels that the SGA, as a whole, should work as a "representative group to serve the students and work with the Administration in getting the students wants and needs."

She feels the SGA has been efficient and responsive to the students and that the main problem has been the apathy of the students. "Better communication," she feels can remedy this.

Warnick feels that the SGA and administration should have a "workable relationship with flexible terms. They should have an interlocking of ideas and ideas in order to serve the students to their fullest capacity. They should have a close relationship in which the students are informed of what the SGA is doing, where their money is going, and how they can be of help to the SGA and vice versa."

Warnick feels that the actions of the SGA has demonstrated a responsiveness to the student's wishes "especially by having the meal ticket changed, by being able to drop a course at a later date, by having more lights put around campus and by working with the Administration to get the observation deck of the library opened."

"The main way that apathy can be combated," Warnick points out, "is by working closer with the students to find out what they want and expect from the SGA. Also, by getting the students more involved with the SGA."

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Unity Between Officers
Is Cecilia Lett’s Goal

Cecilia Lett, a junior from Gadsden, and a graduate of Hoke Bluff High School, is seeking the office of SGA secretary. Nancy is a home economics major and a clothing minor.

In high school, Lett was a flag bearer, and a member of the Concert Band, the Band Club, Future Teachers of America, Beta Club, and annual staff. She was named Class Who’s Who and received the Home Economics’ Award and Honor Cord.

At JSU, Lett has worked with SOCAG and has served as secretary to all the officers and students who need secretarial assistance and to aid in accomplishing the communications between the students and the SGA. “I feel that the main purposes of the secretary is to help keep the SGA organized, to carry out the correspondence of the SGA, and to keep files and minutes correct and in order.” She feels that the SGA should act as a representative to the student body, to go “before the Administration to discuss changes of policies, rules, and other problems that the students confront.” Lett feels that the SGA has been more effective in the past year than in the last years in attaining their goals.

In Lett’s view, the SGA and Administration should have a “relationship so that the SGA officers could go to them (Administration) and discuss problems in any time, without having special meetings. The SGA and student’s relationship should also be one in which the students feel they can come in at anytime and make suggestions or suggest changes.”

“I feel that the SGA has really worked and accomplished many of the student’s demands,” Lett said, “such as the meal ticket and drop system.”

Lett feels that there is “no real way to conduct interest into students that are apathetic. All the SGA can do is inform the students, meet their needs, and try to help the interested students.”

Shouse Wants
SGA Participation

Nancy Shouse, a sophomore from Birmingham, is seeking the office of SGA secretary. Nancy is a graduate of Woodlawn High School and is majoring in physical education and minoring in history.

Shouse is a member of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority in which she is a member of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority in which she serves as social chairman and corresponding secretary. Shouse is also a student secretary in the home economics department.

“I feel that the main purposes of the secretary is to keep the SGA organized, to carry out the correspondence of the SGA, and to keep files and minutes organized, to carry out the duties and activities of the SGA.”

If elected, Shouse will work on “getting more people to participate in the SGA and its activities, plus improving communications between the students and the SGA by posting a copy of the minutes in all dorms as well as in Student Commons.”

Shouse feels that this year’s SGA officers have done a fine job for this year and thinks that it was evident that there was unity in the SGA.

Shouse feels that the main purpose of the SGA secretary is to “keep accurate minutes and post them where the students can read them and to serve as secretary to all the officers and students who need secretarial assistance and to aid in accomplishing the goals of the SGA.”

As a whole, Shouse feels, the SGA should “serve the students in any capacity necessary and feels the SGA has been effective this year in accomplishing their goals.”

“There should be a co-operative relationship,” Shouse feels, “between the SGA and the Administration, and between the SGA and students, an open ear to suggestions and opinions.” She feels this would help create a working relationship with the students as a whole.

Shouse feels that the SGA has worked to accomplish the things the students wished, and feels to combat student apathy there must be an arrangement for “students to be able to more openly express their wants and needs to the SGA and for the officers to carry out fully. All meetings and activities that the SGA sponsors should be publicized more for students to take a more active part.”