



Congressman Walter Jones gave a presentation to the Society for Advanced Management (SAM) on Tuesday in the General Classroom Building. (photo by Emily Richardson)

Congressman Walter Jones speaks on national issues

Jones highlights Capitol Hill's actions on military, budget, foreign policy

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Society for Advancement Management (SAM) invited Congressman Walter Jones to discuss issues concerning the world and NC.

This past Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in GCB 1400 Jones shared his views and opinions on relevant issues dealing with the world.

According to Wendy Morrill, member of SAM, this is the second time Jones has come to speak to their group.

"We are looking for answers," Morrill said. "Dealing with social security, flood relief and community issues. Personally I want to know what congress is planning on doing to help with aftermath of the flood and where all the money is going."

Jones was delighted to be at ECU.

"This is my second time here," Jones said. "I am delighted to talk to such an active group. I love to talk to young college students. I believe all should be heard and I am here to listen."

Jones covered issues dealing with a balanced budget, education, military, Medicare, social security and welfare reform.

He claimed the nation is in debt.

"We are in debt and it needs to be reduced," Jones said. "I believe that we need to live within a balanced budget. This is the first party since 1969 to achieve this goal."

Jones believes that education is a state and local issue.

"I am a State Rights Congressman," Jones said. "Therefore I believe that education issues should be given to each individual state, giving the people the rights within their state."

Congressman Jones said that he has no military background, but that he has served on the ARMS Services for the past five years.

"I feel we are fortunate," Jones said. "We have men and women in uniform who are willing to fight for our nation. We live in a very unsafe world. We have terrorists, cyberspace warfare ... we need a strong military. By 2000 the main issue will be whether or not the US should 'Police the World.' I don't think that it is necessary, but I do believe that our NC bases are safe despite actions in Panama."

Jones feels that in the near future the U.S. may be challenged.

"I think that our prime threat is China," Jones said.

"They are the top supplier of technology advancement which could destroy us. North Korea is also a threat due to their unstable government along with Iraq and Iran due to their chemical warfare. And then there is always the threat of terrorists."

Jones believes that the millennium needs to be fo-

cused on foreign policy and our tax system.

"We need to get more involved with other parts of the world," Jones said. "We need a simple and fair tax system. I didn't go to Washington to become part of the problem. I went to find solutions for tax problems. Debate has begun of how we are going to change the system for the people."

Medicare, social security and welfare were also discussed.

"I am very concerned about Medicare," Jones said. "I think that by 2007 it might be insolvent. Congress needs to get working now and not later. We need Medicare in the future."

"Also feel that we need an alternative program for social security for those that are under 35. At the moment Congress is in the process of discussing a new retirement system. Welfare is another big issue."

"Over the past presidency welfare has dropped 60%. Child support is up 25% and we no longer support addicts, alcoholics or prisoners with welfare. That alone has saved tax payers \$9.3 billion."

Farmers and fishermen of NC are being protected.

"The NC republican and democratic parties are working together as a team," Jones said. "By February money will be coming for our commercial fishermen through direct grants. I feel our farmers also need direct payments. I am definitely pushing for support of our farmers and fishermen."

Congressman Jones wants students to be aware.

"Please vote and be educated on candidates," Jones said. "We need to face our problems of today and start finding solutions."

"He was a great speaker," said senior Jeremy Hoegemann. "He covered a lot of broad topics that I am interested in, especially for the next election."

"This was very informative," said senior Katie Geniesse. "Jones was very straight forward."

"I was very excited about hearing Jones' speech," said Chairman of College Republicans for ECU, Jason Thuringer. "I have helped with his campaigns and he has done a lot for Eastern NC. I'm very interested in hearing about events in Washington, DC."

"All the events that take place in DC affect us and I believe that we should all be involved. I am always interested in finding new members for College Republicans. Please call me if you wish to join at 353-2834."

SAM is a group on campus which focuses on helping management majors better understand the world of business.

According to SAM President Jennifer Holleman, the group takes plant tours, attends international conferences and has regular guest speakers.

Jones has a bachelor degree in science and is a very active NC Congressman of the republican conservative party. He has lead the fight against oil drilling on the NC coast. Jones continuously works to improve the water quality of NC and protect the wetlands. He has been presented the Senior Friendly Award and Friend of the Farmer Award.

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CRIME SCENE

Nov. 26

Alcohol Violations—A non-student was issued a state citation for underage possession of malt beverage. One non-student and one student were issued state citations for selling alcohol to a minor. The student was also cited for selling alcohol without a permit.

Nov. 28

Damage to Personal Property—A student was issued a campus appearance ticket after breaking two to three plates at Todd Dining Hall after being dissatisfied with her meal.

Alleged Rape—Parents reported that their daughter was raped at an off-campus location. They were referred to the Greenville Police Department.

Larceny—A non-student and a student reported that an unknown person(s) stole two books and a calculator from their desk on the third floor of Joyner Library. The victims had gone to bathroom during

the time of the incident.

Nov. 29

Larceny—A staff member reported that a microwave was stolen from the housekeepers' closet in Aycock Hall.

Larceny—A student reported that an amount of money was stolen from her wallet in Aycock Hall.

Larceny—A student reported that his bike was stolen from the rack northwest of the Brewster Building.

Larceny—A student reported that a camera and tape recorder were stolen from her room in Belk Hall.

Nov. 30

Larceny—A student reported that his secured bike was stolen from the rack south of Jones Hall.

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•Beware! If someone named "SandMan" asks you to check out his homepage, do not do it! The URL is www.geocities.com/vienna/6318. This page hacks into your hard drive.

•If you get an e-mail titled "Win A Holiday," do not open it. Delete it immediately. Microsoft announced that it is a malicious virus that will erase your hard drive. At this time there is no known remedy.

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It is a self-replicating virus, and once the message is read it will automatically forward itself to anyone whose e-mail address is present in your box.

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mately 590,000 children under 15 and more than 2.5 million 15-24-year-olds. In the US, 688,200 people have been reportedly infected with HIV/AIDS as of 1998.

PICASSO claims World AIDS Day linked communities throughout the US last night when the White House dimmed its lights. The demonstration signifies the commitment to the fight against the global epidemic of AIDS and will give tribute to people living with HIV/AIDS, as well as to those who have died from the disease.

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"I heard that ECU had a high crime rate," said freshman Jodi Kaufmann. "The only crime I've heard about was the recent assault. There are police everywhere and I feel safe."

According to Lt. Angela Carmon of UNC Crime Prevention, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill educates people on their campus on crime through regular communication with staff and students.

"We have your usual minimal theft," Carmon said. "We stress personal safety as every individual's responsibility. Like if you have a lock, it's no good if you don't use it. Our shuttles, emergency call boxes and visible officers are also helpful in promoting safety."

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