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Department of Chemistry and Physics

Departmental Newsletter
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Spring 2008 Graduates

Due to continued growth at UNCP, the 2007-2008 academic year has so far given us one of our largest Spring semester graduating classes. Let us take the time to honor these students for their achievements.

Fatima Abdelnabi
Amy Avirett
Heather Bell
Kristina Chaney
Ashley Chavis
Benjamin Collins
Matthew Hoover
Thomas McCoy

Sarah Gabell
Sarah Gullett
Shane Guterrez
Regina Hunt
William Johnson
Edgar Mendoza
Jeni Williams
Elizabeth Locklear

Christina Long
Lindsey Lowry
LaTasha Oxendine
James Sibbett
Tala Smith
Stewart Young

Spring 2008 Student Awards

The College of Arts and Sciences Awards Day was held on Wednesday, April 16. The following is a list of our students and the awards they received.

Amy Averitt – *American Institute of Chemists Outstanding Senior Award*

Heather Bell – *Professional Promise*

Chad Rigsbee – *Continuing in Chemistry*

Sarah Hymbaugh – *ACS Sponsored award in analytical chemistry*

Iner Lowery – *CRC Freshman Chemistry Award*

Chad Rigsbee – *Undergraduate Research Award*

Stuart Hammer – *Outstanding Pre-Engineering Student Award*

Matt Hoover – *Einstein Achievement in Physics Award*

Michael Everhart – *Astronomy Award*

Iner Lowery – *The Doctors Cecil and Naomi Lee Conley Endowed Scholarship*

Christopher Concepcion – *Linda D. Oxendine Memorial Endowed Scholarship*

Jimmy Whorley – *UNCP Biotechnology Endowed Scholarship*



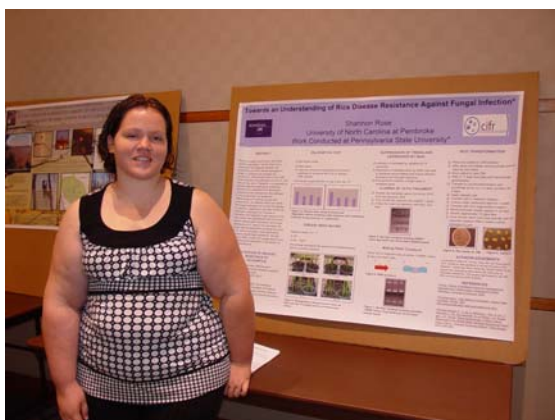
From left to right: Amy Avirett, Sarah Hymbaugh, Chad Rigsbee, Heather Bell, and Iner Lowery.



From left to right: Stuart Hammer, Michael Everhart, Matthew Hoover, and Chris Concepcion.

Spring 2008 PURC Forum

The Spring 2008 Purc forum was held on Wednesday, April 23. This event gives students the opportunity to present their research. Some photos are shown below.



Shannon Rose



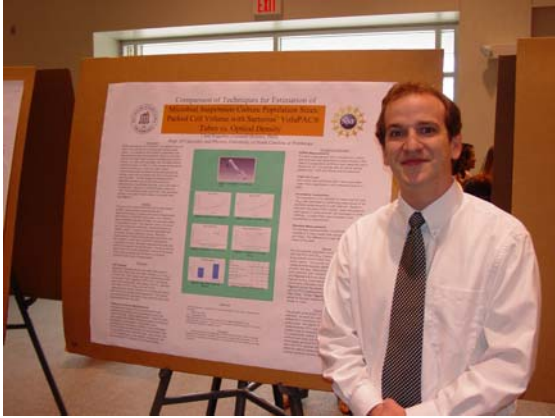
Amy Avirett



Dr. Tirla and Sarah Hymbaugh



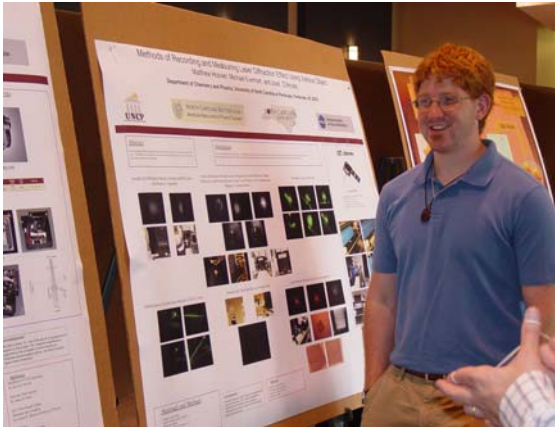
Donna Gilchrist



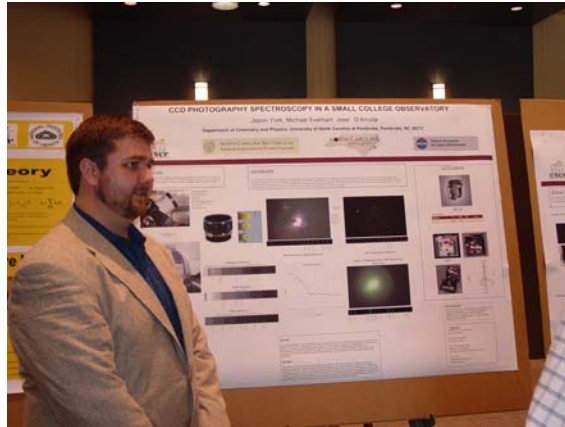
Chad Rigsbee



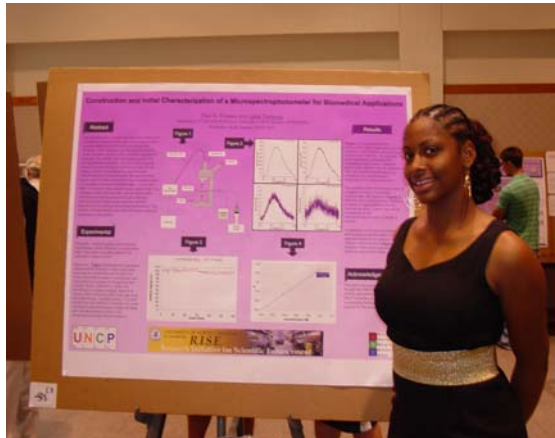
Chris Concepcion



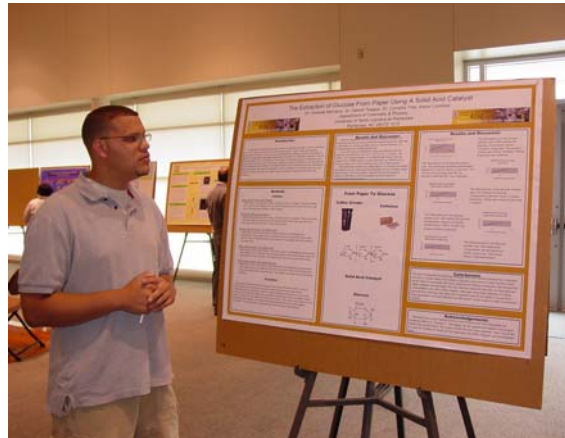
Matthew Hoover



Michael Everhart



Josie Torrence



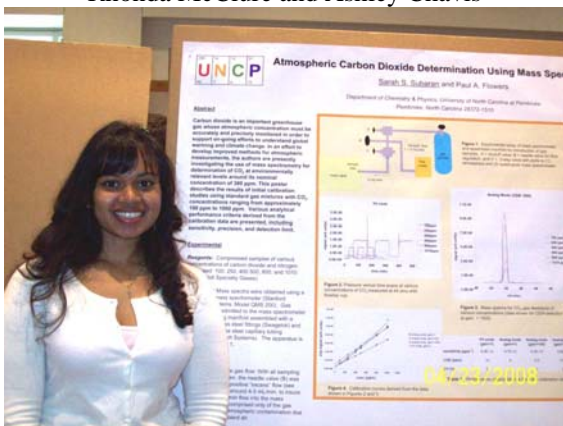
Aaron Locklear



Rhonda McClure and Ashley Chavis



Ashley Clark



Sarah Subaran



Group Photo – Amy Avirett, Sarah Hymbaugh, Meredith Storms, Siva Mandjiny, and Heather Bell.

Gamma Sigma Epsilon Inducts New Members

The Spring 2008 Gamma Sigma Epsilon induction ceremony was held on Tuesday, April 15. The students inducted into this prestigious honor society are listed below.

Rhonda McClure
 Heather Bell
 Ashley Clarke
 Donna Gilchrist
 Lane Guyton
 Christina Long
 Fallon Lowery
 Edgar Mendoza
 Mark Stevens
 Marajo White



Amy Avirett Calls the Initiates



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The Complete Lineup



A glimpse around the room

Departmental Social

A department social honoring our graduating seniors was held on Wednesday, April 16. Special thanks should be extended to Shanna May Harrelson for planning the social, and to everyone who brought something.



Cornelia Tirla and Rachel Smith



Shanna Harrelson and Cornelia Tirla



Heather Bell and Christina Long



Chris Concepcion Digs into the Food



Paul Flowers with Heather Bell and Christina Long

A Note to Our Graduates (Present and Past)

If you are a graduate of the UNCP Department of Chemistry and Physics, we want to hear from you! Please contact Shanna Harrelson (maysm@uncp.edu) and let us know where you are and what you are doing.