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## In the NEWS

### N.C. Breast Cancer Awareness Month Kickoff

Members of the community, breast cancer survivors, health care advocates and others touched by breast cancer are invited to a celebration of breast cancer awareness month on Monday, Oct. 4 from noon until 1 p.m. Representative of the N.C. Comprehensive Breast Cancer and Cervical Cancer Coalition, Jane Mosley, will also be recognized for her extraordinary personal and legislative contributions to the fight against breast cancer.

Honored Guests at the N.C. Museum of History in downtown Raleigh will include Elaine Marshall, Secretary of State, Dennis McBride, State Health Director, Pam Saulsby, WRAL, and Mary Ann Balance, former Mrs. North Carolina and breast cancer survivor. Light refreshments will be served.

## NATIONAL

### Shrinking Flies

Everything seems to be getting smaller these days. Cellular telephones can fit easily in your palm. Laptop computers rest lightly on your legs. Now, as if they weren't already small enough, scientists have figured out a way to breed miniature fruit flies.

Jacques Montagne of the University of Zurich and colleagues at North Dakota State University in Fargo bred flies that lacked a protein called dS6K, which they believed regulated cell size. In fact, the researchers found that flies deficient in the protein had the same number of cells as normal fruit flies, but that the cells were only half as big.

The discovery provides new insight into how nature regulates the size of things, the researchers write in reporting their findings in the Sept. 24 issue of *Science*.

## WORLD

### Deep Sea Archaeology Tools Evolve

The possible presence of old ships in near-ideal condition on the Black Sea floor has made Noah's flood the starting point for perhaps the most ambitious project ever undertaken in the emerging field of deep-water archaeology. In the early days of deep sea archaeology, a complex, multidisciplinary effort like the Black Sea Project would have been unthinkable. Only governments and large corporations could afford to invest in the technology, used principally for mineral prospecting, pipeline maintenance and military intelligence.

But since the Titanic discovery, the tools of the trade have improved dramatically, as has the technical expertise of those who use them. And where engineers once jealously guarded their recovery techniques, today's explorers can purchase much of the machinery, including the basic robot, known as a "remotely operated vehicle" (ROV), off the shelf.

"It's getting to the point where virtually anybody can go down and look," said Greg Stemm, whose Tampa, Fla.-based Odyssey Marine Exploration Inc. found the ancient Phoenician wreck off Gibraltar while searching for a British treasure ship. "ROVs are like buying a new computer. You want to wait as long as you can before committing."

## "QUOTABLE"

"I don't care what anybody says about me as long as it isn't true."

Dorothy Parker

"Academic Integrity violations cannot and will not be tolerated at this university."

Michele Tam  
Student Body Chief Justice

## MAINTAINING INTEGRITY

1. Be Prepared.
2. Know Yourself.
3. Ask for Clarification.
4. Avoid Short Cuts!



## Perserving your integrity

NATALIE DUGGINS  
Senior Staff Writer

A comprehensive guide to the myths and truths of the N.C. State Student Code of Conduct.

Do you know what the N.C. State Code of Conduct says about Academic Integrity? Unless you've been on the wrong side of that policy, chances are you don't. Increasing number of cases regarding cheating, aiding and abetting and plagiarism have come before the university's Judicial Branch during the last few years. Rather than just waiting for Academic Integrity violations to come to trial, this year's Judicial Board is mobilizing itself.

Student Body Chief Justice Michele Tam and her staff have begun a series of seminars to educate students on the definition of cheating, plagiarism and aiding and abetting as defined by the Student Code of Conduct. The hope is, that by educating students on the university policy, more people will be aware of the rules, thus preventing occurrences of cheating and plagiarism.

Note: The following scenarios are fictions and do not represent the stories of any student that has appeared in front of the Judicial Board at N.C. State. However, these scenarios are generalizations of situations that may lead to violations of the Code of Student Conduct.

### Scenario #1:

"If you think I've made a mistake in grading your exam, write a note at the top of your exam and return it to me before you leave class today," your professor says at the beginning of class. "I'll have the solutions to the test posted later today on the web."

After a few deep breaths, you decide that you're going to flip your test over and see what you made. You shield your test from

others in your row for two reasons — you don't want them to feel stupid if you did better than them or you don't want to feel stupid if they did better than you.

"Damn," you say after you turn your paper over. After going to tutorial sessions, joining a study group and studying into the early hours of the morning, all you got was a mediocre 77. You could've done better than this...you should've done better than this. What went wrong? You quickly rush to look over your exam.

"I can't believe that I got that wrong," you say to yourself. Suddenly, it seems like you know the answer to every question. You begin to work out one of the problems that you got wrong. You erase your previous work and scribble down the correct procedures to a few of the problems that you missed.

After class, you approach the professor and resubmit your paper for grading.

### Academic Integrity policy:

The Student Code of Conduct defines this as a form of cheating: "Attempting to influence or change an academic evaluation, grade or record by unfair means. This would include altering academic work which has been returned to the student and which has been resubmitted without indicating that the work has been altered."

### Scenario #2:

Board Bucks account or the AllCampus account to help those affected by the hurricane, said University Dining Business Officer Randy Lait.

Lait got the idea when WRAL-TV created a way for people to donate from their credit cards over the Internet. The idea was also in response to an email that Lait received from a student inquiring if University Dining could do something to help the hurricane relief effort.



Within three days, the website, www.ncsu.edu/dining, was established for students to fill out an application and request the amount they want to donate from either their Board Bucks account or their AllCampus accounts, Lait said.

According to Lait, \$300 has already been donated through the website, which started Sept. 24 and will continue for at least a couple more weeks.

"If we could get \$5,000 that would be outstanding," said Lait.

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## Board Bucks, Dining, students help aid Floyd victims

Efforts continue across campus to help those in the eastern part of the state rebuild their lives.

DANIELLE STANFIELD  
News Editor

If the lack of spare change has prevented some N.C. State students from donating in the brickyard to help Hurricane Floyd victims, University Dining has designed a unique way to help.

Students can now donate money from their

## Students protest Senate fund allocations to Fraternity

Student Body President Raj Mirchandani is holding a public forum to discuss Program Bill 05.

NATALIE DUGGINS  
Senior Staff Writer

Keeping with his campaign promise to hold meetings to hear student opinions, Student Body President Raj Mirchandani and his staff have decided to hold a town hall meeting today at 7 p.m. in Student Senate Chambers.

"This petition is to show your disagreement with the Student Senate action and ask the Student Body President not to endorse Program Bill 05," reads the petition.

The petition cites a Technician article entitled "Senate gives \$4,000 to frat," which explained the appropriation of funds from the Student Government Trust Fund to the Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity for their once annual Lawn Party. The petition questions why student fees are paying for fraternity parties and why the money isn't being provided for academic enrichment.

"Let's see our money used for a more worthwhile cause," the petition explained.

Megan Callahan, one of the initiators of the petition, would rather see the funds appropriated to more widespread student activities, rather than one single organization.

"[Senate] shouldn't single out one

group," Callahan said. Instead, she recommended that the funds go to a program that benefits more student groups, like Homecoming.

In addition, the petition questioned the Senate's allocation of \$4,000 through a Program Bill 05, which other student organizations have to go through the Fall Allocations process.

Callahan also worried about the scheduling of the town hall meeting, which has received little publicity from the executive branch.

However, Mirchandani's Chief of Staff Doug Jones said that the Student Senate passes legislation, the Student Body President has only 10 days to sign it. Jones also said that an extension had

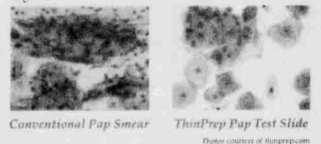
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## Women reflect on their health

As part of Gynecological Cancer Awareness month, women are encouraged to be aware of their healthcare options when it comes to cancer-screening procedures.

SARAH E. MIRNO  
Assistant News Editor

September is almost over, which means that, hopefully, things are easing up for students as they adjust to their schedules and beginning-of-the-year activities wane. Therefore, it's a perfect time for students to make something else top priority — their health. The month of September has been chosen as the first annual Gynecological Cancer Awareness Month, dedicated to urging women to take notice of their health and become familiar with cancers of the reproductive organs.



Conventional Pap Smear ThinPrep Pap Test Slide  
Photos courtesy of Allergypap.com

Every 64 minutes a woman in the United States is diagnosed with gynecological cancer, the fourth most common cancer in American women today.

Most women are familiar with the conventional Pap smear, the most popular cancer-screening procedure, which women are encouraged to have annually. In a Pap test, or Pap smear, the doctor gently scrapes cells from the uterine cervix, then sends the cells to a laboratory for review. It allows pathologists to spot signs of cervical cancer, or discover cells that may turn into cancer cells in the future.

Over the past 50 years, the Pap test has helped to reduce cervical cancer deaths by 70 percent because it helps doctors to detect abnormalities early on. However, the technology "has limitations, perhaps the most significant being an error rate of up to 50 percent," according to Lisa Mathieu of Cytec Corporation, the company responsible for development of the ThinPrep Pap Test.

The ThinPrep Pap Test is the first cervical cancer screening test to be recognized by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as "significantly more effective" than the conventional Pap smear at detecting early signs of cervical abnormalities, according to Cytec. The new procedure has caught on since its development in 1996 as a result of "an increasing number of large health insurers that now reimburse for the improved test," according to Mathieu.

According to Cytec, the ThinPrep Pap Test is different from the traditional Pap smear in that once the cells have been taken, the doctor rinses them into a vial of liquid instead of smearing them onto a slide. Because the cells aren't "smeared," they don't clump together and therefore, almost the entire sample is preserved. The vial is then sent to the laboratory, where a machine separates the cells from unnecessary material, such as blood and mucus.

Many university health centers are unfamiliar with ThinPrep or if they have heard of it, they do not offer it as an option for cervical cancer screening, according to Mathieu. The N.C. State Student Health Center offers the ThinPrep Pap test, but "we don't offer it routinely," said Elaine Goodson, F.N.P. at Student Health.

According to Goodson, the ThinPrep is performed in the event that the original, conventional Pap test results are "abnormal" due to excessive mucus or blood, which can obscure some of the cells.

"If they request it, they get it done," said Goodson, which is more than many university health clinics offer. But Goodson also feels that the ThinPrep is not

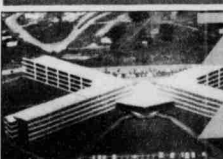
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## Clowning around



Leah Vines, a senior in biochemistry, spends a lovely Saturday afternoon getting all painted up at the Raleigh Street Painting Festival.

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## Westside

Everything you could wanna know about West Campus - not really.



## This is something...

we know nothing. Now is the time at Technician when we dance! Opinion, it's like buttah!



## Battling Back

N.C. State sophomore Eric Kaufman has come back to make an impact for the Wolfpack men's soccer team.

## Integrity

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paper for him because he didn't have the time, she agreed. He gave her a handwritten copy and promised to meet her before class on Wednesday to get his paper.

Tuesday night, Lisa sat down at her computer and began to type Michael's report. She gets through less than a paragraph of his writing before reading it just becomes tedious. The thoughts Michael expresses in the paper are far too wordy and the meaning, which is essentially correct, becomes convoluted. Realizing that Michael will get a low grade if he turns in the paper he wrote, Lisa decides to rewrite a few passages of the paper to make them sound better.

Academic Integrity policy: According to the Student Code of Conduct, this violation is defined as cheating: "Submitting for academic

evaluation any material in whole or part that has been prepared by another individual(s) or commercial agency."

### Scenario #4:

Jim, Matt and Jennifer are lab partners in a general Chemistry lab. The lab write-up is due in less than an hour and each person has been working on a different section of the report. Matt, assigned to do the calculations portion of the lab, leans over to Jennifer and asks for the equation for determining the percent error of the experiment.

"Actual minus experimental, over actual...I think," Jennifer answers.

"That's what I thought," Matt whispers back. "Our percent error is 223 percent."

"Are you sure?" Jim asks, looking up from his work.

"Yeah. Here, look," Matt says, handing Jim his calculator.

"Just change the numbers then," Jim says. "Give us something like 75 percent error or something."

Without recourse, Matt precedes to work backwards to calculate the mea-

surements based on the 75 percent error. Thirty minutes later, Jennifer, Matt and Jim submit their lab report to their TA for grading.

### Academic Integrity Policy:

Under the current Code of Student Conduct, this violation could be construed as a form of plagiarism. The code defines plagiarism as "submitting data which have been altered or contrived in such a way as to be deliberately misleading." However, the final discretion of the supposed violation falls to the professor or the teaching assistant.

### Scenario #5:

Professor Smith assigned Kim and Sharon's class a history paper on "The Impact of American Military Initiatives" on Current Foreign Relations." Kim and Sharon decide to work together to research the topic for their own respective papers. During their research sessions, they trade ideas as to how to approach the given topic.

### Academic Integrity Policy:

The determination of whether or not this scenario would be a violation

falls to the discretion of the professor, said Chief Justice Tam. If the professor has specified that working together on papers or projects is allowed, then joint efforts would not be susceptible to punishment, according to the Student Code of Conduct.

However, the code defines cheating as "working with another or others in completing a take-home examination or assignment when the instructor has required independent and unaided action." Hence, if the professor prohibits the exchange of ideas on out-of-class assignments, then it could be considered a violation. Also, added Tam, convictions under this portion of the code are also dependent on the extent that ideas are traded.

### Preventive Measures:

"Most of the preventative measures are really common sense," said Tam. "They are what you'd expect."

In their seminars, members of the judicial board stress being prepared. According to Tam, students need to be sure that they go to class and do their homework. The board encourages students to plan ahead.

"If you're organized, then there's a lot less pressure," said Tam.

In addition, the board members remind students to be aware of their own strengths and weaknesses by doing an honest self-assessment. A realistic look at what you can and cannot do is a portion of the self-assessment. If a professor is going through material too fast, Tam recommends that you seek help in order to avoid a situation in which you may be tempted to violate the Student Code of Conduct.

In some cases, violations of the Academic Integrity policy are at the discretion of the professor or teaching assistant. Tam suggests that students ask for clarification from their professors on their individual policies.

"If you've got questions, make sure that you ask," Tam said. "Don't assume anything."

The Judicial Board seminars will also stress the importance of avoiding any and all shortcuts, including working with others on class assignments. "More often than not," said Tam, "a shortcut is a violation."

Moreover, though, the seminars relay the idea that there are penalties to be incurred by students who violate the Student Code of Conduct. According to Tam, a student has the option of settling their violation with the professor, which can, at least, result in a failing grade on a particular assignment. Students, who appear before the Judicial Board face Academic Integrity probation as the minimum if found guilty. However, the seminar reminds students that suspensions are not merely reserved for behavioral violations and can be applied to violations of the Student Code of Conduct.

"Academic Integrity violations cannot and will not be tolerated at this university," said Tam.

**If your organization is interested in holding an Academic Integrity seminar for your members, please contact Student Body Chief Justice Michele Tam at 515-2797 or scj@ncsu.edu.**

## Women

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much more accurate than the traditional Pap smear. "Initially, they said it was more accurate," said Goodson, "but they stepped back after doing it for awhile."

NCSU Student Health Services charges \$45 for the conventional Pap smear, but the ThinPrep cost is higher — ranging from anywhere between \$45 to 65.

Although Planned Parenthood of Raleigh, whose charge for the regular Pap test is \$42, does not offer

the ThinPrep test, the Chapel Hill location does. The cost of the test is \$65.

Regardless of age or location, women should be presented with all options in a critical decision about their own healthcare, according to Mathieu. Most importantly, women should have their first Pap test by age 18 or when they become sexually active (whichever comes first), and should continue to have routine exams, even after menopause.

## Bucks

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Lait assured that 100 percent of the funds donated to students' accounts will go to the Red Cross N.C. Relief. For more information, call 515-3090.

In addition to donating funds out of their account, students may also donate goods at collection barrels set up at convenience stores across campus.

"Everybody knows what a disaster this is," Lait said. "Anything that can be done should be done."

## Fund

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already been given to Mirchandani due to the impact of Hurricane Floyd.

Elam Hall, who provided a presentation to the Student Senate in favor of the allocation, said,

"Basically, I think that the whole problem is the fraternity bias."

Hall also contends that opponents of the Lawn Party are looking at the old image of the Lawn Party and maintains that it has since evolved into something different.

Hall also remarked on the progress of Lawn Party plans, since the reception of funds from

the Student Senate. The fraternity has already established the party's design from the N.C. State student owned and operated Indicum Design. Also, Delta Sigma Phi has received requests for information packets from Mindspring and Interpath Internet Service Providers, the Carolina Hurricanes, First Union and Choice Hotel.

In addition, Hall said members of the administration from the Departments of Transportation and Facilities and Greek Life organization and Joe Campbell, mayor of Olympic Village, have all expressed their full support for the event, tentatively slated to be held in Riddick Stadium.

Hall also addressed the petitions concerns that the money was not being used for academic enrichment. According to the former

student senator, money from the Student Senate cannot be used for academic enrichment.

Jones concurred, saying, "Student fees given to Student Government can only go to student organizations or student-initiated activities."

Mark Aldrich, the sponsoring Senator for Program Bill 05, said that the use of the bill was an issue of timing, as Delta Sigma Phi needed to have capital to begin their planning process.

"They would not have been assured of it for a long time," Aldrich said. The student senator also said that the funds allocated to the Delta Sigma Phi fraternity were funds that had already been allocated for an on-campus event last year, which failed to materialize.

## oh sweet, sweet mama

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AMOS BROWN  
Staff Writer

# WEST CAMPUS

Days of the New's second self-titled release hit the shelves recently, and from what I can tell, it stayed there. The new album focuses more on artistic evolution than the band's first album, also titled Days of the New, which presented the longest number one charting rock track of all time with "Touch, Peel, and Stand." As with most concept albums, the artist tries to explore the medium and expand the horizons that the industry has set for them. Days of the New has not only changed format, they have also switched up their cast. Frontman Travis Meeks seems to be the only member of the original band to weather the storm between the eponymous releases. Going solo and taking the band's moniker, Meeks felt that the introduction of an orchestra to supplement his unique acoustic playing was the direction that his music should take. He intended for this album to be listened to as a whole, somewhat like Pink Floyd, the Doors, or Led Zeppelin, and, in doing so, would give the listener the best insight into his vision.

The first release from the album, "Enemy" is nothing like you would expect from the original Days of the New. The trademark acoustic guitar and Meeks' unmistakable voice return with an added twist, a techno beat and electronic accompaniment. This facet will definitely open eyes and ears on the local radio stations. The first time I heard it, I even caught myself saying "I can't believe that this is the same group that sang 'Shelf in the Room'."

"Enemy" has a catchy beat and if the tune gets wrapped around your head, you'll hum it continuously until the next time you listen to the radio. The best part of the song, however, is a two minute guitar solo that really showcases Meeks' talent but it gets hacked on the radio.

The second release from the disc is a little more reflective than the first. "Weapon and the Wound" has the familiar guitar and vocal combination of the previously released album and, surprisingly, the electronics are kept to a minimum, using a synthesized oboe to guide the song along and violins to bring it to a powerful close. The words are a little more generic, following the tried and true rock formula of using an interesting and sometimes new guitar riff and repeated lyrics to drive home a deeply profound, yet strangely mystical message. "Anything is everything to me" seems to be one of the main concerns of the song and is just mystical enough to fit the bill.

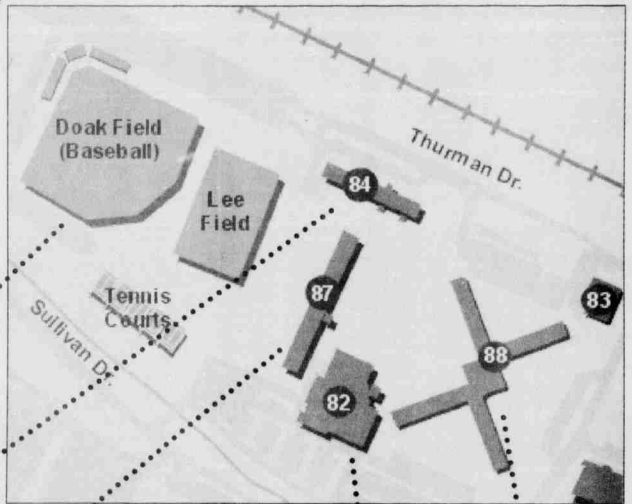
The rest of the disc is a conundrum, containing elements of instrumental new age, machine industrial, and flavors of Middle Eastern belly dancing. Categorizing this album is not an easy task and maybe Meeks said it best, "Beats are beats, music is music, and complex music is complex music, so please don't try to label this." So I won't. I just hope that in his attempt to reach more people, and more diverse audiences, he doesn't alienate the listeners that made his first release such a smash hit. He claims that this album is intended to reach people's spirits, which they have neglected and to "go beyond this limited reality we are ingrained to have our lives on". He urges people to "sit down with black lights, candles, in a field, around a fire, or in whatever setting they choose and find their own interpretation". If that is what it takes to understand or appreciate Days of the New, Vol. 2, then maybe a blacklight and candle should come packaged with the disc.

**Doak Field**  
Named for Charles Glenn Doak, an avid baseball player who coached at Guilford College, UNC-Chapel Hill and Trinity College (now Duke University), before coming to N.C. State. Doak coached the Wolfpack for 16 years in the 1920's and '30's.

**Sullivan Hall**  
Named after William Henry Sullivan, the residence is one of the few named after someone who failed to earn a degree at the University. Sullivan served as the president of the Alumni Association from 1933-1935, and was also a member of the athletics council as well as serving on the UNC Board of Trustees.



**Bragaw Residence Hall was built in 1958 and housed 816 students, making it the largest dormitory in the state.**



**Lee Hall**  
Named for Major General William Carey Lee, known as the "Father of the Airborne", who came to State College in 1916 from Wake Forest College. He was the first commanding General of the 101st Airborne parachute troops.

He was a ROTC professor of military science at N.C. State before completing his B.S. degree in education after his service in the first World War. He was instrumental in establishing the parachute troops at Fort Benning, G.A., and was promoted to Major General in 1942.

The University awarded him an honorary doctorate of military science in 1945, three years prior to his death.

**Fountain Dining Hall**

Named after Alvin M. Fountain who taught at the University for 46 years, on top of initiating the very first Founder's day in the 1950's and writing the words to N.C. State's alma mater while a graduate student in 1925.

**Bragaw Hall**

Named after Henry C. Bragaw, a 1938 graduate of the University, who was killed during World War II while leading his men through a minefield in the battle of Cassino.

He was awarded both the Silver and Bronze Stars and two Purple Heart Medals.

Before the war, Bragaw had collected and developed one of the largest collections of camellias and azaleas in the South.

Days of the New

## Mums the word for this one

◆ Don't tell anyone, but this one is not what you think.

K. GRIFFNEY  
Features Editor

For those of you (or us) who hate sappy movies, this is not one of them.

For those of you (or us) who hate dry comedies that try to be funny but really aren't, this is not one of them.

For those of you (or us) who hate teeny-bopper flicks filled with over-sexed high-schoolers who are fashion-conscious instead of actually mentally conscious.

Okay, but it has its moments.

Mumford, the new release from Touchstone Pictures, stars Loren Dean as a psychologist who opens up shop in a small town of the same name, and subsequently encounters the various random personalities of a rather diverse group of towns people.

There is Lilly, the local diner owner, a lonely woman who happens to live downstairs from Dr. Mumford with her dog (named after a somewhat obscure basketball star).

Sofie, a beautiful young divorcee who has returned to her childhood home suffering from a rather elusive disease.

Skip Skipperton, the grown

prodigy who has founded an internet company which provides the economic heart of the community but who has his sights set on other ventures. All the a Brockett, the neglected housewife of an overpowered, overindulged successful city businessman.

Then there is Nessa Watkins, the waywardly teenager who is

lost in a dream world created by magazines and pop-culture thinking, and substitutes sex for intimacy because she is unable to tell the difference in her own head.

And the list goes on.

The cast is headlined by Martin Short, Alfre Woodard and Ted Danson, with the former and the latter making only cameo appearances.

Also appearing are Academy Award Nominee Mary McDonnell (Dances with Wolves, Passion Fish), Jason Lee (Enemy of the State, Chasing Amy), David Palmer (City Hall, Payback,



Hope Davis (left) and Loren Dean (right) star in Mumford, released last Friday nationwide.

Mighty Joe Young).

The film is littered with familiar faces, and interesting twists. The good, Dr. Mumford is, we quickly find out, not what he seems. But everyone has secrets, right?

The difference is that Dr. Mumford is the one that everyone else tells his or her secrets to.

How will Dr. Mumford deal with the consequences of his actions? Will the truth be uncovered? Will any of these sick people ever get better?

The movie opened Friday and is now playing at locations around the triangle.



Sports Night

Photo courtesy of Touchstone Pictures  
**Robert Guillaume, Josh Charles and co. return for a second season in the ABC TV hit Sports Night. Tuesday 9:30 p.m.**



Loren Dean (right) plays Dr. Mumford, a psychologist with a stroied and hidden past who takes on the task of listening to the problems of the Mumford locals.

# Opinion

## Technician's View

### More challenges

◆ More opportunities are cropping up for N.C. State students to aid in Hurricane Floyd relief efforts.

Last week, it was the 50 Cent Challenge. Then came donation bins that made relief drop-off sites of residence halls and other on-campus facilities.

This week, N.C. State and the organizations it houses are continuing their efforts to aid those still in need after Hurricane Floyd.

Today marks the launch of the "35,000 Challenge," undertaken by a nonaffiliated group of NCSU students led by senior Luke Perry and juniors Bryan Proffitt and Kevin Bisswell. The number 35,000 is a reference to the total projected number of students, staff and faculty members on campus.

The object of the Challenge is to collect 35,000 items—dollars, school supplies, underwear and anything else that may be needed—and deliver them, by way of an Athletic Department-donated bus, this weekend to East Carolina University, where they will be distributed to the students themselves.

The leftover goods from the 35,000 Challenge will be given to the Salvation Army and the Red Cross.

The 35,000 Challenge, if successful, will mobilize the entire campus community, a task that the proliferating smaller efforts would be hard-pressed to carry out.

The university itself has gotten involved in the Floyd relief effort, too. University Dining has set up collection barrels for perishable food items in convenience stores around campus.

But another Dining effort has created a whole new dimension of convenience for students interested in helping Floyd's victims. As of last Friday, students could go to www.ncsu.edu/dining and donate portions of their Board Bucks and All Campus accounts to the Red Cross's N.C. Relief operation.

According to University Dining Business Officer Randy Lait, the web-based program has already taken in \$300 in donations. Lait's ultimate goal for the Web site during its likely two-week run is \$5,000 in total intake. Every dollar received from Board Bucks and All Campus will go to the Red Cross.

These are just a few of the NCSU projects aimed at helping Hurricane Floyd's victims recover; there are likely many, many more, and, with all the opportunities, no member of the NCSU community should be unable to help out.

## CAMPUS FORUM

### Shameful campaign

Student Government, you should be ashamed. Last week, you lowered yourself to the level of all those first-week sales pitches for papers, credit cards, or phone cards. While walking through the brickyard, we had to avoid the stinging eyes of the Student Government when they said, "Donate for the victims of Hurricane Floyd" and then try not to feel guilty. Just because I didn't give anything every time I went past that guy (about 10 times) does not in any way make me a bad person or deserving of your menacing stares. But since there are exceptions to every rule, I would like to congratulate the guy who was standing there Wednesday morning. He had a nice casual suit and tie on and just stood in front of the guy. Even though I was the only one around, he didn't say a word, just let the cause speak for itself. When I put my loose change in the jug, he gave a very polite thank you and that was the end of it. No guilt, no shame, no sales pitches.

Also, I gave \$20 at work because I knew that money went straight to the American Red Cross. I won't be eating any fast food for two weeks. I am a good person. I won't let you make me feel guilty just because you didn't see me give.

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### Miss America pageant

I am writing in response to an article written by Donnie Lassiter in the September 21 edition of Technician ("America the beautiful: Lassiter

takes on Miss America"). As a woman who competes in the Miss America program, I took a little offense to this article. The article showed little knowledge of the program and the women who chose to compete in it.

So, as a contestant in such programs, I decided to set Mr. Lassiter straight. First of all, one of the reasons that women do not fight this pageant is that Miss America is an American icon. Like it or not, she is. For 79 years, she has reigned over the NewportWalk in Atlantic City in September. She has become a leader in the nation, addressing issues important to her. To give a few examples, here are some facts about the last three Miss Americas: Tara Hovick (1997) promoted literacy throughout the year. She wrote several bills for the U.S. House. Also, it came about when her engagement to a U.S. Representative was announced that she was a 25-year-old virgin. Now, how is that for morals and virtues?

Miss America 1998 was Kate Shindle. Kate promoted AIDS education throughout her year of service. She also wrote bills to be discussed in the House (though they were too controversial to be passed). Also, Kate was the first Miss America ever to leave the country during her year. She traveled to Switzerland to address the World AIDS Conference. How many other 21-year-old women can say that?

And, finally, there is Miss America 1999, Nicole Johnson. Nicole is a Type 1 diabetic who wears an insulin pump everywhere (even on stage). She raised millions of dollars for diabetic research. Her program in con-

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## Mastering self-doubt

Donnie Lassiter  
Staff Columnist

Well, that settles it. My life is officially a festering cesspool of mediocrity.

I know, some of you are thinking, "Mediocre? Donnie? That can't be!" Alas, I was clinging to that illusion myself until very recently, when I was fortunate enough to have had the nasty truth thrust before me in a most cruel and unforgiving way.

I guess it all boiled down to last Wednesday night, when I attended a meeting with the other Technician opinion columnists. (Nice meeting you all, by the way.) As some of the writers were regaling the group with their tales of flaming E-mails sent in response to their columns, my heart began to sink. When a couple of them mentioned the death threats they had received, I nearly fell on the floor crying. Exactly where, I wondered, were MY death threats? Why hadn't anyone gotten pissed off enough to want to tamper with my brakes, or, at the very least, to send me some E-mail from "satan@hell.com"? The answer—simply haven't been interesting enough. I have been dwelling with in the realm of normality and stagnancy far too long.

This hasn't just been a problem in my journalistic endeavors. It's carried over to my life in general, too. Ever since the beginning of last year, I have had a feeling that can best be described as "blah." Last year was my second as a college student, and I attributed much of what I felt about things during those two semesters to that elusive concept referred to as "the sophomore jitters."

I concluded that the doubts I had been experiencing last year concerning my grades, my career ambitions, and my performance in college overall were merely the product of adjustment and nothing more than a necessary step in the stabilization process. At times though, it was tough not getting utterly depressed about things.

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## The goal is to take life day by day, one step at a time

Hannah Zahler  
Staff Columnist

A few weeks ago, my cousin was hit by an 18-wheeler running a traffic light. After three weeks in a coma, he passed away on Sept. 19. He was 24. His death, apart from being the worst imaginable tragedy, was a wake-up call. The temporality of life hit me—and, suddenly, I was seeing all that is wrong with my life and life in general.

Somewhere along the line, I seem to have lost the real purpose of my life (if I had ever known it to begin with, that is). My life is an endless routine of class, sleep and TV. My ultimate purpose for now is to get out of school. And yet, the prospect of not being a college student anymore scares me. I feel so bad for those war-ridden people across the world that I shed a few tears now and then, and yet...I'm too lazy and self-obsessed to get out and do something to help. I dream but I don't do.

I have a list that I add to constantly. Its called "Things to do." The 2,000 pages of writing have

been shoved under my bed, to be read and acted upon later. Who is to say if there will be a later? That, in my opinion, is what is wrong with you young people today. We live life like it will never end. And society helps promote that idea by sending out messages that tell us that the NOW is what counts. Buy cool shoes NOW, make some money NOW, have some fun NOW.

So who can we hold responsible for this lack of purpose?

I remember having the impression once upon a time that going to college was about finding yourself. It was supposed to be a journey deep within where I would finally discover who I was and what my purpose on this earth was. So far, all I know is that I hate math, and that skipping class isn't a good idea. College was supposed to prepare me for real life, so I could be a productive adult. Productive in what sense? "Working-24-hours-a-day-to-make-money-and-then-spend-it" productively? "Write-a-half-plagiarized-paper (not that I do it)-and-feel-happy-with-the-result" productively?

Maybe my view of this life is naive, but I believe that human interaction is a big part of the

purpose of our existence. To learn about others, to open our minds, to let ourselves believe things that might seem impossible. The general sense of intolerance that is prevalent brings shame to the concept of existence. Everyone today seems to be in a self-obsessed frenzy. Take traffic, for example. How many people have you ever had cut in front of you and then curs YOU out because you weren't "nice" enough to have anticipated their desires and moved out of the way? Or how many friends have you had who would sell their soul, and yours in addition, for a measly few dollars or for a little popularity?

Maybe it's time to start looking inside of ourselves, to peel away the layers that surround our core and let ourselves have access to the person inside of us that we have covered up with layers of ego. Would it be so hard to let some thought actually guide our lives? I, for one, refuse to be part of the mechanical life where there is no regard for the Bigger Picture.

Hannah Zahler just wants the world to be a better place. Email her at opinionated@colunist.com.

## Johnson hits rock bottom with pro wrestling

Tonya Johnson  
Staff Columnist

I have a confession to make. I absolutely love professional wrestling! I have to watch WWF every week, and what a pleasure it is to watch. How can anyone not enjoy watching men beat each other, yell, or throw each other outside of the ring? I don't care if it's fake or not, wrestling is cool. It's quality entertainment.

Because I'm so addicted to watching wrestling, I am infatuated with some of the wrestlers. I find The Rock attractive and so cool. He's 6'5", weighs 275 pounds and is known for his move, the "Rock Bottom." Even though he is a bit conceited, I'm still a fan. I love how he comes out to

the ring on the coolest song. I also love how he wears \$500 shirts and Rolex watches and the way he raises his eyebrow in that weird way. And, fellow fans, how can you not like "The People's Champion," who says "Do you smell what The Rock is cooking?"

If you didn't know, The Rock is only 27, and he's from Miami. He played football in college, and he was good at it. Since The Rock is only 27, he could be a potential boyfriend (like in my wildest dreams). Think about it. Maybe he would let me escort him out or be his manager or press secretary.

And who can forget "Stone Cold" Steve Austin? His motto is "Cuz Stone Cold said so." He's a really good wrestler, and he gets the crowd pumped. He even has his own Web site at www.stonecold.com.

I also like the Big Boss Man, the 6'6", 315-

pound wrestler from Georgia who is known for his move, the Boss Man Slam. Triple H is another favorite, even though most people hate him. You know him, right? He's 6'4", 246 pounds, and Chyna is his bodyguard. He is currently the WWF champion.

Oh, I do watch WCW, but I don't find it as fascinating as the WWF. Limi and Lodie are my favorites from the WCW. I think it's cute how Lodie gets into the ring and, before the match starts, he twirls his ponytails!

I don't know how I got so addicted to watching wrestling. Wait...yes I do. My dad started me watching it at a young age. I can remember watching Hulk Hogan, Ric Flair and the Million-Dollar Man. Those were the days. I would eat ice cream and sit in front of the television.

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## Inequality, hardship for the mentally ill in America

Joe Kinney  
Guest Columnist

As a former mental health professional working for four years for a non-profit mental health clinic, I would like to express my concern for the collective welfare of mentally ill people of America. Although I feel certain America is one of the best care-giving countries for mentally ill people, there are problems present that I believe can only be remedied through increased awareness of the plight of people stricken with mental illness.

Before explaining my thoughts on this matter, however, I wish to say that, due to recent advances in medicine, mentally ill people are better off medically than ever before in history. In prior decades, little could be done to remedy the symptoms of

mental illness and, therefore, government determined that the only suitable action to take in caring for mentally ill people was to lock them up for life in mental institutions where they would have room and board and, hopefully, kind attention from a caring hospital staff. But, today's medicines allow many mentally ill people to recover from their illness and live near-normal lives from a mental health standpoint.

But, even though medical advances have greatly enhanced the mental health condition mentally ill people experience, the mentally ill still face many adversities.

One adversity has to do with the representation mentally ill people receive from elected government officials. Because there is a social stigma attached to mental illness, which many might describe as a form of prejudice placed against mentally ill people by normal healthy people in

society, democracy produces government officials who reflect the views of citizens who have prejudice against mentally ill people. Just as the 1933 democratical elected government in Germany pursued policies reflecting prejudice against Jewish people, modern-day democratic government in America pursues policies reflecting prejudice against mentally ill people.

Said another way, for a politician to get elected, he or she must represent well the views of the majority of citizens voting. The presence of prejudice in the electorate makes it politically profitable for a politician to adopt that prejudice, too. Successful politicians reflect nearly all the views of the electorate, including prejudicial views. Otherwise, a politician will find it difficult getting and staying elected.

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## Doubt

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Sitting through Physics 211 and 212 (thank you, All-Mighty and Powerful Mr. Provost, for making those courses a requirement for my major), I began to wonder if my admittance to this university was, in fact, a mistake—an error generated by a tired and overworked computer sitting in someone's office. After all, I had gone from a 3.9 GPA in high school to making constant "D's" on my physics exams.

Then I got the notion in my head that I wasn't doing enough to be active on campus. The president of several clubs in high school and the member of many others, I felt like a complete loser here at State. Now, granted, I didn't really run to anyone I knew to compare myself to them, but I felt as though I had gone from being a well-rounded individual to someone simply walking around taking up oxygen.

When I walked out of my last exam this past spring, I thought surely I had kissed the sophomore jitters goodbye. I felt certain that I would return to State in the fall with a newfound confidence and a desire to knock the world square in the seat of the pants. Someone got kicked in the seat of his pants all right, but it wasn't the world. It was yours truly.

I still have a little more than an inkling of doubt about myself and about what I'm doing in life. There are moments when I wonder if I should even be in school, what I intend to do when I do finally graduate (some time in the next 20 years, I'm almost sure), and what I am doing with my existence currently. I ask myself why I can't seem to do anything that meets the standards I have imposed on myself. Then I ask myself why I don't just lower those standards to make things at least seem better. None of the answers I can come up with seem to satisfy the questions.

I guess that what I'm experiencing isn't all that abnormal, and

surely there are a hell of a lot of other people out there who feel the exact same way. It's just amazing to not know what the future holds, or even what you want the present to hold. I feel like I'm gliding down a river in a canoe, with no oars to guide me along the way. Whatever I run into is mine to deal with, good or bad. It's not that I'm afraid of just coasting, but I like to have an end result in mind. I like to know where I'll be when the ride is over with.

And so now, with absolutely no idea what I want to do with the rest of my life, or how I'm going to get there, or even how I'm going to get through my classes without crossing the thin line between sanity and a yet-to-be-determined mental psychosis, I wonder what the next few months will bring. Will I score really well on a test and put all this self-doubt and worry behind me? Will I read a newspaper article about some earth-shattering career possibility and finally decide what I want out of my next 50 years of life? Or will I continue to be repressed by the belief that everything I do simply isn't good enough?

It's a mystery to me. I suppose the only thing that I can do is think about other things—like how little money I have, how my car manages to produce a new sound every week, or how much I hate the fact that my damn roommates can't put their dirty dishes in the sink. Yes, maybe the best therapy is no therapy at all. Perhaps I'll just deny that I have any problem at all and continue living in complete denial until such a time that I am comfortable with my existence again. Sounds like a plan to me.

Will someone pretty please with cherries on top send Donnie a death threat? Nothing fancy—just something with at least a vague reference to wanting him to suffer horribly. Be sure to check grammar and spelling though, because it will probably end up on the refrigerator door.

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junction with Eli Lilly Corporation, "Search for the Missing Millions," heaped countless numbers of people by catching their diabetes in the early stages, making it easier to treat.

The newly crowned Miss America doesn't just make "puffed up remarks and lofty ambitions." She has already worked with dignitaries on Capitol Hill, assisting in the coordination of a project that will help over 100,000 veterans and their families nationwide. Tipper Gore will chair the committee, with assistance from Miss America. You see, her father is a disabled Vietnam veteran, so Heather French has a vested interest in seeing this project through.

Secondly, the reason why most of the women are on the Miss America stage is for one reason and one reason only, MONEY! The people who put on the pageant do have something to gain from this program. That is, seeing thousands of women each year earn scholarship money. The Miss America program on a local, state and national level gives \$30 million in scholarships. Every contestant who competes in Miss America receives some money; in fact, it's \$3,000, just for coming to Atlantic City. That may seem like a small amount, but they had to compete in at least two other pageants to get there, so just imagine the scholarships. You see, we don't ruin the system. We just use it to our advantage. We don't put on the pageants, but we all have the need for scholarships.

If you don't agree with the Miss America program, that's fine. But, please, present an argument against it that explains both sides. I personally don't see how a program that is funding my college education, and those of a few other women here at N.C. State, can receive a bad image.

Finally, before Technician prints another article based on someone's unfounded beliefs, I suggest that this paper make sure the article is researched. Most of the information in this letter comes from my knowledge of the Miss America program, while the rest comes from a simple click of the mouse at <http://www.missamerica.org>.

Jessica Burnette  
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## Miss America pageant

To begin with, I was intrigued when I saw the headline for Richard Morgan's opinion article "Morgan takes aim and fires at science, tech-

nology" (September 22). Being a science major myself, I always find it interesting to see how others approach a subject that I personally love.

Unfortunately, and I intend no disrespect to Mr. Morgan, this article seems to present a rather closed-minded approach to science.

Science may idolize knowledge, but it idolizes truth even more. All sciences, from astrophysics to zoology, seek to understand the facts behind how the universe works—granted the universe is a pretty big place. It is generally agreed that we will not even come close to "understanding everything" within our lifetimes (or perhaps) ever. Science has given us a grasp of just how small a space we occupy in the universe—but it also unlocks our tremendous potential for understanding it.

The search for truth is as difficult in science as it is in any other field of research. Scientists must constantly revise and rework their models when new bits of data are added to the mass of human knowledge. Even if theories come and go like ants, each new one is slightly improved over the previous. Slowly but surely, we are moving toward greater understanding.

What is the point of science, then? The most significant uses of scientific knowledge are its practical applications (at least, for the vast majority of people). This is the part Mr. Morgan loves. Scientific advances, such as antibiotics, nuclear power and the like, have improved the quality of life in the developed world unbelievably. Even those ephemeral "theories-of-the-month," fuzzy logic, chaos theory, and the uncertainty principle, have contributed to fields such as computing technology, weather forecasting and organic chemistry. But even if these applications sometimes bring harm to mankind rather than good, there is more to science than even this.

Those who might not possess an aptitude or love for science may not realize the sheer, inexpressible beauty of the scientific equations that govern the universe. I personally believe that these patterns—and others—could not have emerged by chance, but I lack the ability myself to say for certain from where they did come. The truths of science, from my perspective, only magnify the glories of God, rather than diminishing them. Isn't this an even greater significance than the relative humdrum of physical applications in daily life?

However, despite the unfathomable capabilities of science and its applications, there are limits out there. Modern mathematics has shown us that there actually are theorems, which can never be proven or disproven; quantum physics tells us that the physical properties of particles can never be precisely known.

Perhaps there is truth beyond what science can measure and quantify—a world of consciousness, emotion—dare I say spiritually or supernatural? Perhaps it is impossible to place our lives squarely on one side or the other—to make the final distinction between the physical and the intangible.

To answer Mr. Morgan's questions: What do I believe in? I believe in truth. What does that mean? It means that the object of my life is to find that truth. Science is merely one of the routes that I follow to reach that goal.

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## Evolution, creationism cannot coexist

I am writing in response to Mark Anderson's article "Anderson on Christianity," (September 23). I would like to clarify his confusion between "Darwin's theories" and the story of creation. Some Christians believe that the theories of evolution and creationism can coexist. In actuality, these two theories cannot be harmonized due to contradiction.

The prevalent view of evolution today says that life spontaneously originated. This theory attributes the origin of all life forms, including man, to a germ that formed itself out of the sea millions of years ago. According to this theory, death has always existed. The theory of evolution proposes that, over the course of millions of years, man has evolved from the lowest forms of animal life through the various stages of life up through the various stages of human life, finally to human form.

According to Christian doctrine, death and reproduction did not exist prior to the fall of Adam. This absence of death and reproduction suggests that evolution did not occur. According to the Bible, Adam was created by God in his image and was "made a little lower than the angels" (Psalms 8:4-6). Can you imagine God's final masterpiece of creation as being nothing more than a half-breed monkey? If Adam were a being of such limited cranial capacity, how could he be expected to dress and keep the Garden of Eden or name every living creature?

I am a Christian, and I do not believe in evolution. I believe Adam to be the first man and that he did not evolve from a lower life form.

If man and monkey still walk the earth, then why have the missing links disappeared? According to evolution, they too should be living, breathing life forms that currently live among us. To put it plainly, monkeys are still here and we're still here. It only makes sense that the various stages between should also be here.

The theory of evolution denies the existence of God. You cannot believe in the evolution of man and accept the Plan of Salvation as set forth by God. You must choose the one and reject the other, for they are in direct conflict.

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## Johnson

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But, watching wrestling has paid off. My dad and I actually have something to talk about.

Because I enjoy wrestling, in high school, I helped out with the wrestling team all four years. I went to tournaments, learned some wrestling moves, and I even dated some wrestlers.

I do want to commend my roommate for putting up with me. She knows how much I love wrestling and how I jump up and down and scream when The Rock or "Stone Cold" comes out. She's used to me talking about the wrestlers and how I can't wait to attend my first live WWF wrestling match.

I also want everyone to know that I really do have a life. Just because I like to watch wrestling and know a lot of facts about these people, I do other things besides watch television.

For you fellow WWF fans, you must check out the Web site for the WWF at [www.wwf.com](http://www.wwf.com). It has all of the bios of the wrestlers, pictures, live event information, and more.

If you love watching as much as I do, then buy your tickets now because the WWF is coming to Raleigh on November 6. I know that's the day of homecoming, but I can't change the date and neither can you.

If you don't watch wrestling, give it a chance. You'll find that it's quite entertaining.

Tell Tony what you think. You can e-mail her about The Rock, Stone Cold, or any other wrestler in the WWF at [ljmjohns4@unity.ncsu.edu](mailto:ljmjohns4@unity.ncsu.edu).

## Kinney

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Stigma attached to mental illness has many causes. Furthermore, it does not appear to be well understood. But, it most certainly is present. To demonstrate this point, one might pose the question to parents with regard to how they would react if their teenage daughter or son informed them in all facets of life experienced by mentally ill people. All the medical advances in the world do not persuade most parents to think that this action would be advisable for their teenage daughter or son.

But, stigma also shows up in work relationships and in all facets of life experienced by mentally ill people. From a practical standpoint, the presence of stigma attached to mental illness most definitely serves as a prejudice.

Without full representation by elected government officials, the mentally ill have been allowed for many years to be discriminated against by the health insurance industry. Consequently, because health insurance companies did not offer sufficient health coverage for people stricken with mental illness, a huge portion of mentally people were driven to poverty by their illnesses. They would eventually find that they could only receive medical treatment for their illness by relying on the last resort option of utilizing state Medicaid programs.

But, present Medicaid laws mandate poverty on mentally ill people as a condition of receiving this medical treatment. This poverty mandate by government, combined with discrimination by the health insurance industry, has caused mentally ill people to likely be the single least wealthy class of people in the country. Mental illness is a curse of lifelong poverty in America and beyond.

Then, there is the issue of incarceration. Once medicines became available that successfully treated mental illness, many hospitals were closed and the mentally ill were released in poverty to fend for themselves in communities. But, as Victor Hugo's classic book *Les Miserables* showed, the condition of poverty placed on people can naturally lead to their engagement in petty thievery. This fact has caused an enormous number of mentally ill people to end up in jails and prisons in America for punishment of relatively minor crimes.

The condition of poverty also affects the legal representation of a mentally ill person receives in a court of law when being defended against criminal charges. Mentally ill people cannot, generally speaking, afford a private attorney and, therefore, must rely on what many times amounts to a complacent defense offered by a non-caring public defender.

Mental illness is a curse in modern-day society. And it can strike anyone from any social strata. I believe it is in everyone's interest to improve the conditions mentally ill people face in society.

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# U.S. treaties with American Indians bad, getting worse

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The United States of America has to be the greatest nation in the world. I do not mean the best country. I mean the greatest.

I am not talking about silly measurements of greatness like the number of people with health insurance or government subsidies for the development of water-powered cars or the amount of corn syrup consumed per capita. I am talking military might. Because "might makes right," and the United States is the "happiest" mother on the block. To update Billy Murray in Stripes by conventional terms, the United States is 13-1! Everyone around the world from Grenada or Panama to Iraq knows that America will not

be denied.

But a little over a week ago, on Sept. 10, I learned that the real score is 377-0. That is, 377 treaty violations between the nation of the United States and American Indian nations and ZERO treaties the United States has upheld. Now, that is raw power. When a country can make treaties and just violate them, 377 times, that country must be great!

We should all be so proud. Are we surprised that government officials from South Dakota want to make the score 378?

Many elders and people of the Sioux nation and the Sioux Nation Treaty Council, people of the Lakota, Dakota and Nakota, from places such as Oglala, Cheyenne River, Standing Rock and others, are not surprised. They want to

tell the world that Democratic Sen. Tom Daschle, Republican Rep. John Thune and Republican Gov. Bill Janklow want to violate the Fort Laramie treaties of 1851 and 1868. So these economically poor, yet spiritually strong people are taking a bus, driving from their homelands to Washington, D.C., stopping along the way to tell their story to anyone who will listen. They believe that if enough people only hear their story, including government leaders, Congress will understand that enough is enough!

After reading the Fort Laramie treaty of 1868 ([http://maple.lemoyne.edu/%7Ebucko/1868\\_la.html](http://maple.lemoyne.edu/%7Ebucko/1868_la.html)), I was dismayed at the blatant violations of its guarantees. When the treaties were enacted, the amount

of land recognized by the U.S. government under the control of the Sioux nations covered five states and was larger than the state of Nebraska. Specifically, the treaty claims that the U.S. government would set out 160 acres of arable land for every person authorized to live on the lands noted in the treaty.

Moreover, the United States agreed to set apart such additional quantities of arable land, adjoining or near the reservation, as to equal 160 acres per capita. But that was just a provision to carve out the size of the reservation.

Any head of a family who desired to farm was guaranteed the "privilege to select a tract of land within said reservation, not exceeding 320 acres." Any person over 18 not being the head of a

family could "select a quantity of land not exceeding 80 acres."

But probably the most important part of the treaty was the final article, No. 12. It states that "(n)o treaty for the cession of any portion or part of the reservation herein described shall be of any validity, unless executed and signed by at least three-fourths of all the adult male Indians, occupying or interested in the same"; and "no cession by the tribe shall be understood or construed in such manner as to deprive, without his consent, any individual member of the tribe of his rights to any tract of land selected by him."

During the Sioux Sept. 10 presentation in Levitt Auditorium, the elders told us that 75 percent of all the males covered by the original reservation have never

agreed to give away their land or re-negotiate this 1868 treaty. It is hard to believe that any individual families or landowners would have simply given away their land.

As I listened to the elders talk about their history, journeys and struggles, I was inspired to help them receive some justice. As one of the elder women said, "(w)ie (American Indians and descendants of people who bargained in good faith) have given so much already." Who can disagree with her? Now it is time for us, the beneficiaries of 377 treaty violations, to work on behalf of the American Indian people, and to show ourselves that we are truly members of a great nation. We need to support the vigil of Sioux leaders.

They are not asking for money. The elders simply requested that anyone who cares contact her or his congressional representatives and urge them to stop the proposal to take 92,000 more acres of land in violation of the 1868 Laramie Treaty (for more information go to [www.fireonprairie.org](http://www.fireonprairie.org)). The issue of concern is in Section 505 of HR 2605.

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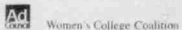
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any more money to a project it has already spent between \$50 and \$60 million on. The seats won't affect the playability of the arena, after all.

State should that \$611,000 to work on its other facilities. There are elaborate plans for improving Carter-Finley Stadium, plans that are more pressing than the need for new seats in the ESA. Method Road Soccer Stadium could use a speaker that works all the time, and a scoreboard that doesn't cut out in the middle of some games. Doak Field could use some more bleachers. The current ones are the old bleachers from Riddick Stadium. Think about that.

All I know is that when I am watching the Wolfpack or the Canes at the new arena, I plan on watching the action on the floor or ice. I don't plan on looking at what on my seat cushion to see what the color is.

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come back. He can do both, and that's what makes him such a valuable player."

Kaufman got started in soccer by watching his older brother.

"Of course, when I was younger, I wanted to be like my older brother," Kaufman said. "So, I started actually trying to go to my brother's practice every time, when I was four or five years old."

After being named a regional All-American in 1997 for his soccer career in Connecticut, Kaufman looked to continue playing at schools in the South. Ultimately, it was State's program and charismatic head coach that won him over.

Since coming to State, Kaufman has been disappointed with neither the team nor Tarantini.

"I think he has a different way of going about things," Kaufman said of Tarantini. "But, I've learned so much since I've been here from him. I think he's a great coach."

As a freshman, Kaufman started in 10 games and had two assists. His real impact, however, was in solidifying the defense.

After the season-ending injury in the summer of '98, Kaufman was relegated to the cheerleading role.

"It was very difficult [last year]," Kaufman said. "Especially seeing all my boys out there. The guys I've been with for two years. It was hard for me to watch them struggle through last season."

This year, Kaufman said he's been happy with the way the team's started. The I-1 victory over Rutgers was a big moment, but Kaufman said the team should expect victories like that every week.

"It shouldn't be a big win because we should expect to beat teams like that on a weekly basis," Kaufman

said. "But, yeah, it was definitely a good moment for a young team like ourselves to grow."

Senior co-captain Jeremy Ballenger said that having Kaufman back makes it easier to upset teams like Rutgers and improve.

"He's been doing great," Ballenger said. "He's probably the strength of our attack coming through the outside. He's one of the hardest workers on the team. He's probably a missing link."

After his soccer career at State, Kaufman would love to continue playing soccer professionally.

"I would like to definitely see how far my career will go," Kaufman said. "It's once in a lifetime."

For now, Kaufman will continue working on the field and pursuing a degree in either business or design. Tarantini expects that he will continue to put forth the same sort of effort.

"I think Kaufman is 90% heart," Tarantini said. "And the rest is determination."

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LeMire is currently the director of women's sports for STX in Baltimore.

Wake Cross Country Teams Sweep Greensboro Invitational

Philp Wiles, Kelly Brady lead the Deacons to victory. Greensboro, N.C. - Sophomore Philp Wiles and junior Kelly led the Wake Forest men's and women's cross-country teams to first place finishes at the Greensboro Invitational this weekend in Greensboro, N.C.

On the men's side, the Demon Deacons totaled 48 points to secure first place, just two points ahead of second place Brevard. Wiles was Wake Forest's top finisher, placing third after clearing the 8K course in a time of 25:59.

Other top finishers for the Deacs included sophomore Garick Hill (6th, 26:02), sophomore Sean Nagorny (10th, 26:19), and sophomore Jimmy Butler (14th, 26:28).

In the women's competition, Wake Forest finished first among 11 teams with a score of 24 points, 35 points ahead of second place Virginia Tech.

Brady captured the individual title, the first of her career, after finishing the 5K race in a time of 18:06. Other top finishers for the women's squad included senior Jill Snyder (2nd, 18:13), junior Erin Haugh (3rd, 18:28), and senior Alison Anibaldi (5th, 18:49). The men's cross-country team will return to action on Saturday, October 9th at the Furman Invitational, while the women's squad will be in action on the same day at the Lehigh Invitational.

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# Sports

## COMMENTARY

### The \$611,000 question

Jack Daly

The Murphy Arena - or the Entertainment and Sports Arena as it is commonly called - will see its first action in little over a month when the Carolina Hurricanes take on the New Jersey Devils on Oct. 29. N.C. State's debut in it against Georgia is roughly six weeks away.

Yet, the main source of conversation in regards to the arena still

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seems to focus on its seat cushions. Chancellor Marve Anne Fox recently demanded that Gale Force Holdings, the parent company of the Hurricanes, replace the seat cushions, which aren't the right color red.

Great. If Gale Force Holdings wants, or, more accurately, are forced to pay the cost of replacing the chairs, \$611,000, then they can go right ahead. Such an outcome, however, doesn't seem likely in the very near future.

N.C. State is involved in a game of we say we didn't, you say we did with Gale Force Holdings over who consented to the chairs, one that eventually could make its way to the courtroom to be resolved. The Centennial Arena Authority, the government body that has overseen the construction of the arena, recently decided to withhold \$1.5 million in seat payments to the Canes. Their opinion on the matter seems to side with State.

Either way, State shouldn't spend another penny on the arena, even if it means the cushions are a bit too dark.

The current cushions look just fine to me and I don't have a problem with them. But they definitely aren't Wolfpack red and that seems to matter to a lot of people. Opponents of the seats argue that if you spend \$155 million on an arena, you should get what you pay for, and that the current seats look "tacky." A common argument is that if the Dean Dome had seats that were a certain royal blue, there would be an uproar against that.

And, expect for the tacky remark, I agree with all of that. But, State doesn't have an archival that has a slightly darker shade of red. And, while it is probably unrealistic to expect a project as large as a new arena to go off without a hitch, there hasn't been too much complaining about the color of the windows on the outside of the arena. They were supposed to be blue, not green, and if anyone's seen the light green windows that cover the wiring and vents, they would probably think it looks a lot worse than the seats.

Never mind that the seat cushions won't really be noticed when there's people in them.

But, as I said before, if Gale Force Holdings pays for the seat replacement, then there isn't a problem.

State, however, shouldn't pour in

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## A DETERMINED EFFORT

Eric Kaufman has battled back from a serious leg injury to help an improving Wolfpack soccer team.

Jack Daly

Assistant Sports Editor

There was a time George Tarantini thought Eric Kaufman would never play soccer again. "He's very lucky," said Tarantini, N.C. State's men's soccer coach. "Forget about playing, he's very lucky he can use his leg today."

After a stellar freshman year for the Wolfpack,



Kaufman was named regional All-American 1997

Kaufman started 10 games his freshman season

Kaufman makes a move with the ball.

Kaufman went home to Connecticut to play in the adidas summer league.

In one of the league games, Kaufman was going for the ball at the same time as another player when the other player's knee came up and hit him in the thigh.

Although he finished the game, his leg started swelling up in the hotel after the game. The impact had caused a medical condition known as compartment syndrome.

"The hit that he got caused so much bleeding, it just bled in the [leg] compartment, and it could only hold so much volume," said State's team trainer, Mike Smith. "When it starts expanding, it cuts the blood supply off to the leg, it cuts off the nerve supply, and that's what causes the pain, and it just keeps getting bigger and bigger."

Kaufman had emergency surgery the next day. He would miss the entire 1998 season for the Wolfpack. But, while his coach was concerned he may not return, Kaufman harbored no such worries.

"I never once thought I was never going to play again," Kaufman said. "Kind of after it was over, that kind of sunk in that I might never walk again, that I could've lost my leg. But, actually, when I was rehabbing I never once thought that I wouldn't play again. The thought never entered my mind."

Kaufman has battled back and is one of the key ingredients on a State team that has started the season 3-2-2, including a win over nationally ranked Rutgers.

"[Eric's] a big, huge help," said teammate Shaker Asad. "We missed Eric last year big time. I'm glad to have him back and he's healthy and he's one of those players who's going to give you everything he's got until nothing is left on the field."

On the field, Kaufman, a redshirt sophomore this year, has been a big presence for the Pack. He is listed as a defender, but plays frequently in the midfield; often making runs along the sideline that puts pressure on the opposing defense.

"We've been working with him, because I think he's an incredible athlete in the sense that he can run both ways," Tarantini said. "A lot of athletes like to go forward, but they don't like to

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Eric Kaufman has been a key member of the soccer team.

APTOP	
Rank	Team
1	Florida State
2	Penn St.
3	Florida
4	Michigan
5	Texas A&M
6	Nebraska
7	Tennessee
8	Va. Tech
9	Georgia Tech
10	Georgia
11	Purdue
12	Ohio St.
13	Kansas St.
14	Michigan St.
15	Texas
16	Mississippi St.
17	Marshall
18	Miami
19	East Carolina
20	Arkansas
21	Alabama
22	Syracuse
23	Oklahoma
24	Virginia
25	Oregon

## ACC NOTES

Sports Staff Report

**Men's Tennis Doubles Team Finishes Second At National Tournament**

**Goffi, Knight drop three-set final at Clay Court Championships.**

PIKESVILLE, Md. - Clemson's doubles team of Josh Goffi and Darrin Knight finished runner up at the T. Rowe Price National Intercollegiate Clay Court Championships at the Suburban Club of Baltimore County. On Sunday the Tigers lost to Auburn's Tiago Ruffino and Steve Huss 7-6-6-7-6-1. Goffi and Knight entered this weekend's tournament unranked, but that should change when the new ITA rankings come out in December.

In the first round played last Thursday Goffi, a junior from Mt. Pleasant, SC and Knight, a junior from Cleveland, TN, defeated Michigan State's Ken Kigongo and Francisco Trinidad 6-3, 6-3. The Michigan State team was ranked 12th in the nation and seeded fourth in the tournament heading into this championship.

Clemson won two matches on Friday. In the second round, Clemson defeated Ed Dus and Rodrigo Echagary of Kansas, 6-4, 6-3. In the third round Clemson defeated David Hodge and Mark Williams of Baylor, 5-7, 6-2, 6-4. The Baylor team was ranked 36th in the nation in the ITA preseason national doubles poll.

In the semifinals, Clemson defeated Pawel Gajdzik and Johannes Michalsky of Baylor, 6-4, 6-3.

**Santa Clara Tops Blue Devils; Wins**

**Duke Adidas Classic**

DURHAM, N.C. (Sept. 26) - Top-ranked and undefeated Santa Clara (9-0) built a 7-0 lead against host Duke, going on to win 7-2 in the final match of the Duke adidas Women's Soccer Classic on Sunday. The Broncos were declared team champions for the tournament after also shutting out North Carolina, 1-0 on Friday. The Tar Heels also posted a win on Sunday, shutting out the USC Trojans 5-0 in the first match of Sunday's double-header.

**Maryland M Club Elects LeMire As President**

Former field hockey and lacrosse player is M Club's first female president.

COLLEGE PARK, Md. - Laura LeMire of Catonsville, Md., has been elected president of University of Maryland's "M" Club. LeMire becomes the first female that has ever been elected to the post at Maryland.

Maryland's "M" Club is one of the oldest collegiate letter winners' organizations in the country. LeMire lettered in field hockey, track and lacrosse during her athletic career at Maryland. In 1979, she became the first Maryland field hockey player to be named an All-American. She would become a two-time field hockey All-American, and was also tabbed an All-American in lacrosse.

She graduated from Maryland with a B.S. in Civil Engineering and a M.S. in Geotechnical Engineering. She also earned her MBA from Loyola College.

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## atlantic coast conference standings

### football

Florida State	3-0
Virginia	2-1
Clemson	1-0
Wake Forest	1-1
Maryland	0-0
Duke	0-0
Georgia Tech	0-1
N.C. State	0-2
UNC-CH	0-2

### soccer

Wake Forest	3-0-0
Virginia	2-0-0
UNC-CH	2-0-0
Maryland	1-0-1
Clemson	1-2-0
N.C. State	0-2-1
Duke	0-2-0
Florida State	0-3-0
Maryland	2-1-0
Duke	1-0-1
Virginia	1-1-1
UNC-CH	1-1-0
Clemson	0-1-2
N.C. State	0-1-1
Wake Forest	0-0-1

