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In the NEWS

Inter-Residence Council sponsors bussing to NCSU vs. UNC game

IRC in conjunction with B. Dwight Foster, creator of the event, and the Watauga H.A.C. will provide interested N.C. State students with an opportunity to join Pack Pride fans on a bus trip to the NCSU vs. UNC Chapel Hill game in Charlotte on Nov. 11 at 8 p.m.

According to a press release, tickets are on a first-come-first-serve basis. The organizations plan to take 20 Greyhound buses that will depart the Coliseum Lot next to Case dining hall around 3:30 p.m. and will be arriving at the stadium roughly an hour and half before kick off. Students are expected to return around 1:30 a.m. Friday morning.

The price, which includes transportation and a beverage, is \$25 and are being sold at Ticket Central in the Talley Student Center on the second floor, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Attendees must be at least 18 to participate. Students must get their own game ticket.

According to officials, the residence hall with the highest percentage of students "representing" Pack Pride will receive a pizza party. For more information, email millionaireson@hotmail.com, or call Foster at 512-7603.

NATIONAL

Rapper's bodyguard killed in shooting outside recording studio

A bodyguard was killed and two rap artists were wounded when gunmen opened fire outside a recording studio Sunday night. The shooting occurred at about 11:40 p.m. near the gates of Echo Sounds in Atlanta, where a rap recording had taken place, police said.

According to a witness and police accounts, the crew and artists were gathered in the studio's patio after the recording when at least two gunmen confronted them and began shooting without warning or provocation.

Dwayne Dupree, 23, was pronounced dead at the scene by paramedics. Dupree, who went by the nickname "Draws," was shot several times in the torso, a police report said.

Sources said that Dupree was a bodyguard for Los Angeles rapper Ricardo "Kurupt" Brown and record producer Delmar "Daz" Amara, both of whom were formerly signed to Death Row Records.

Amara is the cousin of rapper Calvin "Snoop Dogg" Broadus, and was at the studio producing tracks for a Texas-based record company, sources said. The two other victims were identified as recording artists Jevon Jones and Willard Givers, Detective J. Carrillo said.

A subterranean surprise near the White House

Lafayette Square, the country's first designed park and the front lawn to the White House, once was enclosed by a six-foot-tall Victorian ornamental iron fence that was removed in 1889 and all but forgotten until this week, when workers unearthed a Seneca sandstone footing on the north side.

To everyone's amazement, workers soon found a second and then a third pier, as the footings are known. In all likelihood, the piers that held up the elegant 19th-century fence still surround the historic park, spaced seven feet apart and buried two feet underground.

"This is very cool, very much of a surprise," said Robert Soudernman, senior staff archaeologist for the regional office of the National Park Service. "Everyone always assumes that historical materials like this have been destroyed, but it's still here."

The piers are deemed so significant that they're eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, said Gregory McCarthy, the District's State Historic Preservation Officer. They are in excellent condition and are representatives of the early landscaping at the first designed U.S. public park, he said. Their discovery documents the original fence's actual location. McCarthy's determination means the 4-foot-tall piers cannot simply be demolished.



Raleigh and NCSU join forces to create a new Hillsborough.

A new look for Hillsborough

SAARAH E. MIRANO
Assistant News Editor

"Hillsborough Street has given to all of us in many ways. And now it is time to give back."

Not only the Hillsborough Street Partnership feels this way. Citizens of Raleigh and the N.C. State community echo the same sentiment. "Hillsborough Street is such an important place in Raleigh," said Nina Szlosberg, president of the Homeowners Association.

That's why everyone is gathering together this week for a community workshop, which will be an opportunity for them to create a new vision of Hillsborough St. through group and design sessions, made possible by the

Community members gather this week to envision a new Hillsborough Street in events that include a walking tour, a design session and a group discussion.

Hillsborough Street Partnership. The partnership is "an umbrella organization" that includes the City of Raleigh, the Hillsborough St. Merchants Association, NCSU and the University Park Homeowners Association, according to Szlosberg, who is also chair of the planning com-

mittee for "Creating a New Vision for Hillsborough Street."

Leading the vision is Dan Burden of Walkable Communities, Inc., a non-profit corporation that considers people first, and is dedicated to planning "walkable" or people-friendly communities. Burden, well-known nationally and internationally for his work in assisting business and city leaders in the visioning process, also re-designed the downtown Asheville area. The idea was kindled following Burden's visit to Raleigh over a year ago, when he spoke at a two-day workshop.

"At lunch we started talking about how great it would be to do this on Hillsborough Street and ... we started planning," said Szlosberg.

Then, the committee planned a budget in order for Burden and his company to come to Raleigh for the design and implementation strategy. Funds were given by the community partners and other sponsors, including The Fletcher Foundation, Triangle Transit Authority and the Triangle J Council of Governments. In May, Szlosberg went before the Raleigh City Council for the last piece of funding and by June, the partnership was formed and the committee began organizing.

The community workshop will begin with Burden, who will "get all the perspectives out there," including ideas by

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THE Hillsborough Street PARTNERSHIP		
<p>Friday, October 22, 1999 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Near Raleigh-Piedmont Church, corner of Hills St. and Hillsborough St. Free. No parking and no alcohol.</p>	<p>A walking tour through Hill St. by Old Barber and the Walk.</p>	<p>All community design workshops will begin drawing a new vision for Hillsborough St.</p>
<p>6:00-8:00 Community Design Session Talley Student Center Ballroom, NCSU This session will provide an opportunity to review the design of Hillsborough St.</p>	<p>1:00 - 5:00 Children's Workshop Talley Student Center Ballroom, NCSU The results of the children's workshop will be presented and will be developed as the community plan is finalized.</p>	<p>5:30 - 7:30 p.m. "Celebrate the Street" Outdoor Festival The Brooks Ave. Parking Lot, Corner of Brooks Ave. and Hillsborough St.</p>
<p>Community Meeting 22, 1999 6:00-8:00 p.m. Talley Student Center Ballroom, NCSU Community Table Design Workshop Talley Student Center Ballroom, NCSU</p>	<p>7:30-9:00 p.m. A New Vision For Hillsborough St. Burden will be presenting his design presentation and we will learn how we can make the plan a reality.</p>	<p>Tuesday, October 26, 1999</p>

Proposed Fee Increases

- \$40 increase to a total of \$528
- Reason: To meet the \$2 million goal of lab and information technology.
- \$4 increase to a total of \$50
- Reason: Fund club events and produce student activities.
- \$10 increase to a total of \$94
- Reason: Expanding current services, funding for student events fees.

Senate to discuss student fees

NATALIE DUGGINS
Senior Staff Writer

N.C. State's Student Senate will convene Wednesday to discuss the proposed increases in student fees for possible implementation in Fall 2000. Physical Education, Intercollegiate Athletics, Transit Operations, Education and Technology and the Graduate School have all proposed fee increases for next year.

In addition to hearing presentations from representatives regarding the proposed increases, the Student Senate will also hear the recommendations of the Student Fee Review committee. Chaired by Jason Cotter, Chief of Operations for the Student Body President, the committee met Monday night to vote on specific recommendations regarding fee increases.

The Department of Physical

Education requested an additional \$4 be included in next year's fee, bringing the total of the fee to \$58. According to the proposal provided by the Department, additional funds would go to fund the employment of approximately 350 students.

The proposal stipulated that funds would be used in the "need to continue a competitive edge when recruiting and hiring new student employees for maintaining high standards of service to the university community."

Excess funds would go to support intramural and recreational sports and graduate assistantships. Even with a fee adjustment, the proposal said, funding limitations will still exist for the Department of Physical Education.

"We feel that increasing general student fees to support graduate assistantships and club sports is not

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GE dishwashers recalled

CAROLINE E. MAYER
The Washington Post

The Consumer Product Safety Commission and General Electric Appliances are voluntarily recalling 3.1 million GE and Hotpoint dishwashers because they are fire hazards.

The commission and GE are urging consumers to immediately stop using the dishwashers, made between April 1983 and January 1989, and keep the doors unlatched to prevent any electrical current from going to the defective heating switch.

The switch is a sliding one that allows consumers to select between "heat drying" and "energy saver," or air-drying. Over time, the switch can deteriorate, melt and ignite, CPSC officials said.

Consumers should not try to repair the dishwasher but should get it replaced, officials warned. "It can flame suddenly," said CPSC Chairman Ann Brown. "If you close the door, latch it, run the dishwasher and then go to bed, it can go into flame while you're asleep. As long as the door is latched, it can unexpectedly burst into flames."

The CPSC said it has 50 reports of fires; of those, seven had spread beyond the dishwasher, and in three cases a house or apartment was damaged. There were no injuries or deaths.

GE, which also makes the Hotpoint brand, is offering a rebate on the recalled dishwashers, ranging from \$25 to \$125.

The \$25 rebate, plus a one-year service agreement, would be given to consumers who buy a non-GE product. The \$125 rebate is for GE's top-of-the-line dishwasher, Profile Performance, which costs \$400 to \$550.

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SMA investigates 'Nubian Message'

ZACK MAZER
News Editor

Members of the Student Media Authority met Tuesday to hear, among other things, the results of the investigation into the claims of plagiarism against "The Nubian Message," N.C. State's African-American newspaper.

According to the peer review committee's three page report, "The edition of 'The Nubian Message' from September 2, 1999 has an article on Wilma Rudolph on the Sports Page that was taken from an African American almanac without permission or citation. Two articles in the Health Section were taken from other sources without permission or citation. Allegedly, these two articles were also printed in a previous edition of 'The Nubian Message.'" The committee did not consider other charges - as we wanted to focus our research to the most recent offenses."



Mike Finnegan Staff

Editor in Chief Dock Winston.

Listed under the general charges, though, the report says "plagiarism over the course of two years in various forms through various editions of 'The Nubian Message.'" The committee's report also delved into the timeline of the offenses, starting with last year, when a "The Nubian Message" staff writer plagiarized from the "News & Observer." Last year as well, the report says, stories were reprinted from the Associated Press wire service with citation but without permission. Also, "improper use of copyrighted images has been alleged," according to the report.

"We're not a court of law," said committee chair Jason Cotter, an SMA member and member of Student Body President Raj Mirchandani's executive staff. "We looked at the evidence and speculated as to what to do next." Cotter also commented that there was a general consensus on the committee that something had happened that shouldn't have.

"Dock pretty much didn't contest [the findings]," Cotter said.

As for defense against the allegations, the report listed that the African American almanac had been used without citation by the last editor-in-chief, leaving Winston to believe that it was legal; that Winston did not deny any of the charges but did not know they were illegal until it was brought to his attention; and that there was a poor transition between editors-in-chief.

Despite the findings, however, no decision has been reached as to how, or if, "The Nubian Message" will be punished. The committee did provide four recommendations - suspending "The Nubian Message" for the remainder of the semester to let them regroup; suspending Editor-in-Chief Dock Winston for the remainder of the semester, providing him with "information to competently carry out his job," and appointing an interim editor-in-chief; putting Winston on probation for the rest of his term on the condition that he would be removed if another incident occurred; or combining options two and three.

"I think it would be a mistake to suspend Dock [Winston]," said Greg Doucette, chair of the SMA.



Mike Finnegan Staff

SMA reviews plagiarism claims.

"Punishing someone specifically would be the wrong course of action."

Doucette recommended strict SMA guidelines on plagiarism and strict guidelines on who would be punished and what that punishment would be in the event that this situation occurs in the future.

"An advisory role [like the SMA]," Doucette said, "it is necessary to have some teeth."

Following the meeting, Director of SMA advising Fran Russ released a statement that there will be an SMA sponsored workshop on Friday, Nov. 19 at 11 a.m. in the Student Senate Chamber to answer questions about copyright law, fair use policies and reprinting articles and images from the Internet.

Russ stressed that the workshop is open to any interested student.

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What do they call a tidal wave in the South?
See Opinion to find out.

Midterm Report

N.C. State's men's soccer team has its first half analyzed.
See Sports.

Fee

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justifiable," the Student Fee Review Committee reported.

Instead, the committee suggested that the fee adjustment be reduced to \$1.67, only to be used to increase student wages.

"The committee does feel that the requested pay increases for student employees are justified in the amount requested," the report said. "This, the committee endorses an increase for the Intramural-Recreational Sports fee."

The Transit Operations also requested an increase in the student transit fee. An additional \$10 will bring the total transit fee to \$64.

"Transportation is requesting a graduated increase in student transit fees to be phased in over a four-year period beginning with the 2000/2001 fiscal year," the Transit fee request increase proposal said.

According to the proposal, the additional fee will go to support adding to the existing Varsity Park & Ride, expanding to the Avent Ferry - Gorman Area and Centennial Campus. Additional money from the fee increase will go to fund the Werewolf, the university's extended evening bus service.

"Transportation and the fee committee agreed that we would only consider the increase that would cover the basic amount needed to run the Wolfline, and not the night service," the committee reported.

"This is an increase only for the academic year 2000-2001 because the committee did not have the power to pass a graduated increase in one individual session."

The Student Fee Review Committee was not as agreeable to the fee proposal of the Athletics department, because the committee rejected the department's proposed \$10 fee adjustment.

"To raise fees for all students to support the relative few that participate in varsity sports is questionable," the committee report said.

"There seems to be little specific justification for increasing the Athletics fee."

The Education and Technology department also requested a \$40 increase of the ETF fee to \$320. According to a proposal submitted to the committee, the increase will go towards meeting the need level of lab and information technology. The money would go to fund the university's physics and chemistry labs.

The Student Fee Review Committee agreed to the proposed fee, but added nine stipulations to the acceptance of the fee adjustment. Among the proposed stipulations is a provision, which would prohibit Education and Technology from increasing the fee 5 percent over the next two years. Also, the committee mandates that a greater student presence on the Education and Technology department and committees.

The Graduate School proposed an increase of \$5 and the committee readily approved the fee.

Tonight, the Student Senate will hear presentations from each of the five departments, in addition to Fee Review Committee representatives. The senate meeting will be held in Senate Chambers on the second floor of Talley Student Center at 7:30 p.m.

Street

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students, faculty and staff of NCSU, citizens of Raleigh, and the Department of Transportation in a session on Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the West Raleigh Presbyterian Church. Everyone will be able to express unaided views and fresh ideas. "We'll start voting about the issues," according to Szlosberg.

Then on Saturday at 8:30 a.m., everyone will gather for a walk along the street to define the possibilities for change. People will be split up into teams, and each team will be equipped with a camera to take pictures of landmarks they like and don't like. There will even be a trolley for transportation. "It'll be like a field trip," promised Szlosberg.

"We begin to find what we really like about a place... We do know it will change, and it will change for the better," said Szlosberg.

Next, a community brainstorming session will allow groups to redraw Hillsborough St., using

design tables, maps and tracing paper. The design team, made up of a town planner, a traffic engineer and local professionals, will take the completed drawings and incorporate them together. The team will be working "around the clock," according to Szlosberg, at W. Raleigh Presbyterian from Saturday until Tuesday.

On Tuesday, an outdoor festival will be held at the Brooks Avenue parking lot, which will consist of clowns, music and food. Then, at 7:30 p.m. in Nelson Hall at NCSU, Burden will reveal the community plan. The strategy will not only include design, it will also include implementation of short-term, mid-term and long-term goals, Szlosberg said.

Funding will not be a problem for the upcoming project because "we have 100 percent support," said Szlosberg. "What's good for Hillsborough St. is going to be good for N.C. State... It's pretty incredible."

For more information about Burden and Walkable Communities, please visit www.walkable.org.

GE

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"The parts are not made anymore, so repairing it was not an option," said Kim Freeman, program manager for marketing media for GE Appliances.

Freeman said GE thought the rebates were fair because most of the dishwashers are "beyond their useful life," normally nine to 11 years.

"This was the best deal we could get for consumers," said Brown, who added that she would have preferred it if GE had agreed to repair the dishwashers, which she said would have been feasible even though the parts were no longer made.

"GE refused to do it, and unfortunately, under the law, they have the right" to select the remedy for any recall, Brown said.

According to Brown, GE first learned of fires in the late 1980s but didn't report them to the CPSC until November 1998.

"That could be a problem," Brown said. She noted that federal

law requires manufacturers to report any safety problems promptly to the commission, which will investigate the delay.

Freeman said GE reported the problems to the CPSC as soon as it realized the switch could be defective. With the company making 12 million appliances a year, she said, a report of a fire "can seem like an isolated incident."

"Not until there were several situations" did the company realize there was a problem, Freeman said. "We acted immediately when we realized there was a problem."

Freeman said the 3.1 million dishwashers being recalled are a "very small sampling" of the dishwashers made between April 1983 and January 1989.

The recall affects dishwashers with the model numbers GSD500D, GSD500G, GSD540, HDA467, HDA477 and HDA487. These models are affected if the second letter of their serial number is an A, M, R, S, T, V or Z.

For more information, consumers can call 1-800-599-2929 or check GE's recall site on the World Wide Web (www.geappliancecall.com).

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Starr's top deputy takes over Whitewater investigation

◆ Kenneth W. Starr stepped down to resume his Washington law practice, and handed the Whitewater investigation to Top Deputy Robert Ray on Monday.

ROBERT L. JACKSON
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Robert W. Ray, a top deputy to independent counsel Kenneth W. Starr, formally took over the long-running Whitewater investigation Monday and immediately promised to be "thorough and fair" in finishing the inquiry as soon as possible.

Standing on the steps of the U.S. Courthouse, Ray, 39, told reporters that he and his colleagues would "continue the work of this investigation in a prompt, responsible and cost-effective manner."

He declined to answer questions. Moments earlier, Ray took the oath of office in a closed ceremony inside the courthouse, accompanied by his wife and three children. Starr, completing more than five years in office and spending more than \$40 million on the inquiry, is stepping down to resume his Washington law practice.

In a letter of resignation, the controversial Starr deplored the "unfortunate personalization" of his lengthy inquiry that led to President Clinton's impeachment and acquittal after a Senate trial. He said it is wise for another person to take over the investigation.

Starr said that he and his associates had dealt with "challenging circumstances" in seeking to carry out their obligations "in a thorough, comprehensive and professional manner."

"To reduce the unfortunate personalization of the process, in particular in the wake of the inherently divisive impeachment proceedings, the wiser course, I believe, is for another individual to head the investigation," Starr's letter said.

Ray, selected by a three-member panel of appellate court judges that

has appointed other independent counsels, has been a career federal prosecutor for 10 years, first in Manhattan and later in the office of Donald C. Smaltz, the special counsel who investigated former Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy. He joined Starr's staff early this year.

He is a graduate of Princeton University and the law school of Washington and Lee University in Virginia.

In Starr's office, he helped prosecute longtime presidential friend Webster L. Hubbell, the former associate attorney general, who pleaded guilty to a felony in June for allegedly concealing aspects of his and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's legal work on a fraudulent Arkansas land deal. Hubbell, however, said that he knew of no wrongdoing by Hillary Clinton.

As the new independent counsel, Ray is charged with completing a final report on the Whitewater inquiry to be submitted to the three-judge panel by early next year, according to legal analysts.

He must also complete the unfinished investigation of whether anyone lied under oath about the first lady's role in the 1993 firing of White House travel office employees, a matter first investigated by Congress.

In another area, legal analysts said, he must determine whether Nathan Landow, a wealthy Maryland developer and Democratic fund-raiser, sought to influence the testimony of Kathleen Willey, a former White House volunteer who alleged that Clinton groped her in a 1993 encounter in the Oval Office. Clinton has denied the allegations and Landow has said that he never tried to influence Willey's account.

One of the judges who appointed Ray, Richard Cudahy of Chicago, said in a statement that the search for Starr's successor had been limited to senior members of his staff to avoid the delays in familiarizing someone new with the complex inquiry.

Cambodian Premier signs off on plan for Genocide Trials

◆ U.S. plans to hear charges of genocide, which killed 1 million people under Khmer Rouge's rule from 1975 to 1979.

DAVID LAMB
Los Angeles Times

JAKARTA, Indonesia — Prime Minister Hun Sen of Cambodia gave his approval Tuesday to a U.S.-drafted plan for forming a tribunal to hear genocide charges, making it probable that an internationally acceptable court will put top Khmer Rouge officials on trial.

The U.S. plan, contained in a memo delivered to Hun Sen last

week by Ambassador Kent Wiedemann, calls for creation of a panel composed of three Cambodian and two U.N.-appointed judges. At least one of the judges named by the world body would have to agree with any verdict.

Many details remain to be worked out in the arrangement, which breaks an impasse between Hun Sen and Western governments about how to try former members of the radical movement that ruled Cambodia from 1975 to 1979. More than 1 million people died under Khmer Rouge rule.

"This is an important step toward a solution," said Jan Wanderstein, a U.N. political officer for Cambodia, of Hun Sen's

announcement in Phnom Penh, the capital.

To limit the scope of any trials, it is likely that only top Khmer Rouge officials during the movement's four-year reign — perhaps 20 to 30 people — will face charges.

Cambodia and the international community have negotiated for months over the composition of a tribunal. The United States and other Western nations contend that Cambodia's legal system is not developed enough to create a tribunal that meets international standards.

Many Cambodian judges, for instance, don't have university degrees, much less legal training. The country's code of criminal

procedure is a hodgepodge of antiquated and often incomplete laws.

No senior leader of the Khmer Rouge, which was driven from power by invading Vietnamese troops in 1979 and collapsed as a movement last year, has ever been held accountable for the deaths during the movement's reign.

Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot died in April 1998. Most other top leaders were given unofficial pardons by Hun Sen in exchange for laying down their arms, but that is not expected to protect them from facing charges. Two Khmer Rouge commanders, Ta Mok and Kang Kek Ieu, are in detention.

Hun Sen, who also is a former Khmer Rouge official, is unlikely to face trial.

Inflation fears are tempered by consumer price index

◆ Officials reassured investors that inflation was not out of control, and they reacted by pushing the Dow Jones industrial average up almost 90 points.

PETER G. GOSSELIN
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The United States' most widely watched inflation measure showed that consumer prices rose at a quickened pace in September, but not at the market-rattling rate suggested by a different report last week, the government said Tuesday.

The news reassured investors that inflation was not out of control, and they reacted by pushing the Dow Jones industrial average up almost 90 points. Coupled with Monday's gains, the Dow has recovered much of its 267-point loss in the wake of Friday's worrisome report on producer prices.

The Labor Department said the consumer price index rose 0.4 per-

cent, its biggest monthly jump since April, as Americans paid more for oil, tobacco and clothing.

But for a second month running, the rise in the overall rate was accompanied by the smallest annual increase in more than three decades in the so-called "core" rate, which strips away some-times-distorting food and energy prices. And the increase stood in sharp contrast to an unexpected 1.1 percent jump in the producer price index, which set financial markets tumbling Friday.

The consumer price index keeps tabs on what Americans pay for a broad range of goods and services used in daily life, including imports. The producer price index measures only domestic goods that companies sell each other in the course of business. Although consumer prices are supposed to follow in lock-step behind producer prices, they often do not.

"We still have healthy growth and low inflation," Merrill Lynch chief economist Bruce Steinburg said. "There is no evidence of a pickup in inflation pressures in the

U.S."

"It may feel a little less like Nirvana, but the fundamental outlook hasn't changed," said William Cheney, chief economist with John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Boston.

Tuesday's report showed that consumer prices were 2.6 percent higher this September than in September 1998, their biggest 12-month increase since March 1997, according to the Labor Department.

That increase was hardly as dramatic as the comparable 3.2 percent jump in producer prices announced Friday. But it probably would have been enough under ordinary circumstances to spur fears that economic growth was finally producing the long-feared pickup in prices.

However, analysts cited a series of one-time jumps behind last month's numbers and a string of separate reports Tuesday suggesting that growth may finally be cooling.

For example, they traced much of this year's increase in the con-

sumer price index to escalating energy prices, which they said were unlikely to turn into a generalized rise in prices.

A separate Commerce Department report showed Tuesday that housing construction starts tumbled 3.2 percent in September to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.62 million.

Although part of the drop was the result of Hurricane Floyd and a shortage of workers and material, analysts said that part was due to higher interest rates, suggesting that economic growth may finally be slowing.

Even if it is, however, Steinburg and others predicted that the Federal Reserve would push up interest rates when its policy-making body meets on Nov. 16.

"The inflation numbers are starting to tend upward, not seriously but enough that the Fed will probably act," said Donald Ratajczak, economic forecasting director at Georgia State University in Atlanta.

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 Santa Gertrudis Beef Cattle Show
 Adiratic Bengal Tiger Show
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 Meat Goats Show
 Folk Festival
 Triple W Racing Pigs
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 Rock-It the Robot
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 3:00 pm
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 Rock-It the Robot
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 Free Show - Garcia Circus
 Triple W Racing Pigs
 Rock-It the Robot
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 Paul Bunyan Lumberjack Shows
 Adiratic Bengal Tiger Show
 7:00 pm
 Free Arena Show - Ty Herndon
 Triple W Racing Pigs
 8:00 pm
 Free Show - Garcia Circus
 Adiratic Bengal Tiger Show
 9:00 pm
 Triple W Racing Pigs
 Adiratic Bengal Tiger Show (feeding time)
 9:45 pm
 Fireworks/Exhibit Halls Close

Giving up your car for the cause

◆ N.C. Kidney Foundation seeks cars for annual fundraiser.

TONYA JOHNSON
 Assistant Features Editor

If you're planning on selling your car, wait a minute and think about donating your car for a good cause. Not only is it for a good cause, but you can file it on your taxes.

Throughout the year, the National Kidney Foundation of North Carolina will be collecting cars for their Kidney Cars program. The foundation also accepts motorcycles, trucks and SUV's. The proceeds from your vehicle donation will stay in the state to help dialysis patients and transplant recipients.

"It's our number one fundraiser. It's also a win-win situation for everybody. The donors help us, and they can get rid of cars they don't want," said Lisa Owen, a spokesperson for the foundation. Owens said that the Kidney Cars Program started 13 years ago in Texas. Since it was successful there, other states, including N.C., started a program. The program in N.C. was started seven

years ago. By 1996, all 52 affiliates of the foundation were participating.

Owen said that in N.C., about 1,700 cars are donated each year. From those donations, cars are given to licensed recyclables, which give the proceeds back to the Kidney Foundation. The Kidney Foundation also takes the cars to dealer auctions, in which they receive the proceeds from the sales of the cars.

The Kidney Cars Program has been named as one of the top three charities in the country with this type of program by USA Today, Good Housekeeping Magazine and the New York Times.

The National Kidney Foundation says that about 50,000 Americans die each year from causes related to chronic kidney failure, and more than 20 million Americans live with diseases of the kidney and urinary tract. Over 230,000 Americans are on some form of dialysis, and \$14.5 billion dollars are spent on treatment of kidney related disease annually. There are currently 40,600 patients on the waiting list for a kidney transplant; 1,434 in North Carolina.

The National Kidney Foundation of North Carolina is a non-profit health agency, which has been serving N.C. residents for over 25 years. Through public donations, they are able to offer financial assistance to needy North Carolina patients such as providing money for food, rent, utilities and medications. The foundation also sponsors transplant games, fund research and send children with kidney disease to special camps.

If you want to donate your car, call 1-800-488-CARS. The foundation will tell you the process of donating your car, and will tow it free for you. You can also help the foundation out by volunteering at your local kidney foundation, and by becoming an organ donor.

Tennis for everyone

◆ Best-selling author hits home with personal saga.

WILLIAM REED
 Staff Writer

Abraham Verghese's *The Tennis Partner* is a moving story of a friendship that held together two men whose lives are falling apart around them. The only thing keeping them sane is tennis and each other.

Book Review The Tennis Partner Abraham Verghese

Physician and best-selling author Abraham Verghese first moved readers with *My Own Country*, his heartfelt story of his experiences working in an AIDS clinic. Last year, he continued to enthrall his audience with his New York Times Notable Book, *The Tennis Partner*, a powerfully intimate story of male friendship, crisis, and loss. This is a book about life, and the fragility of it.

Verghese is the author of the critically acclaimed memoir, *My Own Country*, the story of his work with AIDS patients in Johnson City, Tennessee. A National Books Critics Circle finalist, a Lambda Literary Award winner, and named one of Time magazine's Best Books of the Year, *My Own Country* was made into a Showtime original movie directed by Mira Nair (Mississippi Masala and Kama Sutra) and starred Naveen Andrews (The English Patient) as Verghese and Marisa Tomei as Essie. He is a professor of medicine at Texas Tech University and lectures on the medical humanities to medical groups and others. His work has appeared

in the New Yorker, the New York Times, and elsewhere. He is regular contributor to TALK magazine, and he lives in El Paso, Texas.

Dr. Verghese journeyed to El Paso to bring part of his old life to a close while embarking on a new one. He begins working at the hospital at Texas Tech University. When Dr. Verghese meets David Smith, a former professional tennis player and his medical student, the two men begin a tennis ritual that allows them to drop their inhibitions and find security in the sport they love and strength in each other. A friendship thrives and the bond between them transcends their relationship as professor and student. David becomes the teacher to Verghese's pupil, a position that was reversed at the hospital. The relationship formed between these two is the true power of this book. What begins as a simple workout on the court evolves into a relationship in which confidences are shared and secrets kept.

Verghese, who began writing about medical issues years ago merely as an exercise, discovered a gift that has since blossomed into a second career. His writing contains powerful personal emotions that truly effect the audience. He writes using his vast medical experience and thus creates an intelligible work based on his knowledge. He writes of his own experience with patients and other doctors, which give the audience a feel for what both he and David live through every day.

The Tennis Partner is a deeply honest book, written by a man unafraid to reveal himself and his own fears and insecurities. It is also an incredible look at the phenomenon of drug abuse among physicians. Most importantly, as he explores the most profound meanings of his relationship with David Smith, Abraham Verghese divulges to each of us the fragile aspect of friendship between men and the care we must take with those we love.

If you like books that explore human nature and personal interactions, then this book is for you.

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Brent Party called least disruptive in years

The annual blowout was the smallest ever, some partygoers said.

Bragaw to go coed, get AC

Bragaw Residence Hall doesn't have to worry about University Towers looking down on it anymore, the X-shaped building is finally getting a piece of the pie.



Mission Valley Inn newest dormitory

The Avent Ferry Complex should open for students in fall 1994 if everything goes as planned.



Students help to feed city

N.C. State students went door-to-door picking up canned goods during the 15th annual Feed Raleigh Saturday, benefiting the Raleigh Food Bank.

THE TOP TEN ORGANIZATIONS THAT RAISED FOOD FOR FEED RALEIGH

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2. College of Textiles 1,242 pounds
3. Scholar's council/Sullivan/Lee 747 pounds
4. Phi Delta Theta 739 pounds
5. Alpha Zeta 445 pounds
6. Teaching Fellows 323 pounds
7. Alpha Phi 233 pounds
8. East Campus Coalition 187 pounds
9. Alpha Phi Alpha 171 pounds
10. Collegiate 4-H 134 pounds

Opinion

Technician's View 'Nubian' peer review done

◆ The SMA-appointed peer review committee has completed its investigation of the "Nubian Message."

Yesterday afternoon, the peer review committee appointed to investigate plagiarism charges against the "Nubian Message," N.C. State's African American student newspaper, offered its report to the Student Media Authority.

While much of the body's discussion concerning the report was done in closed session, the actual report was released.

The report set forth a timeline of the paper's offenses and, in characterizing "Nubian's" defense, essentially said that Editor-in-Chief Dock Winston was unaware of the ethical issues with the paper's practices—running articles that had been in an African American Almanac, the News & Observer and on the Associated Press wire without consent.

According to the report, "poor transitioning from the previous editor-in-chief contributed to Dock Winston's mistakes."

The report also delivered a series of conclusions, with intentions of preventing plagiarism from occurring again. Among them were appointing a "watchdog" for "Nubian," giving advisers a greater role in transitioning and legal training, the inception of SMA workshops on copyright issues and printing "Nubian" less frequently to ensure that the paper does not come up short on content.

Three punishments were suggested in the report: suspending the "Nubian Message" for the balance of the semester, suspending Winston for the rest of the semester and having SMA appoint an interim editor-in-chief and placing Winston on probation for the rest of his term in office. The committee also offered the possibility of suspending Winston for the semester and then reinstating him and placing him on probation until his term runs out on March 31, 2000.

The peer review committee recommended the year-long proba-

tion for Winston, a position with which Technician agrees wholeheartedly. Suspending Winston would likely place someone with an even looser grasp of copyright law into the head position. Suspending the paper, while a viable option for training the "Nubian" staff on journalistic legal issues, would be an extreme punishment.

It is disheartening, however, that the report mentions nowhere any sanctions against the reporter or reporters who actually committed the offenses. Winston is liable—should leave plenty of time for overseeing its content—and the handling of that staff member is an internal matter. However, by not making any concessions for his or her punishment, the review committee is essentially punishing the parent for the grown child's behavior.

The SMA itself holds its share of responsibility for Winston's ignorance of copyright laws. By not instituting any mechanisms in the past to educate soon-to-be media heads, the board has all but courted just this sort of problem. As the advising body for the five student media, the SMA absolutely must take the initiative in educating its members on what is and is not permissible in a newspaper.

The board is making progress in this area. SMA Director of Advising Fran Russ announced at yesterday's meeting a workshop to answer questions about copyright law, fair use policies and reprinting articles and images from the Internet. The workshop will be held at 11 a.m. on Nov. 19 in the Student Senate Chambers. It will be open to all interested students. Hopefully, everyone involved with the student media will be present.

The SMA has yet to determine what sanctions it will take against the "Nubian Message." Whatever their decision, the board should consider the fact that their decision will set a precedent. The "Nubian's" punishment must become the standard response to all future occurrences of plagiarism.

CAMPUS FORUM

Bells are ringing at D.H. Hill

Last Thursday after an early morning class, I went to D.H. Hill library, as usual. I usually go to the eighth floor to study because it is quiet and also has copy machines there.

However, when I pushed the button in the elevator, I decided to go to the top floor because I planned to study lecture notes and did not need to copy anything that day.

After I found a cubicle by the window, I sat down and opened my notes. A few minutes later, a phone ringing distracted me. I had never heard phones ringing in the library before. As I was puzzled, a girl sitting in front of me answered the cellular phone in her hand.

I was a little upset. I could not concentrate on my study until she finished her talking over the phone (although she used a low voice). After about 10 minutes, I was disturbed by another phone ring. This time, it was a male voice answering the phone from two cubicles away. Then, I heard his footsteps toward the area near the elevator. I was a little relaxed, because at least this man was concerned a little bit about the people around him. A few minutes later, he came back to his seat.

About half an hour later, he answered another phone call in the same manner. I could not help shaking my head and wished no more phone calls would disturb me. Unfortunately, no more than 20 minutes later, the girl's phone rang again. At this moment, I had to start thinking about whether I should leave the library or move down to the eighth floor, where I used to go.

As I was thinking, that man's phone rang again. This time, he

was probably tired of walking toward the elevator. So, he just answered the phone in his seat. Shortly, another phone call came to him. I was totally annoyed and decided to leave. As I closed my notes and put my stuff back in my bag, the girl's phone rang for the third time. I could not stand it any longer and rushed out of the library.

I spent almost two hours in the library but accomplished very little. Instead, I was frustrated and annoyed by so many phone calls there. Should these people bring their cellular phones to the library in the first place? If they expected so many phone calls, why not just stay at home or somewhere away from the library? Should they concern other people in the library?

Should the library do something about it? As we know, food and drink are not allowed in the library. Compared with food and drink, cellular phones are much more disturbing. Should cellular phone also be not allowed in the library?

I know I have to go to the library sometimes. But I certainly will not go to the top floor, where there are some people with cellular phones. I am afraid that cellular phones will ring on the eighth floor soon if more and more people bring cellular phones to the library. If the library does not take this newly rising problem seriously and take certain actions, sooner or later, cellular phones will ring anywhere in the library at any time. At that time, does the library still look or function like a library? Where can students find a quiet place for study in the library then?

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MIXED UP!!

WE TAKE ONE CURRENT NEWS EVENT AND MIX IT WITH ONE POPULAR TV SHOW OR MOVIE. THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS....

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They don't call it a typhoon?

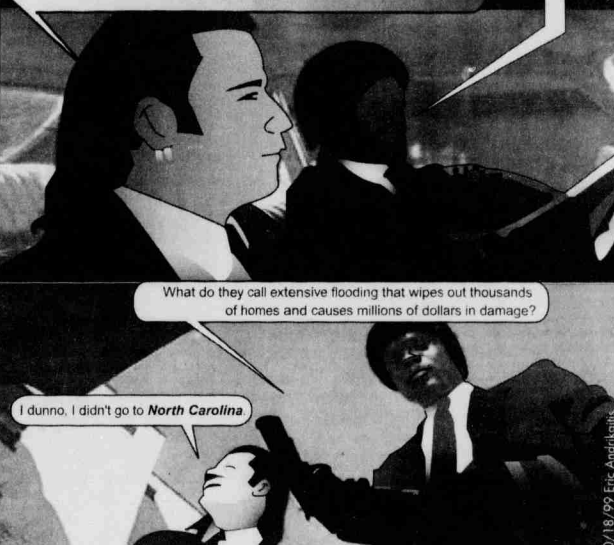
No, they got the redneck system there, they wouldn't know what the F#@ a typhoon is.

What'd they call it?

A Hurricane.

A "Hurricane." What'd they call a tidal wave?

A tidal wave's a tidal wave, but over there they say it with a southern accent.



What do they call extensive flooding that wipes out thousands of homes and causes millions of dollars in damage?

I dunno. I didn't go to North Carolina.

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Debunking the myth of the liberal media



RICHARD MORGAN

There is little controversy over the idea that the media wields a huge amount of influence within American social thought, because media are, by definition, mediated. They tell us not only what to think but also how to think about it. There is certainly dispute, however, about the opinions media encourage. A persistent myth in Americans' perception of journalism is the so-called "fourth branch of government" is that the American press—television, radio, newspapers, etc.—is horrendously and blatantly liberal, run by left-wing extremists who gag the voice of the people at the same time that they choke their audience with a radical leftist agenda. The notion of a liberal media is ironically ludicrous, because it is both a lie and a lie that the public is meant to believe.

The lie is debunked with three realizations: 1) journalism is a business, 2) journalism is essentially entertainment and 3) modern journalism is incapable of social engineering on the scale purported by the "liberal media" myth.

First, it must be realized that news companies are just that, companies. So, is NBC really going to criticize the anti-trust dealings of its corporate cohort Microsoft? Will CBS really condemn human rights

abuses in China if its parent company, Westinghouse, is bidding for an electronics contract there? When journalistic enterprises become commercial enterprises, the press doesn't bow to the First Amendment; it bows to first-quarter earnings. So, the media favors economic stability, lower taxes and less government.

The media could scarcely get more conservative. Well, I suppose they could always resurrect Cold War rhetoric about "national security interests." The moment CNN is owned by Boeing or Lockheed-Martin or any other defense contractor, how do you suppose news will be directing audience opinion?

Second, it must be realized that journalism is currently little more than entertainment. Gone are the Edward R. Murrow "need-to-know" days of bold broadcasting. These are the "want-to-see" days of pop press, when Ricky Martin graces the cover of Time and Barbara Walters interviews the likes of George Clooney more often than the likes of George W. Bush. When the press—both in print and on television—subsists on a diet of eye candy, serious social discourse is malnourished to the point of starvation. And, because the push of a liberal agenda would demand serious social discourse, the media don't touch it because it's not entertaining. News isn't concerned with town hall dialogue as much as it's concerned with buzzword gossamer; it is never going to be more pro-choice than pro-Nielsen.

Finally, it must be realized that, in an age of news

nuggets, one-line hooks and say-nothing sound-bites, journalism becomes an impotent impetus. Ten words on a page or 10 seconds on the air may be sufficient to declare an opinion, but it's definitely insufficient to frame a real argument for that opinion.

And journalists don't sound or sully conservatives, either. Think about it: if you were a journalist and you wanted conservatives to answer your questions at press conferences, come to your newspaper for interviews or show up on your talk show as guest commentators, would you do anything to anger them?

Debunking completed, why does the liberal media myth not only exist but persist? Its reason for existence and maintenance is the same as that of any myth: it serves a purpose in pacifying the public. When the conservative press is dressed in liberal clothes, everyone is happy; conservatives get the power they want and liberals get the voice they want. This construct exists rather than a liberal press dressed in conservative clothes, because such a construct would necessitate liberal power with a conservative voice—and that would demand both too much social activism and too much frustration for the castrated conservatives.

So, is the American media liberal? No. Is it conservative? No. It is, at best, the tailor for the Emperor's New Clothes, a con game that peddles

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Natural disasters, apocalypse: God tells all



JIMMY RYALLS

I was talking to God the other day. This was nothing new, mind you, I occasionally find myself in conversation with the Big Fella, as he is sometimes called.

These talks with God generally tend to be pretty one-sided. An outstanding listener; he's never once cut me off, and I've never felt like he was just waiting for his chance to answer.

But this time, I had a real-life conversation with God, and I thought I'd share it.

I sat down on my bed and crossed myself—as I usually do when I'm getting ready to talk to God—and said: "God, I think you've got some explaining to do."

"Excuse me?" God said. "Perhaps that was the wrong approach. I continued, nonetheless.

"Well, it seems to me that there are some explanations necessary for what's gone on down here the last few months.

"I'm not sure what you mean, exactly. Would you mind explaining?"

"Well, God, I'm from Eastern North Carolina—"

Snow Hill, to be exact. OK, so God has cut me off once.

"Yes, Snow Hill. Thank you Lord. At any rate, you must be aware of the fact that there have been three separate hurricanes through that area since the beginning of September."

"Yes, I know about them.

"Well, the damage the storms caused is horrible...I don't have any figures or anything, but there are at least hundreds of people who've lost homes. The roadsides in the worst areas are littered with mattresses, furniture, washing machines and refrigerators...literally everything in the world that people own. They're calling it a once-in-500-year flood, you know?"

Rightly so, go on.

"But it's not just North Carolina. It's not just the United States, even. Look at the news: massive earthquakes in Turkey and Mexico, violence in schools, a cyclone in India, a reported case of the bubonic plague in Texas—"

The plague?

"Yeah, the Black Death. With all that going on, I keep wanting to see reports of a river running red or something like that. At any rate, this is what I'm getting at: we're two months away from a new millennium. There are all kinds of pre-millennial apocalyptic crazies running around, predicting the end of the world. Isn't it kind of...well..."

Bad timing?

"Well, yeah...not to criticize or anything. But, if this isn't the end of the world, then is all of this really...well..."

Necessary?

"Necessary, yeah." "Going with words that God is, 'Jimmy, I'm going to give it to you straight. The Earth has been around for 4.6 billion years. It's been through ice ages, meteor showers and countless wars and come out all right. The world is not going to end any time soon.

As for the hurricanes and the cyclone: there's a perfectly good meteorological explanation involving El Niño, pressure systems, so on and so forth, that I won't go into right now. The earthquakes: plate tectonics. It's a constant process. Violence: People are messed up, bottom line.

"And the plague?"

Well, you kind of caught me off-guard with that one. It slipped.

"Understood."

Anything else I can enlighten you on?

I thought of a number of things: the meaning of life, the whole evolution thing, where my lost pajama pants are.

"I don't think so, not off the top of my head."

God seems to be a pretty busy guy. No need to keep him longer than necessary.

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Ryals Battling eating disorders deserves greater emphasis

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Is it really possible to say anything thought-provoking about God or religion in the space of a short column? Jimmy's questioning the wisdom behind making this the first column to appear with his picture on it. Any and all violent backlash is to be directed to jryals@unity.ncsu.edu, or should you happen to run into the fool around campus, share your thoughts then.

Morgan

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nothing statements as something statements—but only after those doctored statements have been laced with enough strategic ambiguity that they can find smug, unwitting smiles waiting at either end of the political spectrum. Sure, the occasional Rush Limbaugh or Bill Press joins the media, but mostly, sadly, bullet-biting believers of any political party are nothing more than grits in the gears of a well-oiled, complacent media machine.

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EJITA CASTINE

The Daily Iowan (U. Iowa)

I saw her jogging down the street with a look of sheer determination, as if she were finishing the last mile of the Boston Marathon. Her intensity was not what made me take notice, but rather her baggy T-shirt, which still could not disguise her thinness.

With each painful step, her collarbones seemed to protrude from her Iowa T-shirt, while her legs seemed to defy the laws of gravity as they carried her body with each step bounding over the sidewalk.

I know everyone has seen this kind of thinness—the kind that makes you suck in your own breath. Some women look at this with envy, others with dismay. But living in a country where food is generally abundant, it surprises me how some of us can appear as if we are living in a third world country.

I cannot help but think that we will have some kind of bad Karma, and the next time around we'll all have to live in a society like Somalia—a country where there is hardly any food, and one is forced to watch her or his children's organs fall out of their bellies before they die of malnutrition. Here in the United States, where there is little prospect of massive starvation, people

often feel compelled to place it upon themselves.

Ten to 15 percent of Americans suffer from eating disorders. Some are caught in a never-ending cycle—a state of Samsara, the Buddhist term for hell. A cycle of depression, self-deprecation and body image distortion that often leads to death, suicide or permanent damage. Some have disorders that are not clinically labeled, yet they struggle with issues of food every day. Disorders are progressive and eventually lead to bigger problems that cannot be solved on one's own.

Contrary to the popular belief that diseases such as anorexia and bulimia affect only women, men suffer as well. A total of 7 million American women and as many as 1 million men have an eating disorder of some sort. Twenty-three percent of American college women meet the criteria for Bulimia Nervosa. However, many people tend to blow off the seriousness of the disease, denying it or viewing it as something that really is not abnormal.

But there is something fundamentally wrong with finding food, the substance that human beings need to stay alive, as poison or as something that must be controlled in order to give one value.

Just as the success of men can be judged by the amount of assets they acquire,

women are often judged merely on their appearance. We are all guilty of it. If someone asks how an old friend is doing, one may say something like, "I ran into her at the mall, she is doing great! She looks fabulous!" Or it may go, "Have you seen her lately? She is not doing so well. She has blown up." The important thing to do is become aware of those times when we place value on others and ourselves and change our thinking.

There are many reasons that people choose to starve themselves or abuse their bodies to the point of death. But the best thing an individual can do is recognize the symptoms and try to help. I have seen many friends suffer from what they view as lack of control over their lives. It is debilitating to want to help someone that you care about, who is wasting away in front of you, especially when they deny or refuse to believe there is something wrong. It is embarrassing after all, perfection is the ability to have the reins attached to your own life.

As a friend, one can observe some warning signs and, yes, even help. The time to take action is when one starts noticing a pattern of unusual behavior, excessive weight loss or gain, mood alterations, lack of social interaction, excessive exercise and the use of drugs or alcohol to cope or con-

rol weight. The most effective way to deal with these behaviors is not to encourage them but focus on activities not involving food or weight and support them until they are ready to seek help from a trained professional.

Even if one does not know of anyone who suffers from eating disorders, there is something that everyone can do. People can change any negative views they have associated with weight or people who are overweight. They can demand that public goods be available to all people, regardless of size, such as seats, clothing and organizations.

At the Women's Resource and Action Center, there are many groups starting in the month of October to help women and men who are struggling with food issues. Just as important as other life-threatening diseases, eating disorders should not be tolerated or encouraged. If you know someone who could be affected, take it upon yourself to take an active role. Even though it may mean the loss of a friend, this is much easier to cope with than death.

Balanced budget not worth burdening poor Seeking advice?

ANN WEBBER HART

The Battalion (Texas A&M U.)

In the 1980's, Reagan's "Voodoo Economics" gave a big tax cut to the rich and powerful.

The money the wealthy saved on taxes was supposed to "trickle down" to the common man and create opportunities for the working poor.

But the common folk are still waiting. And it looks like they may have to wait longer still.

The GOP has come up with a smoke-and-mirrors gimmick to make everything work out so they can ride off as heroes into the sunset on their trusty horses.

But they are not considering the condition of their mounts. The horses that are supposed to carry the heroes into the sunset are the working poor.

When House Republicans need-

ed a loan recently to balance their budget plan, they took the money from a tax benefit called the earned income credit, which has given tax breaks to poor families for the past 25 years.

Republicans did not want to touch the Social Security surplus. They did not want to raise taxes for their rich buddies. They did not want to cut any of the pork-barrel programs that keep them living the high life inside the Beltway. So when they needed money, the most logical place to get it was from poor people.

The idea of asking people to give what they do not have is infuriating. But from a politician's perspective, it makes perfect sense to rob someone who is powerless to stop the crime.

People who are poor do not generally participate in political life. When earning a living is a daily struggle, almost everything

beyond the barest necessities must go. Each expenditure of energy must be paid for in cash.

Many poor people regard the endless forms, red tape and appointments necessary to collect public assistance a full-time job.

While the political parties hold conventions and primaries, the working poor will be working. It is likely that they will be working on Election Day, too. And this means the politicians who have robbed them will not have to answer for their crimes.

There has been a theory circulating for years that all forms of social welfare and public assistance are actually crowd control of the poor. When times are tough, aid for the indigent expands.

When the economy begins to grow and create jobs, welfare contracts, forcing people into the job force.

The GOP apparently used this logic—which suggests that the poor do not need to be helped directly during economic booms—to justify its elimination

of the earned income tax.

Needy citizens who formerly received a lump sum of money from the government, handy for paying debts or buying food, will get their money in true Republican fashion—the trickle-down way. The result amounts to an interest-free loan for the government.

Maybe it is not fair to blame it all on Republicans. No one party controls the entire country. In fact, considering Washington's track record, one wonders if anyone is in control at all.

Here is a refreshing idea, Republicans: When balancing the budget, give the poor a break. If that means cutting fat from the budget somewhere else, so be it.

Less is more, especially when it comes to the government. An acceptable alternative for the poor has always been, "If you cannot afford it, do without."

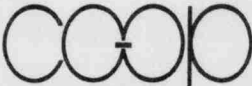
Perhaps the government should use the same frugal rule of thumb when balancing its own ballooning budget.

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COMMENTARY

Arena name equals \$\$\$

Jack Daly

When the Entertainment and Sports Arena opens for the Carolina Hurricanes on Oct. 29, it will probably still be known as the ESA. The same may be the case for when the N.C. State men's basketball team hosts Georgia on Nov. 19.

The Wolfpack currently own the naming rights and Athletics Director Les Robinson has said

ESA

repeatedly in the past that State is in no hurry to name the building. More than likely, the school is waiting for a strong sales pitch from the Hurricanes.

Right now, Duplin County hog farmer Wendell Murphy has pledged between \$5 and \$10 million to State — probably closer to \$10 million — with the understanding that he would name the arena. But, the Hurricanes may be able to come up with a much more lucrative package.

In Atlanta, Phillips Electronics recently paid \$185 million to have the new home of the Hawks and Thrashers bare its name.

While Raleigh isn't as strong of a market as Atlanta, naming rights for the arena would fetch considerably more than \$10 million in an open market. In a News & Observer article published Sunday, Hurricanes owner Peter Karmanos said he figures the naming rights would command between \$40 and \$200 million.

In the same article, it was reported that Nortel may have some interest in purchasing the rights.

Now, the Nortel Center may not be as appealing as, say, Case Arena or even Murphy Arena, but if State is able to come out with a share that is considerably more than \$10 million, it should sell out. The proceeds from such a sellout would be split three ways: between the Canes, the city and state government and State, but the school should be able to negotiate its way to a considerable windfall.

If Nortel or some other company would be willing to pay \$65 million to name the arena, a somewhat modest sum, State should demand the Hurricanes give them around \$22 million, or roughly 33 percent. \$22 million would do wonders for the athletics program.

There are the fancy proposals for renovations at Carter-Finley Stadium that will surely require a fair amount of dough. And, as has been written before, the soccer teams could use a scoreboard or public address system that works without fail, the baseball field needs improving, and just about every sport could make similar claims.

If the Hurricanes aren't willing to give them such a high cut, well, Murphy Arena it is.

Murphy Arena doesn't really have any personal nostalgia for many State fans, but neither did Reynolds when it was named. If Murphy paid \$10 million, well, that's just the way things work. Look at Trinity College before James B. Duke became a donor.

Either way, it is almost 100 percent certain that the arena won't be named after a State basketball legend. In the case of Everett Case, it's a shame. He deserves it. But it's not going to happen.

In the case of Jimmy V, quite simply, the arena shouldn't be named after him. To do so would be myopic in two ways. First, it would overlook the extremely important contributions that Case and Norm Sloan made to the basketball program. Without such contributions, Valvano may not have had the opportunity to do what he did.

Second, Valvano's ends didn't justify his means. Yes, Valvano was a terrific, charismatic coach. But, he also landed the program on probation. State still hasn't really recovered from that.

While the glory years of the early to mid-1980's were nice for students and alumni who were around then, that doesn't mean all that much to current students. How many current students actually remember '83 and the title game against Houston? Since then, the rival schools in

Midterm Report

◆ The midterm report card for N.C. State's men's soccer team is pretty good.

JACK DALY
Assistant Sports Editor

Even after a dreadful 1998 season, N.C. State's men's soccer team still had lofty aspirations for the '99 year.

That was, the team wanted to win the Atlantic Coast Conference, a conference that is probably more demanding in men's soccer than it is in men's basketball. Every team but the Wolfpack has been ranked nationally this year and Maryland, Clemson, Duke and Wake Forest have all cracked the top five at one point or another.

Four games into the conference tilt, the Pack are much improved over last year's squad that went winless in the ACC. The team is 1-2-1 in the conference with a thrilling, last-second win over then no. 13 Virginia.

State should have beaten the preseason pick for the number one spot in the conference, Clemson, but gave up a goal in the last 10 minutes to finish in a 2-2 tie.

The two losses were against squad's that were ranked first in the country at the time (Maryland) and no. 7 (Wake Forest). Out of conference, the Pack upset 15th-ranked Rutgers in the Duke/Adidas Soccer Classic.

So, in the spirit of the midterms students recently completed, here is State's midterm report card.

Offense
A pregame interview with Head Coach George Tarantini usually involves the coach stressing the need for the team to shoot more and score "goals, goals, goals."

Indeed, Tarantini identified the offense as key to the team's chances for improvement before the season.

Thus far, the offense's success has been mixed. It is definitely improved, but against State's toughest opponents (Maryland, Connecticut, Wake Forest, Virginia and Rutgers) the team has managed a total of three goals, with junior forward Nick Olivencia scoring all three of those goals. The unit has clicked and generated plenty of nice opportunities, but it

needs to finish more often in the big game to give the defense more breathing room. "I am pleased, but we have to get better," Tarantini said. "Our goal is to do well in the ACC Tournament and we have to score goals."

Olivencia has had an outstanding year and Shaker Asad and co-captain Sebastian

Rodriguez make things happen in the midfield. If State wants to continue to improve and advance towards its goal of winning the ACC, it is the offense that needs to take them there.

Grade: C+

Defense

Quite simply, Tarantini loves his defense.

"The defense is doing a hell of a job," Tarantini said. "The defense is what keeps us in the game many, many times."

The unit is probably State's most experienced with seniors Jeremy Ballenger and Mike Smith. Damon Butler has had a great season and looks like he will be the unit's leader when co-captain Ballenger and Smith graduate.

"Damon will be a big time leader in the years to come," Tarantini said. "His attitude, the work rate, I tell you, I really like him and [Eric] Kaufman too. Kaufman does a lot of work in the defense people don't see."

Kaufman has successfully rebounded from a leg injury that caused him to miss all of last year.

As far as the rest of the season goes, the defense will be instrumental in any success the Pack has. Its margin for error is usually quite thin and it can't afford to give up goals 16 seconds into games, which happened against Wake Forest.

Overall, though, this is State's best unit.

Grade: B+

Goalkeeping

Mitchell Watson, a freshman from Modesto, Calif., who played on the U.S. National under-18 team last year, has started every game but two for the Pack. He has played well and made key saves in the Clemson and Virginia games, saves that allowed State to come out with a tie and a win. In the Clemson game in particular, Watson made a sprawling save on an

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The Wolfpack has faced a number of the nation's best teams so far this season.

Battered Wolfpack ready for UNC-W

◆ A couple of key men's soccer players are nursing injuries.

JACK DALY
Assistant Sports Editor

N.C. State's men's soccer takes on UNC-Wilmington Wednesday night with two of its best players not at 100 percent.

Shaker Asad is battling sore ribs that he suffered against Virginia, while Sebastian Rodriguez is suffering from the wear and tear associated with a season in the physical Atlantic Coast Conference.

"Well, we're on the road, we have a few injuries, it's going to be a very hard game," said Head Coach George Tarantini. "We have to be prepared. Injuries are part of the game. We can't use them as an excuse."

Last year, State (5-3-2, 1-2-1 ACC) lost to the Seahawks 3-2 in overtime at Method Road Soccer Stadium. This season, UNC-W (5-6) has only one shared opponent with the Wolfpack, State beat Appalachian State 1-0, while the Mountaineers defeated UNC-W, 1-0.

Still, Tarantini is taking no chances with the game.

"Every team can beat you," Tarantini said. "I take this game very seriously. I think it'll be very important how we respond, because Sunday will be the biggest game of the season."

The Pack host arch-rival UNC-Chapel Hill Sunday. Meanwhile, Tarantini doesn't expect Asad or Rodriguez to sit out Wednesday, but, some other players



N.C. State takes on UNC-Wilmington Wednesday.

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Wolfpack women start road to Final Four



Above: N.C. State upperclassmen Tynesha Lewis (l) and Summer Erb (r) speak during N.C. State's preseason press conference in Reynolds Coliseum on Tuesday as the rest of the team, including freshmen Kaayla Chones and Terah James (right) look on.

Photo by Mike Pittman/SAP

WOLFPACK NOTES

Gymnastics Names Johnson Assistant Coach

The NC State gymnastics team has named Colleen Johnson as an assistant coach for this year's Wolfpack squad.

Johnson will be responsible for coaching balance beam, choreography for the team's floor routines, and assisting with recruiting throughout the year.

Over the past six years, Johnson has served as coach and choreographer at various gymnastics clubs in Florida, Atlanta, and Vancouver. From 1995-96, she was the University of Florida's student coach working primarily with the beam and floor routines.

As a gymnast, Johnson has collected many different accolades. She was a member of the Canadian National Gymnastics team from 1988 to 1991, including being a part of the bronze medal winning team at the 1991 Pan American games in Cuba.

In her collegiate career at Florida, Johnson earned All-American status on the bars in 1992. She competed in the all-around at four consecutive NCAA Championships, and finished in fifth place in the All-Around at the 1994 SEC Championships. Johnson graduated from the University of Florida in 1996 with a degree in public relations. In 1995, she was named the Scholar-Athlete of the Year at Florida, and was an academic All-American from 1992-95.

The Gymnastics team finished

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