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In the NEWS

Flu shots offered at Health Center

Cold weather warrants more than just warm coats, mittens and knit hats. The flu season is on its way. Therefore, N.C. State students are urged to get their flu shots now. The university is offering shots for \$9 on various dates throughout October and November. No appointment is necessary for the following dates: Oct. 27, Student Health Center, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Nov. 3, Centennial Campus, 8:30 a.m. to noon; Nov. 10, Student Health Center, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; Nov. 18, Brickyard, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Nov. 30, Student Health Center, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Other arrangements for a flu shot can be made by appointment at 515-7107.

Homecoming Festival comes to the Brickyard

As part of the 1999 N.C. State Homecoming events, a festival called "Red Wolf Rising" will be held on the Brickyard on Friday, Nov. 5 from 4:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Music will be provided by Sankofa and Clarence Carter to kick-off the event. NCSU athletes will be present for autographs. A pep rally will begin at 7:00 p.m. Food will be available to attendees, but alcohol will not be permitted. Students will have access to free parking at the Ridgick, Dan Allen and Reynolds' decks after 3:00 p.m.

NATIONAL

Morality and the brain

In 1848, a dynamiting accident drove an iron bar through the skull of a railroad worker named Phineas Gage. Miraculously, Gage survived the accident with no apparent damage to his intellect. His personality, however, changed dramatically. Once a diligent worker, Gage became an irresponsible drifter.

Gage's misfortune provided neuroscientists with what has become landmark insights into how the brain works. The spike damaged Gage's prefrontal cortex, indicating that this part of the brain is critical for social and moral decision-making.

Now, researchers have found new evidence supporting that idea. Antonio Damasio of the University of Iowa and colleagues found two subjects who suffered damage to their prefrontal cortices before the age of 16 months. Both children seemed to recover. But as they aged, the two began to behave aberrantly, stealing, lying, verbally and physically abusing other people, poorly parenting their out-of-wedlock children, showing a distinct lack of remorse, and failing to plan for their futures.

There were no obvious environmental explanations for their behavior — both subjects came from stable, middle-class families and had well-adjusted siblings.

"In conclusion, early dysfunction in certain sectors of prefrontal cortex seems to cause abnormal development of social and moral behavior... This suggests that antisocial behavior may depend, at least in part, on the abnormal operation of a multi-component neural system which includes... sectors of the prefrontal cortex," the researchers wrote in the November issue of *Nature Neuroscience*.

English trims down courses

Students registering for the spring semester find themselves with fewer section options on the English 200-level, and will even be confronted with choosing a once-a-week lab session.

SARAH E. MIANO
Assistant News Editor

As students leaf through the N.C. State TRACS book in order to register for the spring semester, they're certain to come across something different under "ENG." That's because the English Department has now included omnibus courses in their 200-level offerings, and although they've been on trial since the spring of '99, they're now actually "in the book."

"It's something I don't think the [English] department has done in the past," said Brian Blackley. "It's not a totally unheard of thing, but it is new to N.C. State."

Under the new system, nine different courses will be affected for a total of 23 classes, with anywhere from 60 to 90 students in each class. These large sections will not only involve teaching assistants (T.A.s) who will assist tenured professors, particularly in grading, but also include a mandatory lab session one day per week in which T.A.s oversee groups of 3 to 5 students. The course topics most affected are American and British Literature, including ENG 208, 248, 251, 252, 261, 262, 265 and 266. The only one not in line with the rest is the Shakespeare course, which is ENG 487 or Shakespeare's Late Plays, taught by Barbara Baines. All course sections offer 3-5 lab sections.

Blackley said the curriculum change was considered after the accreditation people looked at NCSU and said that the T.A.s should not be teaching until they had 18 hours of graduation credit. This meant that the English department had to find teachers for English 111 and 112, courses that the T.A.s usually taught.

"By law, now they have to be idle for

Course #	Fall 99	Spring 00
208	4	1, 5 labs
248	3	1, 3 labs
251	7	4, 5 labs
252	6	1, 5 labs
261	8	3, 4 labs
262	4	3, 5 labs
265	10	6, 5 labs
266	6	4, 3 labs
total	48	23 sections

one year," said Blackley.

Initially, through 1998 to 1999, the T.A.s "didn't do any teaching or any assisting," according to Blackley. So the curriculum committee came up with something productive for them to do. "This is the obvious element — T.A.s are being paid a salary. If they were idle for a year, they're being paid for just going to school." During that year, the budget increased significantly.

However, with the new course design, T.A.s will receive hands-on training and teaching experience while they are completing their 18 credits, and the department will not have to pay as many extra teachers.

Although the courses are officially listed in TRACS, "it is still an experimental program," according to Blackley. The experiment began last spring in a more informal manner. "I think the response was about the usual," said Blackley. "They felt the trade-off was reasonable."

However, one student did not feel that way. Melissa Wicks, a communication major in her junior year, completed one of the experimental courses in English 261 last spring. "I think it is a bad idea because it takes away from personal learning time," said Wicks. "I'm not saying they (T.A.s) can't be good teachers, but they're just not professors."

Wicks biggest complaint was that her grade was completely dependent on the T.A., "who was no more than 23 years old."

Wicks said that none of the 45 students in her class were told it was

experimental until they enrolled, and then it was announced during the second or third week of class. "I feel like it was run haphazardly," she said.

"Every Friday we would have a lab with the T.A.," said Wicks. "I don't think she had enough experience to decide someone's grades."

In the end, "everyone hated it," according to Wicks, and they weren't given an opportunity to fill out evaluations.

But Blackley said, "Evaluations were gathered by at least one course" that semester, and anytime a student wishes to fill out an evaluation, they can go to the English department office and do so.

Further, Blackley feels that this upcoming semester "is the big test" and student feedback will be a big factor in determining the future of this new program, although the "curriculum committee will have the greatest control."

In departmental meetings, said Blackley, "People have expressed some strong reservations... but there are others who think it's a useful means for teaching large groups."

Wicks disagreed and said there was such a huge difference between taking English in a large class as opposed to an introductory course in something like basic psychology or math.

"Books are not cut and dry," she said. "You're analyzing works and you're trying to get in-depth meanings... There are always several interpretations."

"It's still a little early to say that either the program fell flat on its face or it's a good thing," said Blackley.

High school Fox

A Rocky Mount High School chemistry class was in for a pleasant surprise when N.C. State Chancellor Marye Anne Fox and her husband, Chemistry Professor James Whitesell, taught their class for a day.

SPRINE STEPHENS
Senior Staff Writer

N.C. State Chancellor Marye Anne Fox and her husband, chemistry professor James K. Whitesell, have taken their expertise in science beyond the boundaries of campus.

As part of National Teach for America Week, Fox and Whitesell visited Rocky Mount Senior High School on Oct. 19 as guest teachers to teach a chemistry class.

"We taught the class about the generation of light using heat, electricity and chemical reactions as the source of energy," said Whitesell. The peak of the lesson came when he and Fox demonstrated the concept of water splitting using a dil pickle. Whitesell said. They inserted forks into each end of the pickle and passed an electric current through the salt water inside it. Hydrogen and oxygen were present alternately at the electrodes on each end of the pickle. When the voltage was turned up, the gases combined and expanded, breaking the connection between the forks and the water in the pickle.

When the gases ignited, it caused 60 flashes per second, giving the pickle a glowing appearance. Whitesell explained that the concept of water splitting is currently being studied as a way to store energy more efficiently.

According to Paul Holloman, whose class Fox and Whitesell taught, the lesson was "fantastic," and provided the students with resources and materials they normally would not have access to.

"It means a lot for these students to see someone from the outside come in and teach chemistry from a different perspective," said Holloman, who is a Teach for America Corps teacher. "The visit was a tremendous opportunity."

Teach for America is a national group of recent college graduates who commit two years to teach in under-resourced schools. More than 1,000 teachers are participating in Teach for America across the country. During Teach for America Week, guest teachers spent one hour in the classroom, teaching with resources that may not be otherwise available to students. The goal of the program



Chancellor Fox.

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Hey, hey baby...

Monica Bates of the Women's Basketball team greets one of her many young fans this weekend during the NCSU v. Ga. Tech volleyball game.

Mike Pittman/Staff

Four fall victim to credit card fraud

During the month of October, four N.C. State students reported credit card fraud to Public Safety

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Senior Staff Writer

N.C. State students have reported four incidents of credit card fraud over the course of the last month, according to NCSU Public Safety.

Terry Wright, assistant director of Public Safety, said that the two most common incidents of fraud occur when a purse or wallet is stolen or when a credit card is taken out of the mail and used without the owner's knowledge.

"We can't prevent this type of crime — we have no control over that part of it," Wright said. "We just have to develop suspects once the case is reported. Each case is a little bit different."

Allison Little, a junior majoring in history, reported an incident that occurred last spring to Public Safety in order to "secure the credit card company." Little applied for an NCSU First USA Bank Visa credit card in the fall of 1997. Little destroyed the card before its expiration, and did not request a new card. The bank sent her a new credit card without the request, and this card was stolen from her mailbox.

"I didn't ask for the card, and so I wasn't looking for it. I didn't know that the card had been stolen until I got a bill for \$205 worth of charges on it this summer," Little said. After three months of "wargling with the company," Little decided to consult an NCSU lawyer. According to Little, the lawyer encouraged her to report the incident to Public Safety.

"The officer I spoke to said that it's pretty much a cold trail," Little said. "They do plan on talking to a roommate of mine, but there is essentially nothing they can do. I wanted to report it so that I could tell the credit card company that I filed the card they sent me as stolen."

According to Little, First USA Bank is now sending

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Trial of second man in Matthew Shepard case to begin

The trial of Aaron McKinney, the second person accused in the Shepard case, could end with McKinney receiving the death penalty if convicted.

JULIE CART
Los Angeles Times

LARAMIE, Wyo. — As the second of Matthew Shepard's accused killers goes on trial Monday, the key question many are hoping to answer is why was Shepard slain.

In the squat, stone courthouse here, authorities will argue that Aaron McKinney lured Shepard from a bar and, along with an accomplice, robbed and beat the 21-year-old student — finally lashing him to a fence and leaving him

to die. But was it simply a robbery that careened out of control or a vicious hate crime in which Shepard was singled out because he was gay?

McKinney is charged with murder, aggravated robbery and kidnapping with intent to inflict bodily injury. If convicted, the 22-year-old high school dropout and former roofer could face the death penalty.

His alleged accomplice, Russell Henderson, pleaded guilty earlier this year and is serving two consecutive life terms. During his sentencing, Henderson said it was McKinney who dealt the deadly blows. Henderson is scheduled to testify in McKinney's trial, which is expected to take four weeks.

During jury selection, defense attorney Dion Custis told prospective panel members: "This case is not a question of

who committed the crime. We are going to tell you that Aaron McKinney was involved in the death of Matthew Shepard."

But Custis is expected to argue that McKinney's history of alcohol and drug abuse affected his judgment. Authorities have said that Henderson and McKinney were on a methamphetamine binge in the days before the murder.

"We are not going to contend that Aaron McKinney was insane at the time," Custis said. "However, his mental state was a factor."

Shepard's death spurred immediate calls across the United States for hate-crime legislation. But McKinney's trial, coming more than a year later, has not captured the same widespread interest as the attack.

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Pool Time

N.C. State swimmers and divers gear up for another year.

Fox

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is to enrich educational opportunities for children.

Fox, whose specialties are electrochemistry and organic photochemistry, is a member of several national scientific groups including the National Academy of Sciences. She is one of the nation's leading organic chemists.

Whitesell is a distinguished researcher in stereochemistry, which is related to pharmaceutical research. He is a professor at NCSU and has published many articles.

The high school students were able to ask Fox and Whitesell questions about their career choices and career paths. The students were particularly interested in how Fox became chancellor of NCSU.

"Chancellor Fox and Dr. Whitesell did a great job teaching the class," said Debbie Griffith of NCSU News Services. "The students were just spellbound."

Fraud

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her legal litigation forms, paperwork she hopes will put an end to the case. "I don't know if my situation is different from others, but if they treat other students like they've treated me, it's not worth the free T-shirt," Little said. "That T-shirt has cost me a whole lot."

According to Wright, other incidents occurred in the Bragaw C. Store, Avent Ferry Complex and Turlington Resident Hall on Oct. 5, 6 and 18, respectively. The students who reported these frauds were not available for comment.

Detective J.W. Goodrow filed student Alysha Henderson's report from Avent Ferry Complex. Henderson reported that "an unknown person has opened a credit card account in her name using her SSN," according to Goodrow's Incident and Investigation Report.

Henderson discovered the fraud when the United Recovery Systems collection agency contacted her

mother to complain that bills had not been paid on the card. Records show that over \$600 worth of phone or computer orders was charged in October 1998 alone. Henderson believes that this account was opened in 1996 and that another account was opened with Lerner's of New York in 1997. Goodrow found that Henderson's student ID had been stolen and plans to continue the investigation with this lead.

"In this case, we have old bills and can track down receipts through different companies," said Wright. "We can do handwriting analyses and use surveillance cameras in stores where the purchases were made to develop suspects. This is not necessarily a closed chapter — we just have to have a little luck."

According to Wright, the high frequency of reports of credit card fraud in the last month is not entirely unusual.

"I've been at this for 14 years. These reports are not typical, but not necessarily unusual. This does occur from time to time, and we may see four right in a row and then go for nine months without having any reported," Wright said.

Trial

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Within the gay community, however, the trial will be watched closely.

"We're waiting to see what kind of defense is going to be put on," said David Elliott, of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force advocacy group, based in Washington, D.C. "Is one side going to argue that this crime

should be excused because someone was on methamphetamine? Is there going to be an argument that a pass was made and this is an excuse for murder?"

That controversial legal strategy is known as the "panic defense," which holds that when a gay man makes an unwanted sexual advance toward a heterosexual man, the discomf may be so strong as to warrant a violent reaction: humiliation as provocation for murder.

Trial strategy aside, gay rights groups are hoping that uncovering

the motive behind Shepard's murder will help promote the fight against hate crimes.

"It seems as though the defense is going to paint McKinney in as sympathetic a light as possible," said David M. Smith of the Human Rights Campaign, the nation's largest gay and lesbian lobby group. "They are going to take the motive of hate out of the equation. They haven't even called it a hate crime, and I can say there is no debate in the gay community that it was."

Israeli police detain 20 foreign Christians

REBECCA TRONSON

Los Angeles Times

JERUSALEM — Alarmed by the possibility of violence by extreme Christian groups in the countdown to the year 2000, Israeli police on Monday detained 20 foreign Christians, many of them Americans, who had settled near the Mount of Olives in recent years in hopes of witnessing Christ's return.

A police spokeswoman said those in custody — men, women and children who are members of at least two loose-knit Christian groups — were suspected of plotting to harm public safety in Israel. They will be deported, probably within the week, she said.

The early morning sweep through apartments in the Jerusalem suburb of Azariya marked the third time since January that Israel had acted against members of Christian groups. Israeli officials are increasingly concerned that the millennium, which is expected to bring millions of Christian pilgrims and other tourists to the Holy Land, may also induce a handful of people to use violence to try to trigger the apocalypse and hasten Christ's return.

Police spokeswoman Linda Menuhin said those arrested on Monday, including 13 Americans, three Britons, three Jamaicans and an Australian, were in Israel with expired visas or without passports. But the police also had reason to suspect that in certain circum-

stances, they might behave in a way that would affect public security, Menuhin said.

She would not elaborate. But Israeli officials have warned previously that Christian extremists could be planning to carry out acts aimed at forcing the apocalypse, including destroying the mosques on Jerusalem's Temple Mount, or committing mass suicide nearby.

In January, Israel expelled about a dozen members of a Denver-based apocalyptic cult, the Concerned Christians, whose members had abandoned their homes and jobs and headed to Jerusalem to await the millennium. Two weeks ago, it prevented a group of pilgrims, most of them Irish, from entering the country, saying they, too, posed a danger to public safety.

On Monday, neighbors and others who identified themselves as friends of the detainees said they were quiet, devout people who distributed food and clothing to needy Palestinians, and did not appear to have any plans for violent acts. Several residents expressed shock at the arrests and said more than 20 police officers and Israeli border guards had arrived at each apartment.

"They are peaceful, friendly people, and I do not think they would do anything dangerous," said a 60-year-old Palestinian who rented rooms to several of those arrested and asked that his name not be used.

Those detained belonged to two groups, known as the House of Prayer and Solomon's Temple,

police said. According to police and Azariya residents, those arrested included Brother David, a self-described born-again Christian

preacher and former trailer park owner from Syracuse, N.Y.; Sister Sharon, a member of his group who is originally from Sacramento, Calif.; and Sharon's son Raymond. David, who said in the past that he shed his last name when he moved to Israel, has lived here off and on for 18 years.

Israeli television showed film of Raymond being led away by police. "The devil doesn't like us preaching in the name of Jesus in Israel," he said.

Residents said the leader of the second group, Solomon Ben-David, was a Jamaican-born New Yorker. Ben-David was detained at the airport Sunday night when he arrived back in Israel from abroad, residents said. Several of his followers were among those arrested in the sweep just after midnight.

Menuhin said Christian pilgrims should not be afraid to visit the Holy Land during the millennial year, when 3 million visitors are expected. "We don't want Christians to be afraid to come to Israel, but they have to abide by the law," she said.

But some Christians are nervous. "Are the police going to be arresting Christians all the time now?" asked David Bognerief, who described himself as a born-again Christian, a musician and a friend of Brother David. "That's what we're all worried about."



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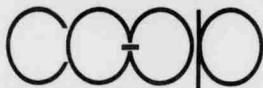


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Much ado about something

◆ Celebrate the Millennium with the Reduced Shakespeare Company

DEBORAH SURPRENANT
Contributing writer

If you want to see 1000 years of world history pass before your eyes in 100 minutes then prepare to meet your destination with the Reduced Shakespeare Company.

The key word for this fine touring company is "abridged." They shook up Shakespeare and annihilated American History. They abridged The Bible and now they are ready to massacre The Millennium with a brand new reduction - a musical/comedy version of the last 1000 years.

These Bad Boys of Abridgement (and a girl), dissect 1000 years of world history in order to prevent the dawn of Judgement Day. In their first musical, RSC turns their twisted sensibilities to the most famous and infamous characters, discoveries, and events of the millennium. It's one thousand years in one hundred minutes, and history will never be the same.

The Reduced Shakespeare Company returns to Raleigh for their sixth side-splitting appearance on the NCSU Center Stage series on Tuesday, October 26 at 8 p.m. The performance will take place in Stewart Theatre on the campus of NC State University. Tickets are available through Ticket Central at (919)

\$15-1100. Ticket price for NCSU student with valid ID is \$6.00. General Admission \$18.00 and student price is \$9.00. Discounts for Senior Citizens, Faculty and Staff is \$14.50.

The Reduced Shakespeare Company is one of the world's best known and best loved touring comedy troupes. They are known for their fast, funny, and physical condensations of all things serious, a style they developed as a pass-the-hat act at Renaissance Faires in California in the early 1980's.

RSC has tickled funny bones at the White House, the Kennedy Center, Lincoln Center's Serious Fun Festival, and at the American Repertory Theatre in Cambridge, MA, as well as countless civic and university venues from Alaska to Florida and Hawaii to Maine. The RSC has twice performed at Montreal's famed Just For Laughs Festival and have toured extensively overseas in Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Japan, Israel, and Great Britain - where they also enjoyed a successful year-long run in London's famed West End.

The Reduced Shakespeare Company's targets for comic condensation have been numerous. Their first full-length work, "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged)," proved to be tremendously popular. Next came the epic "The Complete History of America (abridged)," then "The Bible: The Complete

Word of God (abridged)," both of which have played to rave reviews and packed houses in the U.S., Canada, England, and Ireland.

The RSC comically condensed the year 1992 for Time magazine's Man of the Year celebration in London and on television have reduced the Edinburgh Festival for the BBC, as well as the soap opera Glenroe for RTE Ireland. They have appeared on NBC's Today Show, Entertainment Tonight, CNN's Show Biz This Week, and New Zealand's Celebrity Wheel of Fortune (they lost). The boys also reviewed Zeffrelli's film Hamlet for Vogue magazine in Britain.

On radio, the company condensed Gene With The Wind II - Scarlet Fever for the BBC and their radio series. The Reduced Shakespeare Radio Show can be heard on the BBC World Service and has been released for sale on the Laughing Stock label. The Reduced Shakespeare Company is currently heard as a regular contributor on National Public Radio's All Things Considered.

The dashing trio of performers are made up of writer/director Reed Maddipati and John David Pohlhammer. They are joined by Taylor Young. Each one is marvelously talented with credits too numerous to mention. This is a must see for yourself show.

Don't miss it. After all, a comedy this funny comes along only once or twice a millennium.

Local guys make good

JENNIFER STOLLINGS
Staff Writer



"The community of radio listeners isn't gonna know what hit 'em," said Durham resident Ron Snuggs of Chapel Hill band Collapsis. "It's gonna be like Nirvana all over again... even better."

Well, that says a lot for the local band, and applies a lot of pressure.

While Collapsis is definitely gaining popularity in the area, they haven't quite yet hit "Nirvana" status just yet.

Collapsis is now working to expand their current fan pool by playing shows across the southeast. Fans await the debut of Collapsis' first album, Dirty Wake, originally scheduled to hit stores October 19th, but postponed until Feb. 22nd.

Collapsis will benefit from the delay, with additional publicity from their first release. "Automatic", already being aired on some of Raleigh's radio stations.

Collapsis is comprised of Scott Carle, Ryan Pickett, Chris Holloway, and lead singer Mike Garrigan. Garrigan, a UNC-Chapel Hill graduate, chose to pursue a music career instead of Law School, and still remains the heart and soul of the band.

Collapsis frequents Raleigh nightspots and will be in the neighborhood Thursday, Oct. 28th at the Brewery.

NCSU's Kramer performs for all

◆ N.C. State professor dazzles audience at Carswell Auditorium.

BY ALVIN TONKONDY
Contributing writer

On Sept. 15th, Dr. Jonathan Kramer, cellist and Assoc. Director of the Department of Music was scheduled to give a recital at the Stewart Theatre. But nature had other ideas and lashed our state with the winds and weather of Hurricane Floyd forcing the cancellation of the program. But on last Saturday evening, with the able cooperation of pianist John Ruggiero, he was finally able to perform the program at the Carswell Auditorium on the nearby Meredith College campus to the delight of a capacity audience.

Kramer is a superb technician and draws a ravishingly beautiful tone from his instrument, particularly in the softer passages where many cellists' tone gets scratchy and waters from pitch. His forte playing is majestic - his piano tone poetic.

They opened the program with a short piece - Requies which a for-

mer cellist of an earlier time, Gaspar Cassals wrote in tribute to "mon tres cher maitre" (my very dear master), Pablo Casals, one of the towering masters of the instrument it was playing in the grand style. Then followed the Sonata in A Major, Op. 69, a mature work by Ludwig van Beethoven which he two artists played with that depth of musicality which one of the major composers of the 19th century demanded. It is music full of that unique combination of musicality and pathos which marks the compositional style of one of music's supreme masters. The players delved deeply into the masterful writing of this genius and his tone and interpretation could not have been more better.

Another favorite compositions of cellists, the well known Suite Populaire Espagnole by Manuel by Manuel de Falla received an impressive performance. Its six short movements - "The Moorish Cloth", Nana (Lullaby), Cancion (Song), Polo, Asturias, From Asturias and Jota were tossed off with an appropriate elan bringing the first half of the recital to an intermission.

The second half of the program was

devoted to the seldom played Sonata in G minor, Op. 65 (a that foremost creator of music for the piano, Fryderyk Chopin. It is music in the true romantic style associated with the composer and lyricism is the hallmark of its basic musical ideas. The 20 minute long first movement kept our attention with its strength and superb development. The three short movements which followed were equally captivating. The Scherzo, Allegro con brio was light and airy - the Largo, lyrical and played with the sweep which it demanded and the piece came a close with a technically demanding but expertly executed Allegro which brought the audience to its feet. As an encore, the artists played an arrangement of the well known Chopin Nocturne.

At the piano, Ruggiero's contribution to the evening was invaluable. His tone is dulcet or dynamic as the music demanded but he never overpowered the cello's weaker sound. The German word for "accompanist" is "Begleiter" (companion) which ideally describes Ruggiero's contribution to a most rewarding evening of music.

Floyd relief for four footed friends

TONYA JOHNSON
Assistant Features Editor

The College of Veterinary Medicine believes in helping animals in need. Since Hurricane Floyd devastated eastern North Carolina, the school has helped in the efforts of taking care of animals injured or abandoned.

The school set up a shelter on September 23rd when according to Leigh Ann Wilder, director of college relations, they got word from the Humane Society of United States and the Veterinary Medical Assistance Team that they may need to house animals from the affected flood areas.

"In two days, we were set up," said Wilder. Local citizens donated medical supplies, blankets, towels, collars, toys and leashes to the shelter. Office supplies, phones and lights were also given along with monetary donations, which were used to cover the medical expenses of the animals. The money will also be used to spay and neuter as many of the animals as possible.

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The shelter did not receive large animals due to the strain of transporting the animals by helicopter. Instead, they were transported to near the flood-affected areas.

Wilder said that about 30 animals have gone back to their original homes, but she thinks that more owners will come soon.

"People are just starting to put their lives back together. Some of them (the owners) haven't had the means of

transportation to come pick up their pets. Our main concern is to keep animals safe, healthy and reunite them with their owners," she said.

If the owners don't pick up their pets by Nov. 1st, then the animals are put up for adoption. If someone is interested in adopting the animals, then they can visit the Vet school's web site at www.cvm.ncsu.edu. The web site contains over 200 images of animals. Once a person identifies an animal they would like to adopt, they can call (919) 715-9679 to be put on a waitlist.

Wilder mentioned that the shelter could not have helped all of the animals if it weren't for the hundreds of volunteers from across the state that has helped out. The volunteers are people from animal rescue organizations, Vet techs, veterinarians and from people who have pets, but want to help out as well. And of course, the Vet school's students, professors and staff help run the shelter.

Volunteers do a variety of things such as walk or feed the animals and clean their cages. Wilder said that the school is looking for more volunteers. Volunteers should be comfortable working with animals including large mixed breed dogs. They need volunteers at 7:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. because those are the times when the dogs are walked and fed. If you can't come in at those times, you can still help out at other times. Call the number mentioned in the previous paragraph for more information.

Besides the animals benefiting from the care of the emergency animal shelter, the Vet students are also benefiting. "Most of our students have been involved in one way or another," said Wilder. She said that the students are able to work to work on emergency treatment teams and think on their feet. The fourth year students are the leaders of the team and assisted are by first, second and third year students. Veterinarians and the veterinarian staff at the college oversee the team.

Wilder said that she doesn't know how long the emergency shelter will stay open, but she is proud of what the Vet school has done to help the animals harmed during Hurricane Floyd. "We've all stepped in to help the relief efforts. This is just the College of Veterinary's part," she said.



Haven't been to the NCMA?



Looking for something to do? The North Carolina Museum of Art will be holding a Halloween party (above), will be housing "The Thinker" (right) and is still showing its fall exhibit "Monet to Moore". Call 839-6262 for more information.



"Anime" a big hit at N.C. State

TONYA JOHNSON
Assistant Features Editor

If you're into Japanese Animation, then have you heard about the Triangle Area Anime Society (TAAS), also known as the Japanese Animation Club? According to current President Travis Silver, James Holman founded the club in 1992 "because of a wide base interest in the genre." Silver continued, "At one point, we were the largest [anime] Club on the East Coast. We're still one of the largest."

The purpose of the club is to promote cultural understanding of Japanese culture through Japanese cartoons. The club has 55 members, but everyone is invited to attend the club's meetings.

"It's free to come to the meetings. If they don't like it, they wasted one day of their life. Who knows? They may end up enjoying it," said Silver. Meetings are held every

Wednesday in the auditorium of Kamphoefner Hall at 7:45 p.m. and last until approximately 11 p.m.

During the meeting, six anime shows are shown. Before a commercially released show is shown, the club will get the company's consent.

Members who join pay \$15 a semester. In return, they receive san-sub anime tapes, which are tapes that haven't been picked up by networks. The tapes usually contain four episodes of what runs as cartoons in Japan. Members are also given voting privileges and discounts on the club's t-shirts.

Silver notes that a lot of people seem to be interested in anime. "At any meeting, we have between 75 to 125 people who attend," he said.

At the first meeting of the semester, there were over 180 people who attended.

Depending on what your perception is of people who love Japanese Animation, Silver wants people to know that "we're not a bunch of

freaks." He added, "We're just a bunch of people who still enjoy our cartoons."

But TAAS does more than just hold meetings every Wednesday. Every semester, they hold a festival. On Oct. 30, they will have their annual fall festival. The group has invited local high school Japanese clubs and the N. C. School for the Deaf to attend, but everyone is welcome.

"The festival provides a safe place to be during Halloween," said Silver.

During the festival called "An Anime Halloween 1999, 30 hours of anime will be shown. Door prizes will be given away, and there will be a costume contest. The festival will be held in Withers Hall in Room 218 and starts at 9 a.m. The event should finish up around 3 a.m. on Sunday.

For more information about TAAS, you can visit their web site at www.ncsu.edu/stud_orgs/taas, or you can contact Travis Silver at tsilver@unity.ncsu.edu.

Just a few things that we thought you'd like...

Oct. 30

The North Carolina Museum of Art's second annual Brummagem Ball. Sponsored by the Museum Contemporaries and featuring live music, hors d'oeuvres and drinks from 8 p.m. to midnight. You must be 21 or older to attend and a costume is required.

Nov. 6th and 7th

To meet a high demand for tickets to "Monet to Moore: the Millennium Gift of Sara Lee Corporation," the North Carolina Museum of Art is opening its doors for 36 consecutive hours during the exhibition's closing weekend. From 9 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 6, until the exhibition's final closing at 9 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 7, Museum visitors can enjoy an all-night marathon with these masterpieces.

Nov. 17th -22nd

University Theatre presents the 20th annual Madrigal Dinner. The event will be held in the Talley Student Center, adjacent to Reynolds Coliseum. It will start at 7 p.m. every day except for Sunday, Nov. 21 when the dinner and performance will kickoff at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$28 for adults and \$15 for children.

No. 19th- 21st

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Opinion

Technician's View

Broken English

◆ A new policy adopted by the English Department will leave students lacking in their introductory English classes.

When applying to colleges, a student is hit with a lot of numbers. Numbers like tuition, total enrollment, minimum GPA required to avoid academic probation, so on and so forth.

One of the numbers that colleges and universities most enjoy hyping is the student-to-instructor ratio. Few non-price-related items are more attractive to parents and prospective students than a low student-to-teacher rate.

Traditionally, English classes at N.C. State have had those vaunted low numbers. However, a foolish new system will create introductory English and British and American Literature classes with more than 60 students in each class.

Further, English students in the affected courses—ENG 111, 112, 208, 248, 251, 252, 261, 262, 265 and 266—will also have to take a weekly lab.

Forcing the larger classes on English students is a new regulation prohibiting Teaching Assistants from teaching classes until they have completed 18 hours of graduation credit. Those displaced T.A.s, who currently teach ENG 111 and 112 classes, will now handle the weekly English labs.

The decision to enlarge and expand the English classes is, at best, a poor one. On a purely logistical level, the small classrooms in Winston, Caldwell and Tompkins Halls are hardly tailored to handle the 60-plus students that the new classes will enroll. What's to be done about housing the larger sections?

Course content will be most vigorously affected by the rise in class

sizes in the English department. Literature courses are designed to provide students with reading material and then allow them the opportunity to respond to what they have read. How likely is it that a student will share his thoughts and feelings on "Leaves of Grass" with 70 onlookers sharing the experience with him? More importantly, is it possible that all of those students will have time to respond to their reading? The answer to that question is no.

And the literature courses are the ones that will be least affected by the new system. ENG 111 and ENG 112 are courses required of all NCSU students, excluding those who place out with high AP or SAT scores. They are writing-intensive, to say the least, the first experiences with college English that students have. It will not be possible for the students in these classes to receive the sort of attention they need to become proficient in writing on the collegiate level, a skill necessary for virtually every field of study offered at NCSU.

And that says nothing of the writing labs that will be coupled with these courses. These labs will offer the only one-on-one attention the students will receive—they will consist of three to five students—and T.A.s will teach them.

The problem here is obvious. Whatever it is that make T.A.s with fewer than 18 hours of graduation credit unfit to teach an ENG 111 or 112 class is not likely to be corrected before they take a lab. So, why place these T.A.s, who apparently cannot teach actual course sections, in such a crucial position?

Essentially, the English Department's decision will have this effect: More students will take more hours of English and get less out of the class experience.

Fishing v. football

HANNAH ZAEHER

I guess it's true what they say: You can never get enough of sports. That is probably why there is now a newly added sport to the variety of exciting games already being televised. Hallelujah! Bass fishing is alive and thriving as a national pastime! Finally, I thought I would have to wait for hell to freeze over before fishing was considered an official "watchable" sport.

I mean, don't get me wrong people, I love fish. Occasionally, I catch a glimpse of some fish-related program on the Discovery Channel. I even eat fish sometimes when I visit seafood restaurants. Hell, my favorite sandwiches all include fish.

But why, I ask, would I ever be expected to switch over from a football game to watch a few beer-bellied fish lovers indulging in their hobby. Do I ask for a national audience when I sit there and listen to music? I don't ever recall being approached by sponsors to televise any of my hobbies, never mind the fact that I think that writing, reading, music, watching TV—none of these are lacking in nobility as hobbies.

There are enough useless non-watched shows on TV (e.g. "Mama's Family"...OK, well I don't care if it's your favorite show, no one I know watches that stuff) to begin with, without adding things like "the exciting world of bass fishing" to the list. I'm not a big fan of baseball at all (actually I don't understand that game one bit) but I will watch that if I have to—anything that will keep me from ever tuning into watching bass fishing. Besides, when did fishing ever turn into a sport at the same level as football or basketball, or hockey? I can just see the commentators now: "Yes, Bob over there is looking pretty good in his latest fishing outfit from Fishers Unlimited. Oh look...Jerry just put some bait on the hook. What a fat worm. He is living true to his reputation as the most exciting fisherman in the BFL (Bass Fishing League)."

Forget fishing. Bring me some hardcore football action and then we'll talk "sports."

Football. The sport of all sports. I know what all of you are thinking...*She's just a chic. What does she know about football?* The answer to that: A lot more than a lot of other females know (And yeah, that IS my standard of comparison—so what's gonna do about it?)

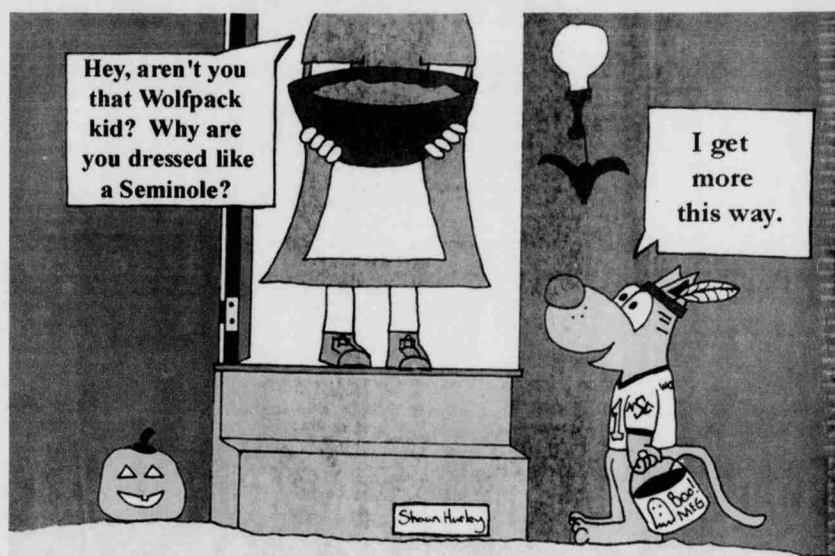
During my football-watching career, I have heard a lot of rather...er...interesting questions being asked about the game (mostly by females). So I figured, since we are talking about sports (or rather I am, that's the beauty of opinion columns, I talk, you listen) I might as well provide some answers to football questions that have boggled thousands of people's minds. Okay, maybe a few dozen. A couple? All right, my friend (let's call her Sara) wanted to know. She doesn't get into the game, but she tries to commiserate with me anyway. Whenever something exciting happens on the field and I start cheering wildly, she always puts her *Cosmopolitan* and says, "Who won?"

So, just for you, "Sara," here are the answers to those probing questions you've asked over the years.

First of all, the object of the game is to score more points than the other team. And no, you can't just pick up the ball and go home if you score first.

Secondly, what? Oh, that guy in the stands with no shirt on is a fan. Yes, paint can be toxic sometimes. What's your point? OK, second point...The guys in black and white striped shirts are...um...zebras. They are on the field for the players to run around. This game is way too easy without additional obstacles. Sometimes, they bring in dogs, cats, rats, ostriches, crickets, dolphins or anything else to make the game interesting. Then...yes, that guy has a runny nose. That's why the zebras are throwing yellow handkerchiefs on the field. They're very considerate.

You can tell the home team from the visiting team by the color of their uniforms. The home team usually wears the colored jerseys, while the visiting team has to wear white. By the end of the game, everybody will be wearing red anyway. No, I don't think the teams have a personal designer to help



Double the pleasure?

ANDREW PAYNE

The institution of higher education up the road apparently plans to double student tuition.

For once, I am at a loss for words. Who do those in the UNC-Chapel Hill administration think they are? Are they aware of the impact that their actions will have all over the state and at our great school? We are not talking about a six percent increase like in years past, but DOUBLE. What does this mean for N.C. State? In the end, a tuition increase of the same magnitude, overcrowding of classrooms, depletion of services and animosity between faculty and students.

Currently, NCSU and UNC-CH have comparable tuition and fees because both are classified as Research I institutions. Keeping tuition comparable

enables the average North Carolina family to send their son or daughter to a first-class technical or liberal arts university. A tuition increase of this magnitude will alienate potential students because of the increased financial burden.

NCSU will lose financial aid dollars. UNC-CH already receives twice as much federal money for financial aid as NCSU does, because of an outdated funding formula. With a tuition increase, UNC-CH will need more financial aid dollars to maintain its current level of student enrollment.

As of 1998, more than 50 percent of UNC-CH's student population needed some sort of financial aid, and only about eight percent received enough money to meet their need. Because the "poor" is fixed with financial aid, UNC-CH were to receive any monies to help students pay for the increase, other institutions across the state, including NCSU, would feel the

effects. "We all go to N.C. State" will literally come true. Because of the huge difference in tuition, students who wish to get a top-notch education and who cannot afford the UNC-CH price tag will come to NCSU, which will push enrollment over the edge.

Even now, studies have shown that NCSU is inadequately funded for its current enrollment, inagine what would happen with an even larger student population. Larger classes in already overcrowded classrooms, a lack of on-campus housing and an overall decline in services just to meet basic needs will all be effects of the tuition increase.

Ultimately, the UNC-CH tuition increase would force NCSU to increase tuition drastically to remain at current levels of service and to maintain its high academic standards and retain quality faculty.

If the tuition increase goes through at

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Riddick is all about the love

ERIC RIDDICK

Last week, I wrote about keeping it real with yourself in regard to how you were raised and where you were brought up. Since last week's column, I have received positive feedback from various people. I would like to thank all the people who made an effort to express their appreciation for my column. It does my heart good to know that my work is appreciated, because I don't write for money but, rather, out of love for other people.

I will be the first to admit that I used to love only myself, but God has changed me from the man I used to be. The reason I wrote so passionately about keeping it real last week was that I used to be phony. I came to college and tried to live up

to the expectations of being "E-Boogie," rather than just being Eric. I am ashamed of a lot of things I did back in the day, but I cannot go back in time to make right the things I've done wrong.

Instead, I choose to continue to live and learn from my mistakes each day that God grants me. Some mistakes I continue to make, and others I correct. But that's life.

My objective in writing is to share my experiences with other people so that they can achieve the happiness or avoid the pitfalls I have encountered. God has been good enough to put people in my life who have shared their experiences with me in an attempt to make me a better person.

Now, I can honestly say that I turned out all right, considering how I used to be. I still have a long way to go, which gives me something to strive for every day. My goal is to

become a true man of God and have a sincere love for all people.

The reason I said that I want to be a true man of God is that I know a lot of people who are men and women of God, but they don't have real love for people. It's easy to love your family members and friends, but what about the man or woman who is not related to you? I know some God-fearing people who are pro-black and some who hate blacks. What's all that? I have learned that most of us contradict ourselves, but few of us are bold enough to admit it. Allow me to give two brief examples.

You have white men who hate black men, but they love the money they make off them. You have black men who hate white folk, but they love white girls.

You're probably shocked by what I just said, but don't be, because it's

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Lassiter gets happy...well, he's trying

DONNIE LASSITER

It recently occurred to me that things aren't always as bad as they seem. I'm not quite sure how this thought fluttered into my mind, but it did, and as your dedicated columnist, I'm here to write about it.

I was sitting in the computer lab the other day typing some e-mails to various people and something came upon me. I realized that I have been writing a lot of columns lately that aren't too positive in nature, that I have been complaining a lot about the things in life that continually make me angry and that I have not been portraying myself to others as the happy guy that I basically am.

"Whoa there," you might say,

especially if you're a student of the Lassiter School of Pessimism, Complaint, Tactics and High Blood Pressure. Could it be that Donnie, our fearless professor of doom and despair, has gotten soft on us?

No, it's just that I felt it was time for change in the routine of moaning, whining and having migraine headaches. You'd be surprised how much money I'm saving on Excedrin these days.

Anyway, back to the point (as if there ever is one). Some days, I look around me and find that I am simply amazed by certain things that, at this age, probably shouldn't amaze me. Walking to class, I can look at a flower garden and think about lots of nice things and wonder how so much color got into those little cells.

I can look into the face of a child playing and think about what my

kids might look like one day and how easy it is, relatively speaking, to create a human life that will grow and develop into an adult who will one day shape the world he or she lives in.

I also look at couples walking down the street together, holding hands, and I wonder about their lives. I try to discern from one gray hair and wrinkle of an older couple what the two have been through in their long life together. How many financial crises, how many sicknesses and health problems, how many wonderful Polaroid moments?

If you stop to think about these things, it's easy to feel amazed and overwhelmed at the truly grand nature of our existence as human beings. I know that, in the past, I rarely stopped to take notice of the simple things—things so simple that you do them

or pass them or hear them every single day, yet you never pay attention. I think that the majority of people do stop occasionally to smell the roses. But, because we've only budgeted about five minutes of our hectic life to do so, those darn things stop smelling as sweet as they once did.

Then again, I have this theory that each person does take the time to examine something closely, on a personal, heartfelt level, or others may not. It could be while riding the bus or subway, walking down the street to some destination or possibly even while reading a good book.

I think that each of us has his own sort of Green World, as Shakespeare put it, where we retreat from the mumbo jumbo of life and where we can find at least

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a moment's happiness and experience some degree of wonder and excitement.

What's your Green World? As long as you have one, you're in good shape. But if you are sitting there scratching your head, maybe it's time to find one. A good suggestion that I have is to sit in the atrium, or Crabtree Valley Mall, that matter, and just watch the people go by.

I used to do this a lot last year, and it just adds a bit of clarity to things. Try to look at each face and think about where the person is going and where he or she has just come from. Realize that they probably have no idea who you are, why you are sitting there or what's going on in your life.

Look at the hundreds of people you don't know. Put this together with the mystery game I just mentioned, and you will be simply

dazzled by how grand a scheme this whole life business really is.

Maybe you'll find a moment's worth of peace and tranquility, maybe you won't. If you do, great. If you don't—keep searching. Maybe your thing is trying to guess what color undergarments the next person has on. The goal is not to generate something that makes you awe-inspired to think about but, rather, to discover the thing that already makes you that way. When you do find whatever it is that amazes you, you'll be glad you took the time to find out.

In order to complete Chapter 17 of his memoirs, Donnie will need to get some feedback regarding the impact he has on his readers(s). Forward comments, preferably good ones, to jllastst@unity.ncsu.edu.

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true. Of course there are exceptions, but most of us either think that way or know someone who thinks that way.

I want to be the exception. I want to be able to look at all people the same and treat them the same. It would be easy to dislike someone because of his color, belief, gender, etc., because it takes no effort to get to know that person as an individual. We are quick to judge people or make assumptions simply because they are different from what we think they should be. There are too many people walking around with no love in their hearts and, since God has given me a little bit, I'm trying to share some of it.

Questions or comments? Send them to Eric at eriddick@unity.ncsu.edu.

Zaheer

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coordinate their wardrobes.

OK, now...How to score. A touchdown is worth six points and... What's a touchdown? Somebody puts the ball into the end zone and... What's an end zone? It's the area beyond the goal line and... Oh, nevermind.

Watch the zebras. They have a way of knowing when someone scores. Nobody's figured out their system though. After that come the announcers...those people you hear talking. Their job is to tell you what you've seen and to give the score every 42 minutes. Some stations now are starting to put the score in a corner, where it stays continuously, burning an image into everyone's retinas as well as the television tube. Make it go away! (As you can see, there's no pleasing some people.)

Anyway, back to the announcers. Why are there two of them? This is so that each team will have an announcer of its own. When one

team does a good thing, this team's announcer can cheer and go wild about what a good thing this was. He'll say things such as, "That was a good thing" and draw squiggles on your TV screen.

The other announcer will tell you it was a bad call. What is a call? Um...you see the dude on the headsets? Yeah, well he is making a call.

Anyways...as I was saying...Why is the ball so pointy? Well, much thought went into the design of the football. Consideration was given to weight and aerodynamics, as well as how effectively the quarterback could grip and throw it. This shape caused much distress in football's early days, when players were required to dribble the ball...What? Brett Favre looks cute in those tights? I think I agree. Just imagine how much better he would look in a Panthers jersey? Hmmmmmm....

Hananah's rambles are like a well-planned play. Really. For a copy and a detailed description of the playsheet, E-mail her at opinionated@columist.com. All monetary donations in exchange for this valuable info are most welcome.

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UNC-CH, the gap between faculty salaries will widen between the two universities. In order to feel that they are treated fairly and with the same respect, faculty here will see a need to raise their own salaries, and what better way to accomplish this than to raise our tuition? If the General Assembly won't listen, stick it to the students, because they really have no say in it. You can see why this policy only triggers student-faculty confrontations.


All will agree that the university system is underfunded and that faculty salaries need to be raised; the real argument is over who should pay for it. Unfortunately, the North Carolina legislature's agenda does not include education. And the only alternative? Make students pay.

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COMMENTARY

Only the good die young...

The words from Billy Joel's "Only the Good Die Young" wouldn't leave my head. In what I believe has to be one of the greatest losses to the world of professional sports, Payne Stewart, 42, died yesterday in a fatal plane crash. Payne was part owner of the Lear Jet that went down near Mina.

Mike Pittman

PAYNE STEWART

South Dakota, killing all five passengers on board.

Payne was one of a dying breed of professional athletes who respected the fans and appreciated the support given. Sure, he wore some funny clothes on the course, but only during rounds of competition. In practice rounds, and in real life, he wore normal clothes. His reasoning for the clothes was to respect the past of golf. He didn't do it for recognition, or he would have actually worn those clothes the entire time. He played for the love of the game, and for the fans.

I had a deep respect for Payne. I was lucky enough to see him play at the Masters and at the 1999 U.S. Open. At the Open, I followed him for a few holes each day and was happy to see how he treated his fans. He signed autographs not only during the practice rounds, but also during actual tournament play. For those non-golfers, this is almost unheard of. And what of Tiger Woods? He actually warned fans during the practice rounds that he was signing no autographs. One 11-year-old fan asked anyway, to which Tiger responded "I said NO autographs."

I'll never forget Sunday of the U.S. Open. I was standing in a cool mist in the Grandstands off the 18th green. Me and the others around tracked Phil Mickelson and Payne through the final holes of the tournament. I cheered when Payne did something great, while others cheered for Phil. One kid around me chided me for cheering for Payne. His reasoning: Payne had already won an Open. Phil had not. I agreed, but I still cheered for Payne. Phil would have many more chances, and I thought that the 1999 Open could have been Payne's last opportunity. So I told the kid that. He agreed and left me alone. How little did I know that those very words were so true. I still have two copies of the News And Observer from the following Monday.

Even after winning the most prestigious tournament in golf, he still got up early the next morning to play with three fellow tour members in a Skins Tournament for charity. Imagine, after winning the greatest tournament in golf, driving home to celebrate with caddy Mike Hicks, family and friends till the wee hours of the morning, he still got up to help those less fortunate. How much money was in this event for the participants? None. They all did it for the charity of the event.

After winning the 1999 U.S. Open, Payne was interviewed of course. "I'm proud of the fact that my faith in God is so much stronger and I'm so much more at peace with myself than I've ever been in my life. Where I was with my faith last year and where I am now is leaps and bounds."

Indeed, we not only lost one of the great golfers of our time, but also a great professional, and great person. But even with that loss, I'm glad to know that Payne will forever be playing on far greener fairways. As for this Halloween Sunday, I'll be the one in knickers.

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In the swim of things

◆ High goals, veteran leadership power Pack into 1999-2000 season.

K. GREENE
Sports Editor

There are big goals being set in the Willis Casey Aquatics Center. Over the years, the N.C. State men's and women's swimming and diving teams have combined for 25 ACC Championships and had 100 performers earn All-American recognition.

This year's teams feel like those numbers need to be a little higher. "We have definite goals," said Wolfpack Head Coach Scott Hammond.

"We want to be better than we've been in a while, and we are ready to work for it."

The two teams combined have over 35 swimmers in their second and third years with the program.

Powering both teams, which finished fourth and fifth respectively in the men's and women's Atlantic Coast Conference Championship Meet last March in College Park, Maryland, are a strong group of sophomores and juniors.

Wolfpack Head Coach Scott Hammond. "We want to be better than we've been in a while, and we are ready to work for it."

WOMEN
The Wolfpack women have jumped out to a 2-1 record already this season, opening up with a three-way home match against Georgia Southern and North Carolina A&T.

"Our first two meets weren't the most challenging," said Hammond. "But I liked what I saw. I felt good about where we were, and where we can compete at."

Against ACC opponent Florida State two weekends ago in Atlanta, the Wolfpack lost by just 30 points.

Down 0-1 in the ACC early in the season isn't particularly bothersome for Hammond and the Pack, who know that what happens now isn't the determining factor for the

season. "We are graded on how we are at the end of the season, and with that in mind, we are preparing for the end of the season," said Hammond. "Because of that, we might not win all of the meets we'd like to along the way, but there is a long-term goal."

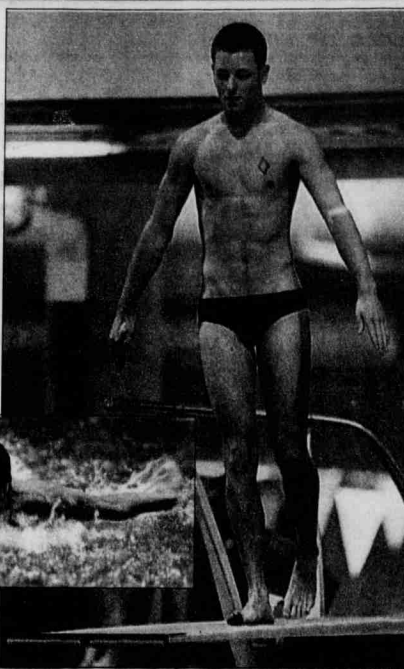
"Right now, our attitudes couldn't be better," said Hammond. "We are as far ahead as I thought that we'd be. We are not a 'star' system, we just have good people who

can work hard and do well."

"Susan Vogt and Lauren Copan are doing a terrific job as captains," praised Hammond. "They are literally keeping the team together this early in the season, and that will pay off in the end."

Leading the Pack return are a number of competitors who made it to the finals of their respective events in last year's ACC meet, including divers Kelly Melton and Shelly Cavaliere and backstrokeer Kathleen Tonini.

MEN
The University of Virginia's men's team is what Hammond calls the "class of the ACC" and is virtually untouchable by the rest of



The Wolfpack men and women take on USC this weekend in Columbia.

N.C. State's men's diving team returns just two members. Andy ACC Champ Andy Johnson and Brendan Firestone. Kelly Melton and Shelly Cavaliere lead the women's team.

the conference field, but the Pack is looking to challenge that, trying to improve last year's top four finish to a top two finish.

"The attitude is very good right now. We have something to prove, and they all know it," said Hammond.

The Pack will be led by a group of four swimmers who earned All-American honors last year in the 200-yard Medley Relay.

Jared Prott, Braden Holloway, Greg Solto and Walter Magusson swam together all season last year

on the relay team that not only made it to nationals, but also set an ACC record.

"They have been to the biggest meet of the year and they want to go back," said Hammond. "They are each extremely good at what they do, but what they focused on last year was small. This year, their focus is bigger, and it involves the whole team."

This year, they are again leading by example.

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atlantic coast conference



Can State beat Georgia Tech?

◆ N.C. State will travel to Georgia Tech on Saturday with something to prove.

ROBERTO R. BANUO
Staff Writer



Freshman wide receiver Koren Robinson (3) was named the ACC's Rookie of the week on Monday after his second 100+ yard game in as many outings. Saturday against Duke, Robinson, N.C. State's new No. 1 option collected 129 yards.

When things aren't working out to your benefit, some choose to try, try again, as the old cliché goes. This is the route the N.C. State football team has chosen to tread.

"We still got guys hitting the ball. As the season progresses, you get worn down, your body gets banged up. But we're going to fight, we're never going to throw in the towel no matter what, that's Wolfpack style of football," says junior defensive tackle Jeff Fisher.

Despite huge injuries to key players on both sides of the ball, the squad has not given up, winning two out of its last three games, including an overtime win over Duke on Saturday.

However, the challenge they will face on Saturday against 7th ranked Georgia Tech might test the "Wolfpack style of football" attitude.

Georgia Tech is a team strong on offense and weak on defense. Which will create an interesting situation when matched-up well against the strong defense of State and a low scoring offense.

The Yellow Jackets have not been held to a score under 31 points all year, and three times they have scored over 40 points. However, on



N.C. State's tough defense meets a potent offense this weekend.

defense they have also given up large numbers. To date, over 150 points, holding their opponents under 20 points only once.

How well will N.C. State be able to play on defense?

Can they stop Tech's potent offense?

The answers to these questions will likely have a significant impact on the outcome of the game.

"I don't know if you can, their offense does too many things well," said Head football coach Mike O'Cain.

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florida state	6-0
georgia tech	3-1
virginia	3-2
clemson	3-2
maryland	2-2
nc state	2-3
wake forest	1-3
duke	1-3
unc-ch	0-5

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WAKE FOREST	4-2-0
MARYLAND	3-2-1
CLEMSON	4-3-0
VIRGINIA	4-3-0
NC STATE	2-3-1
DUKE	2-5-0
FLORIDA STATE	0-5-1

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(Below) The Wolfpack baseball team will play the Red and White World Series this weekend at Doak Field. Games will be Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Watch Technician for times.



(Below) ACC Cross Country Championships-- Monday.

(Above) The Wolfpack men's basketball team will hold an open practice Monday in the new arena.