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In the NEWS

N.C. State student awarded \$75K to study air quality in national parks

Daiwen Kang of Raleigh, a doctoral student in marine, earth and atmospheric sciences at N.C. State, has been awarded a \$75,000 Canon National Parks Science Scholarship to study air quality in the Southeast's national parks. Kang was one of only eight students nationwide to receive a Canon National Parks Science Scholarship this year. The scholarship program is the only one of its kind that encourage doctoral students to conduct innovative research on scientific problems facing our national parks. The students' findings will be used by the Park Service to help develop long-term strategies for conservation, park management and pollution re-mediation.

Air pollution is a major problem in Great Smoky Mountains National Park and Shenandoah National Park. Kang's research will focus on the impact that volatile organic compounds (VOCs) — emitted by both natural and anthropogenic sources — have on air quality in the parks, and in particular on ozone levels there. Numerous studies have shown that high ozone levels can have a harmful effect on human health and the environment. Kang and this year's other recipients were selected by a panel of AAAS scientists and were honored at an awards ceremony on Nov. 8 in Washington, D.C.

Study finds Southeast's climate is in slight cooling trend

Despite record-breaking heat this summer and increased levels of greenhouse gases in our air, the climate in the southeastern United States actually has cooled slightly over the past 50 years. N.C. State atmospheric scientists have found that annual mean daily temperatures at 52 weather stations across the region have decreased, on average, 0.10 degree Celsius — or about 0.18 degree Fahrenheit — from 1949 to 1994.

A drop that small may seem insignificant. But lead researcher Vinod Saxena says its implications may be huge as scientists and policy makers from around the world gather this month at a United Nations' Global Climate Conference in Argentina to debate the controversial Kyoto Treaty on carbon dioxide emissions and greenhouse warming. Saxena and his colleagues at NCSU have published their studies on the Southeast's climate in three peer-reviewed scientific papers. They presented their most recent findings at the American Meteorological Society's eighth conference on "Climate Variations in Denver, Colo., earlier this fall.

The Kyoto Treaty mandates cutting carbon dioxide emissions by 5 percent below 1990 levels as a way of slowing or reversing global warming. The Southeast's coal-fired power plants, coal mining and fossil fuel-related industries would likely be adversely affected by such reductions, Saxena says.

NATIONAL

Women outnumber men at many colleges

At a time when women are making tremendous gains in higher education, finding more support and earning more advanced diplomas than ever, a troubling phenomenon is occurring on college campuses across the country: The men are vanishing.

An Iowa-based policy analyst is highlighting the trend, which flips the age-old gender gap in higher education. Thomas G. Mortenson told a gathering of regional college presidents and deans at Goucher College on Tuesday that he believes it signals deeper problems in society.

"There is an absolute revolution going on in terms of college participation," he said. "Women are succeeding, and men are failing."

Mortenson's research shows that although men earned nearly 57 percent of the four-year degrees awarded in U.S. institutions in 1970, women were claiming more than 55 percent by 1996.

Local artists benefit Craft Center

◆ As the holiday season kicks into gear the Craft Center at N.C. State invites the public to buy anything from pottery to jewelry at their annual sale, and benefit the center.

EMILY TOWNLEY
Senior Staff Writer

N.C. State's Craft Center invites the public to get into the holiday spirit and start shopping early at its Fifteenth Annual Holiday Fair and Sale.

Students, faculty and members of the community who take classes and work at the Craft Center will display and sell their crafts at the Holiday Fair and Sale on Saturday, Nov. 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"The main purpose of the fair is to provide folks who participate in the Craft Center an opportunity to exhibit and learn the ins and outs of presenting work, set up a booth in an attractive way and price their work," said Christy Newell, associate director of the Craft Center and coordinator of the fair. "And,

of course, we do it to raise awareness of the Craft Center."

Over 45 individual booths, with crafts ranging from pottery to woodwork, will fill the Craft Center at the sale Saturday. Artists will also demonstrate basket weaving and woodturning throughout the day. In addition, the center will host consignment and donation booths, displaying pieces the center's artists have offered to sell in order to benefit the Craft Center. Admission for students is free.

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Pottery is one of many things available for sale.

"Anything can pass, anything can fail."

Chancellor Marye Anne Fox, on the chance that the Board of Trustees will pass the tuition increase



Students and faculty at Wednesday's Chancellor's Liasons discuss proposed tuition increases.

Wrestling with the increase

◆ Yesterday afternoon's Chancellor's Liaison meeting provided the latest landscape for debate on a proposed tuition increase, in addition to hosting discussion on Student Center allocations and CHASS curricula

SPRINE STEPHENS
Senior Staff Writer

N.C. State should be "more comparable to UNC-Chapel Hill," said Chancellor Marye Anne Fox Wednesday in a Chancellor's Liaison meeting at which N.C. State student leaders voiced their concerns about university issues, including the possible tuition increase.

Presidents of various student organizations and other students shared their thoughts on the tuition increase with Fox, Vice Chancellor

Tom Stafford and Provost Kermit Hall.

According to Fox, some students, members of the Legislature and members of the general public feel that NCSU's tuition is too low for a modern-day university.

"We should maintain a quality education but also operate under conditions unchallenged," said Fox, who stressed that NCSU is currently stuck between two ideals: charging minimal student tuition and providing a quality education.

If the increased tuition proposal is passed, no less than one-third of the money would go toward student financial needs, with the rest being allocated to programs and university improvements such as classroom teaching, the counseling center, Study Abroad and faculty salaries, which are "truly problematic," according to Fox.

Hall pointed out that the increase might be necessary if NCSU wants

to attract and keep a diverse student body, stay competitive and strengthen the success of the university as a whole. "We should all take pride in the fact that this university is moving in absolutely the right direction," said Hall.

Fox said NCSU's situation is more critical than that of UNC-CH because NCSU is technology-oriented and requires a starker cost for the technical professors.

"When asked about the proposal's chances with the Board of Trustees and Board of Governors, Fox replied, "Anything can pass, anything can fail."

In other action, Student Center President Sabrina Yep requested \$75,000 annually in university funding for academic and administrative use of Talley Student Center, Price Music Center, Witherspoon Student Center and Thompson Theater.

Student fees currently bear the weight of these centers' operation,

and more administrative units are seeking space for their use. "It is inappropriate to provide meeting space for these groups without charging them," said Yep.

Ninety percent of all Student Center money comes from student fees, with 10 percent coming from other sources of revenue, such as Ticket Central. The subsidy, requested by the Student Center Board of Directors, would be implemented instead of charging individual users and would be used to make improvements in lighting, equipment and furniture.

Yep said additional university funding would benefit everyone involved: students as well as the academic and administrative users.

Stafford said the matter will be considered by university administration. Also, ROTC representative Charles Kistler requested that a set of ROTC classes be included in the

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Second earthquake claims more helpless victims in Turkey

◆ Another mammoth earthquake in Turkey last week claimed still more lives and destroyed more homes in the nation's beleaguered northwest.

KAMRAN HODMANI
Staff Writer

For Northwestern Turkey, light-

ning has struck twice in the span of three months. Just miles from the site of August's horrific quake which killed over 17,000 people, another mammoth earthquake, reaching 7.2 on the Richter scale, hit the city of Duzce on Friday with a death toll of 550, according to figures released by the official crisis management center.

Turkish Labor Minister Yasar Okuyan was quoted on Friday by the Anatolia news agency as say-

ing, "Over 780 people were injured, many people were saved from under the rubble."

Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit, speaking in Ankara shortly before heading to the earthquake zone, promised a full response from the government and military. This promise was quickly achieved with rescue teams from all over Europe and America.

According to Michael M Kimberley, associate professor in

the Department of Marine, Earth and Atmospheric Sciences at N.C. State, "Turkey is on an adjacent lithospheric plate slanting underneath Greece's lithospheric plate." The friction caused by the two plates moving against each other triggered this latest quake, according to Kimberley.

In the midst of the devastation, major world leaders including

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Babe I'm gonna leave you

Marko goes Victorian. See Serious.



A dish best served cold

Danimal serves up a little R-E-V-E-N-G-E. Check out today's Cartoon to find out who's eating it.



The ESA

A comprehensive look at the Entertainment and Sports Arena. See Sports

Quake

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U.S. President Bill Clinton and Russian Prime Minister Boris Yeltsin are due at a summit meeting of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) in Istanbul today. The meeting is still expected to take place even amongst fears that the area is not safe yet.

In Ankara, Clinton pledged to Turkish President Suleyman Demirel that the United States was making \$1 billion in loans to Turkey to help the country recover from both disasters, which have together injured more than half-a-million people and

destroyed most housing and buildings in grief-stricken areas. President Clinton and his family visited tents housing survivors of the August quake on Tuesday as part of their five-day visit to Turkey.

The earthquake in August was one of the biggest natural disasters in European history and has already left the country with a huge scar. In Duzce, however, it will be a long time before life before the earthquake continues, if at all. With most victims either grieving for loved ones or living in tents because their homes are no longer standing, the rebuilding process begins, but nothing will ever be quite the same for the people of northwestern Turkey.

Tuition

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CHASS curriculum. ROTC students are required to take at least 16 credits of Human/Social Science to complete their training, while also taking other classes in the curriculum to satisfy their departmental requirements.

"A lot of these classes in Human/Social Sciences are parallel to other classes we have to take in our career as a student," said Kistler. Kistler explained that a lot of students graduate in the allotted amount of time, but they are stressed to fill ROTC requirements on top of class requirements.

If the required ROTC courses counted toward departmental credit, class overload for ROTC students would be lessened, allowing for more concentration on each class, said Kistler.

Hall said that in order for this proposal to move forward, CHASS would need to be ready to send it on to faculty that handles curriculum.

Craft

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and the Craft Center's directors encourage artists to keep their prices low because their target audience is the student population, according to Newell.

Cindy Tate, a senior in zoology, who has taken classes at the center and now works as a desk attendant, will have a booth at the fair for the first time this year. Tate's specialty is bookmaking, and she plans to sell books she has bound, as well as pottery and ceramics, photography, and Chinese-print notecards.

"It's a promotional event and gives people a chance to sell and show their work," Tate said. "And everything that's sold is representative of our program."

According to Tate, the Craft Center is open to all students and members of the community and offers classes each semester in medium such as weaving, photography, pottery, bookmaking, woodworking, papermaking and

jewelry making. Classes are typically offered from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. once per week for six weeks, and cost \$40 for students and \$80 for members of the community. In addition, the center offers studio space for artists interested in working on their crafts on a daily or weekly basis.

Tate takes classes at the Craft Center and assists people with crafts, materials and tools as a desk attendant for four hours per week this semester.

"It's nice," Tate said. "I get to know the people who come in, and I get to see their crafts as they finish."

Parker Havron, a senior majoring in arts applications, began working at the Craft Center as a desk attendant his first year at NCSU. As an employee, Havron used the pottery studio free of charge and learned more about the craft from members of the community he assisted. He has had booths at the fair since his sophomore year and plans on selling pottery, as well as some photography and woodwork, this year. He said that he has been successful in the past, making about \$500 per year.

"It's a nice way to go on campus and get some really nice presents," said Havron. "and support the local artists."

Havron also displays and sells his work in area art shows and had a personal studio this summer.

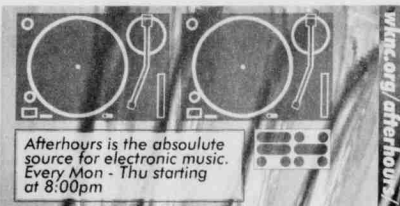
"I'll always have pottery as an income-booster," Havron said. "It's a hobby that makes some money. I never want it to become my profession, though ... It's too much fun."

Newell hopes to have 1500 people attend the fair, but would like to see an increase in the number of students in attendance.

"We do have students who come year after year. Folks remember us and come back," Newell said. "And we have people here who have booths in every fair."

"It's just wonderful for us to see the variety of the things we do. This is the culmination of our year."

The Craft Center is located in the lower level of Thompson Theater, across from the Coliseum parking deck. For more information, contact Christy Newell, 515-2457.



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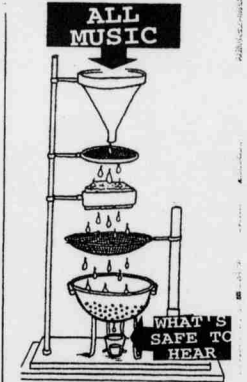
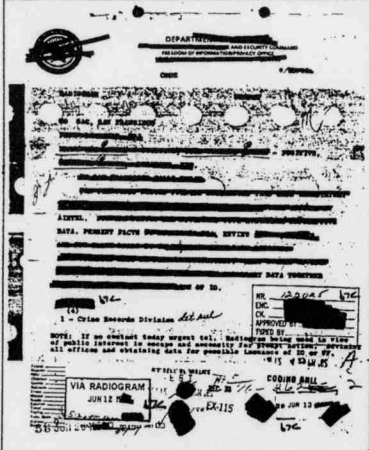
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Book II Chapter XI

HOW ZATHAEL WATCHES THE IMPENDING COMET ARRIVE

*Some say a comet will fall from the sky
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Follow'd by fault lines that cannot so still
Follow'd by millions of dumbfound (ingrates)
Some say the end is near
Some say we'll see Armageddon soon
Certainly hope we will
I sure could use a vacation*

—Maynard James Keenan, *Enima*


ZATHAEL LANDED SOFTLY IN THE WHISPERING GRASSES ON THE CLIFF OVERLOOKING THE POUNDING SEA, JUST BEHIND THE SITTING GISSELLE. SHE TURNED AND LOOKED TENDERLY INTO HIS MILKY-WHITE SOBROWED EYES WITH A LOVING SADNESS.

Giselle rose to her feet and pointed towards the glowing dot whose glow crackled with a mist of electricity and ice. The city of Achilla lay just below the radiating light emanating an energy of its own. Searchlight beams traced patterns through wispy clouds in the metropolis's nighttime starless sky like exploring fingers.

"The scientists say that it is a doomsday comet that falls from the sky..." Giselle sternly spoke. "Much misfortune..." she murmured, "that we should all be snuffed away in such a manner...after all for which we have accomplished in this great city of ours..."

Zathael sighed and watched the wind blow Giselle's hair on the back of her peachy-yellow neck, then moved his attention towards the pulsing flicker, ever increasing slightly in ambiance, and followed its projected path to the cold moon city.


He remembered a time of green grass and the smell of flowers when he lived outside of Achilla. He thought of the train that he would speak as he sailed so carefree in the old blue sky en route to the post office on the outskirts on the tiny little town of Achilla. He remembered his passing childhood when he first met



Giselle during the initial skirmishes in the early days of the Ongoing War. He thought of how they'd been shuffled off to an orphanage when Achilla and its northeastern bordering state Myrmdon began fighting over territorial rights to a 160-mile stretch of fertile soil. But the soil was bleached dry of nutrients and soaked with the blood of ignorant brave men. He recollected how Giselle would cry every night for her dead mother in the basement shelter in the orphanage as they listened to the sirens and the bombs scream thunder overhead. He remembered how he would keep them warm in his telekinetic halo, and how no one else knew of his powers and abilities except little Giselle...and she never told a soul. But that was so long ago. Before the government found out about his secret and took him away to mold into their reconnaissance and fighting machine.

Giselle gazed at the rocks below and watched the waves break over the jagged edges of the protruding sedimentary as the foam bubbled and the water washed back to the ink-black ocean.

She thought of the occupied city of Myrmdon and her betrothed who was stationed there. Icarus Thistlemyre, the man she was to marry, was a lieutenant in the Achilian Army, was a most proud and barrel-chested, golden-haired man who commanded a platoon of peacekeepers in the streets of the now con-




quered Myrmdon. They had corresponded for a year while he was stationed there, but his letters seemed to grow ever distant and harsh. Giselle remembered how she felt it the Achilian Army's fault for placing her brave lieutenant so far away from her loving arms. She remembered how she thought to surprise him by journeying eight days by rail to the Myrmdon front, but how she discovered him intertwined with a pair of Myrmdon barbs in his lieutenant's quarters. She thought of how this man was nothing of the sort of noble true spirit of Zathael, the grown boy who stood before her now on the eve of certain destruction.

Zathael stammered, "I have to leave..."

Giselle had known this to be the case and remembered the boy who had been torn from her at age nine. The generals from the Achilian war rooms had taken him from the orphanage when they discovered his meta-human abilities. No one knew how he acquired such abilities, not even Zathael, but the Achilian Army was determined to exploit them in the Ongoing War against Myrmdon. They hid him in one of their steel towers to fight for them and paraded his image around as a hero and patriot. They had attempted to mold and manipulate him to their will...

But they could never quite control him... Zathael cared not for borders and maps and



would not directly kill their enemies in cold blood. But the dogs of war had armies and blindly loyal soldiers to do that for them. Zathael became more of a sabotage machine, and was invaluable in the sacking of the Myrmdon front. Guilt racked the poor boy, but he felt a naive duty to the people of Achilla as he knew the potential the city once had and the thought that perhaps one day it could be as it used to be.

But an astronomical observation proved the fought war a moot point and now his obligation was to stop a falling comet, though all his thoughts centered around only one he wanted to guarantee safety.

"I want to fly you north and hide you in the Futarian Mountains...you should be safe from the impact zone there," Zathael conversed eyeing the growing brightness in the Achilian sky. "I checked the impact window and I should have just enough time to get you there..."

"No..." stated Giselle, "You owe me nothing. I'll not have you risk those people's lives for me." The smell of static energy began to fill the air, and she could tell that she had broken his heart. But she felt she had betrayed him by promising her hand to an unfaithful man, and did not feel worth saving at the chance that Zathael would not be able to return to Achilla in time to prevent the doomsday comet from slamming into the city.


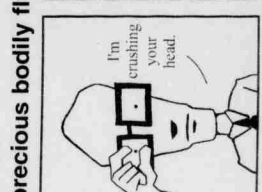
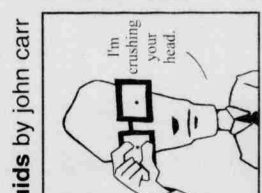
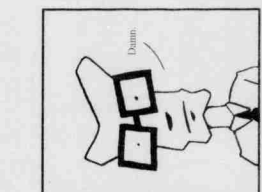
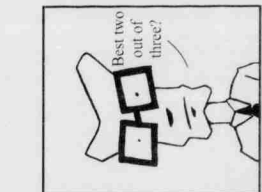
"...please Giselle..." Zathael whispered, his eyes tearing up as little sparks left from his lashes to his cheeks.

Giselle reached and touched her hand to his warm face.

"Go" she said. And in a flash her command was obeyed.

Giselle watched as he rose above her like a radiant bird and disappeared into the distant glow of the megapolis lights and towering grey skyscrapers. She turned and saw the comet beginning to enter the atmosphere above Achilla and she knew that it would only be a short time before it hit.

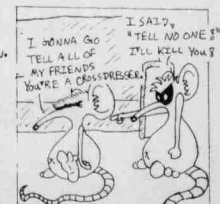
She stood on the edge of the cliff over the ocean and listened to the roar and pounding of the surf. The rhythm became louder and louder as it became aligned with the beating of her very own broken heart. She unfolded the letter she had written to Lieutenant Icarus Thistlemyre and dropped it in the grass as she walked over the edge.

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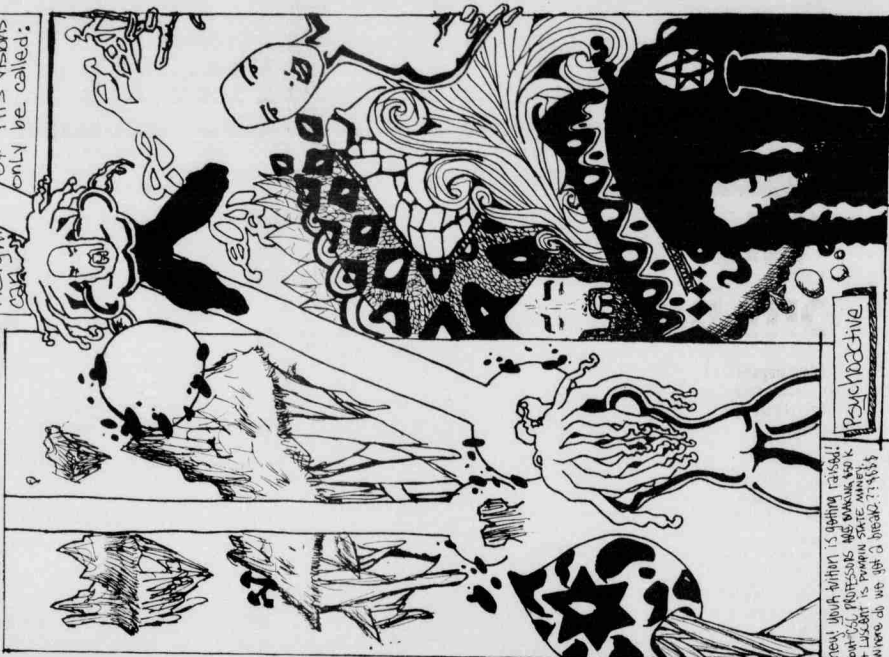




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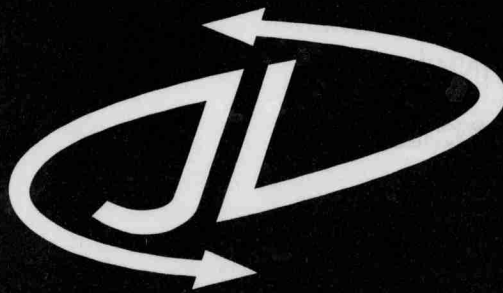
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'Nickels' from heaven

◆ A number of CALS programs found funding for years to come ensured by the recent passage of a tax increase for the Nickels Program.

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Ironically enough, it is an increase—in a state tax, that is—that will benefit the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, at no direct cost to students.

Voters in the referendum supported a five-cent increase in the tax that comprises the Nickels Program. Going into effect on January 1, 2001, the tax will increase from its current rate of 10 cents per pound of fertilizer sold in North Carolina to 15 cents per pound.

In spite of fears that the Hurricane Floyd's damage and the ensuing poor performance of agricultural markets would keep the electorate, made up of farmers and others who buy fertilizer in all 100 N.C. counties, passed the increase

by a 94-6 vote, the most lopsided vote in the program's 48-year history.

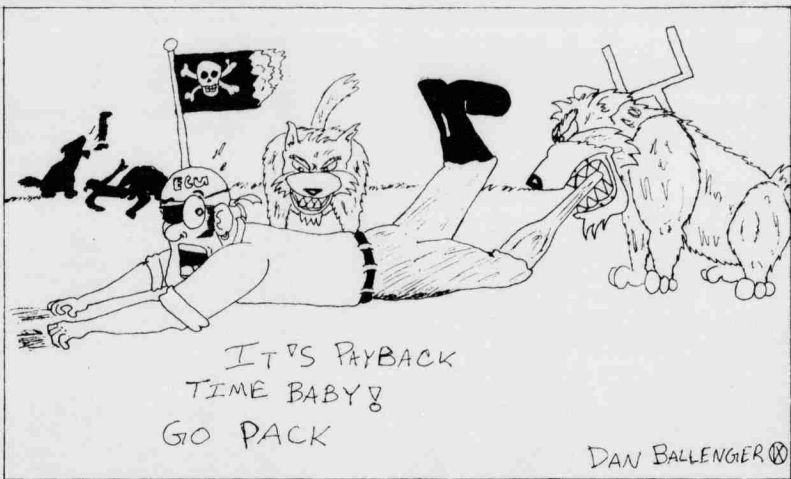
The funds from the tax go to pay for CALS programs, mostly teaching, research and development programs. Farmers take part in the programs, and "the research and technology offered drives their ability to compete," according to Keith Oakley, CALS executive director.

Nickels money also aids farmers during times of agricultural emergency, as issue that has moved to the forefront in 1999.

According to CALS Assistant Director Emeritus D.G. Harwood, interviewed for a September 20 preview of the vote, the money from the Nickels program has amounted \$700,000 annually up until now. The money funds around 50 current CALS programs.

That's 50 programs that, more than likely, would not be in existence right now if not for the Nickels program. That's one college that would not be among the top five in the country in its field. That's five cents that goes directly from the pockets of the people into programs that will directly benefit them.

Should that's exactly how taxes should work.



In defense of O'Cain



JAMES CURLE
THIS IS NOT AN ATTACK ON THE FOOTBALL TEAM. I state that very clearly and up-front, because all I've seen in print concerning the football team in past days has been nothing but negative, and that distresses me. It's time to hear from a voice at N.C. State who still supports their team heading into the final—and most important—game of the season.

Mike, I am 100 percent behind you. It must be sickening to be coach of a Division I-A school whose most vocal fan base judges an entire season on one game, and on behalf of the majority of NCSU fans who still support you, I apologize. It is so much easier to make the effort to vocalize your opinion when you are angry and willing to write a hateful letter than to take the time to write a supportive one when times are good.

So, this letter is meant to show the support and strength of a fan base that—contrary to how it may appear in the papers—has not left your side and will still fight for you.

To the NCSU football team, I say this: Remember why you are playing this Saturday. I'll go ahead and tell you that it's not just because it's on the schedule. It has to do with why you suited up for the very first time as a football player.

It's because football is fun. How often have we as fans or as players forgotten that the very reason sport exists in today's society is because we enjoy participating in them? We get a kick out of putting on that Pop Warner uniform for the first time, putting in that mouthpiece and trying our damndest to emulate our favorite football star on the gridiron. We desire the feeling of the first time we hit someone else and get that charge that flows through us that makes us want to play more.

THAT is why we play sports. Not because when we're six years old

we decide that it would be a good career choice or that it would better the image of a particular institution. Because we love it, and I'm urging you, as members of the football team, to do the following.

Close your eyes and think back to your best play. When everything clicked and you felt that charge up your spine. For instance, linebackers, think back to the time when you absolutely flattened somebody. Maybe it was in middle school, or high school, perhaps even here in college, when you hit a tailback at full speed right between the numbers. He coughed up the ball, your team picked it up and you popped off the turf feeling like a force to be reckoned with.

Or maybe (and this is for the offense, it was when your team ran a reverse and had the whole opposition fooled. You scooted right into the end zone untouched and looked back to see the defense scratching their heads. High fives aplenty, you walked off the field floating on a

cloud. Forget all the crap you've heard this week. Forget all the bitching, the moaning, the "woulda, coulda, shoulda" coming from the crowd and think back to the fun that comes from playing college football. Remember the first time you ran through the tunnel at the A.E. Finley Fieldhouse, through the smoke, sparks and fireworks into a stadium of 55,000 fans screaming like crazy.

You're living a life that many of us consider a fantasy, a dream unrealized from our early days of playing sports. It's part of the reason why I started my writing career here at Technician as a sports writer. I wanted to be part of the action, to live part of the sports atmosphere.

I'll never get to see that. To see the smoke and sparks and run through the tunnel into Carter-Finley. I day-dream sometimes about playing in that big game, catching the pass.

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CAMPUS FORUM

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O'Cain the brain?

Sitting on the 12th row of the student section during last Thursday's football game vs. Carolina, I could not believe my eyes. On third and goal from roughly the three-yard line, O'Cain decides to line up red-shirt freshman Carlos Doggett as the lone running back and calls a play that screws up the game.

My point is not a shot against Doggett. The decision to put in Doggett was a somewhat reasonable one, since he is a power back and State was near the goal line. The stupidity lies in the play call—an option! The option is not a power running play.

As I watched the last few seconds tick off of the clock (and all seven of the Carolina fans who drove down to Charlotte celebrate) in absolute misery, I searched my mind for a comforting thought—we are still eligible for a bowl game if we win next week! However, this thought was soon eclipsed by another more substantial one: we don't deserve to go to a bowl game.

Casting my mind back to the rest of the season, I could not think of many bright spots. Sure, the ball bounced our way in wet games against Texas and South Carolina, and we had a

solid performance against the Terps—but that was about it. When you add it all up, you get mediocrity.

The bottom line is that O'Cain has to go. The horrible option call and the resultant loss to the pathetic Tar Heels typifies his tenure as head coach at NCSU. The master of mediocrity hasn't been able to recruit marquee athletes with any regularity or keep his team motivated throughout an entire season yet. Jamie Barnette was a lightly recruited player who just happened to bloom in college, and All-American Tory Holt was a lucky grab, considering that his first college choice was Carolina. Last year we surprised Florida State, and then lost to a weak Baylor team the next week.

Les Robinson needs to realize that our program has to aim higher. We are not mad about one loss—we have lost to Carolina seven years in a row. That is nearly two presidential terms. The loyal fans and alumni are tired of being a perennial subpar football team and struggling to make bowl games like the Micron PC Bowl in a vain attempt to make ourselves feel decent. We are tired of being told to look at the bright side. We want better.

Ben Holt
Freshman
Art and Design

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Faults with the modern-day language of love



KELLY MARKS
I passed two friends the other day and one stopped me to let me know she had liked one of my old columns.

"Which one?" I asked.
"Oh, you know the one, it was about boys..." she said. My other friend immediately quipped, "Aren't they all? You'll have to be more specific than that."

My friends are all so witty. It seems that over the last three years, I have developed somewhat of a reputation for writing about relationships. It's become a bit of a joke, really. How can Kelly white about her love life this week? I've even heard people I don't even

know refer to me as that girl who writes about boys.

Well, I just want to take a minute to say I don't just write about boys. I write about all manners of other things as well. In fact, I work hard to limit my romantic ramblings to every four weeks or so, just to maintain a little variety and keep myself well rounded.

But, it's been four weeks. So here we go again.

See, the thing is, I'm the last person I would expect to have anything enlightening to say about relationships. I've spent a good deal of my life frustrated with, confused by or just generally in awe of them. I'm altogether baffled why people ever come together at all—that that they know how, that they want to and that they can find someone else who wants to, too.

And so I'm not going to say anything about boys. I'm not going to try and define love—I'm going to look at terminology instead.

I realized something the other day. I don't know why, but we seem to have some sort of need to wrap the idea of love up in a word. We're constantly inventing terms to tell the world where we stand with another person. We have a verb tense to cover every shade of gray in a relationship—we have been dating, we are dating, we once dated.

Through sheer inflection, we can change the meaning of these words. We allay nosy gossips by saying, "Oh, him? We're just friends." Yet, with a simple change in tone, the words take on a whole new meaning. "Oh, him? Yeah, this is my...friend (wink, wink)."

Sometimes we even repeat words

for that extra emphasis. After all, we all know there's a tremendous difference between liking someone and like-liking them.

Now, I realize it's a natural instinct to want to find a name for what we have with another person. There's a whole big book of words sitting on my desk as testimony to the fact that mankind is a big fan of definitions. But do we have to resort to such stupid words sometimes?

I've never understood the various monikers that relationships go by. It all started back in middle school, when people were "going together." I couldn't help but wonder—go where? Where could you go? It's middle school. You're hardly going to be taking your honey for a late-night drive. Heck, you were lucky to

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Shedding a little light on safety at N.C. State



MARK ANDERSON
Our beloved campus, an interactive museum of bricks, welcomes pedestrians to stroll between the trees and buildings. After years of living and working here, however, some students become afflicted with the dreaded ailment known as bricksophobia. Paired with the expected bricksphobia some students grow fearful even of campus itself.

Relax, you are safe from the bricks. They won't get you. You might slip on them though, so watch out.

We all know the story about the bricks, right? Supposedly, N.C. State receives a haul of bricks every year from some generous brick manufacturer. I heard that if the university doesn't use them, then the yearly donation would end.

Don't get me wrong. I love the bricks. Who wouldn't? They're rectangular dried clay. Let's just all be

thankful that they aren't yellow. Well...then again, a lovely yellow hue would brighten the campus, making it safer for students walking at night in two and a half years of State. I have heard about dozens of robberies in and around campus.

Our campus invites students to walk to classes. Sure, you have to be an Iron, well, Brick Man to traverse the hills and myriad stairs, but we could all agree that our campus creates an environment...during the day.

Once the sun goes down, campus pulls a Hulk and morphs into an unattractive, even dangerous place—especially for women.

In the past, activists have walked together through campus looking for dark areas. Let me take a shot in the dark here...oops, no pun intended...we could erect some light posts. Yes, light posts! And they would give off light, especially at night when it is dark! Apparently Student Senate has some funds sitting around (remember the fraternity party and the \$4,000!) in the "Lover Student Fee Fund."

Wait. I forgot. NCSU's motto is "if it ain't brick, don't fix it." Obviously, relating perfectly good brick is more important than the safety of students. How much is a light post, anyway? \$100? \$1,000? Could we put up one per month?

Another safety issue concerns NCSU's new "Facilities Operations" race: the Brickyard 400. Next time you venture over to D.H. Hill or the Atrium, LOOK BOTH WAYS BEFORE YOU CROSS THE BRICKYARD! I can't stress that enough.

The drivers of these vehicles must think that those white bricks are the lines for the lanes. That is scary, folks. I think the Brickyard might be a pedestrian area, but I am not so sure. Those privileged drivers ought to park out in the "S" lot for a day. The automobile is not the almighty mode of transportation. Could we have some respect for the defenseless pedestrian? Yes, I am talking to you gentlemen over at the little-known Facilities Operations. You go on everywhere, and it is about time somebody "laid the

smackdown." Thank you.

All I ask of you, my dear NCSU, is that we make our already peaceful campus even safer. The construction of more gardens (Horticulture people! Can I get an "Uh-huh?") and benches (my personal crusade), as well as the posting of more lights will transform our campus into a nocturnal "safe place." Robberies and assaults, which we hear of over E-mail and phone messages from administration, would decrease rapidly and campus nightlife would thrive.

Funk soul brother, write about now to our Campus Forum. We want to hear you! If you, or anyone you know, know anything about that mysterious Facilities Operations posse, please contact Mark Anderson at mbander2@unity.ncsu.edu. By the way, tell him what you thought of his

Brick Shitck. Remember, my happy reader...it is Thursday. So, be joyful, my lass and lassie! Bricks Ahoy!

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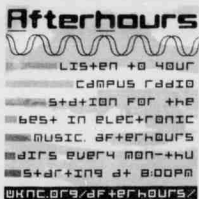
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Hey Dawgs!!

Natalie, What's up girlfriend?
We be chillin' all day and night.
D.A., Peter, Chad, Andy, Woo
Joey, and Pat: I'm sending much love out to Metcal!
Rob S., you're the Webmaster.
Jimmy, we will rumble.
Love, Marie

Forum

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Role model of the roadway

I read Zaheer's article ("Time-saving tips for highway hygienists," Nov. 17), only one thing to say...WHAT ARE YOU SMOKING?! Where do you get the idea that driving time is your own time you can do what you wish with? Since when has driving ever been a right, it's a privilege. Nowhere in any form you sign at the DMV or even in the Constitution does it give you the right to drive.

First off, I'm not making assumptions, but why do I have the feeling you have no clue why people are honking at and displaying colorful metaphors at you when they fly by? I bet you are too busy singing along and chatting on your cell phone, being unaware of the speed you are moving relative to the

speed limit.

Oh, what was that? You pay your taxes, so the roads are yours to do with as you please...umm, hell no. They are OUR roads. So, when you drive on them, you can't expect everyone to think like you do. This world is a fast-paced thing where people have places to go and things to do. Why should we have to wait for you?

Just in case anyone thinks I have a problem with women drivers, don't. I could care less if you are male, female, rabid dog...as long as you drive responsibly. Oh that's a new word associated with driving for you isn't it? It means if someone is tailgating you, simply move out the way. If you find that hard or difficult to do, I pity you. See, I have a serious problem with drivers like you. I mean, you think you literally own the road and drive just like it. We have speed limits set for a reason, and if you are unable to move at the set limit, then stay in the right lane or don't go on the road!! I'll admit I drive five mph above any posted speed limit. Why? Because I can get there one minute faster. And guess what...Myself and

everyone else on the road who does it doesn't give a damn what you think.

See, if someone is moving 50 in a 55, I will ride them so close I can change the radio station in their car until they move. And after 10 minutes of calling on GOD to spite them, they eventually move to the slow lane, where they belong, and I and the many other drivers who are in the traffic jam YOU CAUSED fly by displaying every known obscene gesture at you as well as showing you how long there horn can blow.

Road rage? Maybe...but I only get it when stupid people like you do that. I don't fly down the road at 80, or 90... I just drive. So in closing, YES you have the right to be an ignorant pain in da butt and keep doing what you do, or you can simply move over when you see someone coming up fast from behind. You'll be surprised how few fingers and horn sounds you'll hear in your direction.

Chad Sinner
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see them at the school dance or have your parents drop you off at the movies. Perhaps a more accurate term would have been "thinking about it."

Then came high school, where people were "talking." To me this never made much sense—you finally have the means and the freedom to go somewhere together and, instead, you talk. It seems like a step backward. And just how did the concept of talking get started? I mean, don't we all talk? Who decided that this everyday action would become code for something more?

There was another term in high school, too. We said the word "sweating," as in "He is hardcore sweatin' her." It's always bothered me that a crush was equated with a glandular function. And, unlike talking, sweating never happened with the other person. You always sweated by yourself. The whole

practice just sounds dirty.

Perhaps worse though is the term "hooked up." I hate this saying. Out of all the ways one can define a relationship, this to me seems the most degrading and just, well, icky.

For one, it's vague. Some people use it to refer to when they began their relationship. To others, it was when they first held hands or kissed. But, for some, hooked up is a bit more, um, transient. It's something a little more ooh-la-la, if you will.

To me, it just sounds cheap and tawdry. I think it's the "hooked" part. There's a physical interaction there, a movement in a direction, a thrust... At any rate, it sounds a whole heckuva lot more involved than just talking. I have less of a problem with the term "booty call." At least it's honest.

Relationships are tricky and complicated things and it's silly to think we can capture all of their many facets with a simple verb. Yet, still we try. And as silly as all of these terms sound, we accept them gladly and bandy them about every day.

I think that's because there's secu-

rity in a word, no matter how stupid a word it is. A label automatically gives a relationship a definition—it dictates how we're supposed to act, what we're allowed to do or not to do, what we should expect from one another.

It also sits out there for the world to see, a sort of "Hi, my name is..." tag telling everyone else what the couple's already figured out.

We don't need these words. They're inaccurate, they're confusing, they're for show and they're just plain silly. But, for the most part, we all want to hear them. Because, for the most part, we want what they mean or what we think they mean.

Well, except maybe for the hooking one.

Kelly's not kidding. She really can't stand the term hooked up. Ugh.

She's still making a face about it. Bleh bleh bleh. E-mail her if you wanna... at kmmarks@unity.ncsu.edu. But please, no hooking or ups anywhere in the body of the message.

Curle

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leveling a quarterback and getting up to the sound of thousands of people cheering you. What a rush that must be!

So, for all the football players heading into Greenville this weekend, especially you seniors, don't pass this opportunity up. Lace up your pads with honor, pride and good sportsmanship, thinking back to the day when you first laced up your pads and set out to play the game for one reason and one reason only: because it was fun to play.

Fourteen years ago, a hulking 300-pound eight-year-old stepped onto the field for his first Pop Warner practice. Felled that day by a torn ACL and a tummy ache, he has become the hopeless romantic that is James Curle, #66, HR. Responses can be directed to him at james@sma.sca.ncsu.edu.

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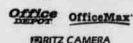
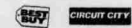
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Daly

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Three highly touted high school seniors from North Carolina have committed to play for the Pack next year...

Aside from being new to the fans, the building is also new to the players and coaches...

If they look around, however, they will see 4,300 students screaming at them...

The other seats will all be filled. Rabid grown men and women will be screaming at State, Georgia and the officials...

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UNDER CONSTRUCTION

The Wolfpack men's basketball team has been waiting for its new home for too long... and now they will get it. The Entertainment and Sports Arena...

photos by Mike Pittman

Sports

UGA

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where he left off at the end of his freshmen season.

And then you have Anthony Grundy, who fits in, well, where ever he wants for the Wolfpack...

Grundy earned All-Tournament honors in Charlotte last season, where the Pack lost to eventual Champions Duke in the ACC semifinal...

And all of that is without considering that Senedo has brought in one of the top recruiting classes in the nation.

Led by basketball prodigy Damien Wilkins, the Wolfpack's trio of newcomers have garnered accolades far and wide...



Line Ad Rates

Table listing ad rates for Student, Non-Student, and Found Ads. Columns include duration (1, 3, 5, 6 days) and cost per day.

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Policy Statement

The Technician is not to be held responsible for damage of loss due to fraudulent advertisements...

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Around Campus

Free Teaching of Falun Data: Pullen Park Community Center, Thursdays 7-8:45pm...

Equip

Inject cartridges for sale: Canon from \$4.95, Epson from \$9.95...

Books

SPANISH Book for Sale: FLS 101,102 & 201, The Complete 2nd Edition Anibal Packet...

Homes For Sale

Cheaper then rent! Almost new 4BR, 4BA condo. Convenient to campus...

Homes For Rent

3BR/2 1/2 BA townhouse in Hunters Creek near NCSU. Excellent condition...

Apartments For Rent

BIG 2 BEDROOM APARTMENT for sublease ASAP. 2BA, all appliances and storage...

Roommates Wanted

Male roommate needed to share 3BD duplex with one NCSU student and one recent graduate...

Room for Rent

Move in NOW. No rent until December 18th, private bath, 3 bedrooms...

Cars

1996 Mazda 626, 4 door, auto, 190k, runs great, warm, hold, cold, dependable...

Electronics Sale

Dynamics 10" subwoofers \$150/pair - Pioneer Premier 6-Disc Changer \$125 - Advent Home Theater Speakers...

Child Care

Childcare-North Raleigh for 10 y/o girl. Beginning in January. Some afternoons, beginning at 2:30 until 6pm...

Help Wanted

Interested in health and nutrition? Several NC State students are earning \$8-10/hr part-time sales associates with General Nutrition Center...

Le Montagne, a contemporary boutique with up to the minute styles, is seeking P/T or F/T Sales Associates.

Earn Holiday Money! Moving Furniture for Family!

Part-time...very flexible hours, in Cary Location Seeking college students to fill part-time positions...

Need a part time job? \$6.50 per hour, 5 shifts, choose 3: Sunday 5:30-8:30pm, Monday-Thursdays 9:30-11:59pm...

Attorney Accounting Students/PT-F/T help needed for national tax firm.

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Go Pack LEARN TO SKYDIVE!

THE ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORTS ARENA



TIMELINE OF THE ESA

- 1983**
Local N.C. State supporters begin a campaign to replace Reynolds Coliseum. Raleigh Mayor Avery Upchurch commissions study group. Study concludes that downtown arena is not feasible.
- 1988**
Legislature appropriates \$1.5 million to be matched by N.C. State to plan for arena next to Carter-Finley Stadium.
- 1989**
N.C. State trustees approve plans for 23,000-seat arena. The cost at this point is \$66 million.
- 1991**
Legislature authorizes Wake County to levy room occupancy tax and a prepared foods and beverage tax to fund projects "including a coliseum to be built in conjunction with N.C. State University in Raleigh"

The Raleigh Entertainment and Sports Arena, which opened last month with the Carolina Hurricanes first home game in the State's Capital, will host the Wolfpack's first home game of the 1999-2000 season Friday at 7 p.m., when the Wolfpack takes on Georgia.

- 1992**
Legislature funds \$2 million for site work. Wolfpack Clubs raises \$22 million. Wake County, City of Raleigh commit \$22 million from hotel, prepared food and beverage taxes.

- 1995**
Legislature establishes Centennial Authority to study, design, plan, construct, own, promote, finance and operate a regional facility. Legislature appropriates \$7 million for the project. Centennial Authority holds first meeting in September.

- OCT. 1995**
Authority asks architects to redesign the building for multi-purpose uses including 60 luxury suites.

- 1996**
Redesign completed, requests for proposals for construction issued.

- MAY 1997**
Team owner Peter Karmanos announces that the Hartford Whalers considering re-locating to the new arena as the Carolina Hurricanes.

- JULY 1997**
Construction begins on arena. Architects working with Hurricanes to determine the changes needed for the NHL, such as press ring, locker rooms and other stuff. Also, the Authority requests an expansion of the south end to make it more user friendly.

- NOV 1997**
Hurricanes and Authority agree to lease and development terms based on redesign. Estimated total cost for the arena reaches \$132 million.

- MAR 1998**
Final contractor prices for redesigns are higher than estimated. Extensive negotiations between Hurricanes and N.C. State.

- SEPT 1998**
Authority signs agreement with Hurricanes to provide an additional \$8 million for construction of the arena and with N.C. State to provide an additional \$6 million. With the various redesigns and accelerations to be open for the 1999 hockey and basketball seasons, the total cost estimates for the arena reach \$158 million.

- OCT 1999**
Hurricanes open arena against New Jersey Devils.

- NOV 19, 1999**
N.C. State Wolfpack opens its new home against the Georgia Bulldogs.

COMMENTARY

A new beginning

JACK DALY

Some 16 years after it was conceived, the Entertainment and Sports Arena is finished and ready for basketball.

The N.C. State men's basketball team will finally play a game in its new home Friday against Jim Harrick and his new team, the Georgia Bulldogs.

It's about time. In 1983, then-basketball coach Jim Valvano first floated the idea of the Wolfpack moving out of Reynolds Coliseum and into an off-campus arena.

When the team tips off against

ESA

Georgia, it will play in a building that Valvano may not have imagined.

The \$158 million building has a capacity of 19,772 people. The place measures out at over 700,000 square feet, more than twice as big as the Dean Dome.

Students have been allotted 2,400 seats court-side and there are 71 luxury suites.

For games, there should be over 12,000 people in the lower bowl of the arena, including students. With all these people, it should be loud in the new barn. This could give State a decisive home-court advantage.

The advantage may not be as great as it was in Reynolds, but it will be there nonetheless. The fact that nearly every game is sold-out tickets remain for only six games will also ensure that the Entertainment and Sports Arena is a tough place to play for opponents.

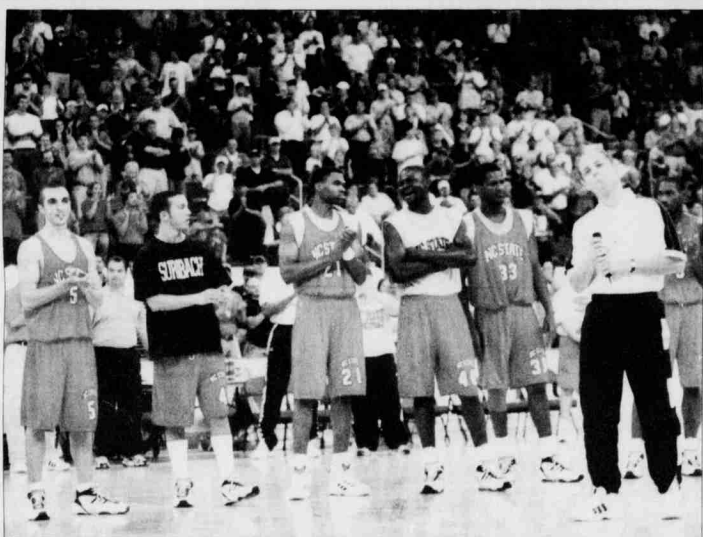
The seats will be red, though not quite the right shade. No matter, Carolina Hurricanes owner Peter Karmanos said Tuesday that Gale Force Holdings was to blame for the snafu and that they will get the problem fixed.

The new basketball court was put in place this week and should be ready to shine. Hopefully, it will have the same large N with C and S in the middle as in Reynolds.

When State fans pile into the arena Friday, they will also see the same banners hanging from the rafters. The 1974 and '83 championships will be commemorated as will players such as David Thompson.

To depress for one minute, it seems the banners will be State's most visible presence in the new building. Here's hoping that the university finds a way to alternate the "Welcome to Cane country" banners that flutter in the wind in the parking lot with Pack basketball ones. It would also be nice if State found a way to fly some of its flags over the main entrance.

Getting back to the main theme, which is the building, Sendek and his staff haven't had a problem selling it to recruits.



The Wolfpack hosted an open practice two weeks ago, giving fans a sneak peek at the new Arena.

PACK FACES BULLDOGS IN FIRST ESA CONTEST

◆ Will the Bulldogs ruin the Wolfpack's opening night.

K. GRIFFNEY
Sports Editor

A crowd of 19,772 is expected. There will be 10,000 red glowsticks given out.

There will be commemorative cards. There will supposedly be a light show. There will be a video presentation.

And oh yeah—there will be a basketball game.

Or else the Georgia Bulldogs are traveling to Raleigh for one heck of a party.

Friday night the N.C. State plays its season opener in the Entertainment and Sports Arena, facing off against the Southeastern Conference's Georgia Bulldogs.

The new arena, in which the Wolfpack shares top billing with the NHL's Carolina Hurricanes, will be the site of all Wolfpack home contests in the 1999-2000 season.

But the Wolfpack isn't just hoping to play its first game in the Centennial Authority's new building, but rather, to play its first game of a new era in Wolfpack basketball.

Despite the fact that some grumblings of potential greatness that gave accompanied all three of Head Coach Herb Sendek's teams that have fizzled by the beginning of March this pre-season, 1999-2000 appears to be the year when the Pack is really back.

Leading the return for the Wolfpack are five starters, including a trio of post-players dubbed as one of the best frontlines in



Hurricane and Wolfpack fans alike will get to enjoy the new Arena, no matter what the color of the seats.

the nation's toughest conference. Ron Kelley, Kenny Inge and Damon Thornton, for whom the Pack is keeping their finger crossed to stay healthy, all have time and experience under their belts, and appear to have found a cohesiveness in the off season. Having such a strong trio in the front

Legendary P.A. announcer C.A. Dilion will call his last Wolfpack game as the N.C. State men open their 1999-2000 home season against UGA on Friday.

court makes the backcourt decisions that much tougher.

On one hand you have the consistent and solid leadership of Justin Gainey, a player forced into maturity when called upon to control the floor for every minute of four game in the 1997 ACC Tournament.

That weekend, Gainey matched up with the likes of Duke's Steve Wojciechowski, UNC-CH's Shammond Williams and Maryland's Terrell Stokes.

On the other hand, you have shooting guard Archie Miller, who is in his third year with the program, but is just a sophomore by eligibility standards, after red-shirting last season.

Miller appears to have picked up right