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In the NEWS

John Locke Foundation Celebrates Anniversary

February 19th will be the tenth anniversary of the John Locke Foundation.

To mark the occasion, the Foundation is holding a two-day conference in Raleigh on Feb. 18th and 19th. Scheduled speakers will include former Attorney General of the U.S. Edwin Meese, Chairman of the American Conservative Union David Keene, Founder of Americans for Tax Reform Grover Norquist and Congressman Richard Burr of N.C. District 5.

Arts Studies Symposium planned

N.C. State's sixth Arts Studies Symposium - which happens every other year - will focus on "Learning to Make Things Well: The University Education."

All members of the NC State community are invited to the symposium, which will run from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11, in 2404 Williams Hall.

Anyone planning to attend must preregister by Tuesday, Feb. 8, by contacting Dr. David Greene, coordinator of the Arts Studies Program, at david.greene@ncsu.edu or 513-1903.

A free dinner will be provided to participants, but Greene needs to know how many participants plan to stay to eat. More information about the event is on the Web at www2.ncsu.edu/ncsu/chass/arts/well.html.

Language clinic accepting clients

The Department of Communication's Speech, Hearing and Language Clinic is now accepting new clients for the spring semester.

Services focus on pronunciation and effective English training for students, faculty, staff and teaching assistants for whom English is not their first language. Individual sessions last 30 minutes and are offered on a Tuesday/Thursday schedule.

Anyone interested should send e-mail to brankar@social.chass.ncsu.edu.

Entries accepted for poetry contest

North Carolina poets have until Friday, March 3, to submit entries for competition in the annual N.C. State University poetry contest.

Poet Kathryn Stripling Byer will be the final judge for the contest. Screening of entries and preliminary judging will be done by members of the English department. Byer will announce the winner and present the \$200 first prize during the 10th annual NC State Poetry Festival, April 11-12. The festival is part of the

Guy Owen/Tom Walters Creative Writing Series sponsored by the English department. Individuals may enter no more than three unpublished poems, with a total length not exceeding 10 double-spaced pages. Two copies of each poem should be submitted along with a \$5 entry fee, and a cover sheet with the entrant's name, address, phone number and the titles of the poems. The poems will be judged anonymously.

Submit written entries and \$5 entry fee (with checks payable to NC State University) postmarked by March 3 to: Tom Lisk, Poetry Festival, Department of English, Campus Box 8105, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC 27695-8105. For more information, call 515-4109.

Part two of Natalie Duggins' interview with Chancellor Fox

NATALIE DUGGINS
Senior Staff Writer

FYI: In addition to tuition increases at each of the 16 UNC system schools, President Molly Broad has also proposed a financial aid package that would provide nearly \$37 million for the universities. The package, recommended initially by the Tuition Policy Task Force, was approved by the UNC Board of Governors in November 1999.

Preliminary numbers regarding financial aid here at NCSU left the university with \$42 million in unmet student financial need. Under Chancellor Fox's previous proposal, one-third of the tuition increase, or \$100, would have gone to fund NCSU's financial aid needs.

Technician: The financial aid package that President Broad has proposed is \$37 million for the entire 16 schools.

Here at N.C. State, we have \$42 million in unmet financial need.

Chancellor Fox: The difference is that her financial aid package says that students should contribute \$4,000 toward the cost of their education in their freshman and sophomore years and \$5,000 in their junior and senior years. You remember that, basically the \$42 million was before tuition increases so the number's actually a little bit higher than that, but there are about 10,000 students that had some need. So, if you have

10,000 students who have need, and that is \$4,000 need, that's where the \$40 million is coming from. So we're off by about 5 million and that's about what the difference is in the financial aid package.

So her package does not meet every student's financial need. The package says that students would have to contribute to the cost of their education, either through their families or through work at a level of \$4,000 for freshmen and sophomores and \$5,000 for juniors and seniors, and that's what the difference is.

FYI: President Molly Broad has proposed a \$322 and \$388 tuition increase for undergraduates and

graduates respectively. Of that, President Broad has said that \$200 would go to fund an increase in faculty salaries.

Previously, Chancellor Fox said that she did not support a tuition increase to fund faculty salary pay raises and instead would seek money from the North Carolina Legislature.

During the first portion of this interview, Chancellor

Fox said that she would try to convince the Board of Governors to give the university some autonomy in how the \$200 is spent.

Technician: If you're given the kind of local control that you're seeking over this \$200, would any portion

of that go to financial aid here at the university?

Chancellor Fox: Well, I think that we have increasing needs right now, in part because of the flood - some families in parts of the state have been much more adversely affected. We don't have enough information yet from the Financial Aid Office with the new class coming in to know how much it is, but it's clear to me that we have increasing need. It's hard to make that allocation until we know what we're going to get from the financial aid and the Legislature. Again, we would prefer to have the financial aid come from the Legislature and have enough local control that we can do some other things as well. There's not only financial aid, but also freshmen seminars, additional advisers, financial aid counselors to help students find other sources...but that's what I mean

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NCSU to get rail stop

Raleigh area and N.C. State commuters may find the added convenience of a railway system as an alternate means of travel in coming years.

HERTHER M. MILLEN
Staff Writer

Just remember the last time you were driving on the belt line during rush hour traffic. The conclusion is evident: Raleigh is growing. To meet the needs of the expanding population, the Triangle Transit Authority has been developing a plan for a regional rail system over the last several years.

The proposed plan uses existing railroad tracks to create a train service connecting towns in the Triangle region. Amanda Arnold, Transportation Planner for the TTA stated, "A lot of statistics all boil down to one fact: Raleigh is growing astronomically, and people are spending a lot more time in their cars. We want to give them an alternative to that."

Planners have decided on the rail system as the best solution to transportation needs based on the existence and placement of rail corridors throughout the Triangle area.

"What I think is unique is by

using the rail corridors around the area, the trains will be stopping in places people want to be," Arnold said. "Roads just expand the area, but this will encourage reinvestment into already existing places in the city."

A computer-based model projects 18,000 riders a day by the year 2025. The rail system will work on a seven day a week, eighteen hours a day schedule. At peak times, such as morning and afternoon rush hour, the trains will run on fifteen-minute intervals. On off-peak hours and weekends, they will run each half-hour. Estimated pricing for tickets are in the one to five dollar range, depending on the distance traveled.

Currently, the TTA is conducting an environmental study before construction can begin. They hope to be complete with phase one by 2005. This will include Durham, Research Triangle Park, Morrisville, Cary, and Raleigh, including a stop on the N.C. State Campus. The current plan is to build the NCSU station behind Mann Hall and the trains will run on the tracks that go over the free-expression tunnel.

NCSU is not contributing money towards the project. A mixture of federal, state and local funds will supply money. However, NCSU transportation officials do see the

possible expense of building an additional parking area, since the lot behind Mann Hall would be replaced with the station.

NCSU Director of Transportation Cathy Reeve points out that having the station on campus will be a great addition to some of the university's already existing transportation systems, including the Wolfline.

As the station opens, the transportation department foresees the possibility of extending bus service to that area.

"With the station on campus, and other park and ride stations such as the ones at the fairgrounds and in Cary, perhaps the Wolfline could link to the rail stations, rather than come into campus," Reeve said. "It could really make the Wolfline more efficient."

An evident advantage of having the Regional Rail System connecting to the NCSU campus lies in the future plans for the project. By completion of the system, additional stops including ones at the UNC and Duke campuses are planned. For students, this means easy and relatively inexpensive transportation between the three universities. Rail passes and student discounts are also listed as an option to make the rail system as beneficial as possible to NCSU students.



This railway may soon get a stop behind Mann Hall.

WILE RODGERSTAFF

Another brick... Shoplifting inspires security hike

Recent incidents of shoplifting in the 1911 Building Snack Bar cause Public Safety and cashiers to take more precautions in and around campus convenience stores.

EMILY TOWNLEY
Senior Staff Writer



DeMur, Inc. workers work behind signs warning of danger as they lay bricks on Polk Hall.

Last month, cashier Eva Yee reported two instances of shoplifting from the 1911 Building Snack Bar. Yee could not recount physical descriptions of the violators, for she heard, rather than saw the incident - Yee is blind.

The two violations occurred in the Snack Bar on the mornings of Jan. 28 and Jan. 31, and subjects stole a Diet Raspberry Snapple and three ham and turkey sub sandwiches, respectively.

Yee believes that the suspects were students, for they hid the stolen items in backpacks.

"I knew that I heard the girl take a bottle from the cooler, but she told me that she just had three peppermints when she came to the counter to pay," said Yee as she described the first incident. "I knew that it took her too long to just get candy, so I asked her if she was going to purchase the drink she took from the refrigerator also. She just left without answering me."

Yee said that she opened the door to further question the woman but could not detect the direction in which the subject went. "I'm good, but I'm not that good," Yee said.

Yee called Public Safety immediately after the woman left the Snack Bar. Officers viewed tapes from the four surveillance cameras in the store and determined that a female with curly blond hair, wearing a dark jacket and blue jeans and carrying a dark colored backpack did place the bottle into her bag without paying for it, exactly as Yee reported.

A second incident occurred just three days later. Yee relayed to Public Safety that a male entered the Snack Bar, opened a refrigerator and left without speaking. "I went to check the cooler after he left and noticed that three sandwiches had been taken. I knew that I had stocked four sandwiches earlier that morning, and I knew that no one had bought one, so I called Public Safety," Yee said.

According to officers who reviewed the surveillance tapes, a black male weighing 190-200 pounds, wearing a dark coat and jeans and carrying a dark backpack entered the store and removed the items in question. "He didn't have to be greedy and steal three sandwiches-three big sandwiches,"

said Yee. Yee is the only worker in the 1911 Building Snack Bar and is employed by the Division of Services for the Blind. She has worked in the Snack Bar since August 1998, yet has been "doing this trade for a long time, about 25 years."

"I love this job. I love anything having to do with food," Yee said. "And I'm very dedicated, coming in during the snow and early in the morning to deliver food and mop floors. I'm a bit of a workaholic."

She completes her daily duties in the store with a talking calculator, talking computer and talking money counter.

"Everything talks, even my watch talks," Yee said.

Yee also keeps close track on her stock, refilling and replacing items immediately after customers make their purchases. "I replace drinks and sandwiches in the coolers as soon as customers buy them," Yee said. "Like these sandwiches, I always know that I have nine in a row and can tell if one is missing just by touching them."

Nearly all of her customers greet Yee by name and know her system well, immediately telling her what they intend to buy. Yee quickly computes the total cost of the items from memory and uses her money counter

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Just 'fro you

A resident news editor offers his thoughts on student (in)activity in the 1990's. Check out Opinion.



Seriously ACC

the [quasi] return of Ralph and Oscar! Just in time to play Carolina.



A busy weekend

The Wolfpack gymnastics team falls to Georgia in its first ever meet at the ESA.

FOX

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by local control.

Technician: How can you be optimistic about the General Assembly being able to give the university money to meet the capital improvement?

Chancellor Fox: The North Carolina Legislature has always been a strong supporter of higher education and the option is to raise tuition even more. So, I think we have to be very aggressive in pursuing the case for how important the funding for higher education is. I certainly believe strongly that the state constitution says tuition should be as low as practicable. But, if you were not to be optimistic and completely back away and say we're going to get nothing from the Legislature, then the cost of education would be such that it would put a much larger burden on a tuition increase than what we've been talking about. The kind of tuition increase that we've been talking about is small enough that we would hope that we can handle the financial aid from the incremental cost from those that can't afford it. And that having done that, we can move forward without sacrificing quality.

Technician: When you came here, a lot of people were just extremely impressed. Your motto was "Students first." You went on the "Back Home" tour. Now, a lot of students are extremely upset.

Chancellor Fox: About a tuition increase?

Technician: Yeah. I brought along some stuff that was printed in the "Technician." This is from Student Body Treasurer Andrew Payne and he says, "Until this past weekend, I had great admiration for you, writing many times in this very column in support of your new vision for our university. I shared this excitement with so many other students. We believed that we had a chancellor who was going to take us to the next level; we never realized that we would be the ones sacrificed." What do you have to say to students that have that opinion?

Chancellor Fox: It has never been my intention to sacrifice students and that's part of the reason why when we asked for a tuition increase — from day one — we allocated a large frac-

tion of that tuition increase back to financial aid, which is unlike, for example, what some of our sister schools did. So, you know, I understand that sometimes you have to do things that aren't understood, but it was certainly never my intent or my desire at any time, to do something other than supporting students.

Technician: In this same column, [Treasurer Payne] talks about how he doesn't really care about the "student-centered" programs such as Study Abroad, the arts and honors program that you were referring to. Why should the average student, who maybe isn't going to study abroad because the curriculum in engineering is a little too difficult for him to afford, care?

Chancellor Fox: Well, presumably, that student will stay on-campus and need other services that are campus oriented. There was a whole portfolio of those. Study Abroad was not the top priority. What we did on that list, which you remember was many times what we would be getting from the incremental funding, was to point out what our school would need to be parallel with our peers. We weren't making a commitment to fund that whole list — we couldn't. We didn't have enough money to fund that whole list. But I think it is important for students who are here to know what options they would have if they had gone to somewhere else like Virginia Tech or Georgia Tech.

Technician: He also says, "If it means that students who have worked so hard to get here can no longer attend because you see these programs as a way to obtain recognition by the esteemed Association of American Universities. We will become members of the AAU because greatness is within our grasp." A lot of students believe... a lot of student leaders believe this about getting into the AAU. How much of that is true and how much of it isn't?

Chancellor Fox: If you could get into the AAU for a \$300 tuition increase, then everybody in the country would do it. The AAU has to do with the quality of research and scholarship. I think that we have merits that should support our membership in the American Association of Universities. To that extent, it seems that this is completely separate from that. The things that the AAU look at are the quality of the faculty, the quality of the graduate students and undergraduate students, the amount

of federal research support that one gets — there are a lot of measures but the ability to have a small tuition increase is almost irrelevant.

Technician: A lot of students are being very critical of you. [Both Treasurer Payne and Sen. Ryan Avent's] columns express severe distrust in the administration right now.

Chancellor Fox: Again, I think they're not thinking as objectively as they might. This campus involved students in the decision of what level we would ask for a tuition increase far more than any other school in the UNC system. We value student opinions, but we think we need more money to operate and offer a quality education... and that's the primary responsibility that anybody in this administration has.

Technician: So, do you see the administration working with the students in the future?

Chancellor Fox: Absolutely, if we get this tuition increase and we're able to allocate it to student services, then, of course we'd consult students pretty actively.

Technician: Getting back to the topic of the General Assembly because in Ryan Avent's column, that's one of the things that he talks about. He doesn't think that the General Assembly will fund the universities. Molly Broad has even talked about how this is "we do our part, now you do yours." He, Ryan Avent, feels that once we do our part, the General Assembly will say "thank you for doing what we were supposed to do." How do you react to that?

Chancellor Fox: You know, we spend a lot of time interacting with the people who represent the citizens of North Carolina in the Legislature and they are strapped for cash. The cost for the university continues to rise and if, at the one extreme, they are not willing to continue at the same level of support that they have in the past, the money has to come from somewhere. That's basically what we have been suggesting. What we've been asking for here is a modest amount... one year. Remember we were talking about a one year program, whereas Chapel Hill was talking about a lot more money.

Technician: Just in general... this is your opportunity to talk directly with the students. What do you say to those people who came to the town hall meeting? What do you tell those people who expressed a real concern about any increase and how it would

affect their families? What do you say to them now?

Chancellor Fox: What I say to them is that we listened very carefully and that we pledged to make financial aid available to those who had a real financial need. We are working very, very hard to address new sources of financial aid and we believe we need to acquire a whole lot more. Need-based financial aid is one of the priorities of this administration and it is going to be prominently featured in the next capital campaign as it was in the one we just finished. The last one focused on merit-based financial aid but in fact some very large fraction... went to need-based rather than only merit-based. In other words what I'm saying is that when they gave merit scholarships to students, it turned out that [a large portion] of the students that qualified on the basis of merit also had need.

Technician: Now, your administration has also been pretty actively pursuing diversity at this university. Do you think that a tuition increase will impact diversity and how do you look to get around that concerning recent [affirmative action rulings]?

Chancellor Fox: Certainly the court rulings, both in this district and the district that encompasses Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma were blows to affirmative action. What it means is that we have to use race not as a sole criterion, it makes it impossible for us to defend having set aside programs. And so what we've been doing in the last couple of months is to take the program that we have that focuses on diversity, the Chancellor's Leadership Awards, and trying to locate additional money for financial aid for those decisions. And we're hoping that we can get that done.

Technician: To completely get off the topic of tuition for a little bit... you are the university's first woman chancellor. Is there added pressure with that?

Chancellor Fox: You're under a lot of pressure as chancellor no matter what gender you are, I suspect, so it's hard to say if there's more pressure. I think a lot of people expected a woman to be less tough than I have been on some decisions and it shows up in a lot of different ways.

Technician: How hard is this for you in general? You have a lot of obligations... the alumni, the students, the faculty...

Chancellor Fox: Being a chancellor or president of a university is a

tough job — one that requires a lot of hours. Fourteen hour days are not unusual.

Technician: What do you see for N.C. State in the new year and the new "millennium"?

Chancellor Fox: We're going to emerge as a leader in science, engineering and technology, absolutely. We are the leader in this part of the world. We have very strong connections with practical applications of science, engineering and technology — I think better than any other university and it's most visible on Centennial Campus but you also see it in the curriculum as well. You see that this program is emerging with an incredible reputation among those that look at us from outside. We have more and more students going onto top graduate schools. We have more and more students going into jobs when they've graduated. We, in fact, have students who are pulled away, before they've graduated, into great jobs which have slowed down our graduation rate.

We're very proud of the student body and proud of the kind of faculty we have, but as you continue to make a higher and higher quality program, the expenses continue to go up. Science and engineering is very expensive.

Technician: What is it that you're looking for specifically with developing our humanities in the coming year?

Chancellor Fox: Well, one of the things that we're really proud of is that the North Carolina Progress Board has come onto our campus. We're putting together a program in which the Progress Board in interaction with the College of Humanities and Social Sciences and the Emerging Issues Forum with the Center for Global Competitiveness is going to provide an environment that will allow the same kind of things that have happened from federal support of the sciences and engineering might happen in the social sciences as well. We have great programs in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences and in Education and Psychology as well. A wonderful creative writing program — the best one around. So, the humanities and social sciences are doing very well and they're doing so in a different context at this university. That's a very important part of how we're growing.

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and sense of touch to count change. She then jumps up to replace missing items before the next line of customers forms.

"I keep track of things even more now than I did before the shoplifting," Yee said. "I listen to all of the sounds the food wrappers and drinks make and keep close track of who is in the store. And now I always feel the things people say that they are buying, just to be sure no one is stealing anything."

Public Safety officers are also taking proactive measures to reduce the chances of such activity occurring again.

"The crimes are being investigated now, and the officers assigned to the North Campus area are making special efforts to walk through the building pretty frequently," said Terry Wright, assistant director of Public Safety.

Wright said shoplifting rarely occurs in any of the campus C-stores or the Snack Bar. The most recent incident occurring in the Snack Bar was reported this summer, he said.

"This activity is not frequent by any means. She's pretty sharp, pretty sharp," Wright commented.

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Opinion

TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

Students on strike in Mexico

The relatively recent passage of a hefty tuition increase in a capital city set off months of student backlash against the administration at a university that was devoted to providing inexpensive education.

The student body of Mexico's largest university offered the world a nine-and-a-half-hour lesson in standing up for beliefs. But they took their bold step way too far.

No, this is not the story of the tuition increase that has been and will be a burden under our collective student saddle.

This is the story of the National Autonomous University of Mexico, Mexico's leading academic institution. Late last spring, the university's administration passed an absolutely massive tuition increase, raising annual tuition from the equivalent of two cents to \$140 per year.

The student response was swift and decisive: a group of them undertook the strike and takeover of the university.

The strike was a success, as Francisco Barnes de Castro, the president of the university, repealed the increase on June 7. The students, however, maintained their strike for more than seven months, using the strike as a platform to protest both the limited autonomy of students at the university and Mexico's political system and free market economy.

The strike forced the cancellation of the spring semester, forcing 192,000 students to earn their semester credits by working on their studies away from the dormitory-free campus.

A series of failed negotiation sessions between strike leaders and

members of the university's administration and the Mexican government led to a raid this past weekend that ended the strike.

Early Sunday morning, a group of 500 Mexican police officers

stormed the school, armed only with batons and shields and accompanied by human rights officials. The students surrendered with little protest, aside from some anti-police chanting. All told, 632 strikers were arrested during the early morning raid.

The Mexican government deserves applause for its handling of the strike's final day. The 1968 slaughter of dozens of striking students at a Mexican university still looms over the Mexican army, and the police force that ended the strike took steps to ensure that a similar scene would not occur this time.

The striking students are to be commended for their spirit, if nothing else. In a world where too many people spend too much time complaining and too little time changing their condition, the students stood up for their beliefs and made a change. Their sense of the spirit of activism offers a lesson, not just to the students of N.C. State, but to everyone.

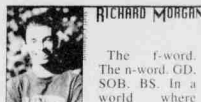
Does that mean that holding an entire university hostage to appease the opinions of only about one-third of the population is right? Absolutely not. The students were unquestionably wrong: not only did they incapacitate the university, but they dragged on their protest well beyond the accomplishment of their goal and made it into an extended political protest.



Three angry men

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Foul play over foul language



RICHARD MORGAN

The f-word. The n-word. G.D. SOB. BS. In a world where words are bleeped or altogether deleted, there is no doubt that they are powerful things. Language is an undeniable fundamental of human culture. Even G.D. declared Himself to be "The Word." Words can be weapons.

But are we allowed to arm ourselves with those weapons? Sure, there's the First Amendment with all of its rights to free this and free that, but do we as a people truly believe in that freedom? Is a N.C. State student truly free to gloat about a Carolina basketball victory? Are professors really free to tell their students their opinions about the class material?

The old story about being unable to run into a crowded room screaming "fire" is true; we do not have freedom of speech.

Cases in point: *1987, CBS sportscaster Jimmy "The Greek" Snyder, says on the air that, "on the plantation, a strong black man was mated with a strong black woman. Blacks were simply bred for physical qualities.... Think of what the African slaves were forced to endure merely to survive. Black athletes are their descendants.... The black is a better athlete to begin with because he was bred to be that way since the days of slavery, and if more blacks become coaches, there's not going to be anything left for white people." He is quickly fired.

*1992, musical artist Madonna releases the book *Sex*, a soft-core pornocopia that features hundreds of erotic photographs of herself, several models

and other celebrities including Isabella Rossellini, Big Daddy Kane, Naomi Campbell, and Vanilla Ice—as well as selected prose. The book completely sold out its first edition in a few weeks; the accompanying album, *Erotica*, sold over two million copies.

Ironically, both works are dubbed "bombs," receiving scathing reviews and enormous negative publicity.

*1996, veteran ABC journalist David Brinkley says on the air during the Clinton-Dole election night that Clinton is "a bore" with "not a creative bone in his body" and that the nation could expect "more goddamned nonsense" from him in the next four years.

In his defense, Brinkley thinks that he is off the air; however, ABC News forces him to apologize for his comments and journalists across the country castigate him.

*1998, pro football player Reggie White says in a speech to Wisconsin lawmakers that homosexuality has "run rampant" because this country has abandoned God. He continues by saying that "Blacks are gifted at worship and celebration; whites are good at organizing business and tapping into money; Hispanics are experts at family structure, with 20-30 people living together; Asians are inventive, capable of turning televisions into watches; and [Native Americans] are great at spirituality and were never enslaved because they're good at sneaking up on people." He is shunned outright by both critics and fans.

*1999, in an interview for *Sports Illustrated*, Major League pitcher John Rocker says of New York City that "it's the most hectic, nerve-racking city. Imagine having to take the [number] 7 train to the ballpark, looking like

you're [riding through] Beirut next to some kid with purple hair next to some queer with AIDS right next to some dude who just got out of jail for the fourth time right next to some 20-year-old mom with four kids. It's depressing."

He continues: "The biggest thing I don't like about New York are the foreigners. I'm not a very big fan of foreigners. You can walk an entire block in Times Square and not hear anybody speaking English. Asians and Koreans and Vietnamese and Indians and Russians and Spanish people and everything up there. How the hell did they get in this country?"

He is subsequently put under psychological examination and suspended for 73 days (during the off season).

*2000, CTV (Canadian Television) local Canadian news anchor Avey Haines stutters during her dialogue. After she finishes her reading, she thinks she is off the air and says: "I kind of like the stuttering thing. We've got a stuttering newscaster. We've got the black, the Asian, the woman. I could be a lesbian, folk dancing, black-woman stutterer in a wheelchair with a gimping rubber leg. I'd have a successful career, let me tell you."

Despite the fact that her joke as ill humored as it was still raises the issue of ethnic quota selection in television news—she is quickly fired because, as station manager Henry Kowalski states, "the nature of her comments did not leave CTV with any alternative."

Sometimes with free speech, you get what you pay for. Still, that truth in no way justifies the condemnation of communication content. The practice of punishing unpopular thought is outright Soviet and only serves to promote neo-McCarthyist "un-American"

propaganda. If a magazine chooses to embrace erotica, that is its right. If a television show chooses to mock this idea or that idea, that is its right.

In a recent example, the KKK fought for its right to participate in Missouri's adopt-a-highway program. Consequently, the Missouri state government fought for its right to rename the highway in honor of civil rights heroine Rosa Parks.

I do not defend the content of all speech. However, I see it as necessary to defend the capability of all speech. I believe that a campus that houses a Free Expression Tunnel does much to echo that voice.

I also believe that this university, along with this nation, does much to stifle the voices of those it finds irritating, annoying or otherwise discomforting. We need to remember the adage that what is right is not always popular, just as what is popular is not always right.

On Christmas Day, Arizona Diamondbacks pitcher Bobby Chouinard was arrested at his home after police responded to a 911 call. According to a police report, his wife Erica said that the pitcher cocked a loaded handgun, pointed it at her head and yelled, "Is this what you want?" Yet, the sports headlines that day revolved around Rocker and the "off his rocker" comments he made.

There are bigger things to worry about than words. In a world where the profane is as ubiquitous as the profound, where there's more talk but less conversation, where voices have sound before they have sense, we must recognize that the freedom of speech we cherish necessitates a difficult responsibility.

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Lights out on Central Campus

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I want to comment on a safety concern I have. I live in Bowen Hall, and I have noticed some very serious breaches in campus security. The lamps in the walkway areas between Bowen and the Free-Expression Tunnel are not working. If they are back in commission by the time this article is

published, then good.

The fact stands, though, that they were out for longer than a week, and that can't happen again. This campus is highly vulnerable to the dangers of being a university in an urban area. Robbery, assault, rape and other crimes can take place easily every day, and this is with the presence of a lighted nighttime environment.

I understand that Public Safety escorts are there, but sometimes I feel I should be escorting them. I called Public Safety on this issue a week ago, but they gave me no

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We're just not talking at all



ZACK MAZER

When I was in high school, I had a goal, albeit an impossible one. I wanted to live in the late 1960's.

But, obviously, every time I tried, time would simply shrug me off and plant me straight back in the unfortunate 1990's.

It was, as Jim Croce once would have said, like spitting into the wind.

But then, being in my wayward years as I was, I wasn't really after anything except a time and place where it would be cool to have an eight-inch afro, complain about "the man," say "groovy" (and not sound like an idiot) and lay around playing guitar all day long.

Hell, I could have even caught

some early Grateful Dead shows, seen the pre-sellout Jefferson Airplane, hung out with Kesey, Cassidy, Thompson, Leary and all the other truly unique and great minds who didn't really survive in the American conscience when the 1960's came to a close. The possibilities were endless.

But, in retrospect—though I still dream of one day being able to thwart time's evil wishes—my reasons would all be wrong. Yes, I still would like to go back, even today. And my desire is still based, in part, on the music and mind.

But now, when I dream my impossible dream, I want to go back because I want to live in a generation with Balls. And believe me, they had them and with a capital "B," to boot.

Sure, maybe their methods weren't the best. Maybe they should

have worked more within the system instead of tuning in, turning on and dropping out. Maybe they should have supported the boys overseas who were fighting a war that they, for the most part, didn't choose to fight.

But they shook things up. They made people pay attention. They brought issues into the American psyche that might not have gotten there otherwise.

And we—our entire generation—should take a real lesson from what they did, pick up where they left off and improve on their shortcomings.

It's not that there haven't been positives—there have. I recollect NC State pitching in rather extensively to help those east of here deal with the aftermath of the hurricanes and for that, we should be proud.

But then we fail to protect ourselves. The pending tuition crisis is

a perfect example.

As much as I hate to admit it—and I wish I didn't have to—UNC-Chapel Hill has us beat every which way when it comes to protesting. I went to theirs and to ours, and they, the UNC students, were impressive (although I thought their rendition of "We Shall Overcome" was a little overdone). There might have been 200 screaming people out there, and at least 50 or 60 more crammed into the Board of Trustees' meeting room.

We had about 75, maybe 100 people standing around, until 25 or so went into the meeting, and a few horn-honking motorists to spice things up.

Protests aside, though, we have to be smarter, more organized and better prepared than that, because we're preaching to the wrong choir

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answer and hung up on me.

If a student were to fall or be assaulted, the person involved would have a decent civil complaint against the university because of the unsafe environment provided by the university. My name is on file for any administrative official who cares to check. I was appalled that little regard was given to my call on a problem that has the possibility of affecting this university, as well as those connected to it.

My call to Public Safety was made during the aftermath of a snowstorm in which a two-inch layer of ice was on the ground for a number of days. At night, travel

within the Tri-Towers area was very dangerous. I fell victim to the ice one day and my rump still hurts.

I am not trying to complain about something that can't be reversed, like tuition. All I ask is that you turn the lights on on Central Campus. What if someone coming from the library was attacked, robbed or raped on Central Campus?

I know that the lights being on might not stop someone meaning to commit such a crime, but, as the Chevrolet commercial states, it would add a little security in an insecure world.

Decker Ngongang
Freshman
Political Science

U.S. discriminates in admitting refugees

Editor's Note: The Editorial Board has waived the word limit on the following letter.

Why is it that virtually all Haitian refugees, including children, are returned to Haiti by the Coast Guard, while many Cuban refugees are allowed to stay in the United States? The conditions of life for children in Haiti are much worse than in Cuba. Children work in sweatshops for U.S. corporations like Disney in Haiti, and there is no free health care and education as there is in Cuba. Cuba is a better environment for children, even with the U.S. embargo, than is Haiti. If Elian Gonzalez had been one of the thousands of Haitian children risking their lives to flee that island, the story would have been completely ignored by the U.S. media.

A similar thing happened in the 1980's, when Nicaraguan refugees were accepted into the United States while Guatemalan and El Salvadoran

refugees were sent back to the brutal governments in those countries, often to a certain death.

The determining factor is whether the people are fleeing a socialist or a capitalist country. The overriding concern of U.S. foreign policy is the preservation of capitalism and the opening up of all countries to U.S. corporate domination.

The intense controversy over little Elian Gonzalez is entirely political. The Cuban exile community in Florida is utilizing the existing antagonism toward Cuba by the U.S. government to further their own ends. Many of these exiles were landowners or owners of other capital property in Cuba, who lost that property when Cuba went socialist—just as the Mafia lost their casinos and prostitution houses. Some of these Cuban exiles have a history of terrorism. On October 6, 1976, they bombed a Cubana Airlines' plane killing all 73 people on board, and there have been many other terrorist acts.

This little boy has suffered enough with the loss of sea of his mother and now the continuing debate over which country he should call home.

If these U.S. politicians, who constantly talk of "family values," really believe in them, Elian Gonzalez should be sent back to his father and grandparents in Cuba!

Gary Sudborough
Bellflower, California

Hate-crime legislation must go

I was very pleased on Wednesday to see the first coherent argument ever presented to me in the "Technician's View." The article stated that federal hate-crime legislation employs the ludicrous notion that killing someone because they're (fill-in-the-blank) is somehow worse than killing them for no reason at all.

I have never believed in the notion that diversity is something to be so celebrated that those who choose not to celebrate are regarded as ignorant, hateful, backwards and a host of other negative traits. What message does that send? In the strictest sense of personal liberty, I have the right

(should I choose) to remain ignorant, hateful and backwards.

Personally, I appreciate diversity in all of its forms. I cannot, however, support a "rights-movement" surrounding diversity issues if freedom of thought for everyone among us (including the skeptics of diversity perspectives) is not defended.

With that said, I must support the position of the Technician to abolish hate-crime legislation. Every piece of the argument was lucid and well established. One piece was missing, however: people who commit crimes are unbalanced people. Anyone who is capable of beating someone within an inch of their life and leaving them to die didn't do it because the victim was gay. They did it because they are evil. All criminals are guilty for the same reason—evil. Some are not guiltier than others because of who they've victimized. Get real! Abolish hate-crime legislation.

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We must also resist the desire to ease the burden of that responsibility by hiding behind the curtain of censorship. And if we writers at Technician have any hope of establishing any real relationship with you readers of Technician through Campus Forum or advice columns or whatever, we must assure you that we are not the Gestapo of journalism. We will defend your messages even if we do not defend their meanings.

Let us not drag the shackles of self-righteous chauvinism into the 21st Century. Let us not be deceived by uniformity disguised as unity. Let us just time and God to weed out those views we trust to be illogical or immoral. Most importantly, let us focus on defending our views rather than defeating those of others.

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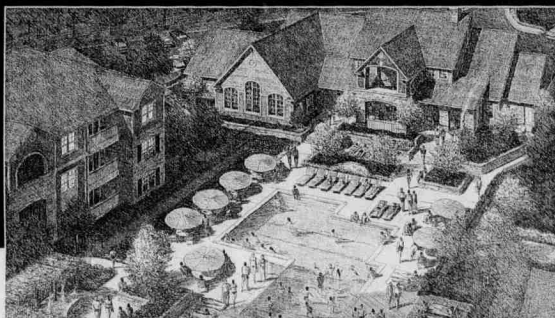
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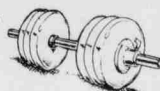
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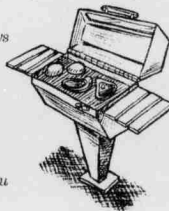
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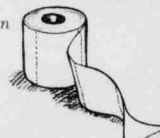
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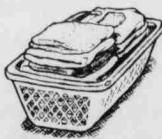
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the whole time.

All of these "trust"-ees and boards, where student-friendly members are, though there, few and far between? Their jobs don't depend on our votes.

See, we do have weapons—votes and time—but most of us choose not to use them. I'm not so easily convinced that you have to have money to have power these days. I'm also not convinced that politicians won't listen to 27,000-plus college kids armed to the teeth with facts and votes.

What I now realize is that it's not that they won't listen; it's that we as a whole are not talking. There are a select few—and indeed that few is getting larger every day—who are doing their best to speak for all of us. But still too few, too far between.

The government, which we have so resolutely sworn off as a bunch of blubbery, self-serving dullards, was intended to be our protection against the likes of the UNC system's financial plans. These boards, trustees and chancellors don't really see any reason to respond to "We Shall Overcome," honking horns and megaphones because their jobs don't depend on us.

But we have chosen to alienate ourselves from the system, and as a

result we wouldn't know how to truly shake things up if our lives depended on it.

However, we are being selfish at the same time. Mother Nature has put our state in a real financial pickle, and this is where I believe we can do what our parents couldn't in the '60s: compromise. Perhaps we should throw in a little bit more for a little while. We all know, however, that they are asking for too much too fast, yet we're pretty much rolling over and taking it.

What we should have been doing all along—and perhaps should start doing, though it's probably too late—is use every possible method of communication, including face-to-face, to contact those people whose actions are in our name and indeed depend upon our voice. Don't ever forget that what politicians do is done in your name.

There are 27,000-plus votes on our campus, let alone the entire UNC system, so don't anyone tell me that we couldn't have stopped this price gouging if we really wanted to. If the blubbery dullards want to keep their jobs, they'll listen.

Yes, I am saying that we should resort to strongman tactics, basic intelligence and stealth in numbers.

But we also have to be responsible, as anyone with power should be, and act modestly. We must realize when we should probably go with the program, as long as we have our fair say in that program's goals, means and execution. I think that, with proper provisions, we could do an extra \$100 for a few years, help the state get back on track and then start talking about "as far as practicable, free of cost."

Questions or comments? Frightened by the afro? Send your thoughts to Zack at zmazer@unity.ncsu.edu.

A losing battle

BRISIM AHMED

The Oracle (11 South Florida)

Since the 1990's, Russia's gross domestic product has been halved, the average life span has fallen by 2.5 years, the birthrate has dropped by one-third and the mortality rate has risen by a quarter. Hoping to divert domestic attention from its piling problems, the Kremlin embarked on a bid to recapture the Caucasus state of Chechnya late last September.

When the Russians began their Blitzkrieg invasion, thousands of Chechen civilians fled their homes and headed west, seeking safe haven in neighboring Ingushetia. However, in a textbook display of man's inhumanity to man, the Russian soldiers sealed the border and left the people stranded in the freezing winter without food, shelter or electricity. These were the same peasants who Boris Yeltsin, the president of Russia at the time, was supposedly shielding from the "cancerous growth" and "terrorism" of the Chechen government. When the refugees finally trickled into neighboring Ingushetia by paying bribes demanded by the Russian soldiers, they related horror stories of indiscriminate shelling and looting of villages by the invading Russians.

Through the spectacular display of Chechen resistance, the Russian crusade has suffered one humiliating setback after another. Moscow has been unsuccessfully trying to hide its losses by prohibiting journalists in the region and lying about its casualties.

If Moscow does manage to occupy the capital of Grozny, the Chechen fighters will probably retreat south to the mountains where they can be a serious thorn in Russia's side for years to come through tit-for-tat attacks with their hand-held weapons. Or Moscow might vent its growing frustration by using weapons of mass destruction to annihilate the Chechens altogether and forever end their bid for freedom. Even in this worst case scenario, the books of history will remember the Chechens as a classic example of a people who lived by the motto "Live free or die." Either way, the fact the Chechens made it this far is a victory in itself.

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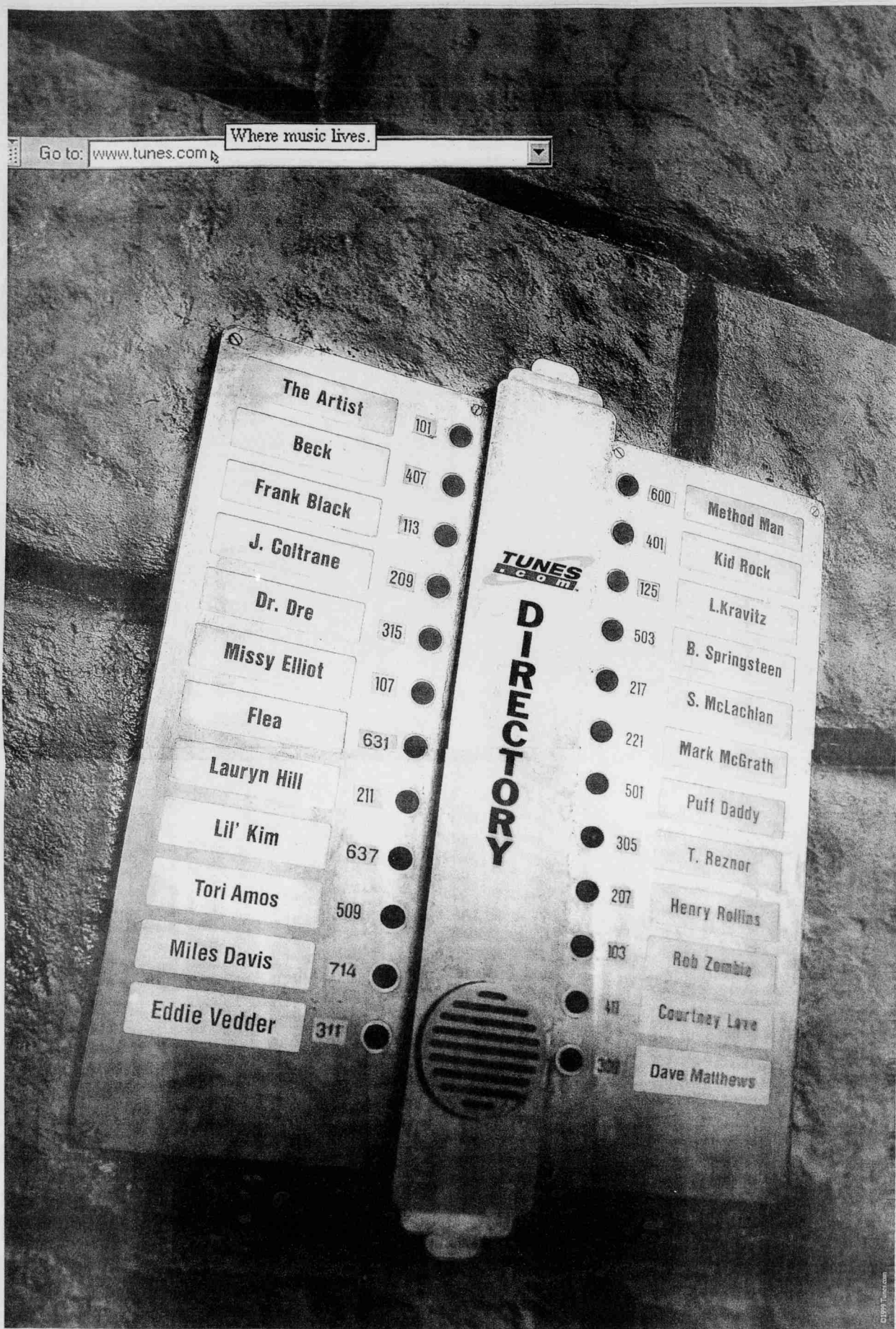
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were knocking down shots, the crowd got into it, the pressure picked up, and unfortunately, we didn't win."

Baxter single-handedly kept the Terrapins in the game, scoring 18 in the first half. A spurt right before the half by the Pack gave State a 41-29 halftime lead, but Maryland came out strong in the second half, cutting the lead to 45-42 with 15:12 to go.

For the rest of the game, State's lead shifted from five to 12 points before Maryland's final surge at the end.

State looked like it may pull away with seven minutes to go after Wilkins hit an NBA-range three with the shot clock expiring and Marshall Williams made a layup to give the team a 65-53 lead, but it

was not to be.

The loss perpetuated State's road woes. After opening its road schedule with a win at Purdue, the Pack has lost games at Tulane, North Carolina, Duke, Clemson and now Maryland. Sendek, however, is quick to point out that the Pack has played well in those losses, except for Clemson.

"It's not like we're stinking up the joint," Sendek said. "So I'm a little weary of that storyline. Our guys have fought tooth and nail against great teams. And it's a hell of a league. That word has to get out that this is a hell of a league."

There will be no rest for State either, as the team takes on arch rival North Carolina Wednesday night in the Entertainment and Sports Arena.

"We have to emphasize the positives," Sendek said. "We can't wallow in self-pity. We've got to turn around and play North Carolina on Wednesday."

Hammond. "I knew that it was going to be a close match. I had faith that our guys could stay mentally tough and focused. This is the second time we've knocked off a ranked opponent (NC State beat then-No. 19 Florida State, 55-48 on Oct. 16) and we also saw real self-will when we won the Nebraska Invitational. This team is starting to really come together now."

Up next for the Wolfpack is the ACC Championships. The women will compete from Feb. 17-19 while the men will take the pool from Feb. 24-26. This season's ACCs will be held at the Koury Natatorium. Preliminaries will start at 11:00 a.m. each day with the finals beginning at 7:00 p.m.

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freestyle (45.58) while Johnson had the top scores on both the one-meter (34.27) and three-meter (33.25) diving boards. Other first-place finishes for the Pack came from a layup to Solt and Haley. Solt swam a 20.82 in the 50 freestyle while Haley captured first in the 200 butterfly in a time of 1:50.18.

N.C. State's head coach Scott Hammond was ecstatic with the victory.

"It's been a while since we've come in here and won," said

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ACC regular season championship. We will need our young players to step it up another notch for us to continue to be a contender for the league title."

The North Carolina women played well in the first half, maintaining the lead throughout. When halftime hit, N.C. State went down 41-40, and the Heels showed no sign of letting up.

With 15:30 left in the second half, though, Terah James assisted Erb on a shot that put the Pack ahead 50-49. N.C. State held on to the lead for the rest of the game.

"They just took better care of the ball," Yow said of the team's changes after halftime.

The Pack's offensive took control of the second half with rebounding and foul shooting. The Pack finished the game with 50 total rebounds and 23-of-36 shooting at the free-throw line. After a little inspiration from Yow and a lot of determination, the women came out and showed Carolina what they could do.

"Our two problems were the rebounds and the fouls," UNC coach Sylvia Hatchell said of the team's second half performance. "We just can't let them get to the foul line. They have an outstanding team."

The win improves the Pack's record to 17-4 overall and 8-2 in the ACC, putting the Pack at second in the ACC.

Erb took center court for the Pack, scoring 25 points and getting a total

of 16 rebounds, before leaving the game.

Two freshmen also stood out on State's team Thursday with a total of 30 points between them. James and Amy Simpson dominated the court with over twenty minutes of playing time each.

"They have an understanding of the intensity it takes to play at this level," Yow said of the two freshmen.

Other high scorers for the Pack included Tynesha Lewis with 13 points and Ivy Gardner with nine points.

LaQuanda Barksdale led the Heels with 20 points and 10 rebounds, making two-of-three attempted three-pointers.

Carolina's Nikki Teasley was back on the court Thursday after being gone for a month and coming back the week before against Maryland. Teasley scored 17 points in the first game against State but only scored 11 points Thursday. Teasley fouled out with 1:09 left in the game.

Teasley said she was "not satisfied" with how she played.

Carolina did set a few season bests, however. Allen scored a season high of 11 points and the Tar Heel women committed a season low of turnovers, with only 10.

N.C. State had 22 turnovers, but only seven of them were during the second half.

Reynolds was filled with 9,517 screaming fans for the game.

"The crowd was tremendous," Yow said. "The students weren't spectators, they were participants."

When asked what it felt like to beat Carolina, Simpson had two words to say, "Feels great!"

FLORIDA

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rebounds in her 30 minutes of action. Greene also made a handy contribution on the defensive end with three blocks and two steals.

"Chris has been our number one supporter on the bench all season long and today she was really ready to step in and play," said Head Coach Kay Yow. "She waited for her chance and really produced big time."

Bates' offensive performance, although unexpected, wasn't nearly as surprising as Greene's. Bates shot a scorching seven of eight from the field, including three of four from beyond the arc, as she put up 17 points and five rebounds. With Erb out due to injury, Bates, a junior, felt the urgency to provide a lift for her teammates.

"I definitely felt like I needed to step up for my teammates today," said Bates. "I knew that I needed to provide leadership, but I really didn't know that my leadership was going to come offensively. I hit my first three-pointer on the day and

didn't look back after that."

The Pack also received encouraging offensive contributions from a pair of freshmen guards, Terah James and Ivy Gardner. James provided an impressive floor game for the Pack as she scored 12 points, grabbed five rebounds, dished out six assists, and swiped four steals during her tiring 40 minutes of play. Gardner shot five of seven from the field for 10 points.

The Pack got some support from a very high cheerleader in the days leading up to the game. Erb, the senior leader played a key part in enabling the Pack to earn their victory.

"Summer was never down after her injury," said Yow. "She was at practice encouraging and that really meant a lot to the team. She stepped beyond herself to help the team."

As the Pack heads into their next game at Maryland on Thursday night, they are aware of the significance for every game remaining in the regular season.

"These next five games will be instrumental in our seeding in the ACC and NCAA Tournaments," said Yow. "So it is very important that we continue adjusting and improving every day."

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Wolfpack blows cool, game against Terrapins

◆A technical foul against Damon Thornton with 2:44 remaining in Sunday's game helps State fall on the road.

Jack Daly
Sports Editor

COLLEGE PARK, Md. - After being in control most of the way against Maryland Sunday, N.C. State lost its composure in the final minutes of the game, finding a new way to lose on the road.

The Wolfpack was ahead 73-68 and on a three-one fast break with just under three minutes remaining in the game when Damon Thornton tried to dunk the ball over Maryland's Lonny Baxter. Thornton

was whistled for an offensive foul by referee John Clougherty, and to compound his problems, was hit up for a technical foul by backside referee Gerald Boudreaux.

The play not only resulted in Thornton fouling out, but the 25th-ranked

Terrapins immediately seized the momentum. After the play, Maryland closed the game on a 10-0 run to sink the Pack, 78-73.

"In the last three minutes, we couldn't stop them," said State head coach Herb Sendek. "We turned the ball over and we got a technical foul."

After the technical, Sendek hurried his players to try and get them to maintain their focus.

"[Sendek] understands how cru-

cial, how detrimental that technical was to the game, but at the same time, you know that's not the cause of why we lost," said freshman forward Damien Wilkins. "Certainly it's one of them, but you know we all contributed to the way the game turned out."

Maryland's Juan Dixon knocked down the technical shots to close State's lead to 73-70. Dixon came down on the next possession and hit a jumper to bring Maryland within one.

After two missed free throws by State's Anthony Grundy, the Terps' Lonny Baxter hit a turnaround jumper to give Maryland its first lead of the game at 74-73. Baxter led

all scorers with a career-high 31 points and also had 10 rebounds.

"Lonny Baxter - I can't say enough," said an emotional Gary Williams, Maryland's head coach, after the game. "I wasn't the only one there who saw what he did. He was the heart."

After another Baxter basket gave the Terps a 76-73 lead, State had a chance to tie it up with 20 seconds left. Archie Miller had a good look at a three, but his shot missed. After the ball went out off a Terps player, Dixon came up with a steal on the inbound pass to give Maryland possession.

State fouled Steve Blake and the freshman missed both foul shots, giving State another opportunity. The Pack couldn't capitalize, how-

ever, as Marshall Williams air-balled a three from the corner with eight seconds left.

Justin Gainey led all Pack scorers with 21 points. Thornton had a double-double, 12 points and 11 rebounds.

State came out of the gates blazing in its new black uniforms, opening up an eye-popping 22-5 lead with 13:46 remaining in the first half. State's shooters had a hot hand from outside the arch, as Grundy, Miller and Gainey all hit three-pointers.

"Coming into the game we were prepared and I think we showed that in the first half," said Wilkins, who scored nine points in a solid effort. "The second half, as usual, we let things kind of go their way. They



The Pack drops to 5-4 in the ACC.

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Swimmers take ACC title

Sports Staff Report

The N.C. State men (14-1, 6-1) defeated the Clemson men (7-2, 2-2) 152-91 while the Wolfpack women (10-6, 1-5) fell to the Tiger women (8-3, 1-2) 163-78 in swimming on Saturday at the Willis Casey Aquatics Center. The win by the N.C. State men's squad clinched the ACC regular season title, which gives them a conference-high 23. The Wolfpack men last won the regular season crown in 1995 when it went 13-2, 6-1.

The N.C. State men had multiple event winners in Matt Brado and Andy Johnson. Brado captured the 200 freestyle in a time of 1:40.04 and the 100 freestyle in a time of 45.67. Diver Andy Johnson scored a 315.23 on the one-meter board and a 346.95 on the three-meter board.

Matt Norman, who won the 100 breaststroke in a time of 58.40, was the lone Tiger to win an event.

The Clemson women captured two victories a piece from Emily Husted



The swim teams completed their regular seasons this weekend and are reading for the ACCs.

and Jenna Burch. Husted came in first in the 1,000 freestyle (10:29.35) and the 500 freestyle (5:04.01) while Burch won the 50 freestyle (23.85) and 100 freestyle (51.93).

The Wolfpack women had strong performances from Shelly Cavaliere and Annamaria Gazda. Cavaliere came in first on both diving boards while Gazda won the 100 backstroke in a time of 58.61.

In action on Friday in Chapel Hill, the N.C. State men's swimming and diving team defeated the No. 20 North Carolina Tar Heels (6-4, 3-2), 123.5-119.5 at the Koury Natatorium.

With the victory, which was the 501st in the history of the program, the Wolfpack snapped its seven meet losing streak against the Tar Heels in Chapel Hill. It also marks the first time that N.C. State has defeated North Carolina in Koury Natatorium, which was opened in 1986. The last NC State victory in Chapel Hill prior to Friday was a 63-50 Wolfpack victory in 1984 at North Carolina's Bowman Gray Pool.

Friday's meet came down to the final event, the 400 freestyle relay, when the team of Brado, Jared Proto, Vester Magnusson and Tim Haley won in a time of 3:04.55. Heading into that relay, the Pack was trailing by a point meaning that the winning relay squad would clinch the team victory.

The Wolfpack got outstanding performances from Brado and Johnson, who each took home two individual victories. Brado captured first place in the 200 freestyle (1:40.12) and the 100

ESA hosts NCSU-UGA gymnastics meet

◆The Wolfpack gymnastics team finished up a busy weekend in the Entertainment and Sports Arena against Georgia.

Jeremy Ashton
Assistant Sports Editor

The weekend was long for the N.C. State gymnastics team, but it was one that it will not soon forget.

The Wolfpack (2-4) fell Sunday afternoon to the two-time defending national champion Georgia Gym Dogs 196.575-193.450. The meet concluded a marathon weekend for the gymnasts that started with a trip to Towson State for the Governor's Cup and ended with the team's first-ever meet in the Entertainment and Sports Arena.

"It was a hard weekend for us, having two meets in a row," said senior co-captain Maggie Haney. "We don't do that very often, and this is probably why."

N.C. State had a great meet on three of its events but struggled on beam, which has been one of the team's better events over the past couple of years. The Pack recorded four falls on beam and was forced to count three of them for an event score of 47.

"We did a great job in three events, and we blew one," said head coach Mark Stevenson. "And we blew our best one and that's probably what bothers me the most about it."

Otherwise, the Pack remained close with the Gym Dogs on vault and floor and matched them evenly on bars. And the 3.125-point difference was the Pack's best result ever against Georgia.

"Overall, we're in about the same spot we were at this time last year on beam," said Haney. "It's just that now our bars are so much better and our vault is so much better, so it's making our beam look like it's not up to par."

But the story of the meet for the

Wolfpack was getting the chance to compete in the 19,722-seat ESA.

"It's an absolutely gorgeous facility," said Stevenson. "Obviously, we'd love to come back. We'd like to try to bring an NCAA Championship-type meet. We just have to see whether the ESA felt like it was worth what they had to go through to have us."

"It's certainly one of the most beautiful facilities in the nation," he added. "Even Georgia said they were amazed."

The attendance at the meet was officially listed at 3,379. That number was about half of what the team was hoping for but still a pretty good turnout considering the number of students camping out for basketball tickets.

"The ESA was awesome," said junior co-captain Sara Dolan. "The fans were great. Everyone was cheering for us. The arena is beautiful."

The Pack gymnasts were also thrilled to get the opportunity to compete against one of the nation's best.

"They're amazing to watch, but they're also great competition because they keep you on your feet and they keep you going," said Dolan.

Sophomore Kelli Brown had a big meet for NCSU, finishing all three of her events with scores higher than 9.825. Brown established personal highs on bars (9.9) and floor (9.85). Her score on bars earned her a tie for first.

Junior Monica Berry was the only other Pack gymnast to place in an event, taking second on beam. Meanwhile, junior Kara Charles topped 9.675 in all three of her events.

In action earlier in the weekend, the Pack took third place out of four teams at the Governor's Cup with a score of 193.75.

Once again, the Pack gymnasts performed well in three out of



The Wolfpack gymnastics team flipped over its first meet in the ESA.

four events but struggled on beam. "It's confidence, and it's in our head," said Dolan. "We just have to know inside ourselves that we can do this."

The Pack ran into a Maryland team at that meet that had its best score ever at 195.95. Host Towson State also finished ahead of NCSU with a season-high score of

193.75. Senior Maggie Haney scored a 9.925 on floor to tie the school record. Haney also holds a share of the school record on beam with one of only two 10s in N.C. State history.

Junior Amy Langendorf finished first on bars with a 9.9. Brown and sophomore Aimee Pantan record-

ed personal bests on vault with scores of 9.875 and 9.85, respectively.

The Pack returns to Reynolds Coliseum Friday at 7 p.m. for the Hearts Invitational. Radford, Rhode Island, William and Mary and West Virginia will all be at the meet.

Wolfpack women sweep pair against ACC foes

Costly win for Wolfpack

Pack tomahawks FSU

◆N.C. State defeated arch rival North Carolina Thursday night but lost Summer Erb for six weeks with a broken foot.

Lucy Tatam
Staff Writer

The Wolfpack women defeated the Tar Heels 86-76 Thursday night in Reynolds Coliseum, turning a tough start into a victorious ending.

The victory was costly for N.C. State, however, as All-American candidate Summer Erb suffered a broken left foot. The injury occurred with 37 seconds left in the second half when Erb landed

awkwardly after being fouled by Carolina's LaShonda Allen on a layup. She is expected to miss six weeks, which means she could return for the postseason.

"First and foremost, I really hate it for Summer," said State coach Kay Yow in a press release after the game. "I knew she would go strong down the stretch and would have an excellent chance to repeat as ACC Player of the Year and be a contender for other postseason honors."

"Summer has played a major role in us being a contender for the



Despite losing Summer Erb, the Pack prevailed in both of its games this weekend with wins over conference rivals UNC and Florida State.

◆Playing without Summer Erb for the first time in nearly two seasons, the Wolfpack pulled off a 72-62 win over Florida State.

Druid Horgood
Staff Writer

Although Sunday's game against Florida State (9-12, 2-8) snapped one streak, there was another one that was preserved. For the first time in 50 games the Wolfpack (18-4, 9-2) played without senior center Summer Erb. And that's something the Pack better get used to, because Erb is going to miss the next six weeks with a broken foot.

On the bright side, however, the Pack extended its winning streak

against the Seminoles to nine games with their 72-62 victory in Reynolds Coliseum. The victory was made possible because of a gritty performance by the Pack on the boards and on the defensive end, as well as a couple of unexpected offensive explosions.

Junior forward Monica Bates and sophomore forward Christen Greene combined to shoot 11 for 13 from the field for 31 points to help spark the Pack's offense in the victory.

Greene, who shot four of five from the field and five of six from the charity stripe, had career highs with both 14 points and five

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