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N.C. State Expert Develops Program to Trace Web Site Attacks

A new software program that can trace the source of Denial of Service attacks — such as those that shut down Yahoo, e-Bay, Amazon.com and CNN web sites earlier this week — has been developed by a N.C. State computer scientist.

A working prototype of the program is in operation now. A final version will be released within a month and is being offered free to interested parties. The system's creator, Dr. Felix Wu, is an expert on network security. Wu's program allows Web sites to trace the original source of an attack. Wu has been working to develop the system for two years. His research is sponsored by the Defense Advanced Research Program Agency, NCSU and CMNC, a Research Triangle Park corporation that supports advances in electronic and information technologies, jointly developed the program. "Large networks like university systems and Internet service providers are the most vulnerable. They are very open computer networks," Wu says. Wu also says system administrators need to decide how to protect their resources.

Task Force to Study N.C. State's Ticket Distribution for Students

A task force will be appointed at N.C. State University to study and evaluate new procedures for distributing student tickets to university athletic events. The task force will include student leaders and representatives of the departments of athletics and student affairs.

Dr. Tom Stafford, vice chancellor for Student Affairs, said he decided to set up the task force after recent problems during the student camp-out, Feb. 5-7, for tickets to the NC State vs. UNC-Charlotte Hill men's basketball game. Because of student behavior, Stafford has canceled all camp-outs for the remainder of the academic year. "We will study all aspects of ticket distribution carefully, including whether or not there would be any way to continue student camp-outs next year," said Stafford.

The task force will work through the spring and will produce a report with recommendations for methods of distributing student tickets during the 2000-2001 academic year. Stafford will present the task force report to Chancellor Marjorie Anne Fox by May 1.

Chancellor Fox Schedules Student Meetings Beginning Feb. 23

N.C. State Chancellor Marjorie Anne Fox has designated times to meet in her office with students who wish to discuss their issues of concern. The first meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 23. The meetings will serve as an opportunity for students and the chancellor to become better acquainted in an informal setting.

For Spring semester, 2000, the following dates and times have been designated: Wednesday, Feb. 23 at 2:15 p.m.; Tuesday, March 7 at 1:30 p.m.; Thursday, March 23 at 10 a.m.; Monday, April 3 at 11 a.m.; Tuesday, April 18 at 1:30 p.m.; Wednesday, May 3 at 2 p.m.; and Tuesday, May 16 at 3:45 p.m.

Students are encouraged to sign up in advance to let the chancellor know what they want to discuss. Interested students should fill out the Web form at: <http://chancellor.ncsu.edu/studenthour/>.

They will be contacted by the chancellor's staff.

Kappa Alpha Psi Holds Crimson and Creme Week

In observation of Crimson and Creme Week, Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity will sponsor the following events: Tuesday, Feb. 15, "The Dating Game," at 7 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room of Witherspoon Student Center, Wednesday, Feb. 16, "AIDS Awareness," at 7 p.m. in 356 Withers; Thursday, Feb. 17, "The History of African Americans," at 7 p.m. in 356 Withers; and Friday, Feb. 18, a party in the Talley Student Center Ballroom from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m.

Board of Governors approves increase

Proposed Tuition increase over 2 Years

1. NC State	\$600
2. UNC-CH	\$600
3. ECU	\$300
4. UNC-C	\$300
5. UNC-W	\$235

All 16 schools received a 2.1% increase.

◆ At their meeting last Friday the UNC Board of Governors approved a tuition hike that includes a 2.1 percent hike plus an extra \$600 for NCSU students.

NEWS STAFF REPORT

The Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina system proposed an entirely new tuition increase proposal at their meeting last Friday in Chapel Hill's Carolina Inn.

The new plan outlines a 2.1 percent tuition increase

at all 16 constituent campuses of the UNC system. In addition, five campuses, including N.C. State students, will be asked to pay extra.

NCSU and UNC will face an extra \$600 over the next two years, at \$300 per year. East Carolina University and UNC-Charlotte will face an extra \$300 over the next two years and UNC-Wilmington will face an extra \$235 over the same time frame.

For NCSU students, the increase 2.1 percent plus the extra \$600 means over the next two years tuition will go from \$2,360 to \$2,992.

The money is earmarked

for faculty salaries, capital improvements and financial aid.

Before the vote, Association of Student Governments President, Jeff Neiman proposed a \$200 dollar compromise for UNC-CH and NCSU, but the plan was voted down 17 to 11. Neiman, the sole student representative on the Board of Governors, has no official power and cannot vote in the Board's decisions.

UNC System President Molly Broad's tuition proposal was also rejected in favor of the approved increase.

Before the plan is official,



UNC President Molly Broad

it must be approved by the North Carolina Legislature. They are expected to vote during their summer session.

ASM recognizes professors

◆ Two N.C. State professors find their work included on a national list of most-cited scientific papers in the 20th century.

SPRINE STEPHENS
Assistant News Editor

What began as a routine research paper has turned out to be the accomplishment of a century for two N.C. State professors. Edward Havell, research professor of immunology in the College of Veterinary Medicine, and Wesley Kloos, professor of genetics, are the senior authors of two papers recognized among the 50 most-cited papers published in the 20th century by the American Society for Microbiology (ASM).

"As soon as a study comes to a certain point and you get results, then you publish the findings for an audience that you choose to reach," said Kloos.

Kloos' paper, originally published in 1975 in the first issue of the *Manual of Clinical Microbiology*, mapped out simplified ways of identifying different species of *Staphylococcus* that live on humans.

Workers in hospitals and veterinary clinics could easily refer to the paper to identify the characteristics and key traits of a certain species of *Staphylococcus* to find out what they were dealing with.

The paper has since been used in the identification of newly discovered *Staphylococcus*

species, causing it to be often quoted, said Kloos.

Kloos is one of the main international experts on *Staphylococcus*, which lives on the skin of humans and can cause potentially fatal infections if

introduced into the system through wounds or surgical procedures, causing it to be of "primary concern to human and veterinary doctors because many species are opportunistic pathogens," said Kloos.

Of the 34 known *Staphylococcus* species, Kloos and researchers at NCSU discovered more than half in the last three years, the researchers have also discovered a new genus of bacteria related to *Staphylococcus*, called *Macrocooccus*.

Kloos published two other papers of findings two months prior to the ASM-list paper that consisted of full scientific manuscripts describing the bacteria. The ASM-list paper was a simplified version targeted at clinical laboratories.

Havell's article, which appeared in ASM News, discussed methods of producing large amounts of an antiviral molecule made in cells, called interferon. The findings in that paper led to Havell's discovery of Beta interferon, which is the only known

treatment for multiple sclerosis.

"We want to try to tell people about our findings," said Havell, who also published his research for use in clinical settings.

Havell stimulated human skin cells, called fibroblast, with

viruses and synthetic substances that resemble viruses, to see if the cells would produce interferon to prevent healthy cells from catching the virus. The fibroblast cells formed Beta interferon, and proved that several different types of interferon existed.

Havell's breakthroughs have allowed drug companies and interferon researchers to compare different interferon with their different activities, and learn more about how they affect various viruses and diseases. Further research has proven that some interferons inhibit tumor cell growth, and some may even affect bacteria.

Havell has been conducting research at the NCSU College of Veterinary Medicine for the past six years, and was previously a professor at NYU Medical School.

Kloos has been researching *Staphylococcus* at NCSU for 34 years, and teaches an advanced undergraduate genetics course. In observance of its centenary year in 1999, an ASM formulated a committee, which compiled the 50 most-cited papers published in the society's 16 journals. The professors were honored at a recent meeting of the North Carolina chapter of the ASM.



Wesley Kloos



Edward Havell

U. Arizona rally against homophobia draws 1,000

◆ In response to the stabbing of a gay Arizona student, 1,000 people held a march in Tucson.

HILLARY DRAVIS
Arizona Daily Wildcat

(U-WIRE) TUCSON, Ariz. — Amid chanting and honking horns, a little girl tottered along Fourth Avenue carrying a crayon-lettered sign stating, "God loves all his children."

The child was one of the 1,000 people Tucson Police estimated marched along the North Fourth Avenue business district yesterday in response to last Sunday's

stabbing of a gay University of Arizona student.

The march, followed by a speak-out at the University of Arizona Mall, was orchestrated by UA assistant English professor David Robinson, the local chapter of the Lesbian Avengers gay rights organization and several other activists.

Men, women and children carried signs, flags and beat aluminum garbage can lids while chanting, "Hey hey, ho ho, homophobia's got to go," and "Arizona, proud and free, marching against bigotry."

The approximately two-mile march started at Catalina Park at North Fourth Avenue and East

Second Street and wound through the surrounding streets, pausing at the Rainbow Planet Coffee House, 606 N. Fourth Ave. — the scene of the attack — to drop flowers on the sidewalk.

The peaceful demonstration was peppered with singing and honking horns of passing motorists, many of whom flashed thumbs-ups and peace signs. When the crowd reached UA's Main Gate, a cheer surged through the formation as it converged on the Mall for the speak-out portion of the afternoon.

The stabbing victim, a 20-year-old philosophy junior, took the

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NCSU Union Activities Board branches out

◆ The N.C. State Union Activities Board is seeking new event ideas and undertaking their agenda for the current semester.

NATALIE DUGGINS
Senior Staff Writer

Imagine an on-campus organization striving to use student fees more efficiently. Nowadays, the notion seems almost inconceivable, but as the Union Activities Board opens up a new semester of spring programming, they are seeking to do just that.

According to Sabrina Yep, Student Center President and President of the UAB, the board will be striving to expand its programming this semester and reach out to other student organizations. UAB Outreach is a new program created by members of the UAB Board of Directors to foster increased relations between the board and other student organizations.

"We're trying to reach out to more student organizations," Yep said.

Organizations wishing to solicit funds from the UAB's programming budget can visit the board's office at 1200 Talley Student Center and fill out a request form at least four weeks prior to their event. According to Yep, a group can choose from partial funding or co-sponsorship. A group that merely requests funding can ask for up to 25 percent of the program's total budget, while co-sponsorships allows the UAB to fund 50 percent of the event's total budget. Requests should be submitted to the UAB Treasurer, Joel Gottesman, and will be reviewed by the board's newly conceived Finance Committee.

"We always want students to come to us," Yep said.

Another extension of the UAB Outreach initiative is for the UAB and its constituent committees — Leisure and Entertainment (L&E), Diversity, Issues and Ideas (I&I), Films, Publicity and the Black Students Board (BSB) — to discover what students want.

"We want to be recognized as a programming board for all students and that includes getting student feedback and co-sponsoring events," Yep said.

Students wishing to get involved with the UAB can attend meetings of any of the UAB's committees are welcome to attend any meeting, said Yep. The Leisure & Entertainment committee holds its meetings on

Monday nights at 7:30 p.m. in the UAB office. L&E is gearing up for the a spring semester of events including a Soulful Talent Show (Feb. 26), the CIAA Pre-Dawn (Mar. 3) and a comedy showcase the following day.

Spring programming for the Issues and Ideas committee will begin tonight in the Talley Student Center Ballroom, with the Sisterhood Dinner. Marcia Anne Gillespie, Editor-in-Chief of Ms. Magazine, will be the guest speaker.

"It's an annual dinner to celebrate women's history and their accomplishments," said Brandon Buskey, co-chair of the committee.

I&I will continue their programming efforts later this month with guest speaker Hank Newer, who will address the re-emergence of alcohol hazing on college campuses. Later this semester, the I&I committee will engage students with the politics of sexuality and politics in Washington, Buskey said. The committee meets Friday afternoons at 3:30 in the UAB office.

The Black Students Board meets every other Thursday in the boardroom of Talley Student Center at 6:30 p.m. The culmination of this year's programming for BSB will come in April when they launch their annual Pan-African Week and their All-Nighter is tentatively scheduled for April 14.

The Diversity committee meets Thursday nights at 6:30. The group, which, according to their mission statement, seeks "to raise awareness of various cultures; age, color, differently-abled, ethnicity, gender, nationality, race, religion, sexuality, and spirituality on the N.C. State campus," will hold Diversity Night on March 25 and International Night in early April.

This year's board also is hoping to make a smoother transition between them and their successors. The entry of Yep's board into power was marred with election's controversy, as their predecessors contested the board's ability to step into power.

"We are heading towards a better set-up for next year," Yep said.

For more information about the UAB check out their web site at: http://www2.ncsu.edu/ncsu/student_center/uab/

Witches

There's some Wiccan stuff going on in Opinion.



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Wrestling wins

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podium before the start of the speak-out to share his thoughts on violence, fear and his drive to overcome them both.

"Hate affects all races, religions, genders and orientations," said the student, who requested to remain anonymous. "With each show of discrimination, this world hurts."

"With all my fear, with all my sadness, I do not become a victim - I become a man," he said. "I am a man with fear as his companion, but never as his master."

"Hate will not stop me," he added. "We shall not cower in the shadow of intolerance."

The student said he was still experiencing pain from the injury to his back muscles, which he said

worsens every day. However, he said he was enduring.

"It's nothing I can't handle," he said.

The student said the support of the crowd both moves and strengthens him.

"It does make me want to cry, but I meant what I said when it is in their love that I grow stronger," he said.

Attendees of the speak-out could share their anti-gay experiences on the open mic as well as in a written log which would be passed along to state legislators in hopes of educating them on the experiences of gays.

Petitions also circulated to convince the Pima County Attorney's office to step up the charges against the attacker to attempted murder. Shortly after the stabbing incident, Tucson Police arrested Gary Grayson, 37, on charges of

aggravated assault. Dace Park, a Lesbian Avenger, said the march and speak-out were successes.

"We could not have asked for a better turn-out," she said.

Robinson said the day's events went "very, very well."

"(I am feeling) inspired, grief-stricken, excited - a whole gamut of things," he said.

Robinson predicted further activism would stem from the recent stabbing.

"Enough people will really want to do something about homophobia," said Robinson. "It's relatively easy to oppose an act as horrible as an act of attempted murder, (but) what needs to be done is for everyone - everyone - to take the initiative."

Robinson said being gay is not just "OK," but "wonderful."

"We're part of what makes the world beautiful," he said.

U. Florida students locked out

◆ At the final debate on Florida's proposed replacement for Affirmative Action, UF students were not allowed to voice their opinions.

MATT RUDERY

Independent Florida Alligator

(U-WIRE) TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — After waiting three weeks, University of Florida students on Thursday were denied their chance to join in public debate about Gov. Jeb Bush's One Florida Initiative.

UF Student Body Vice President Jocelyn Moore said the first UF speaker was the 108th person in line when public comment was cut off that evening. She said the forum should have been extended until all speakers could be heard.

"Isn't it the responsibility of the governor to listen to all of his constituents?" Moore asked.

Twenty-five UF students rode a bus to Tallahassee to attend the third and final public hearing on One Florida. They joined a crowd of almost 2,000, of whom only 100 were allowed to speak on the controversial initiative.

Several UF students did meet with top advisers in the Bush administration while the hearing took place, but Moore said a discussion of concerns about One Florida yielded mainly empty answers.

"I really don't believe coming out of that meeting that we made any progress whatsoever," she said.

The hearing lacked the frenzied and passionate atmosphere that marked the

previous meetings in Tampa and Miami.

Rep. Carlos Lacasa, R-Miami, said the testimony was far superior to what committee members heard in Tampa and Miami.

"We learned a lot of lessons in Tampa on how to conduct these meetings," he said.

The public hearings were part of an agreement the governor made to end a sit-in at the Capitol. The Board of Regents was originally scheduled to vote on One Florida in January, but action was postponed until Feb. 17 so meetings could be held to gather citizen input.

Following the hearing, Sen. Kendrick Meek said he has asked Bush to indefinitely postpone the Regents' vote.

"A leadership call by the governor is almost paramount at this point," he said. "He can ask the Board of Regents to do the right thing here."

Meek said the message from minorities at the hearings has been, "If this is the way you plan to help us, don't help us."

If passed, One Florida will ban the use of racial preferences in university admissions policies. The plan will also grant admission to a state university to students of the top 20 percent of any Florida high school's graduating class, provided they meet certain curriculum requirements.

Many speakers said they do not trust the governor to maintain diversity under One Florida. Robert Lewis, a Tallahassee minister, said Bush is a "he-devil" who has "lied to my brothers and sisters."

"You have torn down what has taken

years to build," Lewis said.

FAMU student Natalie Tindall asked how she could be expected to trust a governor "who has not graced me with his presence today."

Bush did not attend the hearing. Lt. Gov. Frank Brogan said he watched the proceedings on closed-circuit television from his office in the Capitol, which is adjacent to the Knott Building where the hearing was held.

Brogan said Bush has "suffered the slings and arrows" of opponents both with legitimate concerns about One Florida and with political axes to grind. He said the governor will pour over testimony from the hearings before the Regents meeting on Thursday.

"While people think that once these public hearings are over quick decisions will be made, that simply isn't true," Brogan said. "We've listened. We're here, we're learning."

And not everyone at the hearing opposed the governor's plan. FAMU senior Becky Liddell said One Florida would only benefit the state, and she applauded Bush for taking a stand.

"I would be insulted to get a job based on my race," said Liddell, who is Native American. "Judge me on my merit, not the color of my skin."

But, most speakers sided with state Rep. Cynthia Chestnut, D-Gainesville, a member of the committee holding the public hearings.

Chestnut, who has strongly opposed One Florida, said the plan was a rush to judgment without consulting the academic community.

"It's appalling," she said. "All that is happening with One Florida is that it is dividing Florida."

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UCLA computers employed by hackers

◆ The computer system at UCLA may have been used in the recent string of electronic attacks on major web sites.

NEAL NARAHARA
Daily Bruin

(U-WIRE) LOS ANGELES—Electronic attacks on some of the Internet's most high-profile sites went through UCLA, according to university officials.

UCLA computers are suspected to have been remotely hacked into and then used in at least one attack, most likely the one that made Amazon.com Inc.'s Web site inaccessible to customers for more than an hour last Tuesday. According to a statement issued by the university, campus experts are "confident that the hackers are not based on campus."

The attack was one of several perpetrated against such companies as Yahoo!, eBay, BUY.COM, ZDNet, E*TRADE and Datek early last week and comes on the heels of reports that UC Santa Barbara and Stanford computers were used in a similar attack on CNN's Web site.

Ramiro Escudero, a spokesman for the FBI's Los Angeles field office, described the use of network computers like those at universities as "trampoline attacks" in which they are used as a platform to launch assaults.

According to reports late last week, the sites were the apparent victims of denial-of-service attacks in which hacked computers are directed to send a coordinated attack against a victim, overloading them with information and blocking access to legitimate users.

Part of an ongoing problem, denial of service attacks were the

subject of FBI alerts as early as December.

"At this time we are not aware of the motives behind these attacks but they appear to be intended to interfere with and to disrupt legitimate electronic commerce," U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno said at a press conference last Wednesday.

Despite the fact that the sites are not internally compromised in such attacks, the perpetrators are in apparent violation of recently enacted legislation.

"There was a law passed late last year which addresses someone interfering either a company's Web site or computers so they can't serve their customers," Escudero said. "And other federal laws could apply."

Escudero could not make any comments specific to any of the attacks due to the ongoing investigation except that the universities are cooperating with the investigation.

Although programs to create such denial-of-service attacks are easily used and obtained on the Internet, the ways in which the sites were attacked seem to indicate more sophistication.

E-mailed from Yahoo! engineers reported by the Associated Press Saturday said that the attackers "knew about Yahoo!'s topology and planned the large-scale attack in advance." In addition, the perpetrators knew where to attack other sites "where it hurts the most."

The attackers are believed to have used a desktop computer at UCSB to assault CNN, and an Internet router at Stanford to launch an amplified attack on eBay. Like UCLA, university officials at both schools have said that the universities are not the original source of the attacks.

At 1:30 p.m. on the day of the Amazon.com attack, UCLA was hit with a large denial-of-service attack of its own shortly before becoming the source of the outgoing one.

A network message posted on the Communications Technology Services Web site described the outgoing attack as "directed at some of the Internet portals."

UCLA's network was also attacked on Jan. 20 creating a denial-of-service situation for the entire campus for two hours.

A network message from CTS following the Jan. 20 incident summed up the problem denial-of-service attacks pose to some would-be victims.

"The unfortunate truth is that there is no technology we can employ to prevent this type of inbound attack," said a network message the following day. "Filtering the attack at the edge of our network will not prevent the circuit between UCLA and our (Internet Service Provider) from becoming saturated. And, when the attack occurs during peak traffic times as this one did, it can be very difficult to detect."

Further complicating efforts to stop future attacks are reports Sunday that investigators from the FBI's National Infrastructure Protections Center believe that the recent ones may have originated in Germany.

"The problem with cyber-crime is that if the person hacking is in another country, we don't have jurisdiction," Escudero said. In response to last week's attacks, President Clinton has scheduled a summit about Internet security issues for next week.

With reports from Daily Bruin wire services.

Group strips in protest of Gap's alleged sweatshop practices

◆ Hundreds of students at UCLA stripped last week to protest the Gap's use of sweatshop labor.

TIMOTHY KUDD
Daily Bruin

(U-WIRE) LOS ANGELES — About 25 people exposed their half-naked bodies [last] Sunday to the intersection of Westwood Boulevard and Weyburn Avenue in Los Angeles because they would rather "wear nothing, than wear Gap."

They stripped in protest of the alleged deforestation done by the Fisher Family, one of the Gap's largest investors, as well as the alleged sweatshop labor practices used by the company.

"We're protesting the Fishers because they're claiming to be good stewards of the land," said Mary Bull, the national coordinator of "Save The Redwoods/Boycott the Gap Campaign." "They're hypocrites."

But Alan Marks, a spokesman for Gap, Inc. said the clothing company does not privately own any manufacturing plants and has strict measures to make sure child labor or sweatshop practices do not occur.

He said there are 60 employees who monitor such factories worldwide. If factories are found to be in violation of the Gap's policies, they may be reprimanded depend-

ing on the seriousness of the violation or the Gap may take their business elsewhere.

"We're constantly monitoring factories to make sure they follow all our guidelines," Marks said. "We're in the factories on a constant basis."

Marks also noted that the company is not affiliated in any legal way with the Mendocino Redwood company, the group protesters said is clearing forest land for the Fisher family.

The protesters led a similar protest Saturday at the Third Street Promenade in Santa Monica marching from the Gap to the Banana Republic, which along with Old Navy is owned by the Gap.

Though one of the main focuses of the protest was to stop deforestation, some were there more in support of ending the alleged unfair labor practices of the Gap.

"We're against all kinds of slave labor, and Gap kind of represents that," said Mark Flowers, a first-year undeclared student at UCLA.

In Westwood, the protesters arrived around 11:30 a.m. shouting chants of "For Redwoods, For Workers, Boycott Gap." Some were wearing T-shirts with a blue on white Gap logo that said "Crap" instead of "Gap."

After a speech explaining their cause, about 13 protesters wearing boxes spelling out such slogans as "Save the Redwoods" or "Boycott

the Gap" began a parody of the Gap commercial that uses the song "Just Can't Get Enough."

After dancing to the song and singing the word "money" at the end of the chorus, the protesters dislodged from their boxes and stripped to their underwear.

Though the protesters originally planned on stripping completely - after the police said they would be arrested for indecent exposure if they did - the protesters felt that the media coverage was not enough for them to undergo arrest.

Bull said her group had stripped completely in other cities such as San Francisco, Amsterdam and New York.

"We didn't know that L.A. was so straight-laced," she said.

Though the protest attracted viewers, some of the observers said they did not really understand what was being protested.

"So far I haven't been able to figure out what is happening," said Bob Patterson, who works at the School of Public Policy and Social Research.

"It happened so fast," he added.

After it was over, the protesters began searching for another location to protest. But Bull said that this was just the beginning of a campaign to end Redwood deforestation and unfair labor practices.

"We will be back again and again and again," Bull said.

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TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

What to do with a witch

What do you do with a witch?

The recent firing of a Scotland County English teacher was a violation of her constitutional right to practice religion freely, not to mention a breach of the separation of church and state.

That question, posed in the film "Monty Python and the Holy Grail," is one that the school board of Scotland County faced earlier this month. "Burn her," said the movie.

"Fire her," the school board all but said, forcing a teacher at Scotland High School to resign for her association with witchcraft.

Shari Eicher is a Wiccan, a follower of the pagan religion commonly known as witchcraft. She was an 11th grade English teacher at Scotland High School in Laurinburg before she brokered an agreement with the school board ending nearly a month of conflict over the teacher's status.

The story of Eicher's ouster starts with a Web site, a site describing WillowFry, the coven in which Eicher and her husband, Richard, are ordained ministers.

Aside from offering information about the coven and Wicca itself, the Web site included pictures of coven members in the nude wearing body paint.

According to Eicher, some Scotland County residents saw the Web site, escalating discussion of the Eichers' religion and forcing the couple to have their names removed from the coven's Internet registry in early January.

On Jan. 12, Scotland County

school officials suspended Eicher indefinitely with pay.

Debate about Eicher's professional fate continued until the end of

Jan. On Jan. 27, the school board released a statement announcing the teacher's agreement to leave her job permanently.

"This was the best thing for my students," Eicher said in a Feb. 2 story in *The News & Observer*.

In its own statement, the school board said that Eicher had not attempted to sell anyone at the school, including her students.

Given that information, an obvious question rises from the Scotland school board's decision: why did Eicher have to quit her job?

The question sprawls out across a number of hot-button issues: the separation of church and state, First Amendment rights, Internet censorship.

The religiously xenophobic Scotland County school board is guilty of a number of things, bringing religion into the classroom, the stigmatization of what could be a very good teacher for life and flat-out persecution among them. They should be ashamed of themselves for their actions.

What is Eicher herself guilty of? Aside from having her name connected to a Web site that includes photos of ceremonial nudity, nothing.

Nothing, that is, except for associating herself with a group that has gained little societal acceptance.

Apparently, that's a crime worthy of loss of livelihood.

Charles Schulz

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Dear NCSU community...

To the students, faculty and staff of N.C. State:

Much has been said, written and implied about the goings-on at the campout for basketball tickets to the N.C. State-UNC-CH home game. I feel it is important to give, explicitly, the facts as I see them of the ill-fated campout. In other words, it's time to set the record straight.

First, allow me an introduction. My name is Ryan Avent, and I am the chairman of Student Senate's Campus Life Committee and, thus, de facto director of basketball campouts. Those of you who participated in the campout will likely recognize me as the tall, blond guy attempting to solve complications as they arose.

As campout director, my job is to organize and facilitate the lottery, make sure lines are formed appropriately and ensure that these lines, in the correct order, are in front of the ticket windows by 7 a.m. on distribution day.

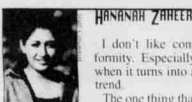
Feeling that the successful continuation of campout required additional activities, however, I took it upon myself to add these responsibilities.

In the weeks preceding campout, my committee and I arranged to provide entertainment both nights, food and an organized, university-sanctioned bonfire. The idea behind these arrangements was to provide constructive outlets for students, rather than leave them to their own devices.

In order to make such arrangements, my committee and I spent a great deal of time on the phone with departments throughout the university in the week before campout. Despite our best efforts, we were subjected to limits on how late the entertainment could run, and we were told it would be nearly impossible to realize a legitimate bonfire.

On Saturday morning, campout was called. In the three years I have been involved with planning and running campout, I had never experi-

Zaheer on game shows



I don't like conformity. Especially when it turns into a trend.

The one thing that seems to promote the concept of mindless conformity these days is the television. Normally, I would be the last person talking trash about the valuable resource that is the television (what with all those informative programs such as "Dawson's Creek," "90210," etc).

The latest emergence of all these million-dollar game shows, however, is just too big of an event for me to let it go by without comment.

The effect that this newly popular game show genre is having on everyone around me is really annoying. Lately, all my conversations have been more or less a parody of those that Regis Philbin asks his contestants.

The other day, I met these people at a social gathering, and this guy asked me my name and I said "Hanannah." Imagine my delight when he responded with a smirk and "Is that your final answer?"

No, I was just joking. I just wanted to say a weird-sounding name and see if I could involve you in a game of "repeat-after-me."

Why, I ask? Why must I have to go around these days, scared that every

time I answer a question I will be subjected to one of those self-satisfied smirks that suggest originality, and a barrage of "Is that your final answer?" all over the place?

I fear that, pretty soon, I will be reduced to just nodding and shaking my head to answer questions for fear that everyone I meet has turned into a Regis wannabe. Don't get me wrong people; I like the show. It's entertaining and some of the questions are even interesting.

But I get the feeling most people aren't watching the show for educational purposes. After the thirteenth time of hearing the Regis catch phrase in one day, I really start to doubt the intelligence level of the

company I keep.

Not just from the catch phrase point-of-view, the show is turning into an overall nuisance as well.

Now, for some weird reason, I have also had the million dollar bug, as a result of which I keep trying to call in and somehow make it as a final contestant on the show. Maybe even walk away with a few dollars.

For any of you who have tried to appear as a contestant on the show, you know how frustrating it is.

First, you call and try to answer some sort of lightning round of questions (presuming you get through at all). Then you are taken through about thirty different qualification

CAMPUS FORUM

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Students not standing up for traditions

On Feb. 9, I unfortunately found out N.C. State will no longer hold campouts to disperse tickets. At that moment I think I finally realized that our administration does not care one bit about the students. Since I began attending this once-great university, things have been going downhill. First, we lost the lawn-party; any of you who went to those know how much fun they were. Then, in the last year, they have taken away Reynolds Coliseum, increased tuition and now taken away campout.

The sad part is this is not what I am really disgusted about. Since Feb. 7, all I have heard is my fellow students complaining about the ticket problem and the recent removal of campout. However, no one is willing to stand up and do anything but whine. During lunch Feb. 8, I saw a flier on the door of the Atrium that dealt with protesting the Carolina game, which I thought was a great idea. I e-mailed and called around 75 people who had spent the last three days complaining, urging them to join me. Four out of 75 joined me. Luckily, we got interviewed by Fox-TV50, but, overall, I thought it was pathetic. Who

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Life's prospects frequently gray



DONNIE CASSITER

I always knew that the real knowledge to be gained from going to college wouldn't come from the classes or the textbooks and, last night, I proved it to myself.

Standing there at 4 a.m. on the front porch of my friend's house, I realized that the best part of college is not the academics but, rather, the sharing of ideas and the gaining of real, usable, everyday-life knowledge.

As we popped the tops off a couple of those amber-colored vessels of delight, beer, the conversation started with women, that all-too-mystifying subject

about which all men know nothing. We should have known that nothing would get resolved about that one, but, nevertheless, we trudged forth into a myriad of theories and stories from the vaults of our past experiences.

We talked about each of our walks down lover's lane, mistakes made, lessons learned and our versions of the ideal woman. Mostly though, the comments kept centering on something like "can't live with 'em, can't live without 'em."

Anyway, we somehow changed gears and began discussing religion. I asked my buddy about religion because I wanted to get an accurate account of where he stood on the subject. What I got was an answer that launched a deeply philosophical tirade.

We talked for hours about every-

thing from dishonest preachers to how hypocritical most people are. Though the details of the entire discourse are somewhat vague in my mind, I remember being impressed at the number of intellectual comments that were made by both of us. To make a long story short, we resolved one simple undeniable truth, that there is nothing black or white in life, only shades of gray.

When I was younger, say 15 or 16, I thought that almost everything one could think about was defined as black or white, good or bad, wrong or right. Abortion, crime, politics, the death penalty, euthanasia, social security, taxes - you name it, I had an opinion on it. I prided myself on the fact that I was a well-informed teenybopper, complete with the answers to any question that life could toss at

me. Not that I was trying to be arrogant or anything, I just thought at that age that it was possible to classify, organize and categorize every issue known to man as one thing or the other. I never knew that, in holding on to that train of thought, I was limiting myself to thinking only what I had thought before, rather than allowing myself to think new things.

I never had my head in the sand or anything, and I didn't think any particular way just because I had heard it somewhere or read it in some newspaper. I just had the nasty habit of establishing solid opinions on a lot of things I had never faced or been confronted with before.

So the other night, my friend and

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Christ works from the inside out



ERIC ROOTIER

We tend to think changing the people, places and things we do will make us different. If the change doesn't come from within, however, we will be the same people, merely doing different things.

If a man cheats on his wife when he hangs around certain people, goes to clubs or when he gets drunk, will he stop cheating if he doesn't hang around those certain people, go to those certain clubs or get drunk?

No. Most likely, he won't stop cheating because he hasn't

changed his way of thinking. Trust me friends I've tried to change on my own, but it wasn't until I started hearing, reading and understanding the word of God that my change began.

Even as I speak, I am still changing every day for the better. I came to God as a liar, cheater, fornicator, drunkard, backslider and more, but God is sanctifying me. Sanctification is the process a believer goes through when setting himself apart for God's purposes.

Doing so does not make us better or worse than anyone else. However, it does distinguish us from people who do not believe.

As God distinguishes us as believers, we have to remember

how we were before accepting Christ. Doing so keeps us humble. We have to be careful not to think higher of ourselves than we should, for the simple fact that God can choose anyone to serve Him.

We also have to remember how we lived before we found Christ. Doing so allows us to have compassion and understanding for our brothers and sisters who don't know the Lord. We have to think about what it took to bring us into the knowledge of God when we were walking contrary to His will. If we can remember what it took for us to come to the Lord, we can use our testimony to help people who are living the life from which we escaped.

It is only by grace that we have escaped. How many people can we list who have gone to the grave not believing in God? You noticed I didn't ask how many people haven't "known" God. Most people know God, but how many really believe in Christ? If you don't believe in Christ, how can you hope to see life after death?

In a worldly example, that's like believing there is an NFL when no one has ever seen, heard of or played in the NFL. In the case of Christ, He was raised from the dead, seen by witnesses and written about in the Scriptures so that we who have not seen Him face-to-face may believe.

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is going to stand up for the students except the students themselves? We can make a difference; we can hold onto the things we love about this university. My only hope is that this apathy has not engulfed everyone on this campus. We need to do something; I don't know what, but if anyone out there has any good ideas, I'm down, just e-mail me at tabarrow@eos.ncsu.edu.

Ashley Barrows
Junior
Mechanical Engineering

Banning campout not the answer

Well, we've finally done it. The students of this great university have pushed the bounds of decency and respect to the point that we have lost our campout privileges. I attended the campout for UNC-Chapel Hill tickets and was lucky enough to get a seat at the game. This annual event is one of the many wonderful traditions at N.C. State; however, this campout was a disaster from the start. Very early on it was evident that the university was not prepared for the number of people who arrived. All of which were waiting for a spot at the biggest game of the year.

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Long live the N.C. State dance team

From reading her article about the dance team, I feel as though Ms. Marks is somewhat bitter and is misrepresenting many females who attend this school. As a female, I enjoy the entertainment provided by the dance team at various times during football and basketball games. I look at these ladies as superior athletes with a huge amount of discipline and talent galore! Most of us can only dream of having the bodies they do or the ability to dance and perform with the grace and style that they possess. For how many hours they practice and how much the crowd enjoys them, they deserve more than a mere time-out or halftime to show off their talents.

Many of you may not know, but the dance team placed 2nd at the National Dance Competition last year and are currently preparing to compete again at Nationals in April. What a way to support our school, and show the nation what N.C. State is made of!

However, the credentials of the dance team don't explain the outfits or the jaw dropping at every game. I, for one, would be more than happy to bare my midriff if I had the body to do it. Just because we are goddesses, does not mean they are any different from women at clubs, at the beach or even our cheerleaders. Men are going to look at the female body, no matter where they are. So, if it happens to be at a basketball game where the dance team or cheerleaders perform—ignore it, or try to do what they do!

I'm proud of the dance team, what they stand for and how well they represent the few females that attend this school. Long Live

the dance team!

Christine Paige
Freshman
Communications

Alumni support lacking

As a student at N.C. State, I am appalled at the lack of enthusiasm by NCSU alumni. The alumni pay for excellent seats in the ESA but support the men's basketball team in few other ways. As we played UNC-Chapel Hill on Feb. 9, the alumni stood for the first two minutes of the game, then sat on their butts the remaining 38 minutes. I believe that these alumni seats should be given to students, especially during the big games (i.e., UNC-CH and Duke), so the players feel there is more fan support. Our team needs this fan support, they need the crowd to make lots of noise and keep them energized for 40 minutes.

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Humor from falls

JOE SEALE
Guest Columnist

I find it very difficult to cover up the fact that I am laughing when I see someone trip, fall, run into anything, or basically do something embarrassingly funny. I am tired of trying to hide my amusement. It is funny when someone falls down a flight of stairs. I do not know why, it just is. I am laughing right now thinking about it.

To some of you, I may be sick, cruel or mean, but no one can honestly say that he or she has never laughed when a friend misjudged a step or slipped on a wet spot.

It is human nature to laugh at others' misfortunes. In elementary school, it was the funniest sight to watch people sit into chairs they didn't realize had been moved. The look of surprise and disbelief at the moment of realization, the way their arms tried in vain to keep their body from hitting the floor. How could you not laugh at that?

Many of you may think that I was that kid in school who played all the mean tricks but, in actuality, I wasn't. Many times, I was the kid who fell over his own feet or caught the high-velocity, point-blank dodge ball in the face.

Of course, it was a little embarrassing, everyone was laughing at me, and my face was an embarrassed red underneath the stinging, scarlet red imprint left by the ball.

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I remember playing with a friend of mine at a sports camp over the summer of my fifth grade year. The tennis counselor told my friend and I to run laps because we had been misbehaving. While we were running the laps, the coach told us to begin to sprint. So, we did. While we were sprinting, my friend turned his head to say something to me. At that exact moment, a wire coming down from a telephone pole clotheslined him.

He hit that thing so hard; he must have flown five feet before he hit the ground. I was laughing so hard I could not breathe, blink or do anything. It was one of those laughs that are so hard they are silent.

I did not want him to hear me having such a good time at his expense, but all I could mutter was the word, "Are..." Every time I tried to get a sentence out, it was swallowed by my silent laughter. I remember his being mad at me for laughing at him throughout the rest of the day, but I know I would be \$10,000 dollars richer if I had had a video camera that day.

Anyway, the point of that little anecdote was to show that it is okay to laugh when others do embarrassing things, but be prepared for the same in return. Keep your eyes open, not only for your own safety but also for a good laugh.

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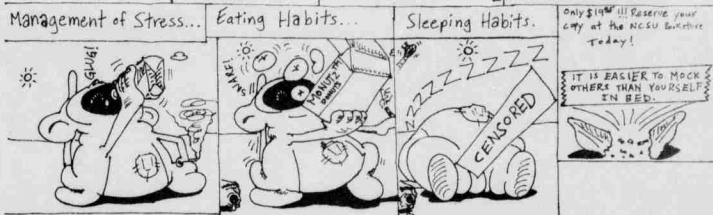
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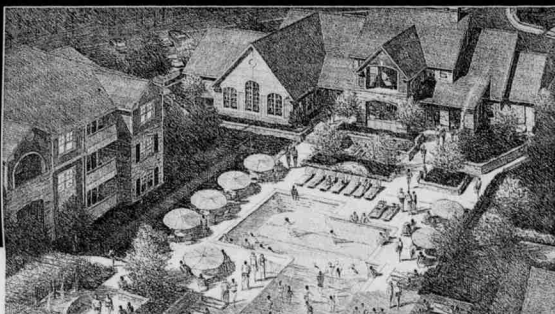
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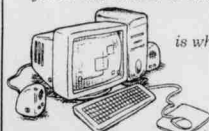


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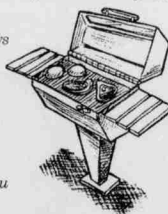
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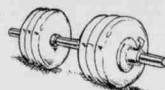
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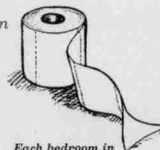
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6. Tennessee

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8. Syracuse

9. Oklahoma St

10. Indiana

11. Auburn

12. Florida

13. Tulsa

14. Texas

15. Temple

16. Kentucky

17. Iowa St

18. Connecticut

19. Oklahoma

20. Utah

21. Kansas

22. Maryland

23. LSU

24. Vanderbilt

25. Seton Hall

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1. Cincinnati (66)

2. Stanford (5)

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23. Seton Hall

24. Kansas

25. Purdue

Women's Basketball ESPNUA

Today Poll

1. Connecticut (25)

2. Georgia (10)

3. Tennessee (4)

4. Louisiana Tech (1)

5. Notre Dame

6. Penn St

7. No Carolina St

8. Texas Tech

9. (tie) Iowa St

10. Rutgers

11. Duke

12. Santa Barbara

13. Arizona

14. Auburn

15. Old Dominion

16. Purdue

17. Mississippi St

18. Boston College

19. Oklahoma

20. Tulane

21. Virginia

22. UCLA

23. Kansas

24. Marquette

25. George Washington

Women's Basketball AP Poll

1. Connecticut (31)

2. Tennessee (4)

3. Georgia (9)

4. Louisiana Tech

5. Notre Dame

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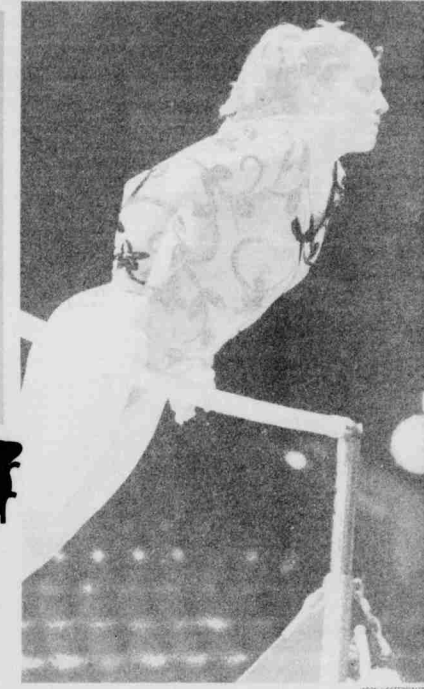
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25. George Washington



JACOB VESTERBY

Everything's going well for State gymnastics

BASE

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for the second run of the inning. Erik Bakich singled in the third run, and Godwin doubled to left field to clear the bases and give the Pirates a 5-1 lead.

N.C. State, which had taken a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the fifth on Brian Wright's sacrifice fly, scored its second run in the bottom of the sixth on an RBI groundout by freshman third

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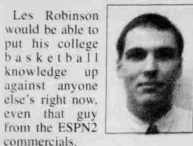
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Robinson ready for March

JACK DALY



Les Robinson would be able to put his college basketball knowledge up against anyone else's right now, even that guy from the ESPN2 commercials.

N.C. State's athletics director is on the NCAA Selection Committee for the men's basketball tournament. Part of his job is to know as much as possible about nearly every college team in America.

"I'm learning more about more teams than I ever have," Robinson said Monday. "I get floods of information. Because when you're on the committee, you don't ask for it — you don't have to."

BASKETBALL

While Robinson is a busy man now, he will be even busier come March. That's when he will hopscotch the country, heading from Indianapolis to Minneapolis to Detroit and back to Indianapolis in successive weekends.

To start it all off in the second weekend in March, Robinson and the nine others on the selection committee will be sequestered in the top floor of an Indianapolis hotel for five days, Wednesday through Sunday evening.

"We're locked up," Robinson said with a grin. "They bring all the food up there. You have to have a code to call in. Your wife has the code, but they don't want you talking to the media."

The first weekend in Indianapolis is when the committee has the highest profile. Robinson and the others will not only hammer out which teams get in the NCAA, but what they are seeded and where they will play. Afterwards, CBS and ESPN will interview a couple of committee members and ask pointed questions on why certain teams didn't make the tournament.

Meanwhile, any Wolfpack fans hoping that Robinson can influence the committee regarding the team will be disappointed. Robinson won't be allowed in the room while the committee deliberates about State.

"[I can discuss] all ACC teams but N.C. State," Robinson said. "When N.C. State's discussed, I leave the room."

And while Robinson will be expected to be unbiased as possible, it can't hurt the conference's chances of adding an extra team with Robinson on the committee. For his part, Robinson said he will be able to distance himself from any previous conference allegiances.

"What our mission is, is to pick the best 30-second at-large teams with no considerations of teams we like or teams we dislike," Robinson said. "They have computers there and we have all the information possible available. They really almost brainwash you into knowing that your job is to make this the best tournament ever."

While the popular conception is that the selection committee's work is finished after "selection Sunday," that isn't the case.

"Frankly, the committee is so much more diverse than just selection," Robinson said. "That's one part of it, but there's so much more."

Basically, Robinson will be called on to run a regional site. State's AD's responsibilities will lie in Minneapolis, which hosts first and second-round games. Then it will be to Auburn Hills, in the Detroit area, and then back to Indianapolis for the Final Four.

In his stead, Robinson's assistants here in Raleigh will have to pick up the slack. Robinson won't be able to attend the ACC Tournament, nor will he be able to travel to any tournament games, should State make the NCAA's.

Still, Robinson is excited about being on the selection committee. "Next to coaching basketball, it's the most intriguing thing I've ever done," he said. "I'm looking forward to it."

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◆Maggie Haney provided the perfect finish to a record-setting Heats Invitational for the Wolfpack gymnastics team.

JEREMY ASHTON
Assistant Sports Editor

The outcome of the Heats Invitational wasn't in doubt when Maggie Haney stepped onto the floor at Reynolds Coliseum.

NCSU 1ST
HEATS INV.

The N.C. State gymnastics team (6-4) had already clinched first place in the meet against West Virginia, William and Mary, Radford and Rhode Island, so Haney had nothing left to accomplish for her team. But she managed to do something in the Pack's final routine of Friday night that none of the 2,249 in attendance are likely to forget any time soon.

Haney secured a permanent place in the N.C. State record book when she earned the third perfect score in Wolfpack history on her floor routine. Haney's 10 was the second of her career and the first ever for a

Pack gymnast on floor.

"It was my goal, and I've done it," Haney said. "Maybe I'll do it again, but I'm pretty happy."

Haney's performance was a fitting end to a record-setting night for N.C. State.

The Pack broke the 196-point barrier for only the second time in the gymnastics program's 20-year history with a record score of 196.225. "This is what we think we can do pretty consistently, anywhere from 195.5 to 196.5, which will put us in with one of those programs fighting for a spot in the top 10," head coach Mark Stevenson said. "I think we're at that level. I think we're moving in that direction."

"We've got a good team; we really do," he added. "I really feel comfortable to say that we're a top 12 team. We have to perform like this all the time to be that."

NCSU also established a single-meet record on floor at 49.6. No gymnast wearing a Wolfpack uniform finished with a score less than 9.825.

The Pack picked up its third-highest score of all time on vault, as well, at 49.05.

As impressive as its accomplishments were, the Pack still felt that it

could have done better. The team had to count a fall on beam and had some minor problems on a couple of its bar routines.

"We still missed a couple of our bigger routines that we didn't quite nail down like we wanted to," Stevenson said.

While Haney got most of the attention following the meet, junior Amy Langendorf quietly had a performance of her own that ranked among the best ever at N.C. State. Langendorf finished first in the all-around at 39.325, the second-highest score in school history, and won the bars competition. She scored greater than 9.75 on all four of her events.

"Amy's just a rock," Stevenson said. "She goes every weekend. She runs up and does everything we ask her to do, and she does to the best of her ability."

Sophomore Kelli Brown, who actually tied the Pack record of 9.925 on floor moments before Haney shattered it, also continued her early season success. Brown placed in the top three on vault, bars and floor and finished third in her first attempt at the all-around this season.



Even counting a fall on beam, State set a school record Friday.

"I'm a lot less nervous this year," Brown said. "I'm kind of walking into meets with the attitude that I'm going to try to help my team out as much as I can by cheering and being loud. That keeps me from being nervous. Then, I'm just like, 'Oh, I'm up,' and I get up and do my job."

Sophomore Kara Charles and senior Jenny Sommer were the other two N.C. State gymnasts to

place in an event at the meet. Charles finished second on bars with a 9.85 and scored greater than 9.75 on every event she competed in, including her beam exhibition. Meanwhile, Sommer earned a second-place finish on beam with a 9.9.

N.C. State returns to action in Reynolds on Saturday at 7 p.m. against Kentucky.

Wrestlers rally to pin UNCG

◆The N.C. State wrestling team came back from 12 down Monday night to defeat UNC-Greensboro 23-19.

JEREMY ASHTON
Assistant Sports Editor

When N.C. State senior Joel Dramis stepped on to the mat Monday night in Reynolds Coliseum for his match against Terry Garbis, UNC-Greensboro's 165-pounder, the Wolfpack found itself trailing by six points.

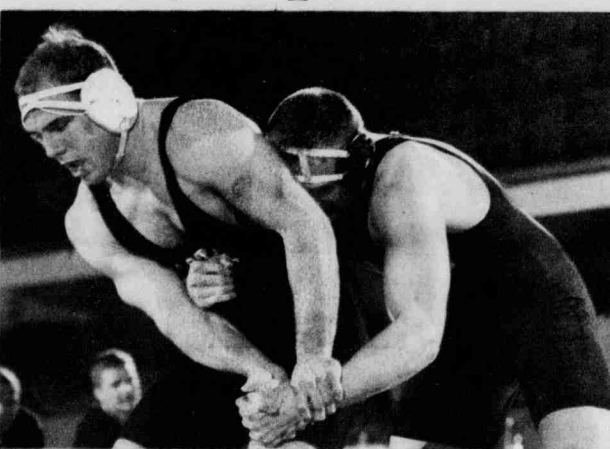
Dramis knew he had to come up big. "I knew I had to step it up," Dramis said. "I basically was going to go out there and take him [Garbis] down as much as I could."

Dramis jumped on Garbis from the opening whistle and immediately put him in a pinning predicament.

Less than a minute into the match, Dramis picked up three points for a near fall. Garbis managed to temporarily avoid the fall, but Dramis eventually came back and pinned Garbis' shoulders to the mat just 1:57 into the match.

"Usually pins come on take downs," Dramis said. "The guy will just open up for a split second, and you can get a takedown. So, I just wanted to pin him and get it over with."

The fall was Dramis' fourth of the year. Dramis' win evened the team scoring at 19 and paved the way for junior Kevin Boross. Boross did not disap-



N.C. State's grapplers were down early against the Spartans, but they eventually celebrated a victory.

point for the Pack, earning a 12-4 major decision over Bill Koepcke to give N.C. State a 23-19 victory.

N.C. State (8-4) trailed 19-7 at one point but won its final four matches to come from behind and take the win.

"We had four matches to go, and we felt we'd win all four of them," N.C. State head coach Bob Guzzo said.

The Pack was forced to forfeit two matches, costing the team 12 points. Freshman Oraefo Brown (6-13) was unable to wrestle the 141-pound match because he did not make weight.

And freshman George Cintron (14-6) could not compete at 125 due to an injury suffered over the weekend.

Heavyweight Mike Mordarski (5-7) was also unable to go because of an injury.

"We've got some guys out due to injuries, but I thought our kids responded well to the adversity," Guzzo said. "We knew coming in that we had to wrestle well in the matches that remained in the meet."

"It was good to see us still win when we have those type of injuries," he added.

The match started off on a sour note for the Pack. Junior Zach Breitenbach (14-7) fell 10-2 in a major decision to Dax Pecaro.

UNC's momentum did not last long, however. Sophomore Jason Gore (5-9) won a major decision over Matt Dunn in the 197-pound, and sophomore Ngazi Collins (2-4), who was substituting for Mordarski, defeated Brian King 5-3.

Then the Pack had to forfeit two of the next three matches with a 7-3 loss by sophomore 133-pounder Damon Blackley (4-8) sandwiched between them.

But junior Tommy Davis (9-2), ranked No. 14 nationally, beat Melvin Saunders 11-4 in the 149-pound match and freshman Scott Garren (10-4) knocked off Gregg Fox 7-4 to set up Dramis' and Boross' heroics.

In weekend action, the Pack dropped a pair of matches on Saturday in the Weisiger-Brown building.

The Pack lost the early afternoon match to Navy 28-7. The Midshipmen won seven out of 10 matches and picked up a forfeit victory in the eighth.

Dramis and Davis were the only Wolfpack wrestlers to pick up victories.

Later on in the day, NCSU dropped its match with Ohio 24-12.

Davis picked up a win in the Ohio match, as well, defeating Alex Cooper 9-6. Garren, Boross and Breitenbach were the other members of the Pack who earned wins.

The Wolfpack will be back in Reynolds on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. for a match against arch rival North Carolina. NCSU won the first meeting 21-18 in Chapel Hill on Jan. 11.

Baseball wins one, loses two in Classic

Sports Staff Report

CHARLESTON, S.C. — Mike Sollie tossed seven strong innings and Dan Mooney drove in four runs as N.C. State defeated the

Monarchs, 11-2 in the third round of the Classic at Riley Park on Sunday.

N.C. State improved to 1-2 for the season while the Monarchs fell to 1-2.

N.C. State took a 6-0 lead in the third with Mooney's three-run double highlighting the inning. The Monarchs scored in the bottom of the third when Jeff Eury singled and came home to

score on an RBI groundout by David Vlandi.

But that was all Sollie would give ODU. Sollie scattered seven hits and allowed one run for the Wolfpack.

On Saturday, the Citadel's Dallas McPherson held State to one run on five hits through seven innings, and Michael Harris drove in the game-winning run with an RBI groundout to lead the Citadel to a 2-1 victory over the Wolfpack.

McPherson outduelled N.C. State's Ryan Combs, who allowed just two runs on seven hits in six innings. Combs walked two and struck out one.

The tough-luck loss was his first decision of the season.

In the first game of the tournament, sophomore lefthander Dan D'Amato hurled five shutout innings for N.C. State, but East Carolina roughed up the Wolfpack bullpen for five runs in the sixth inning and four more in the seventh to hand the Pack a 10-2 defeat.

Joseph Hastings drove in four runs for the Pirates, who improved to 2-0 on the season. Cliff Godwin had two doubles and three RBIs. A trio of freshman pitchers worked for ECU, with Sam Naron picking up the victory in relief of starter Scott Green, who allowed just one run in 4 2/3 innings.

D'Amato, who wound up yielding three runs on three hits in five-plus innings, took the loss for N.C. State, which fell to 0-1 on the season. D'Amato pitched out of jams in the first and fourth innings, but left with the bases loaded and none out in the sixth.

Sophomore lefthander Kyle Stephenson walked Hastings to break a scoreless tie, and then allowed a run-scoring ground ball

to tie the game in the seventh. Hastings drove in four runs in the eighth to give the Pirates a 4-3 victory.

Once again, Cincinnati was a near-unanimous choice for No. 1 in the AP and coaches' polls. See page nine for the current polls.

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State's wrestlers won 23-19 Monday.

N.C. State heads to Winston-Salem, drops out of polls

Sports Staff Report

N.C. State's basketball team will try and pick up its first Atlantic Coast Conference road win tonight as it travels to Winston-Salem to battle Wake Forest.

In the first meeting of the season between the two, the Wolfpack (15-7, 5-6 ACC) dominated the Demon Deacons (13-11, 4-7 ACC), winning 76-56 in perhaps its best game of the season.

State is battling injury problems as both Ron Kelley and Marshall Williams will miss the game with knee problems.

The new basketball polls were also released Monday.

The N.C. State women's basketball team moved up to seventh in the coun-

try in both polls after its second consecutive undefeated week.

The Wolfpack climbed four spots in The Associated Press poll and one spot in the ESPN/USA Today

Coaches' poll. NCSU was at Maryland 74-66 and beat Clemson at home 67-58 in its first full week without Summer Esh.

Duke and Virginia were the only other Atlantic Coast Conference

teams in the rankings this week. The Pack faces both on the road this week. Connecticut kept the top spot in both

polls, but Georgia, Tennessee and Louisiana Tech also garnered first-place votes.

Meanwhile, the men's basketball team dropped out of the coaches' poll after a three-week stay.

The Pack lost its spot in the top 25 after falling to North Carolina in the Entertainment and Sports Arena and losing at Virginia. The losses dropped N.C. State to 5-6 in the ACC.

Duke remained at No. 3 in both polls despite having its 31-game ACC winning streak snapped by Maryland. The Blue Devils also beat Georgia Tech on Saturday 84-65.

Maryland also made the cut in the



State heads on the road again.

top 25, finishing 22nd in both polls.

Once again, Cincinnati was a near-unanimous choice for No. 1 in the AP and coaches' polls. See page nine for the current polls.