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## Hubble Captures Dramatic Celestial Sight for N.C. State Scientists

As part of a study by two N.C. State University researchers, the Hubble Space Telescope is providing scientists and stargazers worldwide with an exciting new image of an aging star nicknamed the "Eskimo" Nebula.

The images could help the N.C. State researchers shed new light on the life cycle of stars, the composition of heavenly bodies, even the beginnings of our Earth.

Previous research on this nebula, led by NCSU astrophysicists Dr. John Blondin and Dr. Kazimierz Borkowski, guided NASA to turn Hubble's lens toward the Eskimo Nebula.

Near the dying star's core is a cloud of material that looks similar to a loose ball of yarn. Blondin says those strings and knots are expanding from the star's core, but scientists aren't sure what they are.

Blondin and Borkowski say the new data may help researchers better understand the composition of stars and how they die.

NASA helped coordinate and fund Blondin's and Borkowski's research on the Eskimo Nebula.

## Tax Forms Available at D.H. Hill Library

The N.C. State Libraries is making income tax forms and instruction booklets available to the NCSU community.

The most common North Carolina and federal tax forms will be available at the reference desk on the first floor, East Wing, of the D.H. Hill Library. U.S. Internal Revenue Service tax publications will also be available for photocopying and reference.

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## N.C. State Libraries Receives Award

The national Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) awarded the N.C. State Libraries the first Excellence in Academic Libraries Award in the university category.

The award recognizes libraries with employees who work together to enhance the library setting for the benefit of the institution's students, and have set educational missions for its library systems. The award will be formally given at a recognition program later this semester.

ACRL President Larry Hardesty called NCSU Libraries "the best of the best."

## D.H. Hill Holds Information Sessions

D.H. Hill Library will assist members of the N.C. State community who want to learn more about the library's information system and collections.

The one-hour classes will meet in the Information Technologies Training Center labs, on the second floor, East Wing, D.H. Hill Library.

The classes will meet Monday, Feb. 21 at 10 a.m., Monday, Feb. 28 at 4 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 29 at 9 a.m., Wednesday, March 1 at 11 a.m., Thursday, March 2 at 3 p.m., Monday, March 6 at 10 a.m., and Thursday, March 9 at 2 p.m.

No preregistration is required.

## Yet another increase for students

◆ A new rental model is being developed which combines group and individual obligations for the 14 university-owned Greek houses.

TREY GODDIN  
Staff Writer

On the heels of the pending tuition increase for N.C. State, there is a proposed rental increase for the 14 fraternity and sorority houses along Fraternity Court.

The current lease is a chapter lease

that rents the houses to the chapter for an annual amount of \$73,000. Each chapter determines the price per student for those who live in the house, as well as a user fee for those members who do not live in the house. Chapters also provide much of the maintenance and all of furnishings for their facilities. Utilities are not covered in this plan.

John Meade, a brother of Tau Kappa Epsilon, said that there is a misconception that Greek members pay less than residents of the on-campus dorms.

"Not only do we pay our room and board, but we purchase a separate meal plan, pay chapter dues, national dues

and cover utility expenses," said Meade.

In 1964 the university opened 12 fraternity chapter houses, on what is known as Fraternity Court. Then, in 1975 an additional building was constructed to house 20 sorority chapters. Of the original 14 tenants, two chapter houses have changed from fraternities to sororities.

Most of the present houses are in poor condition — the university has not spent as much on these houses as it has on the residence halls and campus apartments, and the courts' facilities have fallen into disrepair, according to a

press release.

As well, according to the release, Greek Life has no financial reserves and the present income stream will not provide for the improvements necessary to return these facilities to acceptable conditions.

The new proposal is an individual lease patterned after the campus residence hall lease. Students will pay for their rooms on an individual basis, according to Jeff Prescott, the Fraternity Court resident director. The facilities and adjacent grounds will be charged to the chapter as a whole in the range of \$10,000 starting in the 2000-01 academic year.

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"If these houses are filled to capacity, then the chapters are looking at an increase of approximately \$47,000 per house," said Prescott.

Even with housekeeping, full maintenance, furnishings and utilities, Prescott believes this is a "significant" increase. Meade shared the same opinion.

"We realize the houses are old and in need of repair, but these changes are too radical," Meade said.

Representatives from each chapter are meeting with Melinda Sopher, director

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## Sisterhood a triumph

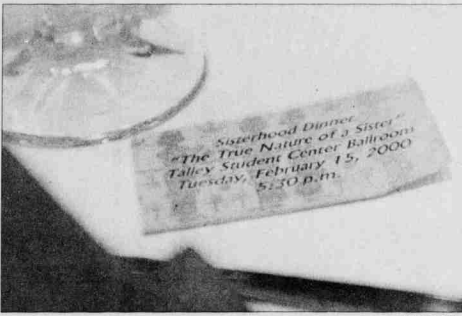
◆ Women and men of all ages and races came together at the first Sisterhood Dinner Tuesday to remember and give thanks to those women who have made a difference in their lives.

ANN HSIEH  
Senior Staff Writer

Over 200 participants gathered in the Talley Student Center Ballroom to celebrate the achievements and contributions of women at the first annual Sisterhood Dinner (formerly the Susan B. Anthony dinner) Tuesday night. The sold-out dinner featured keynote speaker, Marcia Ann Gillespie, editor-in-chief of Ms. Magazine. Gillespie presented a light-hearted yet powerful speech on "The True Nature of a Sister," this year's theme.

The program began when first-year student Alicia Johnson and Kentellia Wingate sang a duet of "That's What Friends Are For," accompanied by Ron Foreman on the piano. Janice Odoni, program coordinator of First Year College, led a Ritual of Remembrance, where women from family and friends to historical figures were remembered.

Patricia Caple, associate professor in communications, performed an inspiring rendition of Sojourner Truth's, "Ain't I A Woman" speech. Sojourner Truth, a former slave, delivered a passionate challenge at a women's rights convention in the 1850's. Caple's commanding and powerful voice captured this moment in time when Sojourner Truth demonstrated her strength and stood tall to fight for her rights. Caple received a standing ovation as members of the audience had tears in their eyes. Caple has been asked to perform this reading for over 10 years at the dinner.



A placard from the Sisterhood Dinner.

"Sojourner Truth is a symbol of the strength of women, and for black women in particular," said Caple. "She rose above the fact that she was illiterate and an ex-slave, and did not stop her fighting. I applaud her vision to take a passionate and strong stand to fight for the parallel of women's and black's rights."

Gillespie, editor-in-chief of Ms. Magazine since 1993, discussed the concept of being a sister.

"These are the people who I call when I am on my knees in despair and also at my greatest moments of joy," said Gillespie.

Gillespie's soothing voice showed an immense amount of spirit with the incorporation of humor. Gillespie demonstrated that sisterhood is a circle, where we must take action and bring about hope.

"We have an obligation for those women who have come before us, and an obligation

to ourselves to support each other," Gillespie said. "Sisterhood is going beyond the barriers and encouraging young women to seize the day."

Sisterhood is about being good to our sisters."

Gillespie also said that sisterhood was about "teaching ourselves, our loved ones and children that less is more."

"Most importantly, we must be good sisters to our Mother Earth, for without her, we are nothing," she said.

The changing of the name of the event from the Susan B. Anthony Dinner to the Sisterhood Dinner was well received, according to Caple.

"I think the name change is quite appropriate because it is more inclusive," said Caple.

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## Rude driver scares students

◆ NCSU's department of transportation is in the process of investigating an allegedly reckless Wolfline driver.

EMILY TOWNLEY  
Senior Staff Writer

Students Nathan Gibson and Hadi Mohammed were subjected to the reckless driving and cursing of the Wolfline driver for the Centennial Express and Night Service-A buses for over a semester. They decided that it was time for the N.C. State community to hear their complaints, and so they independently voiced their concerns to Transportation Services and each sent letters to the Technician's Campus Forum.

"And, finally, their concerns have been heard. 'I have no problem hearing complaints,'" said Claire Kane, transportation planner. "I want to know what's going on."

All Wolfline services are contracted out to a "company that meets the specification of this university," Kane said. Staff in the Department of Transportation work with the state to choose a bus company every three to five years. NCSU signed a three-year contract with TCT Transit Services and began using their services August 16.

Kane fields all complaints and concerns with the Wolfline and works with TCT to ensure that they provide quality service.

"I was happy that Hadi wanted to tell us what's going on with transportation, and I was impressed with the seriousness of his complaint," Kane said.

In his letter to the Technician's Campus Forum, Mohammed described the driver of the Centennial Express and Night Service-A buses as "callous and irresponsible." He described an instance in which this particular driver "showed students the finger, in the universal language of rudeness" after scornfully looking at them and driving away before they could board the bus.

Gibson reported similar behavior of this driver, detailing his habit of "accelerating immediately after students board the bus, forcing them to be slammed into their seats." He noted that his rough driving and cursing are common, occurring approximately every time he rides the Centennial Express bus.

He cited one specific incident in a letter to the Technician's Campus Forum, describing an outburst the driver had when "one young woman politely asked him about safety concerns after seeing that students were being thrown about the bus." Gibson said that the driver rudely responded, "Safety is my concern, not yours. I'm the driver."

Gibson said that he contacted an employee at TCT Transit Services in December to report the driver's behavior. According to Gibson, he was met with

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## LeBoeuf beefs up Congress

◆ Steven LeBoeuf, one of N.C. State's very own, is running for the U.S. House of Representatives on Libertarian ticket.

ANDREW BUCHERT  
Senior Staff Writer

Pull Quote: "Winning, to me, would be getting the message out, not seeing myself in Congress. That's almost an unreachable goal." Most Americans tend to be Libertarian by nature, says Steven LeBoeuf, an electrical engineering doctoral student at N.C. State who is running for the U.S. House of Representatives on the Libertarian ticket in North Carolina's 5th District.

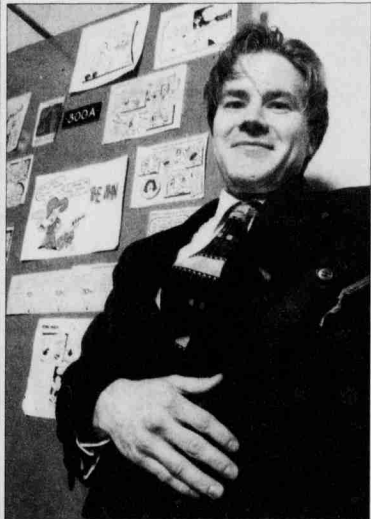
"Our parents raise us with the philosophy that this is your toy, that's his toy, and you shouldn't take his toy but stay with your toy," said LeBoeuf. "Your body, your life and your property are yours, and you don't interfere with anybody else's."

LeBoeuf, who also ran for the N.C. State House as a Libertarian in the 1998 election, has been a very active member of the Libertarian party since first joining it at age 19. He was planning to run again for State House in November but was asked by the party to run in the congressional race instead.

"They knew I would get out there and do what I have to do," he said. "I'm intent on raising money, and I intend to actually go out and campaign and do the best that I can to get the [Libertarian] message out."

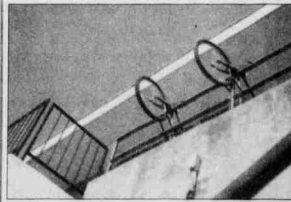
The Libertarian Party was founded in December of 1971, and in 1972 their vice presidential candidate became the first woman in

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LeBoeuf: engineer, cartoonist, and Libertarian candidate.

## Wheels in the sky



Two chained bikes at the Talley Student Center present an ominous sight for those climbing the stairs adjacent to Reynolds' loading dock.

## Mu Ha Ha Ha...

Marks explores man's innate evil. Catch Opinion.



## Peanuts

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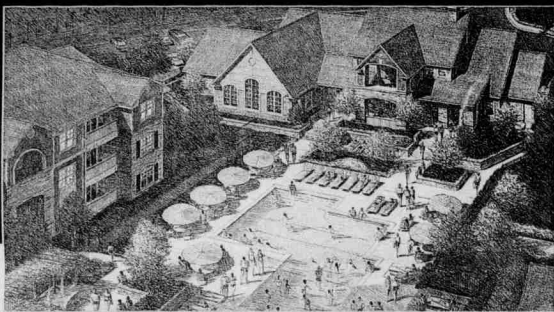
## Duke vs. State

The men and women's basketball teams will be battling the Devils.





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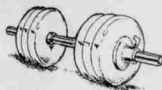


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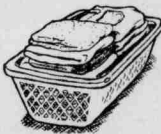
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of Greek Life, in hopes to at least alleviate the proposed costs. They would like to see the increase come in several stages, much like the recent tuition increase.

The Brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon unanimously feel that the university administration has been unresponsive and has not given much say in the proposed lease. That is one reason there are

alumni representatives negotiating on behalf of all but two chapters. On February 11, Student Body President Raj Mirchandani called a meeting with alumni representatives. Sopher, Thomas Stafford, the vice chancellor for student affairs and Chancellor Marye Anne Fox to discuss issues concerning the increase.

If the proposal is passed and the increase occurs overnight, then some chapters may move to new off campus sites. Lots are now being assessed, and currently no Greek societies have made any decisions to withdraw from Fraternity Court.

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The inclusion of all women refers to the fact that although Susan B. Anthony did pioneer for women's rights, she did not include women of all races.

According to Frances Graham, coordinator of the Women's Center and chair of the dinner, a discussion for the name change was brought up a few months ago.

"The name of the dinner (Susan B. Anthony) doesn't necessarily represent the inclusion of all women," said Graham.

"We're looking to the future," said Carol Roth, co-chair of the dinner.

"The name should include everyone and allow everyone to have a part in it."



Janice Odom leads the congregation at Tuesday night's Sisterhood Dinner in a prayer remembering great women of the past.

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"nonchalance" and an empty promise to handle the matter and follow up with a detailed email. Gibson said that he has not heard from TCT or seen any changes in the driver's behavior since December.

"I was pretty surprised that the people from the university haven't done more to take care of this," Gibson said. "I think that the chancellor would be pretty upset to know that this was going on."

Kane had no record of Gibson's complaint. "If he talked with me, he certainly wasn't greeted with nonchalance," Kane said. "We take complaints very seriously. I think that the problem is that he talked directly to TCT, rather than transportation."

According to Kane, TCT is currently seriously investigating the behavior of this particular driver. "I got in touch with the bus company within one half-hour of reading Hadt's email and met with them to discuss this complaint."

within 48 hours," Kane said. "We have been very pleased with TCT, and especially with the seriousness with which they take problems such as these," Kane said. "They are always dealt with in a very timely fashion."

Kane said that she always immediately alerts the bus company of complaints she receives and then meets with representatives from TCT Transit Services once each week, "come rain or shine" to discuss matters concerning their drivers and services.

"If a student gives us a specific account of an incident and leaves a name and a way to be reached, it helps us take direct action," Kane said. "All drivers can't be painted with the same brush, and that is what happens when we get general complaints with no details."

Kane feels certain that this incident will be taken care of and TCT Transit Services will continue to keep their standards high.

"Ninety-nine percent of the drivers on campus really enjoy their jobs and work hard," Kane said. "But it makes it really hard for the drivers to sit on those buses all day if the community around them is so negative about their services."

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the history of U.S. presidential elections to receive an electoral vote, according to the Libertarian Party's Web site. In 1978 an Alaskan man became the first Libertarian elected to a state legislature. Today, the Libertarian Party is the third largest political party in the U.S.

According to the Libertarian Party of North Carolina's Web site, the Libertarian message is one of individual liberty, private property and economic freedom. "Our philosophy is that you should be able to use your life and property as you choose, as long as you don't stop others from using their life and property as they choose," said LeBoeuf.

One primary political interest of the Libertarian party and LeBoeuf, as well, is the current state of healthcare in the U.S.

"The problem is that third party payments are raising costs for everybody," said LeBoeuf, "and pretty much every economist understands that."

"The best way to reduce prices is to get rid of the expensive laws that make it difficult for people to compete with doctors and pharmaceutical companies. If you want to start your own pharmaceutical company, the licenses and expenses are so unreal that you probably wouldn't be able to do it," he said.

Another issue on the Libertarian platform is the government's regulation of such professions as medicine and pharmaceuticals. "We argue as Libertarians that the free market finds ways of regulating that are usually in the short run, and always in the long run, more efficient than government restrictions," said LeBoeuf.

"For example, the American Dental Association approves toothpaste, but that is not government mandated. They'll approve certain toothpastes and medical equipment, but not others," he said.

Although the Libertarian Party is the third largest political party, LeBoeuf admits that his ultimate goal is not winning a seat in Congress. "Winning, to me, would be getting the message out, not seeing myself in Congress," he said. "That's almost an unreachable goal."

There are only approximately 260 Libertarians holding political offices and positions in the U.S., according to LeBoeuf. "We've had Libertarians in state houses, and in fact, we have one right now in Vermont," he said. "Even though we don't have many in office, we've gotten our message out big time."

"I will be a winner if I can introduce Libertarianism to people and get the Party's message out," said LeBoeuf. "I like going out and talking to people about politics and Libertarianism, and I am not ashamed when I get embarrassed or booted."



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LeBoeuf plays hockey at a Cary roller rink.

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# Opinion

## TECHNICIAN'S VIEW TCT issues

In today's Technician news section, transportation planner Claire Kane responds to the complaints of two N.C. State students regarding the behavior of a Wolfline bus driver.

The mishandling of recent complaints about the Wolfline should cause alarm with the administration.

The two complaints, lodged by Nathan Gibson and Hadi Mohammed, concern the boorish and downright unsafe behavior behind the wheel of a particular Wolfline driver. The driver has apparently gestured obscenely to students while leaving them in his wake, thrown students around the bus with his careless driving and responded with sarcasm when riders questioned him about safety.

Kane said of the complaints that "if a student gives us a specific account of an incident and leaves a name and a way to be reached, it helps us take direct action."

Gibson and Mohammed have both provided such accounts, and, at long last, their complaints seem to be getting some consideration.

The validity of Kane's statement is not in question. In fact, the transportation department's response to the situations detailed in Gibson and Mohammed's letters is not questionable at all. Transportation seems to have reacted quickly, and, hopefully, the situation will soon be resolved.

Alarming discrepancies arise, however, when TCT Transit Services enters the mix. TCT is the company that provides buses to NCSU and hires drivers to pilot those buses.

According to Gibson, a complaint lodged with TCT in Dec. met with "nonchalance" and ultimately

received no definitive response. When Kane called TCT to air Mohammed's complaint, however, she received a meeting within 48 hours and the complaints seem to be well on the way to being resolved.

Is there really that much of a difference between the calls of a concerned administrator and an endangered student? True, it would be foolish to think that Gibson—or any other student, for that matter—would be granted a meeting with TCT officials.

But a lukewarm show of concern and a figurative kick in the pants on the way out the door certainly don't seem appropriate, considering the seriousness of Gibson and Mohammed's complaints.

This is not an indictment of the transportation department's response to complaints about drivers. Nor is this a condemnation of Wolfline drivers as a group, by and large, they are a conscientious, courteous and cautious group.

This is not even, in fact, a call for the firing of the driver in question, although some disciplinary action is appropriate, considering that at least two corroborating complaints have come to light about his behavior.

Rather, this is a questioning of the actions of TCT Transit. A company in the first year of a contract with 27,000 customers—the position that TCT is in—should be bending over backwards to keep those customers happy.

Anything less should be considered a sign that NCSU's business is somewhat not appreciated by TCT. Perhaps it's time for the administration to review TCT's actions regarding this situation and give serious thought to sending its business—our business—elsewhere.



## In defense of the SWPC

CHRIS AGONE  
Staff Columnist

The red shirts. The painted faces. The frenzied cheering. All these images remind me of one thing: being in the Student Wolfpack Club section at an N.C. State athletic event. I have been a member of this organization for two years now, and I have to say that it has been one of the most enjoyable aspects of my college experience.

My freshman year, however, was a different story: I came to NCSU not knowing what the SWPC was or

what it stood for. My friends and I sat in the regular student section and made fun of the SWPC, saying they were only in it because they had no other friends to go to the games with. I thought they paid their fee just to get better seats than me.

But, lo and behold, some friends of mine and I decided to join the SWPC my sophomore year, if for nothing more than to get better seats. Little did I know all the other benefits I would reap.

But I also have gotten some criticism from others over my membership in the SWPC; most of these criticisms have come from myths

about the organization. I will attempt to put some of these myths to rest while explaining what the SWPC is all about.

Some will say that all the SWPC members do is pay a fee to sit in premium seats. This is simply not the case. While there is a \$30 fee to join the club, that money goes totally to offset the costs the Wolfpack Club incurs to have the SWPC.

These benefits include the red club t-shirt, car decal, discount card for local businesses, a one-year subscription to "The Wolfpacker" and expenses associated with holding the monthly meetings. The

Wolfpack Club actually loses money on the SWPC.

So why, then, do they get the best seats at home football and basketball games? Because of the contributions that each member makes supporting the university at non-revenue sporting events.

Each member receives a "point" for attending a non-revenue sporting event, such as soccer, wrestling, women's basketball, or swimming. While it is true that you can get a ticket to a football game with as little as one point, getting basketball

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## CAMPUS FORUM

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## Cross country, track shine at nationals

Congratulations are due to many N.C. State athletes right now, and since the Technician (at least as of Feb. 15) has not chosen to recognize them, I will take it upon myself to bring to light some performances by our track and field team members over the weekend.

First and foremost, Chan Pons deserves much congratulation and recognition for his race this weekend at the U.S.A. Cross Country National meet, where he earned a position on the Senior Men's 4k U.S. National Team set to compete at the Cross Country World Championships in Portugal this March.

Coming in at 7th place, Pons was the nation's top collegiate runner, being beaten only by six of the

United States' top elite and professional runners.

Many other track and field athletes performed well this weekend, with Chris Dugan and Katie Sabino making NCAA Indoor Meet Provisional Qualifying marks in the 3,000 meter run, and Amy Beykirch meeting the provisional standard in the 5,000 meters.

Also, Zack Witlow cleared 165.5" in the pole vault, the third-highest vault ever by an NCSU athlete. There were many other notable performances that cannot be mentioned here, as it is not my place or job to write an article for them. Again, good job to everybody and good luck at the World Championships, Chan.

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## Marks on innate evil, children

KELLY MARKS

We are all innately evil. From the moment we enter this life, kicking and screaming, faces puffy and red

with rage, we have the capacity for great cruelty. In the very core of our being, we are bad, bad, bad.

Now that I've made a sweeping generalization and condemned all of humanity, let me see if I can possibly explain.

Man is, in general, a very mean species. I have proof. Yesterday, I spent two and a half-hours with 20 four-year-old kids.

Case closed.  
Please don't misunderstand, I love

children. I love the precocious little whimsies they unknowingly serve up, their fresh outlook on life and their energy and spirit. I even love the less than lovable things—the snotty noses, the no-naptime whimpering and the irrational screaming that can indicate everything from serious head trauma to "I'm cold."

In observing these kids, however, I was amazed at how many times they hit, kicked or simply set about hurting one another. They grabbed, groped, grappled with and ganged up on one another over and over again, but that wasn't even the most disturbing part.

They intentionally hurt each other's feelings with name-calling, flat-out refusals of friendship and the hard, bitter truth.  
In essence, they did what each of us

has secretly wanted to do at least once since it became taboo behavior for people our age.

Children are little versions of us, before we are subjected to things like right and wrong and before all that we need to know is learned in kindergarten. They exist in a place untouched by expectations, rules, social decorum and moral limitations and obligations. They are us at our most self-centered, selfish and greedy states.

Now, you might blame television or violence in the media, but I personally don't think you can blame our actions on something around us. What's around us is what rears us in—a socially imposed system of checks and balances that we call a conscious keeps us in line. In essence, society is not the cause of what's wrong with us

but, more often, the reason for what's right.

I think we are bad because of something within us. And I'm not citing Original Sin and I'm not about to bust out some Jonathan Edwards' *Sinners in the Hand of an Angry God* here.

I think that man can be good without seeking salvation. I do not consider us damned. Instead, I merely contend that in the nature vs. nurture debate, we are predestined for misbehaving well before our parents or the media ever get a chance to screw us up.

I strive to be good. I believe in kindness and compassion, sympathy and understanding. I treat my friends with respect and would do anything for them.  
I hold doors, give up my seat to little

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## Rachel investigates the 'why's' of 'z's

RACHEL QUERCASH

Beep. Beep. Beep. I roll over to see my pink alarm clock illuminating the time, 8:17 a.m. I say to myself, "Damn! That is early." After the good night's rest of five and a half-hours, I groggily stumble out of bed and into the shower.

The shower is my time to wake up. However, every time I get in the shower, every morning, no matter when it is, I always ask myself, "Why did I not go to bed earlier?"

College is a breeding ground for insomnia. As college students, we think that we are young and invincible and don't need sleep to function. Yet, we all find out that is not true when we go to class and, in the middle of lecture—no matter how boring or interesting—we can't help but fall asleep.

Last week was probably the worst for many students. It was the infamous hell week, the week in which all of your classes are having their first tests of the semester. I swear that professors must have a meeting before every semester to decide the exact week to slam their tests onto students. They must be out there to kill us.  
And killing us is what they are

doing. It has been engraved in our minds that a marketable college student must have good grades, be involved in the university, work and be social, and I am no exception to that mindset.

But somewhere between hours of studying, attending to clubs and organizations and trying to be social and keep in contact with my friends, I have little or no time to sleep.

So, why is it so important to be a "well-rounded" student if you are a walking zombie (and I have seen many of those walking around campus around 9 a.m.)?

I really have no answer to that; instead, I pose that question to you, my readers. Don't get me wrong, I thoroughly love every extracurricular

activity that I am involved in, and I wouldn't give them up for the world.

My problem with the system, however, is that students often sacrifice and overcommit themselves to get that so-called "extra edge" that we have been taught is so important. Is it really worth it, if it means losing sleep?

There is no good way to resolve our lack of sleep problems. Obviously, we cannot install an hour of naptime into the middle of the day. Yet, there are some simple things that we as students can do to regain some of our lost sleep.

Power naps. I cannot stress this

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## What would you name the ESA?

<p>"Reynolds: Next Generation."</p> <p>Ran Xia</p>	<p>"I think it should stay the Entertainment and Sports Arena."</p> <p>Ashley Britt</p>	<p>"David Thompson Arena - He's the greatest NCSU basketball player of all time."</p> <p>Justin Call</p>	<p>"Something other than ESA - that's stupid."</p> <p>Lynett Pardo</p>	<p>"The Jim Valvano Arena."</p> <p>Jared Smith</p>
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## SLEEP

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more. They are great and I am a big fan of them.

Just grab one whenever you have a chance. They need to be less than 30 minutes or so, or they will not do you any good. Power naps act as a refresher; they sort of buy back your lost sleep time.

After a brief power nap, I can usually get through the rest of my day pretty successfully before I pass out again around 2:30 a.m.

Make choices, it is OK to wuss out

on your friends because you are tired.

I promise you, they won't think any less of you. They will probably be thinking the next morning while in the shower what a good idea you had to go to bed early. At least one good night's rest during a tough week will do wonders.

Try to choose two nights a week and really focus on getting to bed early. You may even want to strive for that far-reaching possibility of the big eight hours of sleep.

Know when to stop studying, studying past a certain time is unproductive.

It is absolutely pointless in my mind to pull an all-nighter. Why? I

mean, think about it: after a certain point in time, you are not going to know the material any better and you are not really comprehending much because you are so tired and it is so late at night.

Also, if you are up studying late at night, it probably means your test is the next day. So, do you really want to go into a hard test with one, two or even no hours of sleep? I certainly wouldn't.

Relax sometimes, our generation has been programmed to live on the go. You can eat on the go, you can talk on the go and you can shop on the go. You cannot, however, sleep on the go.

Relaxing, although it is nothing

like a good nap, can still make you a more productive student. Take the time just to slow your pace of life down. Just try to, "stop and smell the roses."

Relaxing may put you in a better mindset and, in a better mindset, you will be able to function quite adequately—even if you are working with only a few hours of sleep.

Sleeping is the key to being a successful and productive student. I am not sure how, but I assume that, for years, students have survived college with standard sleep patterns and have come out all right. I know that I will turn out okay.

I don't want to compromise my sleep while in college. Sleep deprivation, although you think you can survive it, will have long-term effects. Remember, we aren't supermen, we need our rest.

Just give sleeping a shot. You never know; you may actually see a difference.

Visit the new Andrew Payne Show Web site at [www.wknc.org/laps](http://www.wknc.org/laps) to see fun and exciting pictures of Rachael. Remember, not sleeping on the weekend can even affect your whole week (right CT). If you have any questions or comments, e-mail Rachael at: [rtovercu@univ.ncsu.edu](mailto:rtovercu@univ.ncsu.edu)

## RAGONE

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tickets is a different story.

When the SWPC distributes basketball tickets, there are two lines: an "express" line and a regular one. The top 100 members get to go to the express line, where they go first and are guaranteed a ticket.

The cutoff for the express line was 14 points by the Duke and Clemson men's basketball games. This means the 100th person in line had attended 14 non-revenue events or club meetings.

As you can see, since the SWPC only has 300 tickets for basketball, if you do not make the contribution, you will not be able to get the tickets.

The SWPC was founded with the purpose of rewarding students who support to all of N.C. State's teams—not just football and men's basketball. The system works well, rewarding those students and boosting attendance at events that would otherwise attract low turnouts.

If you ever have time, stop by a women's basketball, volleyball or soccer game. You will see a large contingent of SWPC members with their red shirts, cheering with the same intensity that they have in the ESA.

And the next time you are at a basketball game, instead of looking with resentment at those in red, think of the contributions that each of them has made to all NCSU athletic events.

Chris works in Technician's classified department. This is his first foray into the field of writing. What do you think? Let him know at [cragone@univ.ncsu.edu](mailto:cragone@univ.ncsu.edu).

## MARKS

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old ladies and pregnant women, and, like my momma taught me, if I don't have anything nice to say, I don't say anything at all. Well, for the most part.

See, the thing is, no matter how true of heart and good in deed I am, I still smirk when I ditch some obnoxious driver at a red light. I have been known to ooze sympathy on the surface while silently gloating. I have wished ill things toward people in moments of frustration and anger I have laughed at other people's misfortunes, unable to suppress giggles though mortified by my own insensitivity. And I'm pretty sure that I'm not alone here.

In a way, we are mean because it is our natural survival instinct. It makes us the toughest, it guarantees that we get what we want, it keeps us from being victimized first. It is survival of the fittest—basically, it's just man acting like it's every man for himself.

A little mini-modern-day example: lately, the shower in my apartment has produced only enough hot water to sustain one average-length bathing experience. On Mondays,

Wednesdays and Fridays, my roommate and I both have 9-10 classes. We are both morning showerers.

Though we have rarely discussed it, we have a secret race to beat each other to the shower. We keep inching up our alarm clocks in order to be the first out of bed.

Though aware that, by showering first, we are insuring that the other person must wash, rinse and repeat in temperatures barely above freezing, as bad as we might feel, we want to make sure that we are not the one shivering our shampoo out.

I realize that this is a fairly tame example of man's capacity for evil. Since my life, however, is not "Wild Kingdom" and my roommate and I aren't running our heads together, squabbling over a mate or pointing upon small elk for food, it's the best I can do at the moment.

And it is an example of being "not nice." It's a very human thing. And the fact that we can realize it is an unkind behavior is another human trait as well.


In truth, we are just overly intellectual animals. It makes sense that, under all of our refinement and with all of our morals, we still occasionally stoop to more primitive and petty levels.

Animals do horribly mean things to each other all the time, too. The difference is that we have been given the ability to judge our actions and have been taught to know when we are mean.

So there. We're all bad sometimes. But knowing this allows us see what we need to do to be good.

Kellys has been told that she must 'fess up. Her studio would like to point out several instances in which she has been neither respectful nor nice. Want to scold her or send a big tsk, tsk her way? That will be: [kammarks@univ.ncsu.edu](mailto:kammarks@univ.ncsu.edu) and have a lovely day.

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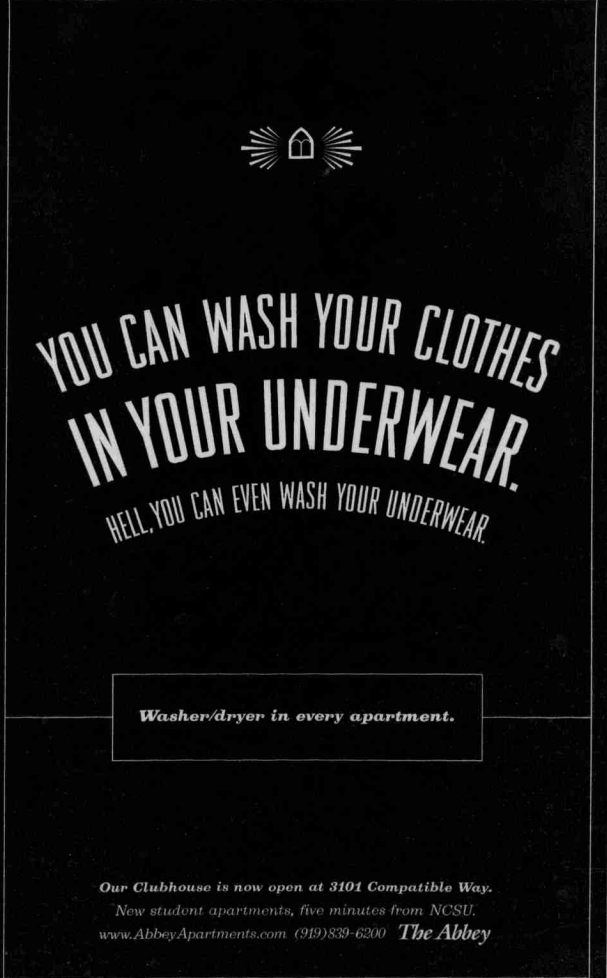
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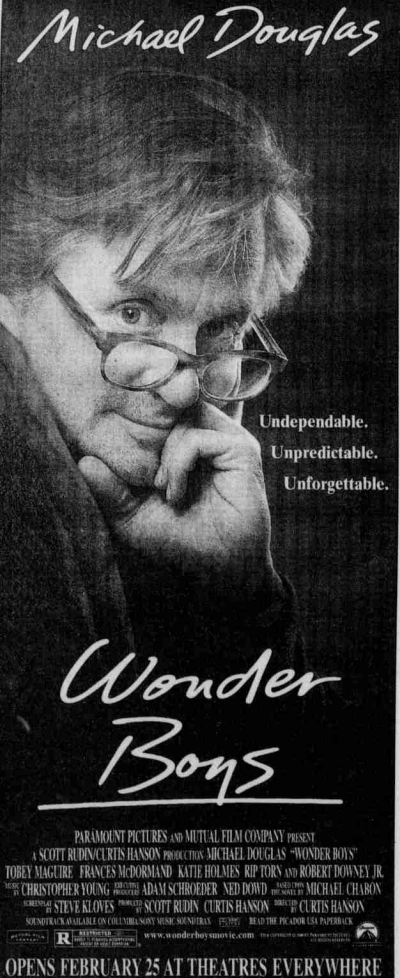
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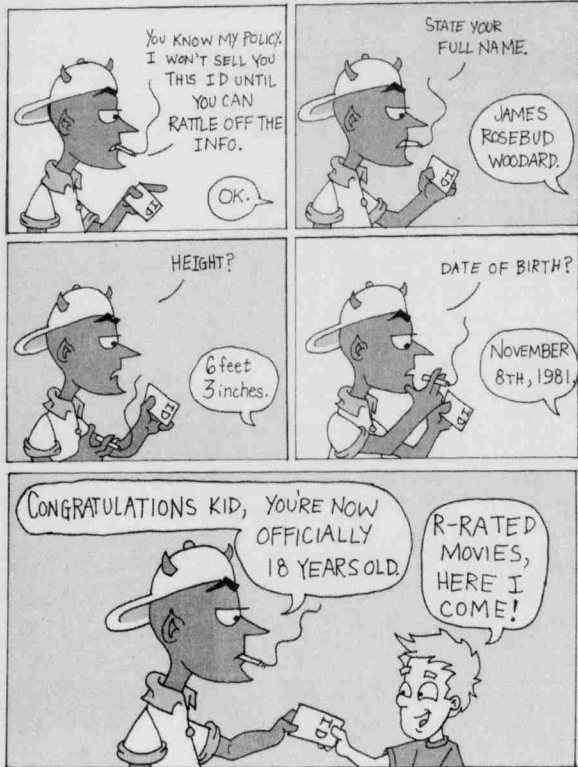
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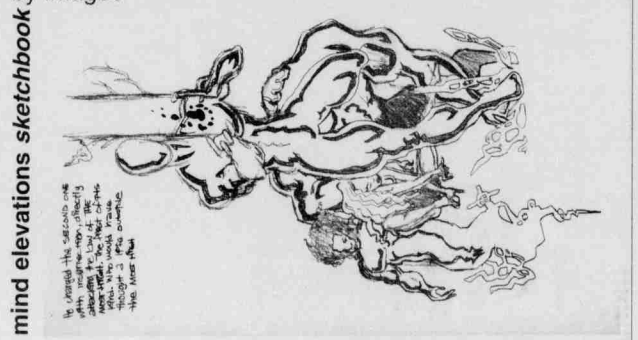
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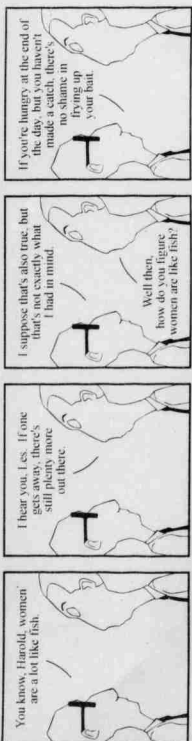
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DUKE

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Also struggling for the Pack is Anthony Grundy. The Pack's leading scorer has tallied a total of 10 points in his last two games...

On the positive side for State, Damien Wilkins has had perhaps his best stretch of basketball in his young career. He has averaged 20 points in his last two games...

UNC

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If there is a silver lining for State in its game with Duke, it is that it is a home game. The Pack has dominated in its new home, going 14-1.

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Swenson at first base, but Swenson's throw to the plate was not in time to nail Goodman, who scored the winning run.

UNC

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the ACC. Coach Gizzo of State against his 100th ACC victory earlier this season.

N.C. State or UNC has won the past 22 ACC championships in wrestling, with the Tar Heels having won seven of the last eight.

The toughest matches tonight are said to be the 165, 174, and 184-lb. weight classes.

The Pack wrestlers will meet the Heels at Reynolds Coliseum tonight at 7:30 p.m.

TRACK

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As well. In the throwing category, sophomore Isaiah Oglesby has placed second and seventh in two previous meets this year.

On the women's side, Senior Sheilene Armstrong is having a banner year in jumping and sprinting events.

ASHTON

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Cincinnati natives, Griffey and Larkin, who are potential Hall of Famers. Add the two of them to a lineup that includes Casey, Dante Bichette and Druw Young.

A World Series title isn't a given. There are still questions about the team's starting pitcher. But now is as good a time as ever to be a Reds supporter.

As someone who truly loves the game of baseball, I'm equally thrilled. Baseball's three top sluggers, Griffey, Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa, all reside in the NL Central now.

The prospect of seeing these three go up against each other for the home run title is absolutely tantalizing. And I can't help but relish the thought of seeing Griffey and McGwire together in St. Louis' Busch Stadium on the final weekend of the 2000 season.

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# Thursday Sports

## N.C. State looks to snap skid against Duke

### Hunt for a Red October

**JEREMY ASHTON**

I'm a lifelong Cincinnati Reds fan.

I'd like to make that perfectly clear right off the bat. I'm not one of those bandwagon jumpers who will start showing up in about a month claiming that he's always been a Reds fan, despite the Yankees and Braves hats in his closet.

I've supported the Reds through good times and bad, from the absolute jubilation of watching Barry Larkin and the rest of my heroes win the 1990 World Series to the depths of having to deal with Marge Schott's reign of terror.

With that said, I'm in baseball heaven right now.

#### BASEBALL

Ken Griffey Jr. will be wearing a red hat with a black bill and wishbone "C" this season after a trade last week with the Seattle Mariners that brought him to Cincinnati for Brett Tomko, Mike Cameron and two minor-league prospects.

The rest of the baseball world recognizes Griffey as arguably the best player in the game. But to Reds fans, he means so much more.

Griffey, the son of former Reds outfielder Ken Griffey Sr., is a link to the legendary Big Red Machine of the 1970s. He represents what Reds baseball has been and what it aspires to be.

Jim Bowden, the Reds' general manager, essentially stole Griffey from the Mariners. Well, "stole" might be a little strong considering that Griffey cost the team \$116 million and four young players.

But in terms of the current economic system in baseball, Griffey was more than a bargain. According to some baseball experts, the contract extension he signed with the Reds was as much as \$50 million below what he could have fetched on the open market.

And Bowden didn't have to give up any of the young talents that the Mariners originally wanted for Griffey. National League Rookie of the Year Scott Williamson, Sean Casey, Travis Dawkins and Pecky Reese were all rumored to be headed to the Pacific Northwest at one time or another, yet Bowden managed to keep them all in Cincinnati.

Although, I will never understand why Reese was deemed valuable enough to hold the trade up for three months. Bowden's actions in bringing Griffey to Cincinnati weren't exactly honorable. Mariners' general manager Pat Gillick had absolutely no leverage in trade talks after Griffey's request to be sent only to the Reds. Gillick could either try to get something for Griffey now or lose him at the end of the season for absolutely nothing. Bowden knew this and exploited it.

Yet I have to admire Bowden. He stuck to his guns, kept the Reds' nucleus together, brought Griffey home and ended up a hero in the process.

As a Reds fan, I couldn't be more excited. The team now has two

◆ **The Pack heads into Saturday's game against the Devils desperately needing a win to resuscitate its flagging NCAA Tournament hopes.**

**JACK DOLY**  
Sports Editor

One look at the halftime score sheet said it all for Herb Sendek Tuesday night.

N.C. State had six field goals and 11 turnovers in its important game at Wake Forest. The Pack had shot 23.1 percent from the floor and scored a mere 15 points, its lowest output for a

half this season in both categories.

"We had a hard time getting going on offense," Sendek conceded.

And so the struggles continued for Sendek's squad.

Two weeks ago, State went to Maryland for a battle of second-place teams in the Atlantic Coast Conference. With Tuesday night's loss to Wake Forest, the Pack (15-8, 5-7 ACC) have dropped into a fifth-place tie with the Demon Deacons. In between those two games, the Pack lost at home to UNC and on the road at Virginia. All of which adds up to a four-game losing streak and some negative momentum.

Things won't get any easier

Saturday when the Pack entertains third-ranked Duke (20-3, 11-1 ACC) at the Entertainment and Sports Arena.

**WHAT:** BASKETBALL VS. DUKE

**WHEN:** SATURDAY

**1:30 P.M.**

**WHERE:** ESA

**TV:** JP

The last game between the two was an ACC classic. State went into Cameron Indoor

Stadium and fought the Blue Devils tooth and nail before succumbing in overtime, 92-88. Ron Kelley had perhaps his best game of the season in that game, scoring a team-high 17 points.

Saturday, the Pack won't have services of Kelley as he continues to be bothered by a knee injury. Kelley had arthroscopic surgery three weeks ago on his knee, but there is still no word on when he will return to the Pack lineup. Marshall Williams will also miss the game with a knee injury.

With Kelley out, State's frontcourt depth has been weakened. Compounding the problem is that the Pack's best forward, Damon

Thornton, has gotten into foul trouble nearly every game since Kelley went out.

Thornton, who is playing with a broken finger in his shooting hand, an injury he sustained in practice earlier in the week, has fouled out of half (six) of the team's ACC games. Against Wake Forest, Thornton was saddled with two fouls in the first three minutes and had to come out of the ball game.

"Damon is getting into a lot of foul trouble," Sendek said. "He knows it more than anybody. We need him on the floor."

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## ACC Showdown

◆ **The N.C. State women's basketball team takes on Duke tonight in a crucial ACC game.**

**ROB GODFREY**  
Staff Writer

When N.C. State and Duke tipoff tonight at 7 p.m. in Cameron Indoor Stadium, the Wolfpack has a chance to win at Duke for the first time in four years and re-seize the momentum in the teams' rivalry.

Lately, the rivalry, which favors Duke all-time, has seen the Blue Devils gain significant ground; Duke won five of the last six games.

Freshman Kaayla Chones thinks the Pack is prepared to take on Duke, three days after a celebration of Head Coach Kay Yow's longevity.

"In practice this week, everything has been good," Chones said. "We actually came out and had two really good, hard practices after all the stuff from the weekend. We've gone over the scouting reports and I think we are ready to play Duke."

The last time the teams met, State (20-4, 11-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) snapped Duke's (20-4, 9-3 ACC) 15-game win streak. Although it took overtime to determine the outcome of the Jan. 20 battle, State prevailed 80-75 thanks to 26 points off the bench from freshman Amy Simpson.

**WHAT:** WOMEN AT DUKE

**WHEN:** TONIGHT, 7:00 P.M.

**WHERE:** CAMERON INDOOR

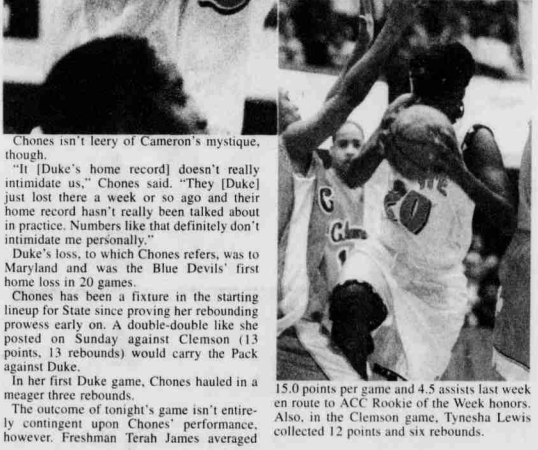
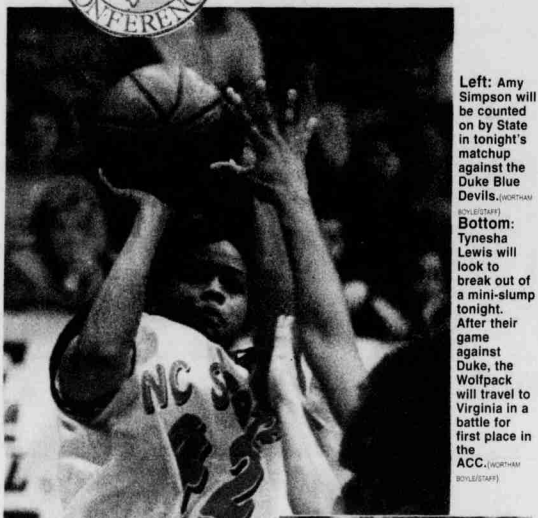
"Any can really score a lot of points," Yow said after that game. "We knew that because she scored a lot in high school. But more importantly, she has been playing great defense and scoring points, too."

Simpson and the Wolfpack can increase its lead in the ACC standings tonight before it heads to Virginia Sunday. The Cavaliers currently reside in second place in the conference and travel to Clemson tonight.

Meanwhile, for the Pack and Devils, injuries have had an impact recently. Duke senior Peppi Browne, who single-handedly kept the Devils from losing in regulation at State, went down in the team's 101-58 rout of North Carolina, tearing her anterior cruciate ligament. Similarly, State's second game with UNC saw Summer Erb injure her right foot.

Neither player will suit up tonight. Browne is out for the year and Erb may comeback after the regular season concludes.

On paper, one of the most staggering statistics is the same statistic that stands out when one prepares to battle the Duke team at Cameron. Coach Gal Goenstenkor's Blue Devils are 42-4 at home over the last three years and have beaten Yow and company in each of their last three visits.



**Left:** Amy Simpson will be counted on by State in tonight's matchup against the Duke Blue Devils.

**Bottom:** Tynesha Lewis will look to break out of a mini-slump tonight. After their game against Duke, the Wolfpack will travel to Virginia in a first place in the ACC.

**LUCY TRIMM**  
Staff Writer

The N.C. State wrestlers (8-4) take on the North Carolina Tar Heels (6-5) tonight hoping to defeat them for the second time this season.

In early January, the Heels fell to the Wolfpack 21-18 at Carmichael Auditorium. Tonight's match in Reynolds Coliseum is expected to be equally as close.

"It's going to be a challenge," N.C. State head coach Bob Guzzo said. "It's shaping up to be a good match."

The Tar Heels, before losing to Ohio in their last match, previously held a four-match winning streak.

N.C. State has won three of its last five matches and is 2-0 in the Atlantic Coast Conference, while UNC is 2-2 in the ACC.

State has had some injuries since the beginning of the year, though, and Guzzo is still uncertain whether that will affect the lineup tonight.

"The injuries certainly have made it a difficult season," Coach Guzzo said.

Kevin Borross, however, is back in the lineup after an injury that prevented him from being in the last match against Carolina. He is 10-2 this season and will be wrestling at 165.

Lee Carroll is also wrestling Carolina for the first time this season and will be wrestling at 133. Brad Byers of Carolina, recently named the ACC's Co-Wrestler of the Week, will be wrestling Carroll.

Another change in the N.C. State lineup puts Scott Garren in the 157-lb. weight class down from the 165-lb. He faces Dennis Landin tonight who won a major decision over State's Justin Parier in last month's match.

New in the Tar Heels lineup is freshman Nick Richmond in the 184-lb. weight class. He will most likely face Zach Breitenbach, a State junior who is 12-5 this season.

This match could be a record-setter for Carolina Coach Bill Lam. He is one match short of 125 career wins in

**WHAT:** WRESTLING  
**VS. UNC**  
**WHEN:** TONIGHT, 7:30 P.M.  
**WHERE:** REYNOLDS COLISEUM

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## Baseball wins in extra innings

◆ **A bases-loaded squeeze bunt in the bottom of the 12th lifts State to victory over Elon College.**

**SPENCER ST. REPORT**

Jason Smith drove home the game-winning run with a one-out, bases-loaded squeeze bunt in the bottom of the 12th inning Feb. 16 at Doak Field, lifting N.C. State to a dramatic 4-3 college baseball victory over Elon.

The victory raised State to 2-2 on the season, while Elon dropped to 3-2.

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Conrad Clark, who worked the final 1 1/3 innings for the Wolfpack, picked up the win to improve to 1-0 on the season. Elon reliever Whit Bryant took the loss to fall to 0-1.

The game began as a pitchers duel between Elon's Brad Pinkerton and the Pack's Mike Prochaska. Pinkerton worked eight stand-out innings, holding the Wolfpack to one run on just two hits, the run coming on Dan

Mooney's first home run of the season. Pinkerton walked four and struck out five. He allowed just three runners to reach scoring position aside from Mooney's homer.

Prochaska, making his first college start, was just as effective. Prochaska tossed 6 1/3 scoreless innings, allowing five hits, walking one and striking out four. He retired the game over to Daniel Caldwell in the top of the seventh, and while Caldwell pitched well, the Christians managed to tie the game in the top of the ninth on a one-out double by Jim Swenson and an RBI single by Bryant.

The Christians tried to win it in the top of the 11th. Brian Ingram led off the inning with a single, and Wes Miller bunted him to second. Wolfpack coach Elliott Avent brought in Josh Miller to pitch, but after retiring Swenson, Miller surrendered successive singles to Bryant, Brian Kane and Garth Lanning to give Elon a 3-1 lead.

State scrapped back in the bottom of the inning. Ryan Strain led off with a pinch-hit single and Jeremy Dutton



**WORTHAM BULLSEYE**  
State's baseball team beat Elon.

walked. Smith laid down a bunt single to load the bases. Brian Wright then ripped a wicked one-hopper past second baseman Robbie Smith for a two-run single that tied the game, but Bryant, who came on to pitch in the ninth, retired the next three hitters to send the game to the 12th.

With one out in the bottom of the 12th, Chris Goodman and Craig Lee singled to put runners on first and second. Jeremy Dutton walked to load the bases. Smith, up next, bunted to

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## Track team in pursuit of ACC title

◆ **N.C. State's track team prepares for the ACC Championship this weekend.**

**DANIEL STINEHELFER**  
Staff Writer

N.C. State's men's and women's indoor track teams will be competing in the ACC Championship this weekend, which strangely enough, will be held on the campus of Virginia Tech.

The Wolfpack is coming off a strong showing at the Kroger Invitational last weekend and is looking to improve on their performance at the ACC championships last year. In last year's championship, the men finished third and the women placed seventh.

This year, the major competition for the Wolfpack will be Clemson, UNC, and Georgia Tech.

"If everything comes together for us, we should put in a good showing and hopefully finish in the top three," said State head track coach Rollie Geiger.

With many of State's dominant cross country runners competing in the distance events for track, that figures to

be State's strongest area in the meet. "We're always strong in distance races because we are the ACC cross-country champions," said Geiger.

The men's distance runners include several All-Americans and conference champions. Senior Chan Pons won the 5,000 meters and placed second in the 3,000 meters at last year's championship. This year, he will be accompanied by a strong senior class consisting of Brendan Rodgers, Abdul Alzindani, and Arby Pons.

**WHAT:** ACC INDOOR TRACK

**WHEN:** THIS WEEK-END

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**WHERE:** 1,500-METER VIRGINIA TECH

Brendan Rodgers won the 1,500-meter outdoor season and placed third in the mile event at indoors. Senior Aaron Saff can also be expected to contribute, finishing second in the mile at last year's championship.

The women's distance runners are

led by All-American Christy Nichols. Last year Nichols won the outdoor 3,000 meters and finished second in the indoor 5,000 meters. Seniors Erin Musson and Cassie Messerschmidt have also been performing well this year.

At the Kroger Invitational last weekend, N.C. State posted three of the top six in the 3,000 meters with Beth Kraft, Beth Fonner, and Erin Musson. In the first indoor meet of the season, N.C. State had the three fastest runners in the 800 meters with Yvonne Downing, Molly Purser, and Carrie Messerschmidt.

While State will look to pick up a majority of its points in the distance events, it shouldn't come away empty-handed in other disciplines.

"We should be able to get a lot of points in the other events," Geiger said. "It's the ACC championships, and our guys know that every point counts."

Sprinter Tyrone Dozier took third place in the 400 meters last year, and consistently places in the 200 meters

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