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In the NEWS

N.C. State Student-Athletes Receive ACC Postgraduate Scholarship

Three N.C. State student-athletes have been selected by the Atlantic Coast Conference to receive the 2000 Weaver-James-Corrihan Postgraduate Scholarship.

In the past four years, all 14 NCSU nominees have received the scholarship, more than any other school in the conference, which includes Maryland, Virginia, Wake Forest, Duke, North Carolina, Clemson, Georgia Tech and Florida State universities.

This year's winners are Meredith Faircloth of Raleigh, a member of the women's cross-country and track and field teams; Chan Pons of Franklin, a member of the men's cross-country and track and field teams; and Jason Smith of Goldsboro, captain of the baseball team.

The Weaver-James-Corrihan Postgraduate Scholarship is named in honor of ACC commissioners Jim Weaver, Bob James and Gene Corrihan. Student-athletes are chosen for their exceptional performance in the classroom and in their individual sports, as well as for their conduct and excellence in the community.

Terry Wood to Rejoin N.C. State's Advancement Unit

Terry G. Wood, who served as N.C. State University's associate vice chancellor for development from 1993 to 1999, will return to his duties at NC State effective March 13.

In addition, Chancellor Marvyn Anne Fox has announced that she will recommend to NCSU's Board of Trustees that Wood be named interim vice chancellor for Advancement effective April 1, replacing Jeffrey P. McNeill, who has taken a similar position at the University of Alabama.

Wood presently serves as associate dean for external affairs at the Kenan-Flagler Business School, at UNC-Chapel Hill. He joined UNC in the spring of last year.

Wood has a 28-year career in advancement at major public and private institutions. He has served as assistant dean and director of college relations in the College of Engineering at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, as associate vice president for university development for the University of Virginia and as assistant vice president for university development at Northwestern University.

Two N.C. State affiliates die

Margie Creech King of Raleigh, a retired employee of the N.C. State Libraries, died Feb. 3. She was 78.

Robert K. Godfrey, former professor of botany at NC State, died Feb. 6 in Tallahassee, Fla. He was 88. An emeritus professor of botany who retired from Florida State University in 1973, Godfrey was a well-known and respected expert on North Florida flora and spent much of his time in the pinewoods and swamps around Tallahassee.

A recipient of degrees from NCSU, Harvard and Duke universities, he taught botany at N.C. State for several years after service in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He left for Florida State in 1954. During his tenure there, Godfrey established and curated the Herbarium, a collection of 180,000 plant specimens.

Professor resigns visiting post at Dartmouth

◆ Rex Dwyer, an associate professor at N.C. State, resigned his position as a visiting professor at Dartmouth in the wake of a cheating scandal.



Dwyer

ZACK MAZUR
News Editor

A N.C. State computer science professor resigned his post as a vis-

iting professor at Dartmouth College on Feb. 18, after nearly half of one of his two classes was implicated in a cheating scandal, according to Dartmouth's student newspaper, *The Dartmouth*.

Dwyer and one term of research, has officially left Dartmouth, canceling both of his courses this term. No official word has been released on whether or not Dwyer will return to NCSU, but it appears likely.

Nino Masnari, the dean of the college of engineering, said that he presumes Dwyer will return. Dwyer was teaching an introductory computer science course at Dartmouth, known there as CS4. Seventy-eight of the 160 students in the course are under investiga-

tion for cheating on an assignment, which required students to fill in missing lines of code in a program.

Sixty-three of the 78 students are certain to face disciplinary actions from Dartmouth's Committee on Standards (COS). The 15 other students who will not face action from the COS will be asked to defend their answers and demonstrate how they did the assignment.

According to *The Dartmouth*, Dwyer did not lock his copy of the full program, which was on his web site, and students in the course

downloaded the full program, even E-mailing it around to other students in the class.

As well, Dwyer nearly implicated more students who had apparently received help on the assignment from graders and teaching assistants who felt the assignment was too difficult for an introductory class, *The Dartmouth* reported.

NCSU officials were unable to comment on Dwyer's situation as of yesterday.

Intramurals lacking officials

◆ The number of referees for intramural sports is dangerously low this year, threatening to cancel some events.

APRIL MORRIS
Staff Writer

Hundreds of students participate in intramural sports each semester without ever thinking about the people who make it possible: the officials. The number of intramural sports officials has fallen dangerously low this school year, with half of basketball and a fourth of softball officials spots vacant.

Each year, 170 officials are required for basketball, flag football, soccer, softball and volleyball.

According to Randy Bechtolt, associate director of intramural sports, basketball, which is currently entering the playoffs, requires around 60 officials but has only 30. Softball, which starts in March, requires 40 officials but there are only 30.

"We are currently 15 to 20 officials short for softball. We had trouble attracting young officials, so we do not have a pool of draw from," said Sam Holstead, the director of intramural/recreational sports. "This extreme shortage of officials has resulted in a few game cancellations during basketball season, but no further cancellations are expected."

"We did have three game cancellations, which required rescheduling during basketball season. We are going to try hard to avoid any softball cancellations," Bechtolt said. Holstead stated, "We will have coverage of all games, but a less than ideal number of officials."

"The cause of the current official shortage is related to the workload on students and the crossover of intramural officials to extramural officiating," Holstead said.

"There's a great deal of competition for students' time. We like to think that being on campus and paying a fair

salary help attract students," stated Holstead. "I don't think it's the money. I think that people just do not have a lot of time."

The current salary of officials is \$6 per hour, with free training and flexible scheduling, according to Holstead.

Officiating schedules are made up weekly, and students are allowed to sign up for times that best fit their schedule.

According to Holstead, no experience is necessary to be an official. Three one-hour training clinics are held for each sport: a lecture on the rules, a lesson on the mechanics of officiating and an exhibition game for practice.

Kevin Dean, official supervisor for basketball, stated, "Intramurals is a good place to get started. We will train you."

This training makes N.C. State intramural officials attractive to extramural sporting events like middle and high school sports.

Officiating for high school pays more than intramural sports, and some of the shortage may be attributed to officials taking these higher paying jobs. A high school doubleheader pays around \$70 for about three hours of work, according to Dean.

According to Holstead, intramural sports plans to raise the salary of officials next year, making the pay more competitive.



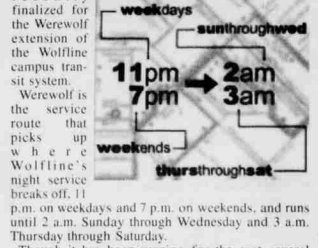
Referee Mike Gray calling an intramural basketball game in Carmichael Gym. Intramural sports are in dire need of more officials like Gray.

Late night buss fee drops, plans finalized

◆ The Werewolf, night service of the Wolfline campus transit system, is growing in popularity with students on weekends and late at night.

TIM CLARK
Senior Staff Writer

Plans were recently finalized for the Werewolf extension of the Wolfline campus transit system.



Werewolf is the service route that picks up where Wolfline's night service breaks off, 11 p.m. on weekdays and 7 p.m. on weekends, and runs until 2 a.m. Sunday through Wednesday and 3 a.m. Thursday through Saturday.

Though it has been running for the past several months, the exact future of the Werewolf has remained unclear. Both schedule and pricing were finalized last week in a joint decision between student government and the N.C. State Department of Transportation.

The Werewolf was originally planned to run seven days a week while classes were in session, as well as during spring break. Due to usage figures taken by Transportation, both spring break and the entire summer session have been trimmed from Werewolf's schedule, reducing the scope of service

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Stereographic workstation created

◆ A professor and a team of undergraduates are studying how to present an interaction of multiple variables of information in 3-D, in a coherent, visual manner.

JIM BARTOLODD
Staff Writer

Research projects of national significance are being conducted here on N.C. State's campus. On NCSU's Centennial Campus, university academic research programs are interacting with private industry to provide solutions to some of industry's biggest challenges.

One NCSU professor and his team of undergraduate students are changing the way we view statistical data. Chris Healey, assistant professor in computer science, and his team are using a stereographic presentation to present statistical data in a visual way.

"We are looking at ways to display

many layers of information simultaneously," stated Healey.

Normally, when people try to visualize data, they usually can only incorporate three variables in a 3-Dimensional model. The classic example is the weather map, which contains three dimensions: height, latitude and longitude. However, variables such as temperature, wind velocity, wind direction and weather systems appear flat on the screen of the 3-D model, according to team members. The question that Healey and his team are evaluating is how to present the interaction of multiple variables of information in 3-D, in a coherent, visual manner.

Healey's research was initiated by colleagues at UC-Berkeley. They wanted to view 20-30 variables of information about a large movie database, simultaneously in a visual manner. Healey and his team are using what is referred to as a "responsive workbench" to provide the visual presentation of the data. Designed like a drafting table, this workbench consists of a 44-inch screen

with a high-resolution backlit projector. This projector is similar to ones found in certain lecture rooms here on campus.

However, the quality of the image resolution seen on the workbench is far better than what you would obtain on a screen that is intended for 200 people to view. This hardware costs about \$60,000 and as Healey states, "Very few academic departments in the country have access to the responsive workbench."

Associated with this piece of hardware, is the visual stereo component. This consists of computer software designed with the ability to draw images as if they were floating in space rather than lying flat on a screen. "You think you can reach out and grab components off the display," noted Healey.

In addition to the software, special viewing glasses are used that work to produce 60 images per second for both the left and right eyes. Essentially, these glasses utilize the same concept as traditional 3-D glasses, by producing sepa-

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Best foot forward...



Lauren Broeils, a junior in computer science, shows her true colors.



Danimal magnetism?

An anomaly in today's cartoon. Check out Opinion for more.



Big flying bugs...

hairy women, bar codes, flaky biscuits and fake Japanese Manga ads.



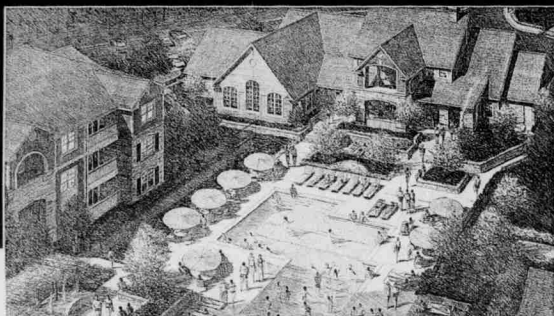
Tournament Time

Women's ACC tourney begins Friday.





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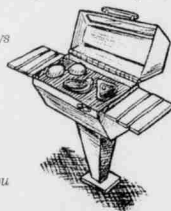
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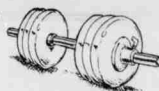
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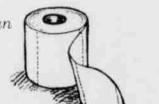
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rate images for each eye. An image is produced for the left eye, while the right eye is blocked from viewing and vice versa. Therefore, 120 images are produced each second in a 3-D layout. As Borwick points out, "This is much more realistic than 3-D glasses."

As innovative as the concept behind this research is, the most interesting fact is that Healey is using undergraduate students to help with the research.

"I think this is a very good example of undergraduates participating in research," stated Borwick. "I am always trying to expand my knowledge in computer science. I wanted to get more involved into the mathematics

behind computer science."

Healey added insightfully, "by having undergraduate participation, everybody wins."

Indeed, the vision of Centennial Campus was to provide a center for academic research and industry to interact with each other. Healey's research is another example of this vision achieving its goal. Equally as important, this research project incorporates the ideals of people such as, the Dean of the College of Engineering, the head of NCSU's computer science department and NCSU's provost. They want to see more undergraduates having the opportunity to participate and get involved in academic research here at NCSU.

As John Borwick, a junior double majoring in Computer Science and English, who is also a team member points out, "They say information is going to be the new currency." Thanks to research opportunities here at NCSU, Borwick and other undergraduates

will be able to learn information that will make them a very marketable currency once they graduate from school.

The research currently does not have a financial backing; however, several companies have expressed interest in Healey's research. More specifically, companies such as Applied Mathematics and ABB, both of which have facilities on Centennial Campus, have had the opportunity to "drop by" to look at Healey's research. Additional leaders in the industry, such as SAS, IBM, Cisco, and Motorola also have expressed interest in the research.

Healey came to NCSU in the fall of 1998 after completing post-doctoral research at the University of California at Berkeley.

More information on this research can be found at www.csc.ncsu.edu/faculty/healey or by e-mailing Healey at healey@adm.csc.ncsu.edu.

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by approximately 65 days.

Pricing has remained uncertain, as the price of the service is dependent on the bus system's schedule.

According to Claire Kane, a transportation planner with the department, "The cost [of running the Werewolf] is based on a combination of fixed costs...and an hourly rate. A formula is used to calculate the fixed costs for each bus."

The department said that the original proposal of a \$6 student fee was an overestimate given to the student body for planning purposes.

"Applying the costs to the shorter season reduced total costs to \$4 a year," said Cathy Reeve, direc-

tor of the Department of Transportation.

Though only running since September, Werewolf has been in planning since November of 1998. The program began as a straw poll among students to determine interest.

"I received about 300 emails, 95 percent of which were positive responses," said Student Body President Raj Mirchandani.

Following the interest poll, Student Government began working with the Transportation Dept. to discuss the probability of providing the service. To this end, a review committee was set up to organize planning. The committee, which was composed of student government executives, student senators and representatives from Transportation, implemented its initial plan last September.

Student interest in the service is apparently strong. During the

month of January, between 150 and 350 students used the service during its Friday-Saturday service. Peak usage occurs on Friday and Saturday nights between 10 p.m. and 2 a.m.

"There [are] anywhere from zero to 60 passengers per hour," said Kane. "This compares to 25 to 75 on our day routes."

The Board of Trustees officially approved the Werewolf proposal, with its reduced \$4 student fee, at a February meeting.

"Students are getting this service for an entire year for less than a single cab fare," said Mirchandani.

More information, including detailed schedules, is available from the Department of Transportation web site <http://www2.acs.ncsu.edu/trans/werewolf.htm>.

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Teaching, rather than punishing

Innovation in penal activity.

That seems to be the order of the day in recent North Carolina judicial developments. First came the "sham-

A Wake County judge showed ingenuity and toughness in dealing with a misunderstanding between cop and criminal.

ing" penalty drawn earlier this year by a drunk driver who'd killed another driver on the road.

The driver served probation, but was also sentenced to a monthly walk in front of her county courthouse while wearing a sandwich sign detailing her crime.

The N.C. judicial system has now spawned another novel approach to handling criminals: teaching them.

Given certain conditions, Wake County Judge Ann Maria Calabria has begun sending some defendants charged with minor crimes to English classes. Those conditions? The accused must be someone unfamiliar with the English language, generally someone from another country or someone who is illiterate. That lack of familiarity must also have played a part in the accused's arrest.

The first of Calabria's convict-students stood before the judge yesterday, having just finished his English class. Abraham Martinez, 23, of Puebla, Mexico, was arrested at a party last June and charged with resisting arrest. The arresting officer was breaking a fight that had occurred at the party, saw Martinez running from the scene and thought that he was a participant trying to flee, according to *The News & Observer*.

Martinez was actually escorting his eight-months-pregnant wife to their

car after she reported being in pain. Unable to communicate with the officer, he resisted arrest and was subdued with pepper spray.

Rather than sentencing Martinez to community service, Calabria deferred judgment and sent him to the Wake County Literacy Council to take English classes.

It's easy to imagine similar misunderstandings leading to far worse consequences. Perhaps a judge faced with sentencing an illiterate man for trespassing would face two options: simply let him go, citing his inability to read any posted signs; or sentence him to probation or community service.

Neither of those solutions solves the problem: either way, the illiterate man still can't read, and there's nothing to prevent him from making the same mistake again.

Now, however, that judge would have the option of sending him to learn how to read, preventing any future occurrences.

Obviously, Calabria's idea on deterring crimes of miscommunication has its limitations: aside from being limited only to those crimes minor enough not to warrant serious punishment. It is also only practicable to the extent of a judge's willingness to use it and his or her ability to judge a given situation.

Nonetheless, Calabria's ingenuity is to be applauded: her "teaching" solution shows levels of understanding and thought largely missing in the justice system.

Until something more conclusive is introduced—perhaps some effective total literacy or teaching program—it seems to be the best and most thoughtful way of dealing with such sins of miscommunication.

IN RESPONSE TO MANY COMMENTS THAT I AM TOO COOKY AND THINK I AM A STUD, BEEFCAKE, LADIES' MAN, ETC. I HAVE DECIDED TO APPEASE THE MASSES AND COMPARE MY VIEW OF MYSELF WITH A WOMAN'S VIEW. HEHEHE... ENJOY, DANIMAL

DAN'S VIEW



GIRL'S VIEW



What makes Marks tick



KELLY MARKS

So here's the situation: I'm sitting down at the computer with a deadline hanging overhead and absolute-ly nothing in my head that's just dying to make its way into the printed media.

Type, type, type: crap, crap, delete, delete, delete. Nothing flows, nothing gives and there's no ding-ding, "aha" whirring of gears and flashing of lights to indicate that it's going to get any easier to pound the keys in a logical order anytime soon. I'm stuck, right? So I start skimming my head for anecdotes, reliving the past few days, looking for any sort of story or

humorous observation that I can use to kick start a good rant or even a revelation.

The thing is, nothing's really happened this week. And it's screwing up my ability to write this column.

Why, you ask? Why does this thing always have to be about me, me, me and my life and what's happening or isn't happening in it? Why can't I just pick an issue, express a viewpoint and be done with it?

Well, I've been asked that before (occasionally with a tone akin to accusation, other times with flat out disgust) and there's no good answer. I don't know what to say. And so, in my typical fashion, I'm going to say a lot about it until I do know.

So, there I was at the computer, banging away at the keyboard, eras-

ing things just as fast, when I decided to swivel my chair around and ask those near me, "What do you think I should write about?" They threw out a few issues, one had an earnest entreaty that I please tout the merits of Ben & Jerry's and see what I can do about having one built in Raleigh, but all in all, we were at a loss.

Then someone piped up, "Well, you could talk about (fill-in-the-issue-here)."

And I thought, yes, I could. I have an opinion on that and a rather strong one at that. Heck, I even have supporting details. I could definitely conjure up enough words to fill a standard regulation column.

But I don't want to. And that is what it all boils down to. For an opinion columnist, I can be

awfully stingy with my opinions. But, the truth is, I'm only being true to form.

Opinions are hard for me to share. Now I don't mean the regular run-of-the-mill complaints where I proclaim that the nuisance of the day sucks or even the times when I list what makes me happy in the world. Nor am I referring to those occasions when someone solicits (or even when they don't) advice from me or moments where I and a couple of peeps just shoot the breeze and decide things, we know it all. I have opinions and I express them on a daily basis. It's just that, when it comes down to taking a good solid stance on an issue (that's with the capital I), and planting my feet

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The Bible is nothing to take on faith

Eric Riddick says that Ephesians 5:22: "Wives submit to your own husbands as to the Lord," and Ephesians 5:25, "Husbands love your wives just as Christ also loved the church and give himself for her," put men and women on equal footing. These two statements put men in the decision-making role and women in the supporting role.

I am bothered by this conclusion. What does the Bible know about every marriage? What if the woman is better at making decisions and being the leader than the man is? I know of several women who are

great leaders. If the Bible places women and men on equal footing, why does it say wives/husbands, instead of spouses? The Bible must make this distinction for some reason.

Riddick's argument saying that one unwilling to die for someone whom you do not regard as your equal is false. I know of several people whom I feel are not equal to me in many respects (GPA, logical thinking, etc.), but I would still die for them because I care about them.

Even though people consider me an atheist, I am not out to get anyone. I, for one, do not see why I should thank God for our existence when I see little evidence of His cre-

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Fight pre-break procrastination



MARK ANDERSON

That proverbial light you see at the end of the tunnel of school is, in fact, the glimmer of spring break. Take a minute, relax, and imagine the beautiful beach and sunrises you can take in and envision yourself without a care for N.C. State.

Whoa, slow down. I really want you to imagine your vacation, whatever it may be. Mentally throw your books and schoolwork in the corner. Draw up a plan for your week off. If you so desire.

OK, are you finished? De-stressing yourself is wonderful and revitalizing. It is even encouraged for healthful living.

Now that you are relaxed, go pick up those books in the corner. Brush off the dust and cobwebs. We have seven days of classes left, pal. Some students, however, may be far too indulged in their little imaginary "spring break."

But, you are not that student! You are ready for the professors' joint onslaught of their regular pre-break test cramming. You might have a rest, a couple of papers due and reams of homework assignments to complete. They will all get done, sooner or later, you're thinking.

Alas, I come to the heart of the problem we all face: procrastination.

Let me spell it out for you. If you procrastinate, you are not disciplined. If you are not disciplined, you get behind in your schoolwork. If you get behind in your schoolwork, you start missing assignments. If you start missing assignments, you fare poorly on quizzes. If you fare poorly on quizzes, you fail tests. And if you fail tests, you feel stupid.

At this point, you have many options. 1) You rationalize your poor academic performance, citing a lack of motivation or defective instruction. For example, "My teacher doesn't teach!" is a classic fault-finding one-liner. 2) You suck it up and start studying. The choice

is yours.

Let me save you the time of reasoning out your academic decadence. Stop looking for the root of the motivation, be it academic glory or the satisfaction of receiving good grades. Start studying just to develop your discipline.

Now that you are convinced I am somehow misguided, allow me to offer a disclaimer. The college experience develops superior knowledge and thinking skills, right? Well, for us procrastinators, college also offers an opportunity to develop discipline.

Some of us will step up and trudge through the mud of academic responsibilities. Others will not make it, even flunk out or quit before that harsh reality comes.

So, take the chance to grow a bit into a disciplined student. You will be glad you did when the rewards start rolling in. Shucks, you might even enjoy the work. Who knows?

I realize this column's focus really only applies to a couple dozen students out there. You know who you are. Very few really struggle with

the procrastination beast.

If the undisciplined virus has infected you, do take comfort in that promise of spring break. But, you professors, teachers and instructors will have plenty more opportunities for you when you return.

Pope John Paul II quoted a wise teacher when he said, "Be not afraid!"

Indeed, failure in the academic arena is not a drama. Recurring failure is a tragedy. Addressing that procrastination problem will start the recovery to discipline.

Finally, I give you a second disclaimer. Despite my self-help writing style, I truly believe that procrastination is a serious, yet silent, plague that ravages university students. Do not put off this urgent problem for the seemingly distant post-spring break week.

Comments, suggestions? Or would you like to share your own autobiography with Mark? Just email him at mhandler2@unity.ncsu.edu. Have a wonderful day...today.

She loves Raleigh in the spring time



RACHAEL QUERCUSA

A new spring is dawning upon us. Flowers are blooming, trees are budding, young love is

in the air and everyone is happy. Spring is truly the season of "rebirth."

As I walk around campus, I see students actually enjoying going to class. Students are finally able to break out from those dungeons of recirculated air; dorm rooms.

This early onset of spring has been needed. We have just gone through one of the strangest winters North Carolina has ever seen. Now, don't get me wrong, I thoroughly enjoyed the five snows we had. It was

definitely fun and it got us out of school.

Yet, the feeling that the snow brought to campus was nothing in comparison to what spring brings. I remember during the snow feeling a real sense of community among N.C. State students. Yet, during the spring the community feeling is only amplified.

As I walk around, I am delighted to see students studying outside on the grassy knolls. Playing their guitars, volleyball or just throwing a football. Also, my ears perk up to hear music blasting through Central Campus from open dorm windows.

Students appear to be more active and enjoyable, even if they have two tests, a paper and a presentation due all in the same week. This new feeling on our campus is a breath of fresh air that we all needed after our crazy winter. Now that spring is here, you of course have to jump on

the handwagon and enjoy it.

I was trying to compile a list with some of my friends of my favorite things to do during springtime. Take some of the suggestions and try them. I promise you will have a good time.

Study outside. This is a pretty typical one. It is something to vary your study patterns. You may get less studying done, but at least you are enjoying yourself while you do it.

Go play. recruit your friends for a game of soccer, football, ultimate frisbee or baseball. It is a good way to relieve mid-semester stress and get some quality exercise without even knowing it. You may even pick up or improve some of those athletic skills.

Go drive. roll your windows down, take off your car's top or engage the convertible option and blast your favorite song. Take a drive to an area of North Carolina

you have never seen. The scenery will be beautiful and you never know what you will run into. I promise that driving by yourself or with a friend can be a thought-engaging process.

Take a road trip. This sort of goes along with "go drive." Spring is the perfect time to go to the beach or mountains. It is great weather, not too hot and not too cold; and, on the way to your final destination, you can enjoy the drive.

Eat dinner or have a drink at an outdoor cafe. There are many restaurants very close to NCSU that have outdoor eating areas. Take advantage of them.

Go on a picnic. I know you all did this when you were little. They are fun and pretty inexpensive. They are always a good option to surprise that special someone.

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MARKS

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squarely on one side of the fence or the other, well, I'd rather just knock the fence down. Or move on to another past, or do it in the dead of night when no one else can see my feet or where they're standing.

Issues are just too personal for me to share. Now, in light of some of my past columns, I am aware of the irony in such a statement. And yet, it's a whole lot easier for me to talk about the abstract questions than to confront abortion or affirmative action or whatever else and say that I am right and someone else is wrong.

For one, who am I to decide such a thing? I mean, I do and we all do; we each have to figure out the truths that we want to live our lives by. But who am I to go around saying that my truth is truer, that my right is righter, that I can even pretend to know how a thing should be? And who am I to inflame that truth upon someone else?

Sometimes opinions just seem like very obnoxious things to have.

And then there's another problem: what if I'm wrong? What if, in stating something as a matter-of-fact what I feel in my head, I am really only showing how misguided or uneducated or mistaken I am? What if I have to defend what I believe? It's risky expressing opinions. When you say "yes," you have to defend yourself against all the "no's." I might be persuaded. I might lose conviction. Or I might cause someone else to.

Worst of all, it might cost me by the way of friends or respect. And there's just something about laying out that which we feel most passionate about.

Also at the heart of the matter is that I don't like confrontation. And presenting just one side of an argument (mine) seems far too confrontational for little of me.

There's a danger in vocally claiming an opinion. When you set yourself up as being clearly one thing over another there's the risk of sacrificing your ability to be open-minded. You get the sense that the other side is there, waiting to hit you over the head and so you go on the defensive.

All of a sudden you're so caught up in making sure that they hear what you're saying that you don't listen to them and vice versa. Because you've both put something out there that you hold dear and gotten attacked for it, you both just cling to it all the more stubbornly. You become more concerned with being right than about finding out what is right. There's no growth, no adaptation and no real way to meet eye to eye. After tense words or slanted glances, the issue is closed.

You could have just listened to each other in a rational manner, had a conversation and expressed opinions without expressing them as opinions. Things just seem to flow better that way.

And so, I don't offer up my opinions easily. I discuss them if the issue arises or when I think I have something to gain from pondering over the matter with considerate and thoughtful souls. But I don't wear my political or religious affiliations on my sleeve—regardless of whatever else I might wear there.

That's a funny thing to read in an opinion column, to be sure, but perhaps as close to an opinion as I get.

Kelly's still waiting for the ding-ding, but for the time being she'll settle for e-mail (but only if you really want to). Hit her at kmmarks@unity.ncsu.edu.

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ating us. If there where no religions, I would still have meaning in my life. In my case, it is trying to make life better for others and finding the truth that keeps me going.

This brings me to the next point. To get a better understanding of things (classes, etc.), one can ask questions. Questions are an expression of doubt. If I doubt something, I ask a question to get a better understanding of the subject.

If we accepted every statement on faith, that would be detrimental to our lives and, in some cases, just plain dangerous. You do not accept what a car salesman says on faith. Neither should one do the same for the Bible, which is supposed to be a guiding document for your life. And through many questions, I have become what many call an atheist, and so have many other people.

In closing, I can honestly say that Mr. Riddick has reaffirmed my decision not to embrace Christianity and the Bible.

Franz Enders
Senior
Civil Engineering

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Take a stroll in a local park...there are so many small and cute parks in the Raleigh area that are never used. If you live in the city of Raleigh, then you pay city taxes that go to maintain these parks. Exploit the taxpayers' money and explore our park system.

Spring is a time to get in touch with your childish side. During the spring, you can rejuvenate yourself. Even if you don't enjoy spring, just think from here on out it just gets hotter.

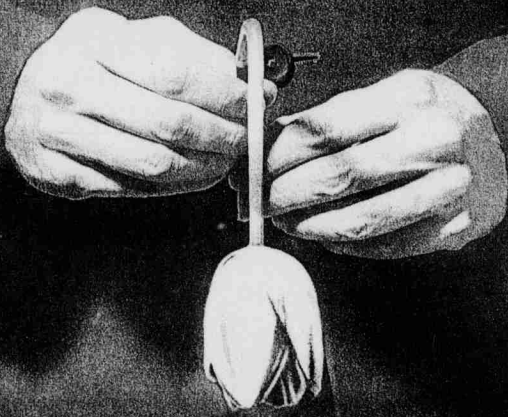
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N.C. State wraps up regular season in Tallahassee

◆ N.C. State gets one last shot on the road when it takes on Florida State on Sunday.

JONATHAN HONEYCUTT
Staff Writer

Currently on a seven-game losing streak, the N.C. State men's basketball team travels to Tallahassee, Fla., to take on the Florida State Seminoles on Sunday at 1 p.m.
The trip to Florida State may not be exactly what the Wolfpack needs right now.

WHAT: BASKETBALL
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The Pack is 0-7 on the road this season and the conference opponents. And the Wolfpack has never beaten Florida State in Tallahassee.
Florida State is coming off an impressive week-end victory over Virginia, the ACC's third place team. With the win, the Seminoles improved to 11-14 overall and 6-8 in the conference.

Although Florida State's record does not resemble that of a team bound for the NCAA tournament, the 'Noles have a lot of firepower.
Ron Hale is fifth in the league in scoring with 16.4 points per game while teammate Damous Anderson ranks eighth, averaging 15.8. Anderson also ranks fourth in the conference in field-goal percentage (.529) and leads the league in three-point percentage (.452).
Other key players for the Seminoles include guard Delvin Arrington, who ranks second in the ACC with 6.5 assists per game, and David Anderson,

who ranks in the top 10 in blocked shots.
The Pack looks to regroup and end the regular season on a winning note heading into next weekend's ACC Tournament in Charlotte.
With a victory against the 'Noles, the Pack could finish as high as fifth in the conference despite a 6-10 record. With yet another road loss, the Pack could end up in one of next Thursday's play-in games.
The only way State can hope to make the NCAA field of 64 would be to make some noise in the ACC tournament. However, the team has blown

leads against ACC cellar dwellers Clemson and Georgia Tech in the last two outings.
In last Sunday's home game against Clemson, the Pack led by 10 points with less than seven minutes remaining in the ball game but lost by three.
What was once thought to be a promising season and a definite return to the NCAA tournament has dwindled to one last regular-season road game to decide where the Pack will place in the final conference standings.
"It's been a tale of two seasons for head coach Herb Sendek said. "The first season we were 15-4, we

had cracked the top 25, and certainly had made another stride of progress. The second season, we have lost seven consecutive games, five by a total of 25 points, and have competed tooth and nail...but for a variety of circumstances have fallen short."
Justin Gaaney, playing in his last regular-season ACC game, will once again attempt to lead the Pack to victory. Freshman Marshall Williams, who has been sidelined for several weeks with a knee injury, does not look like he will be available for action Sunday.

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COMMENTARY

Summing up the ACC tourney

JEREMY ASHTON

It's amazing how quickly things can change in the world of women's basketball.

For example, the pecking order in the Atlantic Coast Conference seemed to be clear enough three weeks ago.

N.C. State and Duke were the frontrunners with Virginia running a close

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

third. Clemson was a middle-tier team. And North Carolina, who began the season as the favorite to win the conference, was falling fast without its star player, Nikki Teasley.
But on the verge of the conference tournament, the situation in the ACC is now decidedly different.

State and Duke are still among the best in the conference but injuries to key players have caused them to drop in both the standings and the national polls. Summer Erb, the defending ACC Player of the Year, broke her foot against North Carolina on Feb. 3. The Pack initially didn't appear to miss her much but lost three in a row to end the season.

Duke's Peppi Brown was lost for the season after tearing the anterior cruciate ligament in her right knee against UNC on Jan. 27. The Blue Devils immediately lost their next two games, including a 63-62 loss at home to Maryland.

None of the top three, State, Duke and Virginia, has looked untouchable like they did in the first half of the season.

State's first two losses during its losing streak came on the road against Duke and Virginia, but the last one was a 69-52 loss at home to Georgia Tech. Duke rebounded nicely from losing Brown, but lost its final game of the regular season to UNC. Meanwhile, Virginia appeared to be cruising along as the ACC's top seed, then lost to Maryland 76-71 in its next-to-last game.

While the top seeds have shown signs of vulnerability, Carolina has bounced back nicely from its slump. The Tar Heels hit rock bottom when

Tournament time

◆ The ACC women's basketball tournament begins Friday in Greensboro.

ROB GODFREY
Staff Writer

Atlantic Coast Conference women's basketball teams and fans will converge at the Greensboro Coliseum for the 2000 women's basketball tournament beginning Friday evening with a game between seventh-seeded Maryland and eighth-seeded Florida State.

Greensboro, N.C., hosts its first ACC women's tournament, having been the site of post-season college basketball tournaments that include the 1974 men's Final Four and last year's NCAA women's East Regional Championships.
N.C. State head coach Kay Yow embraces the tournament's move not just because she grew up 14 miles east of the city. Rather, Yow sees the move as an improvement, in terms of facilities, from the Charlotte Independence Arena, where the tournament was played the past three years.

"I think it's great to play in Greensboro," Yow said. "The surroundings, the environment, the atmosphere, I

feel is much better about playing there than the building we were playing in down in Charlotte. They have played the men's tournament there and last year they played the women's regional."

Likewise, the tournament's new home (until 2002) means more exposure and could translate into better player productivity, according to Yow.

"To me, you can do anything better if you're in a better place, or the right place," Yow said. "The ACC office is in Greensboro, and they have been promoting the event much more than in past years. They have great hospitality packages, and I think this could be the biggest tournament ever."

Whether a new venue means better player productivity or not, this is still the ACC tournament. And no matter where the actual games take place, which team will win the tourney title is hardly a foregone conclusion.

The battle between Duke, N.C. State and Virginia for the number one spot was fierce and the regular season title was up for grabs in the final week.

In the end, Virginia won its seventh regular season title in 10 years, securing the tournament's top seed. As the top seed, the Cavaliers (22-7, 13-3 ACC), led by first team All-ACC member Svetlana Volnaya, will meet the ninth seed, Wake Forest in Friday night's second game.

Virginia edged Wake Forest (7-20, 3-13) 77-71 to conclude the regular season on Sunday. The winner is idle on Saturday and takes on the winner of the Clemson-North Carolina game Sunday at 1 p.m.

The other Friday night game pits Maryland against Florida State. Maryland, owner of more ACC tournament titles than any other school, will rely heavily on the shooting abilities of Marche Strickland, the ACC's third leading scorer.

Friday night's seven-eight night victory moves on to meet No. 2-seeded Duke, a team that clinched a 1999 Final Four

birth in the Greensboro Coliseum last season.
Duke (23-5, 12-4), playing without leader Peppi Browne, still thrives on a scoring threat in junior Georgia Schweitzer. Schweitzer averages more than 14 points per game, makes almost 42 percent of her three-point attempts and averages better than three assists per game.

"Duke, without Peppi Browne, has held its own, it seems," Yow said. "They still have Schweitzer and got big wins over North Carolina and then over us when we played them away."

Yow's Wolfpack check in as a three seed, meaning they'll face Georgia Tech, a familiar foe, on Saturday at 6 p.m.

Tech's Yellow Jackets (14-12, 7-9) upset State (20-7, 11-5) on Senior Day at Reynolds Coliseum 69-52. If State wants to avenge that loss, they need to shoot better and play better defense.

Tech shot 50 percent while the Pack made a measly 35 percent from the floor; moreover, the Jackets grabbed nine more rebounds than their opponent did.

"We need to come out ready and energized," Yow said. "Expectations are high; it's the ACC tournament."

Winners of four straight, Sylvia Hatchell appears to have her Tar Heels (16-11, 8-8) ready to contend for the ACC championship. This wasn't the case a month ago, however, when Carolina lost eight games in 10 contests. At 3-7, the absence of star Nikki Teasley had limited the Heels' offensive production as their record reflected.

But Teasley is back and so is Carolina. Playing as the tournament's fifth seed against fourth-seeded Clemson (18-10, 9-7), the defending ACC champions, Carolina has the momentum going into the tournament.

"I think the hottest team [in the tournament] might be North Carolina," Yow said. "They've won four in a row and they knew their backs were against the wall. And I really think they might have already played their ways into the NCAAs."



Tynasha Lewis and the Wolfpack are the three seed in the ACC's.

Leader of the Pack

◆ Lewis looks to lead Pack to ACC Tournament Championship.

DAVID HOBGOOD
Staff Writer

In her third season here in Raleigh, junior guard Tynasha Lewis has accomplished many things. And when asking her what her goals are for the remainder of this season, you'll get the following response: "64, 32, 16, 8, 4, 2, 1, Party." In other words, Lewis wants to bring a national championship trophy home from Philadelphia, the site of this year's Final Four.

Ever since Lewis draped the red and white jersey over her shoulders, she has provided the Wolfpack with nearly every positive aspect a coach could look for in a player. She excels in every aspect ranging from shooting, rebounding, ball-handling, penetrating, defense, and intensity.

However, before Lewis brought her versatile game to Raleigh, she had gained much acclaim during her prep career. During her career at Southwest Edgecombe High, Lewis averaged 18.4 points and 7.2 rebounds while leading them to a 109-11 record

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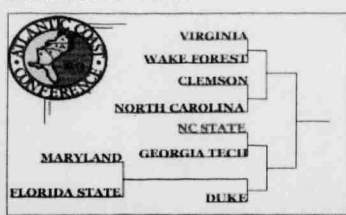
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Coach of the Year
Kay Yow, N.C. State (3)
Debbie Ryan, Virginia (3)



N.C. State

Conference Standing: 3rd
Record: 11-5, 20-7
Key Players: Without Summer Erb, a first team All-ACC member, the Pack has depended on freshman Kaayla Chones, junior Tynasha Lewis, and an array of scorers and defenders off the bench.
Key Games: Dropping two games to Virginia, the Pack played themselves out of the number one seed. But ACC highlights include two wins over UNC, and an OT win over Duke.
Best ACC tournament finish: Champion (1980, 1985, 1987, and 1991)

Maryland

Conference Standing: 6th
Record: 7-9, 14-12
Key Players: An honorable mention in All-ACC voting, Yellow Jacket Jamie Kruppa is third in the ACC in rebounds.
Key Games: The Yellow Jackets spoiled senior day at Reynolds Coliseum in a 17 point drubbing of the Pack. Also, Tech stole a victory over depleted UNC on Jan. 13.
Best ACC tournament finish: Runner-up (1992)

Wake Forest

Conference Standing: 9th
Record: 3-13, 7-20
Key Players: Alisha Mosley is a Demon Deacon leader who ranks in the top 15 in scoring and in the top eight in other statistical categories.
Key Games: Wake Forest held its own in games with Virginia, the Deacons' opponent Friday night. Furthermore, the team did one thing the school's men's team couldn't do: beat Davidson.
Best ACC tournament finish: Semifinals (1986, 1988)

Clemson

Conference Standing: 4th
Record: 9-7, 18-10
Key Players: Angie Cossy and Chrissy Floyd lead the Tigers into the tournament as the defending champion. Cossy is the best free throw shooter in ACC (.836) and the second best shooter in the conference (.454).
Key Games: Clemson beat State 71-56 when the Pack was no. 3 nationally and took Virginia to double OT in Charlottesville.
Best ACC tournament finish: Champion (1996, and 1999)

Georgia Tech

Conference Standing: 6th
Record: 7-9, 14-12
Key Players: An honorable mention in All-ACC voting, Yellow Jacket Jamie Kruppa is third in the ACC in rebounds.
Key Games: The Yellow Jackets spoiled senior day at Reynolds Coliseum in a 17 point drubbing of the Pack. Also, Tech stole a victory over depleted UNC on Jan. 13.
Best ACC tournament finish: Runner-up (1992)

Virginia

Conference Standing: 1st
Record: 13-3 ACC, 22-7 overall
Key Players: The Cavaliers placed Svetlana Volnaya on the All-ACC first team and senior guard Renee Robinson made the second team.
Key Games: Virginia swept N.C. State, split with Duke, and split with North Carolina (the Tar Heels won the second game in OT) en route to a 13-3 ACC record, good enough for a seventh regular season championship.
Best ACC tournament finish: Champion (1990, 1992, and 1993)

Duke

Conference Standing: 2nd
Record: 12-4, 23-5
Key Players: Although the Blue Devils lost senior leader Peppi Browne for the season, junior Georgia Schweitzer, first team All-ACC, has been a mainstay among conference scoring leaders.
Key Games: The Blue Devils avenged a loss at N.C. State with a 70-64 win over the Wolfpack at Cameron. Additionally, Duke routed UNC 101-58 at home only to fall to the Heels in Chapel Hill.
Best ACC tournament finish: Runner-up (1995, 1996)

UNC

Conference Standing: 5th
Record: 8-8, 16-11
Key Players: Nikki Teasley sat out for a month and the Heels hit rock bottom. She's back and the Heels are back. LaQuanda Barksdale, a junior guard, is the top scorer in the conference with 15.5 points per game.
Key Games: Although the Heels dropped both games versus State, they boast a 66-63 OT win over Virginia and a win over Duke.
Best ACC tournament finish: Champion (1994, 1994, 1995, 1997, and 1998)

Florida State

Conference Standing: 8th
Record: 4-12, 11-16
Key Players: Latavia Coleman and Brooke Wycoff are top 15 ACC scorers. Wycoff landed a spot on the All-ACC third team.
Key Games: Florida State's women's basketball team swept Tech, the tournament's sixth seed, and picked up a win over Maryland along with several non-conference victories over St. John's and Tulsa.
Best ACC tournament finish: Quarterfinals (1996-the school's only tourney win)