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In the NEWS

Undergraduate seminar to be presented

An undergraduate seminar will be conducted on Thursday, March 23, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Winston 122.

The seminar, titled "The Other Europe: Political Risk and Market Opportunity in Central Europe," will be presented by Jochen Lorenzen of Copenhagen Business School, and Erik Jones of Nottingham University.

The event is sponsored by the Duke/UNC European Union Center and the N.C. State Center for Global Competitiveness. Everyone is invited to attend the seminar.

Triangle Transit Authority holds job fair

The Triangle Transit Authority will hold a job fair on Thursday, March 23 at Durham Marriott at the Civic Center, 201 Foster Street, in downtown Durham.

The Durham County Department of Social Services is partnering with the TTA for the event, which is part of Governor Hunt's "March to Work" month in North Carolina. The event is meant to emphasize the importance of jobs as part of welfare reform and assisting those seeking jobs, at both the entry and experienced levels, in finding them.

The job fair will also help employers broaden their market for workers.

The March 23 job fair will host around 50 area employers representing a wide variety of fields including technical/professional, health care, hotel, restaurant, administrative, financial, sales, service, trades, industrial and military. Job openings include entry level, advance level, full-time, part-time and summer positions.

The job fair will run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. No fee or advance registration is required. For more information, call 485-7469.

Events planned for BGLA Awareness week

March 20-24 is Bisexuals, Gays, Lesbians and Allies Awareness Week at N.C. State, which runs simultaneously with Human Rights Week.

In observance of the week, several daily events were planned. The rest of the week's plans include the following.

On Wednesday, March 22, there will be an information table in the brickyard from noon to 1 p.m. It is also Jeans Day, on which supporters wear jeans to support gay and lesbian equality.

On Thursday, March 23, guest speaker Ian Palmquist of Equality N.C. PAC will speak about North Carolina laws and policies regarding homosexuality. The talk will be in 221 Hargett Hall from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Participants are asked to bring a bag lunch.

On Friday, March 24, there will be a BGLA party at 9 p.m.

The events are open to all members of the NCSU and the Triangle community.

Reading and Poetry Contest part of poetry festival

As part of the Owen-Walters Creative Writing series, poet Kathryn Stripling Byer will read some of her work during a poetry reading and competition.

The event, which is sponsored by the N.C. State Department of English, will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 11 in the Caldwell Lounge.

The winner of the poetry competition will be announced at the reading.

The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact the English Department at 515-4109.

Tulsa Riots victim speaks to NCSU

John Hope Franklin will speak at the Park Scholars' Second Annual Symposium about his experience of the race war when he was six years old.

EMILY TOWNLEY
Senior Staff Writer

The Park Scholars invite all students, faculty, staff and members of the community to attend their Second Annual Symposium, featuring keynote speaker John Hope Franklin, tonight in Stewart Theater at 6 p.m.

Franklin's topic, "The Tulsa Race Riots of 1921: Reflections of a Near Victim and a Historian," will offer the facts, as well as a personal account, of our nation's deadliest, yet least publicized, racial conflict.

"We want to raise the level of discussion and awareness of this issue because most people really know very little about it," said Michele Tam, co-chair of the Park Scholars Symposium planning committee.

According to Tam, the Park

Scholars see this annual event as a forum through which nationally renowned individuals may share their experiences and ideas with future leaders. Through this annual symposium, the Park Scholars hope to "raise the issue of leadership on campus."

Last year's symposium, held in the Campus Cinema, provided the opportunity for 300-400 members of the N.C. State community to hear Barry Munitz, keynote speaker, as well as set the precedence for further symposiums, according to Tam.

"We made a name for the Park Scholars Symposium last year," said Tam. "It is my goal in the future to see this become a very big annual activity that everyone gets excited about attending. I hope to have Stewart Theater packed."

People don't have the opportunity to hear a figure of the caliber of John Hope Franklin speak very often, Tam said. The Park Scholars hope to "make people think about and discuss [the Tulsa race riots]."

During the Tulsa riots, thousands of white people destroyed almost 35 square blocks of an affluent, black business district

and left as many as 300 African Americans dead. For over 70 years, however, the race riots were kept out of the public's eye.

The Tulsa Race Riot Commission was created in 1997, allowing new details of the riots and the heinous crimes committed during that time to continue to surface.

Franklin, age six at the time of the race war, will speak this evening on the events that preceded the Tulsa Race Riots, as well as on its incredible impact on the community, on the black citizens of Tulsa and on his own personal development.

Through John Hope Franklin's lecture, we will be able to gain perspective from someone who has lived through history," Tam said. "He has lived through the history that I learn from textbooks, and he is able to teach it."

Franklin is perhaps best known for his book, "From Slavery to

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THE TULSA RACE RIOT OF 1921

REFLECTIONS OF A NEAR VICTIM AND A HISTORIAN

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22
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STEWART THEATRE, NCSU

Freedom: A History of African Americans," now in its eighth edition.

In addition, Franklin has written numerous books, essays and reviews on such topics as the Civil War, African American history, race relations and the history of the southern United States. He is a James B. Duke Professor of History Emeritus and was a professor of legal history at Duke University's law school for seven years.

He has recently served as Chairman of the Advisory Board to the President's Initiative on Race and on the National Parks System Advisory Board.

Additionally, he worked as a historical consultant to Steven Spielberg's *Amistad* and has been featured in several PBS documentaries.

The symposium will begin at 6 p.m. this evening and will be followed by a reception and book signing, sponsored by Quail Ridge Books, in the Talley Student Center Ballroom at 7 p.m.

For more information, email Park Scholars, park_symposium@hotmail.com, or consult their web site, www.ncsu.edu/park_scholars/symposium.

Mind, Body & Soul



In a demonstration designed to spread awareness of an art, which China has banned, Wen Li practices Falun Dafa near Hargett Hall.

Phi Kappa Phi inducts top students

One of N.C. State's top national honor society recently recognized over 100 students with outstanding academic records.

LEE ROBERTSON
Staff Writer

Phi Kappa Phi, one of two national honor societies at N.C. State that recognize outstanding achievement in more than one discipline, held its annual induction ceremony on Monday night in Talley Student Center. Several hundred people attended the ceremony, which included remarks from the National Phi Kappa Phi President-elect Wendall McKenzie and NCSU Chancellor Marye Anne Fox.

The NCSU Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1923. Since then, it has inducted some of the most academically successful students at NCSU. This year, over 100 students, faculty and alumni were inducted as new members. According to the program of Monday's ceremony, "The primary objective of the national Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is the recognition and encouragement of superior scholarship in all academic disciplines."

The students who were inducted into Phi Kappa Phi live up to this standard. The requirements for induction into Phi Kappa Phi are very strict. According to Grace Finkle,



Chancellor Fox and Provost Hall welcome a new inductee.

public relations officer and immediate past president of the chapter, several groups of students and one group of faculty are inducted each year. This year's inductees included juniors, seniors, graduate students, students at the School of Veterinary Medicine, faculty and distinguished alumni.

Finkle went on to explain the criteria for induction. From the junior class, only 3 percent of students were chosen, and from the senior class, only 6 percent. Each of the 100 students chosen had a grade point average of 4.0 and each of the seniors chosen had a grade point average of 3.887.

Graduates students also had grade point averages of 4.0. Each undergraduate student inducted was required to have at least 45 hours of credit from NCSU.

"We have such incredible brainpower at NCSU," said Finkle.

Academics are not the only part of this induction process. Phi Kappa Phi requires that its members not only excel in academia, but also be of good character.

Several awards were also given at Monday's ceremony. The Ben R. Morris Fellowship Award is given to some of the top members of the senior class.

"Ben Morris was our alumnus who gave a generous donation to Phi Kappa Phi," said Finkle.

That money has been put to use providing fellowships for top students to assist with the cost of graduate school.

This year's Ben Morris Fellowship Awards went to

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Faculty trade cozy homes for bustling Duke dorms

TREV DRUIS
The Chronicle (Duke U)

(U-WIRE) DURHAM, N.C. — After going through the freshman 15, the sophomore slump and senioritis, many people are happy to leave college and dorm life behind. However, in 10 East Campus residence halls and in a few houses in Trent and on West Campus, some Duke University professors choose to live side-by-side with students and be as much a part of everyday dorm life as any 18-year-old.

"In my advanced middle age, I am stimulated by the energy and freshness of 18-year-olds," said Bill Allard, a math professor and

Southgate's faculty-in-residence, who joined the program when his children left home. "The only drawback as far as I am concerned is occasional noise from drunk students in the wee hours of the morning."

Through the faculty-in-residence program, which has existed in some form for almost three decades, Duke professors serve three-year terms living in spacious apartments in on-campus residence halls. "I think most of them enjoy the more frequent and informal interaction with students," said Associate Dean for Residential Life, Benjamin Ward, the program's director and an associate professor of

philosophy who lives in the Arts Theme House.

Angie McCord, a Trinity freshman and Southgate resident, feels that Allard is very supportive of residents. "He attends all our [House Council] meetings and is really helpful with that," McCord said.

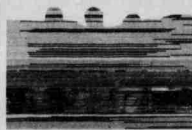
Dean of Trinity College Bob Thompson feels this sort of involvement is very important, and he explained why the majority of faculty-in-residence live on East. "The program is one that affects the first-year campus primarily and is a good way to introduce first-year students to interacting with fac-

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Service with a Smile

Halbert goes undercover in food service. Check out Opinion for his findings.



Cuba in Spring

What started out with Salsa turned into a great educational experience...See A+E.

Pack in Action

Sports has the details of Tuesday's NIT action at the ESA.



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Classification

Opening Dates

Graduate Students

121+ Hours Passed
111-120 Hours Passed
101-110 Hours Passed
92-100 Hours Passed
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Seniors

March 22

March 23
March 24
March 27
March 28
March 28

Juniors

84-91 Hours Passed
77-83 Hours Passed
70-76 Hours Passed
64-69 Hours Passed
60-63 Hours Passed
AGI (01)

March 29
March 30
March 31
April 3
April 4
April 4

Sophomores

54-59 Hours Passed
50-53 Hours Passed
47-49 Hours Passed
44-46 Hours Passed
40-43 Hours Passed
35-39 Hours Passed
30-34 Hours Passed

April 6
April 7
April 10
April 11
April 12
April 13
April 14

Freshman

23-29 Hours Passed
19-22 Hours Passed
17-18 Hours Passed
16 Hours Passed
15 Hours Passed
12-14 Hours Passed
0 - 11 Hours Passed
UGS, PBS

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April 24
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April 26
July 8

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ulty outside of the classroom," said Thompson.

Participants receive free housing and a paid six-month leave after their three years of service, but Ward said these incentives were minor compared to the more intangible benefits of faculty-student interaction.

"I enjoy their conversations, their ideas, their diversity, their intelligence, their passion, their lives," said Dalene Stangl, an assistant professor of the practice of statistics and faculty-in-residence in Bassett Dormitory. In return, Stangl said she and her husband, Rick Richardson, offer the residents a sense of family and community.

For Stangl, the benefits of closeness come with drawbacks, and she said the hardest part of her job is "watching the destructive parts of campus culture such as drinking, exam cramming and selective rush."

However, she likes being available to help residents through these times. She pointed to a diary entry sent to her by a former resident who had taken a semester off from Duke. "There is not much in this world that anyone could give me that I would cherish more than the story that student shared with me," said Stangl.

This year, there are five openings for the faculty-in-residence program. Before 1998, faculty could only serve one term, but the standard changed after Thompson formed a review committee that decided faculty could be reappointed. Ward stressed that only the very best candidates are reappointed.

While Stangl's reappointment application included 65 letters of recommendation collected from residents, advisers and parents, not all students have such glowing praise for the program.

"I've never met my faculty-in-residence," said Trinity freshman Matthew Signer, who could not even think of the professor's name. Suzanne Lieb, also a Trinity freshman, does not interact with her

faculty-in-residence, but she has met both Allard and Stangl when visiting friends in other dorms. "Southgate's and Bassett's I know are really good," Lieb said.

Stangl conceded that some parts of the program are not up to par. "There is a lot of variability. There is definitely a learning curve," she said, adding that the first year in dorms can be a tough for professors.

Vincenzo Quadri, an assistant professor of economics, lived in Gilbert-Addoms dormitory for the first time this year and is satisfied with his experience overall.

"I'm experiencing now the dormitory experience I never had," said Quadri, explaining that as a student in Europe, he never lived on a college campus. Quadri said he has hosted student dinners and discussions and helped residents with their economics problem sets. However, he said, a lot of the success of such a program depends on student support.

"You need the willingness of students to participate in those meetings," Quadri said.

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Christopher B. Truman who won \$700 and honorable mention for the national fellowship. Albert J. Whangbo won \$1,800 and is NCSU's chapter nominee for the national fellowship, which will be decided this weekend.

According to Finkle, NCSU has

had 14 award winners of the national fellowships in the past 15 years.

Being selected for membership into Phi Kappa Phi is an honor, and one would think that everyone who was invited would join. This, however, is not the case.

"The thing is, all these great students get invitations, but only about 50 percent join Phi Kappa Phi," said Finkle.

At Monday's ceremony, the

importance of the name and mystique of Phi Kappa Phi was explained. The motto of Phi Kappa Phi is "let the love of learning rule humanity."

"The Greek letters Phi Kappa Phi are the initials of the society's motto: Philosophia Krateito Photon-Let the Love of Learning Rule Humanity," said A. Wayne Lucy, the regional vice president of the organization.

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Opinion



Hillsborough Street 1989

Wait staff undercover



MIKE HALBERT

I have just completed an experiment of epic proportions. Let me tell you all about it:

A few years ago, a friend of mine said to me that waiters and waitresses were overworked and underpaid. I argued the opposite side of the issue to my friend, saying that they were making plenty of money for such a low-skill job that required a small amount of work. To that point, my friend replied that she believed that every person in America should hold a job on the wait staff of a restaurant in order to gain full appreciation of the joys and trials of the server. I just laughed and said that someday I would prove her wrong.

A few years came and went and I settled into a real career-track job and a school career, and I forgot about the conversation until one day about five months ago. I needed money for a show that I was going to see and figured that now

would be the best time to prove my point to myself. So, finally, this year I took the old friend of mine up on her dare. I went in one day to a local restaurant and applied for a job as a server. Sure, I had to cut back my hours at my real job and school suffered a little bit, but, hey, it was all in the name of science, so I figured I could sacrifice.

What I found in the little-known realm of the restaurant was incredible; nearly everything my friend had said was true!

The servers in this country truly are underpaid and they work very hard, but those were not the main issues affecting most people on the wait staff at my workplace. The most important and most unexpected realization I came to was that most people in this country do not know how to give gratitude correctly and do not understand how a restaurant functions. I am here today to clear up the confusion and hopefully help make servers around the world a happier group.

The first issue at hand is the way that a restaurant functions. Here is how your friendly everyday waiter

makes his (or her) money: Each server is assigned a section of tables depending on skill. In order for the servers to make the optimal amount of money for themselves, they must "turn tables" quickly. What this means for those not schooled in the jargon of restaurants is that the wait staff wants as many people to come and eat at their tables as possible.

What patrons of restaurants do not realize is that every minute that they spend chatting it up at a server's table is costing that server money! By camping out for hours at a table in that server's section, you the customer are pulling cash out of their hands.

Now, I know that sounds harsh and I am not suggesting that everyone eat in silence as quickly as possible, pay and then bolt for the door.

What I am saying is that everyone should use a little common sense and remember how that friendly server of yours is making his rent money tonight. Just go into the restaurant, have a nice dinner, yak it up a little and then be on your

way. Don't spend an extra hour at a table talking about the wart on your left foot or your dog's last operation, because that table is a money-making tool for a waiter.

Also, if someone drops you hints about the store closing or starts cleaning up near you and rolling silverware in her section, that means that person is ready to go home for the night and it is time for you to leave. It is really easy; just use common sense and remember how these places work.

The second issue is gratuity. Now, I know that for many of you this is a sore subject because you don't feel it is important to tip well. But I want you to hear me out and think about it before you blow this section of my column off.

Let me tell you first that I was amazed at the differences in tips I personally received from different parties given the same quality of service.

I found that there are gender differences in tipping, cultural differences in tipping and even sexual orientation.

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TECHNICIAN'S VIEW Second-hand primaries?

George W. Bush and Al Gore will be the Republican and Democratic presidential nominees, respectively. There is nothing nec-

essarily wrong with those choices; what is wrong is that those decisions were made a mere six weeks into an 18-week primary season.

The "Super Tuesday" results of March 7 nullified the votes of states whose primaries will continue into June 6.

It is already a cliché to say that the nominations are "locked up." What such a phrase means, however, is that some states have swallowed the key which allows other states to "unlock" those results.

White Iowa, New Hampshire, South Carolina and California decided the presidency; other powerful states like Illinois, Florida and Colorado were left with hand-me-down nominees. Many states did not have the luxury of voting for Orrin Hatch, Gary Bauer or John McCain. Such denial is unfair—and Washington bigwigs recognize that injustice.

Proposed amendments to the primary calendar only replace current problems with new ones, however. The major proposals under consideration include voting according to regional blocs, voting according to time zones, voting according to land area, in ascending order, and voting according to alphabetical

order. Dividing the nation into rotating blocs of power, with the East beginning in 2004, the South in 2008, the Midwest in 2012 and the West in 2016 would succeed in leveling the playing field of influence. It would err, however, in favoring certain candidates; conservatives would lock up the elections of 2008 and 2012, while liberals would likely win in 2004 and 2016. Such a system would also endanger states' rights to run their own primaries.

Voting according to time zone, while seemingly clinical and fair in its randomness, would be difficult, mainly because many states exist in multiple time zones. Inequality also would be inherent, because the Eastern Standard Time holds many states, whereas the Pacific Standard Time holds only a few.

The smallest-to-largest plan, dubbed "The Delaware Plan," does the best job of guaranteeing political clout to every state. While small states would lock up campaign issues, larger states would still monopolize delegate distribution. The problem of violating states' rights, however, is still a concern here—especially for states like Texas and California, whose primaries are already powerful in both issue formation and delegate distributions.

Needless to say, the alphabetical plan is a desperate attempt at non-partisanship. Not surprisingly, the plan is favored by Representative Bob Riley, a Republican from, of all places, Alabama.

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Jeans Day at N.C. State

This week (March 20-24) is Bisexual, Gay, Lesbian and Allies Awareness Week at N.C. State. As the name implies, this is a week of activities and actions designed to raise awareness about the issues facing BGLA people in the NCSU community and in the community at large. As a central feature of Awareness Week, today is "Jeans Day." This is the day when all NCSU students and staff who are supportive of equality and justice for bisexual, gay and lesbian people are encouraged to wear jeans to school.

In the early days of the gay and lesbian movement, organizers of our movement worried that one of our biggest hindrances was our invisibility. That is, our issues were not taken up by the media, governments, businesses, churches and our families. The largest reason for our invisibility was (and still is) the fact that, unless we self-identify as being bisexual,

gay or lesbian, most people do not realize we are a member of that minority. Different from racial, gender or differently-abled minorities, our minority status is often not self-evident.

Organizers in our movement devised political actions designed to make us less invisible. One of these actions, devised for college campuses over 20 years ago was "Jeans Day." This is a tradition that has been ongoing at NCSU for a number of years. One need not be bisexual, gay or lesbian to participate, one simply need be supportive of equal rights and justice for all.

Why do we use jeans as a symbol in this way? The reasoning is simple, jeans are articles of clothing the most, if not all, college students own. One need not run out to buy something new. They are an innocuous form of clothing, not like asking everyone to wear something they normally wouldn't. There are complaints of the action which in years

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RICHARD MORGAN

"You and me, baby, ain't nothing but mammals; so let's do it like they do on the Discovery Channel."

—"The Bad Touch," The Bloodhound Gang

Godsonwhere.

In the Me Decade of the 1980's or the Melrose Place Decade of the 1990's, that would have read "God is nowhere." Lately, however, American society seems to have changed the word to mean "God is now here."

Blockbuster movies like "The Matrix" and "The Green Mile" are built on big budgets only slightly more than they are built on Biblical bases. Oprah Winfrey dedicates five to 10 minutes at the end of each show to a segment called

"Remembering the Spirit," Democratic Nebraska Senator Bob Kerrey, the only Congressional Medal of Honor recipient ever to serve in the Senate, recently decided to end his service because of "a spiritual, interpersonal and creative cistern that needs to be filled back up...It's a little dry right now."

During a GOP Debate on Jan. 15, presidential hopeful Alan Keyes declined the offer to give a closing statement and instead led his fellow candidates in a nationally televised prayer. Recent school shootings have gotten schools to dust off 1984's Equal Access Act, which allows for religious extracurricular activities in public schools.

Are we rediscovering our Messiah in the mainstream? Are we resurrecting—so to speak—Citizen Christ? I think so.

And I think that it's not just millennial madness; it's not a coincidence that the spiritual realm of society has increased at the same

time that the material wealth of American society has increased. It seems that the more stuff we can have, the more we see that it's not stuff we wanted in the first place.

When the "meaning of life" surveys are done and people are asked what they want out of life, sure, some people say a big house or a nice car. But, when you ask them why, when you ask them what those things will give them, they say things like purpose, significance, importance, comfort, security, love, happiness.

Finally, it seems, we've learned—or, at least, we're learning—that importance can't be ordered out of a catalog, that there is no www.happiness.com (ok, there is, but you get my point), that significance does not come with four-wheel drive, that you can combine all of the love songs that Celine Dion, Mariah Carey and the Backstreet Boys have to offer and still not know love.

In sum, we are learning that, in the race to gain our "valuables," we lost our values.

Everyone talks about the moral decay of this country without recognizing that it was the moral strength of our past that provided the possibility for our present. The Supreme Being that was once referred to by such names as "The Almighty" has now been diluted into a lowercase god—literally, a character in an animated NBC sitcom.

People still sing the national anthem at ballgames and school assemblies, but have forgotten the last stanza:

"O thus be it ever when free men shall stand/ Between their lov'd home and the war's desolation;/ Bless'd with vict'ry and peace, may the heav'n-rescued land/Praise the Pow'r that hath made and preserv'd us a nation/

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Early registration a bad tradition



ANDREW PAYNE

Thanks to everyone who sent e-mails, faxes and phone calls in response to my column last week on traditions. First, let me apologize for mixing up the names of the fight song and "The Red and White."

Second, I would like to share an excerpt from an e-mail I received from an N.C. State alumnus about Wolfstock:

"I agree 100 percent with you that NCSU needs its traditions, now maybe more than ever. In your article, you mentioned Wolfstock as one of the traditions that were killed by the administration. Did you know that Wolfstock itself was a tool used to kill another tradi-

tion?"
Prior to Wolfstock, a series of three parties took place near the end of spring semester. The first party started on East Campus, followed by Central Campus. The following weekend, the last celebration was called West Campus Jam.

"Sure, we had too much to drink, but we were contained on campus and, more importantly, on foot. The administration of NCSU took away the celebration at East, Central and West Campuses in return for one big event called Wolfstock. The event was held on one of the intramural fields that allowed police to keep everyone fenced in, and they even limited the amount of alcohol that students could bring in. The beginning of the end—spring semester, 1986."

Another tradition on campus that I would like to see killed is early registration. With TRACS books appearing across campus and students meeting

with advisors, this is an excellent opportunity to discuss the matter.

Before I start, let me say that I have taken advantage of early registration as a University Scholar. But, after the initial stint of selfishness, I see why that early registration for select groups must end.

Which groups receive early registration or priority registration? Students with disabilities, student-athletes, Parents and University Scholars.

Before telephonic registration (TRACS), students had to stand in lines at Reynolds Coliseum. A student might stand in line for an hour to find out that a preferred section was full. Then, he'd go stand in another line for an hour. Because it took so long to register, certain groups felt they deserved to register before the rest of the student body.

Soon, every group on campus had some sort of priority registration; few followed the registration times set by hours passed.

After TRACS was implemented, few groups had access to the registration process before doctoral students and seniors. Now, not only can students register through the telephone, but they can also log onto their computers and register over the Internet.

Why are we allowing certain groups access to registration before their time, according to the outline in the TRACS book? It is not Registration and Records' fault; they are probably receiving pressure from top university administrators. I am sure it would make the process simpler if all students registered according to their classification.

I personally feel that having some freshmen register before seniors is not exactly fair, no matter who they are. The arguments for early registration from the scholars groups are vague—they more or less amount to recruiting and retaining tactics.

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past have come from those who normally wear jeans, but who choose not to on Jeans Day. They claim that the action forces them to change their behavior for the day and that impinges on their rights. This very criticism may get at the most clever part of the Jeans Day strategy. Nobody is telling anyone what they can or cannot wear on this day, however if someone has made a conscious decision to wear or not to wear an article of clothing - or has made a conscious decision to ignore the day altogether, then Jeans Day has been effective. Awareness, even to some small degree has been raised.

In years past, there has always been a lot of discussion after the event about Jeans Day. Some who were unaware of the day feel somehow cheated or tricked, that they came to campus in jeans. Other people criticize the event as being silly and outdated. However, the discussion that follows is always interesting, informative and provocative - and it does get to the heart of the event - making visible the invisible and raising awareness for our issues.

Mark Zumbach
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No generalizations on atheism

In response to Kenneth Chavis' March 9 letter to Technician, I would like to begin by saying I am in no way offended by anything he wrote. In his letter, he made some good observations, none of which I disagree with.

The letter that I last wrote, however, (which he was responding to) was not directed toward atheistic thought. His reply was evidently written under the impression that my letter's purpose was to explain my opinion on how all atheists think. And he responded by attempting to explain that I'm wrong if that's the way I believe all atheists think. But my letter had nothing to do with "how I think atheists think."

My last letter was a description of things I have observed in a great many (not all) agnostics I've known. As for my initial letter (to which he could have more relevantly directed his response)—it was not written to state my opinion on how "all" atheists think, either. It dealt primarily with my personal observations that many (yes, many; not just one or two here and there) atheists who adamantly claim they think "logically" do not.

I should make it clear that this is not what I have observed in "all"

agnostics/atheists whom I've known. Further, I do not, by any stretch, believe that all agnostics/atheists think in these ways; there are a good number who do not.

Even if his reply had been directed at my first letter, it would still be mostly irrelevant. I did not assert in my first letter that "atheists need to think logically to back their opinions" nor that, "this is how the majority of atheists think." My only assertion was "there are a good number of atheists whom I have known who (and this is no small number, nor were any of them unintelligent folk) claim to be open minded, objective and logical, who are not anything of the sort." (Note: I did not say they are "not capable of being these things", just that they weren't at the time.)

So, I do not disagree with anything Chavis stated in his last letter. I think it was a well-written one, albeit impertinent.

And, in his own manner of speaking, I might add, "all I have to say to Chavis is, pay attention to what someone is actually saying before so hastily whipping up an antagonistic response."

Daniel Wayne Daily
Senior
Computer Science

MORGAN

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Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just/And this be our motto: 'In God is our trust!'/And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave/O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!"

I am not trying to turn America into a nation of believers; I am just trying to remind Americans that their nation has always been a nation of believers.

The Declaration of Independence is written under the authority of God, "inalienable rights endowed by our Creator." Perhaps in our selfish secularism we got carried away with ourselves, turned ourselves into hi-tech Herods, scrambling desperately to smite God before He had a chance to smite us.

Perhaps in thinking that science meant the death of God, we missed the idea that science might just be the derivative of God.

You and me, baby, ain't nothing like mammals. We think and feel, experiencing that which is beyond the explainable realm of biological function; for, what practical functions do conscience and emotion serve?

Science contends that humanity is just an elaborate system of subatomic particles; if such a state-

ment is true, then one's reactions to the neurological conditions that arouse fear or love are no more important than a circuit's reactions to the electrical conditions that arouse traffic lights or ATM's. One cannot exist, knowing the intricate cosmic internet of thought and emotion that hums glitch-free inside each of us, without conceding that there is purpose to one's existence—indeed, that there is purpose to Existence as a whole.

I contend that this purpose to existence is God, and I challenge you, reader, to ask yourself one question: If you're not honoring God, what are you honoring? Your finite friends with their finite capabilities? Your forever inflating/deflating dollars? Your work life that ends up being a contradiction in terms? What?

You need to answer this question, reader, because you need to have something that gives you a reason to live. Finite goals will birth finite reasons. I contend that it is only an infinite God that can supply infinite life. And I think that perhaps society as a whole—sans The Bloodhound Gang—is growing to share this view.

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PAYNE

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Some might argue that student-athletes have justification for registering early; they do have to fit their schedules around practices and away games. What about students, especially in the agricultural and life sciences, who compete in competitions in their majors, who practice and travel to games on a regular basis?

I feel that only those students with disabilities should be granted early access to registration. If all these special interest groups have so many reasons for early registration before normal seniors, then when will the "single-mothers-returning-to-school-to-finish-their-degrees-at-night-with-children-in-daycare" group be granted the same privileges?

This topic is definitely a subject not openly discussed by the university administration, or it would be printed in the TRACS book under the heading, "TRACS Window Access Dates." The university should return to a system where students gain access to the registration process according to their total number of hours passed.

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THE REEL SPIEL

"Erin Brockovich" Stuck in the Middle

ZACK SMITH
Senior Staff Writer

When the title character in "Erin Brockovich" (Julia Roberts) gets into a car accident, it isn't done in the usual series of quick cuts and jumpy editing, but in one continuous shot, the car is seen driving away, and as it gets to the corner, another car smashes into it. Moments later, there's a courtroom scene that appears to have been

Erin Brockovich



Director:
Steven Soderbergh
Starring:
Julia Roberts
Albert Finney

lifted from "My Cousin Vinny." When she engages in pillow talk with her boyfriend (Aaron Eckhart), it's filmed in a series of rapid dissolves, giving a realistic, intimate feel to the surroundings. Later, they engage in a your-work-is-more-important-than-me argument seen in a hundred other films. A series of clever investigation scenes are followed by not one, but two musical montages showing Erin getting petition signatures. An anguished father's realization that a power company is responsible for his family's medical hardships is movingly illustrated in a series of quick shots showing him impotently screaming and sobbing at the company's plant, which is seen in the distance. This is almost immediately followed by a clichéd "I

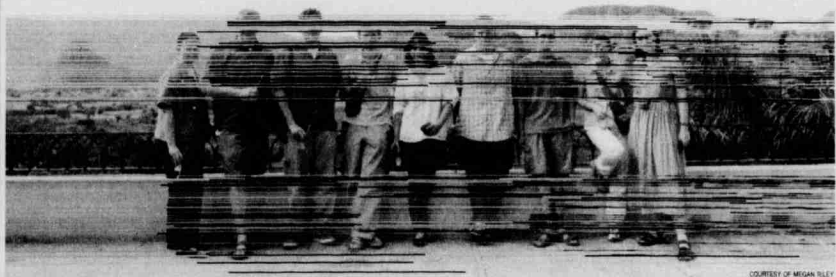


The "Pretty Woman" is back.

woman talks about life" scene. This is the trouble with "Erin Brockovich," based on the true story of a twice-divorced single mother who almost single-handedly brought about a lawsuit against Pacific Gas and Electric, resulting in a \$333 million settlement. It's a classic "David vs. Goliath" story, the kind that has already been told in such films like "Silkwood." It's also a merging of two distinctively different talents: major box-office star Julia Roberts and independent film icon Steven Soderbergh, whose last several films ("Out of Sight," "The Limey") were critically acclaimed but almost totally unseen. As a result, "Brockovich" is a strange amalgam of a glitzy studio star vehicle and a gritty, low-budget film, and it never quite

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Twelve Americans in Cuba



Former A&E editor Megan Riley (far right) gets her fiesta on with 11 of her classmates in Cuba.

◆N.C. State students in David Greene's MDS 302 course ventured to Cuba to learn about education, health care and factory life, and experienced a Spring Break unlike others who had "fun-n-the sun" in Daytona Beach.

MEGAN RILEY
Special to Technician

When we 12 Americans walked off our bus steps and into a Cuban community for a *Comite de la Defensa de la Revolucion* meeting, we were welcomed with warm voices, speaking Spanish phrases only a couple of us understood.

Little hands interlocked ours and pulled us onto the cement dance floor with about 25 children dancing salsa and merengue. Plates of food and bottles of vodka sat out in front of their four-story high apartment building where their parents stood talking amongst themselves.

The CDR meeting in the province of Pinar del Rio, like many things we saw during our nine-day stay in Cuba, was not what we N.C. State students had expected. When I heard we were having a question-answer session with a Cuban community organization, I pictured a room with white floors and walls, metal folding chairs and men in suits lecturing us about the good of Communism. But the CDR meeting turned out to be more of a party-full-out Cuban style.

As the first NCSU students to travel to Cuba for David Greene's MDS 302 Technology and Value's course, our Spring Break trip was full of surprises, confusions and re-evaluations of everything we had heard or read about the country. Mention the word "Cuba" to me one month ago, and I might have said "impo-vised, oppressed, a police-state." But the Cuba I found was fun-loving and upbeat with seemingly relaxed rules.

"Communism with a Caribbean twist" was how our tour guide, Emilio, described it. In a country that revolves around dancing, rum, tobacco and the sun, "oppression" is almost a foreign word.

We started our trip in Havana, the capital of Cuba. Walking around the streets and markets, it was hard to take in all the sites, smells and sounds of Cuba. People gathered in doorways, sitting on steps. Little girls dancing in the street. Boys playing stick ball with small balls and tennis balls. Open doorways and windows to apartments with Spanish guitar music and smells of Cuban food floating outside. "Hey friend, where you from? Taxi? Cigars?" from every third person. And of course the cloud of "psst" "psst" from the local men to the women in our group.

It was many times easy to forget we were in a "Third World" country. The main streets were relatively litter-free. Beggars were not as prominent, needy or persistent as other countries some of the students had visited. In a country with guaranteed

housing and no homelessness to speak of, free health care and education and low division between family incomes, problems that normally plague a Third World country are relatively low. Over the next few days, we saw some of these socialist guarantees up close.

We talked to an administrator at one of the top hospitals in the country who explained the medical system. It is largely preventative rather than purely curative and insures a physician for each Cuban family. The administrator expressed the ill-effects of the U.S. embargo on the system, such as the shortage of some medical supplies and pharmaceuticals. Any technology made with over 15% of American parts are banned from Cuba, and American medical journals must travel "around the world" before they reach Cuba.

We also saw in a country school in Pinar del Rio, one teacher for every seven students, all tentative, quiet, cooperative and seemingly eager to learn. As we went from class to class, first to third grade students unabashedly stood up one after another and sang songs and performed skits for us. We returned their generosity as one student in our group sang "Leaving on a Jet Plane" to them.

We also saw the ins and outs of a rum and a tobacco factory, which are both geared to produce quality products. Instead of drying out their tobacco leaves in one day, as American farms do in curing bins, Cuban farmers dry out their leaves

in shacks over two years to insure that all their natural processes will create the world's highest quality cigars.

I battled with myself whether to give handouts to the workers who asked us for money as we walked by their workstations. Even though the government guarantees them an income, I know that I have come from a much richer country. A dollar to me is almost nothing. To them, it's a meal.

We spent two to three days on the paradisaic beaches of Varadero, supposedly one of the world's touristy hot-spots. Cubans do not even consider it to be Cuba. Yet, compared to the tourist fantasy worlds like Las Vegas and Miami, the town was a small beach town with only little development of big resorts. At places like these, our class discussions turned into concern for what a lifting of the U.S. embargo would do to these towns. We decided the Caribbean does not need another island full of American products, tourists and big industry.

Sure, it is safe to say that we got an incomplete, glossy picture of Cuba. For one, we were tourists and the contrast between the restaurants, hotels and nightclubs for foreigners and locals is frightening. By law, tourists are required to get the best treatment and facilities. Locals are not even supposed to talk to foreigners, although that is one rule of many that is not strictly enforced.

Secondly, as outsiders, we grew to assume that the people were more paranoid about the rules than neces-

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sary. Many Cubans we talked to felt constrained because they were not free to travel outside the country, were required to show their ID to any policeman who randomly asked them for it on the street and were not supposed to talk against the government, at least not publicly. Still, we heard reports that people do travel easily and do openly speak their mind.

Ironically, the "illegal" interaction between us Americans and the Cubans was what made the trip come alive. Whether we were getting fed in the Cuban homes in Havana, being talked into buying their goods in the streets or getting schemed into buying them rum after they showed us a night hang-out spot overlooking the city, bonds formed despite our governmental conflicts.

At the end of the CDR meeting in Pinar del Rio, the children walked around handing us their addresses and retrieving ours. A boy I had quickly become friends with invited me into his parent's house. His family ran from room to room offering me food, a place to sit and a chance to watch their TV. I couldn't help but feel uncomfortable and suspected that they wanted money or American goods in return for their kindness. I quickly left the house and returned to the party.

After we had left the meeting and I reflected over the experience, I realized maybe it was my own culture, rather than his, that had made me feel uncomfortable around this misjudged boy in his misunderstanding land.

NCSU grad returns for release party

◆Kyler England comes back to Raleigh singing songs of love and loss with a new CD.

RYAN HILL
Assistant Features Editor

With the release of her second album, N.C. State graduate Kyler England returns with "If the World Would Just End." The release party for the new CD is going to be held in Raleigh. Currently residing in Boston, England wanted to have the release party in her hometown. "I've been wanting my North Carolina fans to hear me perform with my band for a long time so the release party was the perfect opportunity for us to hit the road," she said. The release party is March 24 and will be held at Kings.

The party will feature performances by England and her band, which is made up of Cathy Chalmers on drums, Zeke Johnson on bass and Judson Crane on electric guitar. England's producer, Richard Oliver Furch, who may play keyboards at the party, will also be in attendance.

England's first CD "Cocooning" was released at the time of her graduation from NCSU, and that change of going from college student to college graduate is part of the overall mood of the CD. It is an acoustic CD, and the album, according to England, is about "change—moving from one stage of life to the next and all the growing that comes with that."

Her new CD, "If the World Would Just End," is about her experiences with love and watching her mother fight cancer.

"In the early stages of her illness, when there was still hope that she might fight it off, I wrote the title track. The idea was that if the world ended at that moment, we would all go together and we would end at a point where the future still held hope and none of our fears had become reality," England said.

Between CDs she also fell in love, which is the other source of inspiration for the songs. "I found out what it really means to love someone, so there are several songs on this album about new love and the rawness of emotion it inspires."

While at NCSU, England, a chemistry major, maintained a 4.0 GPA and began build-

ing up her musical talents. "I felt torn in two directions so often, like being schizophrenic.

I had made a promise to myself to finish my degree at NCSU, but at the same time I knew

I wanted to be working on my music full time in order to keep evolving and improving," she said.

England also built a strong fanbase while at NCSU, performing at places like CoffeeSHAC and Stewart Theater, and she comes back as often as possible to perform for them. She usually performs here twice a year, and the last time was for the Take Back the Night March concert six months ago.

"I'm thrilled to be back on my home turf," England said of her return to Raleigh.

Tickets for the release party are \$5 and can be purchased at King's, which is located at 424 S. McDowell St. in downtown Raleigh. There will be two performances, the first at 7 p.m. and the second at 10 p.m.



Kyler England returns to Raleigh for her new CD.

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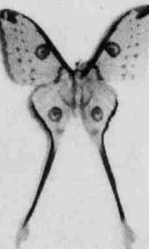
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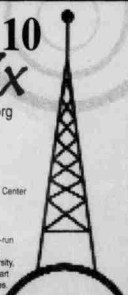
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tion differences in tipping! Maybe the problem is that people do not realize that servers and bartenders typically only make about half of minimum wage (\$2.13 per hour) and that all of the nightly income comes directly from tips. Or, possibly, people do not understand in this country (or at least this part of the country) that it is customary to tip a minimum of 15 percent (especially on large parties).

Now, I know that there are some really terrible waiters and waitresses out there, and, for those occasions when one serves you, I do save my pennies and suggest that you do the same.

The problem occurs, however, when a server gives excellent service to a patron and still receives much less than what the industry expects. Personally, during my little experiment, I attempted to achieve 20 percent gratuity on every table I helped—usually with success. There are those out there (and you know who you are) who will search and search to find any reason to cut into a server's nightly cash flow. These are the cheap and greedy (or perhaps misinformed) patrons of restaurants and are despised by those who serve them.

So, here's the deal I would like to make with all of you out there: I would encourage all of you who haven't ever held a job on the wait staff of a restaurant to try it. It really is an eye-opening experience, and you will leave with a newfound respect for servers.

For those of you who can't or won't be able to do so, I am here to present you all with the results of my experiences. The only thing I ask all of you out there to do is to take the ideas of this column into the next restaurant you visit.

I beg you to remember that waiting on tables is more than a servant's job—these people have bills to pay and lives to live, just like you. Maybe, with the help of everyone out there and the results of this study, we can make the servers and patrons of America's restaurants a little happier.

A special shout-out to Vira for the inspiration for this column. Any questions, comments or spare change can be directed to mshalbert@unity.ncsu.edu.

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ERIN

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seems to decide which one it is. Brockovich, as played by Roberts, is an attractive if rootless woman with three kids from two marriages. She has a mouth like a sailor and a wardrobe that makes her look more like a hooker than "Pretty Woman." Following a disastrous job interview ending in a car crash, Erin promptly blows her chances in court and convinces her lawyer, Ed Masry (a wonderfully appalled Albert Finney), into giving her a job. A routine filing assignment leads to Erin doing some investigation on her own, which in turn leads to the discovery that PG&E may have been letting toxic levels of hexavalent chromium into water supplies, resulting in a large number of people getting sick. As the case goes on, Erin finds numerous obstacles in her way, including PG&E, a lawyer from a bigger firm (Peter Coyote) and the effect of her work on her home life, but continues to try to get justice for the company's victims.

Many of the film's stranger aspects are actually true; the real Erin Brockovich, as seen in interviews and in a cameo as a waitress in the film, actually does look a lot like Julia Roberts, and really does dress and talk in the manner seen on screen. The trouble with "Erin Brockovich" doesn't have as much to do with the accuracy of its content as the script by Susannah Grant ("Ever After," the upcoming "28 Days"), which embraces almost every cliché in the history of film.

The most interesting touches to the film come from Soderberg, who gives the film a realistic, lower-class feel that helps to accentuate the reality of the situation and keep the film grounded. The acting is credible (Roberts deserves some kind of award for maintaining her dignity in countless cleavage-revealing outfits), but it's never clear whether "Erin Brockovich" is supposed to be a realistic exploration of an extraordinary case or a Julia Roberts film about a poor girl who makes good. Most of the time the film tries to be both at once, and the result, while sometimes entertaining, is wildly uneven.

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This season, House became the only player in Pac-10 history to score 40 or more points in a single game four times in one year. His career high of 61 came Jan. 8 against California.

Those impressive numbers came against defenses tailored to stop him — box-and-one zones and, primarily, House's own team trying to move on to facing the man-to-man defenses of the NBA.

"I think I'll probably be a like a bird getting let out of a cage," he said. Eddie House unaged? The pros may want to look out.

DAVE

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ership.

The Yellow Jackets' incoming freshman class consists of three players and only one of them is a consensus top-100 prospect.

Their top recruit, 6-3 wing guard Marvin Lewis, will provide a smooth stroke from the perimeter. The Yellow Jackets' other two freshmen will be 6-2 point guard Brendon Playchik and 6-6 small forward Hakston Lane.

Maryland: As if the Terrapins, who return their top eight players in the rotation plus transfer Byron Mouton — yes, that Byron Mouton — need

ed any help, they are getting one of the top prepsters in the nation.

As a part of their two-man class, the Terps will receive the services of high-flying 6-9 power forward Chris Wilcox. Wilcox, who played for Enloe High School in Raleigh, is one of the most spectacular dunkers in the high school ranks. The only thing keeping Wilcox from being one of the nation's most exciting newcomers is he has yet to qualify academically.

The other member of the Terps' class is 7-4 center Matt Staninka, who will be a big-time project for Gary Williams.

North Carolina: After missing out on prep phenoms Eddie Griffin, Omar Cook and Darius Miles, the Tar Heels still were able to reel in one of the top recruiting classes in the

nation.

This four-man class will consist of a pair of big men and a pair of combo guards. If 6-8 power forward Jason Parker is able to qualify academically, he could give the Tar Heels a dominating post presence that Brendan Haywood was unable to provide for the first four months of the season.

The Heels also signed 7-6 center Neil Fingleton, who is a McDonald's All-American, and a pair of 6-2 guards, Adam Boone and Brian Morrison.

NC State: People can say what they want about head coach Herb Sendek, but face it people, the man can recruit.

The four-man class that is coming in next season possesses yet another McDonald's All-American. Wolfpack fans can hardly wait to see

6-2 combo guard Scooter Sherrill in the N.C. State red and white doing his best Steve Francis impression as he will sky over anyone in his way when taking the ball to the rack. Not only does Sherrill possess phenomenal athleticism, he also has a nice touch from the perimeter, thereby making him a scoring machine.

The Pack will also have a pair of small forwards, 6-8 Marcus Melvin and 6-9 Michael Bell, who have outstanding perimeter skills that will give opposing teams matchup problems due to their height. The final piece to the puzzle is 6-2 combo guard Trey Gundry, who is an outstanding shooter from beyond the arc.

Virginia: Head coach Pete Gillen will bring in only one new player next year, but that may be all he

needs to get them over the edge and into the NCAA's next year.

He will look to blend 6-5 wing forward Maurice Young into his rotation. Young is a solid athlete who has a nice jumper. He should be just another weapon Gillen can look to for firepower next season.

Wake Forest: Head coach Dave Odom will have one of the most veteran-filled rosters in the entire nation this season, as ten of their 12 scholarship players will be juniors and seniors. Odom is only going to have one newcomer next season. And that will be 7-0 center Dshawn Scholtz from Germany, who is considered to be a project for the Demon Deacons.

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State will emphasize the pass on offense

◆ **Coordinators will get their chance to patch up holes during spring football practice.**

JEREMY RSHTON
Assistant Sports Editor

After getting washed out by rain on Monday, the long-awaited spring football season at N.C. State finally gets underway this afternoon with new head coach Chuck Amato at the helm.

Spring football is usually a time to work on conditioning and fundamentals, but it carries extra meaning at State this year. This is the first chance for Amato and his staff to evaluate the Wolfpack on the field and figure out what holes need to be filled.

Ten starters are gone from last year's 6-6 squad that finished in a three-way tie for fifth in the

Atlantic Coast Conference. The offense was hit the hardest, losing six out of 11 starters.

New offensive coordinator Norm Chow, who comes to the Pack after 22 years at Brigham Young, plans to eventually institute his high-flying style of offense at State. Chow's offense at BYU was consistently rated among the best in the country.

"We feel very strongly that throwing the football is an equalizer," Chow said.

The problem for Chow this season is finding players to step into the spots that were vacated due to graduation. Therefore, Chow said the offense might not take off instantaneously.

"Obviously, we'd like to throw it around a little bit, but I think we need to temper some of that with the people that we have," Chow said.

At the moment, Chow's biggest

challenge is finding a starting quarterback. Jamie Barnette is gone after shattering numerous school passing records in his four years with the Pack.

Chow, who coached such great quarterbacks as Ty Detmer, Steve Young and Jim McMahon, has three young players who will compete for the starting job during spring practice. Sophomore Jatavis Sanders is the only member of the group with any collegiate experience, but that consists of 17 pass attempts as Barnette's backup last year. Redshirt freshman Toki McGray got experience in practice last year but has yet to play a down in college.

The newest kid on the block is Phillip Rivers, the 1999 Alabama Player of the Year. Rivers graduated a semester early from high school and is already enrolled at State and participating with the team. According to Chow, Rivers is

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in the running with Sanders and McGray for the starting job.

"The key person in all of this, I think, is the guy pulling the trigger," Chow said.

On the other side of the ball, Buddy Green returns to State as the defensive coordinator following six years as the head coach at Tennessee-Chattanooga. Green was also the defensive coordinator at State from 1990-93.

Green has nine starters back from a unit that was fourth in the ACC in total defense in 1999. This makes Green's job somewhat easier, but there are still questions that need to be answered.

The biggest question mark comes at cornerback, where Tony Scott and second-team All-American Lloyd Harris played last season. Their careers at State have come to an end, however, leaving the position wide open as spring practice begins.

"We've got to find corners that can play man because that's a big part of what we do defensively," Green said.

State will also be without the services of linebacker Edrick Smith during the spring season. Smith, who had more tackles in 1998 than any Pack freshman since 1987, tore the MCL in one of his knees in the 1999 season opener against Texas. Despite missing spring practice, Smith should be ready to go for the start of the 2000 regular season.

Green is also concerned about the Pack's depth on the defensive side going into the spring. The Pack's top five tacklers from a year ago, however, are back, and Green realizes that there is plenty of experience.

"We've got some young guys that played early that are coming back," Green said. "We have plenty of experience at most positions except corner."

COMMENTARY

More talent on its way to ACC

DAVID HOBGOOD

Let's see, we're in the midst of one of the most chaotic, unpredictable NCAA Tournaments in recent memory.

Obviously, that is going to be the topic of my column, right? Well, guess again.



BASKETBALL

With only two weeks remaining in this year's NCAA basketball season, one can only start looking ahead to next season. Most Atlantic Coast Conference basketball fans are aware of who is returning for the nine respective teams. So now would be a good time to introduce you to the future of the ACC.

Let's take a look at next year's incoming freshmen throughout the league.

Clemson: Next season, the Tigers will be one of the youngest teams in the league with eight of the 12 scholarship players being freshmen or sophomores.

Their four-man recruiting class includes a pair of top-100 prospects, 6-5 wing guard Dwon Clifton and 6-7 power forward Chris Hobbs, who could provide much-needed help for the struggling Tigers. Clifton, if he can improve his shot selection, is a great athlete with a nice stroke from the perimeter. Hobbs can use his NFL body to provide help in the post. The Tigers other two freshmen will be 6-2 point guard Tony Stockman and 6-8 wing forward De'on Dixon.

Duke: And the beat goes on for head coach Mike Krzyzewski and his top-ranked Blue Devils, as they bring in yet another McDonald's All-American.

This year it was Jason Williams, Carlos Boozer and Mike Dunleavy that were referred to as "diaper dandies", and next year, it will be 6-2 combo guard Chris Duhon. The Louisiana native will spice up the Devils lineup with his 25-foot shooting range and ball-handling wizardry.

The Devils also received a commitment from 6-6 wing forward Andre Sweet, who could crack the rotation next year with his rebounding and all-around versatility.

Florida State: The Seminoles will look to their four-man class to ease the pain of losing third-team All-ACC performers Ron Hale and Damous Anderson.

Look for only two of them, however, to make an immediate impact. The Seminoles should receive contributions from 6-8 wing forward Michael Joiner and 6-3 shooting guard J.D. Bracy.

Joiner will provide solid ball-handling and good shooting from the wing. Bracy is a very quick, athletic wing who will be tough to handle in the open court. The other newcomers will be 6-7 small forward Andrew Wilson and 6-0 point guard Ryan Lowery.

Georgia Tech: The Yellow Jackets will take the court next year without Bobby Cremins. Yet they will have five seniors to look towards for lead-

◆ **State will host Mississippi Thursday night with the chance to advance to New York.**

JACK DALY
Sports Editor

With 12 minutes left in Tuesday night's NIT matchup between Arizona State and N.C. State, the Sun Devils' star guard Eddie House had scored 30 of his team's 45 points.

Wolfpack head coach Herb Sendek figured it was time for a change. His team switched defenses and went to a box-and-one.

The change made all the difference in the world.

Men's Basketball	House scored two points the rest of the way as State (19-12) eked out a 60-57 win over the Sun Devils (19-13) at the Entertainment and Sports Arena.
NCSU	60
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"We worked on [the box-and-one] all week," Sendek said.

"Fortunately, we had that much time between games to implement the box-and-one because watching Eddie House on tape...you just had to have a secondary defense ready, because he's that good."

With the win, the Pack is one win

away from advancing to the Big Apple for the semifinals of the NIT. In each of the previous three years, State had lost in the second round of the NIT.

The Pack will host Mississippi, who beat Southwest Missouri State 70-48 Tuesday, Thursday night at the ESA for its third-round game.

"It's good to advance," Sendek said. "There's not a lot of teams still playing right now."

House scored his final two points of the night on free throws with 3:46 remaining to tie the score at 54. After the Pack's Anthony Grundy made two free throws and the Sun Devils' Alton Mason scored on a three-point play, Arizona State had a 57-56 lead with 1:18 to play.

On State's next offensive possession, Damien Wilkins got the ball and drove past his man but missed his pull-up jumper. Kenny Inge, who led the Pack with 19 points and 12 rebounds, was on the offensive glass, though. He grabbed the rebound and slammed it home for a 58-57 lead with 57 seconds to go.

"[Inge] probably got that rebound before I shot it," Wilkins said.

After a flurry of timeouts, the Sun Devils' Chad Prewitt missed a 12-foot jump shot that would have given Arizona State the lead, but House was able to grab the rebound and call timeout. Following the

State outlasts House

◆ **Arizona State's Eddie House saw his magical collegiate career end against the Wolfpack.**

JIMMY RYALS
Staff Writer

Just in front of press row last night, Eddie House stood with his jersey pulled up over his head, his torso exposed. He buried the jersey and his face in his hands.

A scattering of N.C. State students ran past him, celebrating the Pack's just-completed 60-57 second-round NIT victory over Arizona State at the Entertainment and Sports Arena.

House's posture fit that of a man who had just missed the last shot of his college basketball career, a three-pointer from the left corner that would have sent the game into overtime. But House is not the average basketball player with his college days behind him.

"This guy's just an incredible shooter," said State forward Kenny Inge.

"[He's] the best two-guard I've played against," Pack freshman Damien Wilkins said of House.

According to Inge, State guard Archie Miller said during the game that House would have to score 40 points for the Sun Devils to win. He didn't miss that figure by much, netting 32 to go with seven rebounds, five steals and three assists, highlighted by a pair of no-look passes that led to easy baskets for teammates Tommy Smith and Donnell Knight.

In spite of the bitter ending, House showed few regrets about his career. "I gave it all I had and played as hard as I could," he said. "I never took one play off. But I'm not done playing basketball."

House is a finalist for the Oscar Robertson Player of the Year Award. He is also the Pac-10 Player of the Year, the Pac-10 scoring champion and Arizona State's all-time leading scorer.

Even more mind-boggling than his accolades are House's stats. This season, he averaged 22.7 points, 5.2 rebounds, 3.4 assists, 2.1 steals and 2.2 three-pointers per game. His nearest competitor in the scoring race averaged only 17.7 points.

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timeout, the Sun Devils ran down the clock in hopes for a final shot, but Mason was called for a traveling violation with 8.4 seconds to go.

Wilkins was fouled off the inbound play, and he calmly swished both free throws to give the Pack a 60-57 lead with 7.4 seconds to go.

"In that situation, that's the most confident I've felt all year long," Wilkins said.

Arizona State still had a chance to send the game to overtime, but House missed a wide-open three from the corner as time expired.

"[My thought was] how in the world did he get that wide open?" Sendek said. "If we learned anything in the last week in college bas-

ketball, it's how fragile this whole thing is."

"Here's a great player who made shots all night long, sometimes with guys draped over his shoulders, hanging on him, spectacular plays. And he misses that one. If he makes it, we're in overtime."

Sendek was happy with the play he received from Inge Tuesday night. The 19 points represented Inge's second highest point total of the year, while the 12 rebounds were a season high.

"Kenny Inge was fantastic," Sendek said. "We needed somebody desperately to step up and have the kind of night he had on our front court."

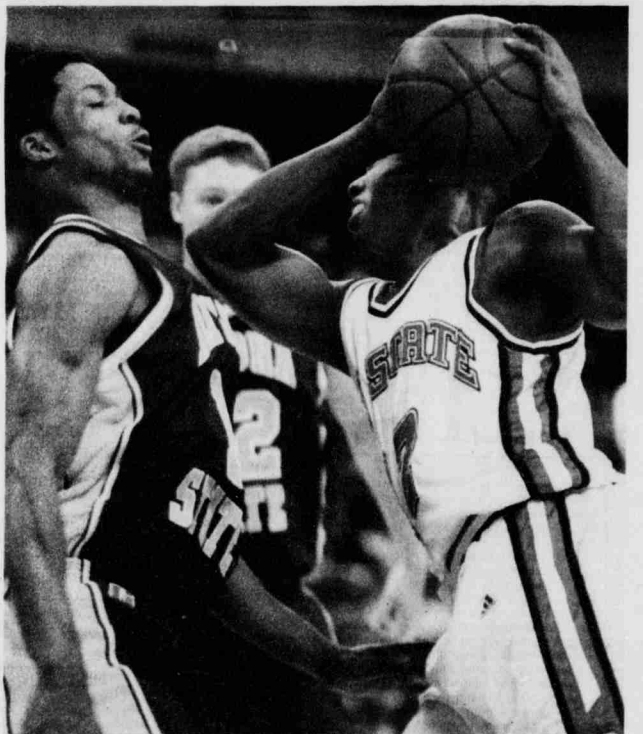
The first half was remarkable for

nothing else other than sloppy play and House.

House scored 21 points as the Sun Devils led 29-26 at the break. House scored 17 of Arizona State's last 19 points in the half and assisted on the other basket. State led 17-10 off a Clifford Crawford jumper with 6:45 to play. House then reeled off his 17 points - outsourcing the whole Pack team by eight - and the Sun Devils had the lead at halftime.

In the first, Inge led the way for State. He scored 12 and added three rebounds.

This was the second meeting of the year between the two teams. The first meeting saw State win 79-68. State held House to 31 points in that game.



Justin Gaaney and the Wolfpack were able to get past Eddie House and the Sun Devils.

Wolfpack Notes

N.C. State gymnastics lands six on All-EAGL list

The N.C. State gymnastics team had six different gymnasts named to the All-East Atlantic Gymnastics League first and second teams announced this past weekend at the EAGL Awards Banquet.

Junior Amy Langendorf led the way for the Wolfpack as a first team All-EAGL selection on bars and the all-around. For Langendorf, this is the third straight time she has been

named first team for bars, plus Langendorf was the only unanimous selection for the all-around in the conference.

Seniors Maggie Haney and Jenny Sommer also racked up the awards. Haney was named first team on both the beam and the floor. Haney has now been named to the first team on floor for two straight seasons. Sommer was named second team All-EAGL on beam. Sophomore Kelli Brown was a unanimous selection for the first team on vault. Brown has been the Pack's top performer on vault this season, and currently ranks 18th nationally.

Junior Kara Charlton has come on strong at the end of the season and was named to the All-EAGL second team for the all-around. Sophomore Aimee Pant, who missed most of last season with a knee injury, was named to the All-EAGL second team on vault.

N.C. State at Liberty baseball game canceled

The N.C. State vs. Liberty college baseball game scheduled for March 21 in Lynchburg, Va., has been rained out. The game will be made up in Raleigh the second weekend in May, when Liberty already is scheduled to play the Wolfpack at N.C. State's Doak Field.

The rained-out game has been rescheduled for Friday, May 12, at 7 p.m. The two teams then will play their regularly scheduled game at Doak Field the following night, Saturday, May 13, also at 7 p.m.