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"I'd like to create a more visual and responsive Student Government where students are serving students."

--Harold Pettigrew



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--Jason Cotter



"If elected Student Senate president, I will make Student Government network central by stressing students first."

--Conen Morgan

Online voting plugged in for elections

◆ The N.C. State Elections Board met this past weekend to establish parameters for student body elections. There will be online voting.

NATALIE DUGGINS
Senior Staff Writer

For two weeks, candidates have plastered the campus with flyers, passed out handbills and visited student organizations. Starting today, they'll find out if all their hard work was worth it.

Students will head to the polls today and tomorrow to cast their ballots for offices within Student Government, the Student Center, the senior class and the Student Media Authority.

In accordance with the elections' Statutes, the Elections Board is responsible for maintaining polling sites at Fountain Dining Hall, the Atrium, the Syme Hall C-Store and the Shuttle Inn C-Store on Centennial Campus.

Elections officials will be present at Fountain from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. and from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m., at the Atrium from 11 a.m.

until 2 p.m., at the Syme C-Store from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m. and at the Shuttle Inn from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., according to Elections Co-chairs Little West and Wesley Moyer.

For those who do not plan to vote the traditional way, via paper ballot, the board has decided to proceed with this year's electronic balloting, despite controversy last week over on-line voting security. Last Wednesday, the Student Senate gave the Elections Board the authority to cancel online voting, if they deemed it insecure.

According to an initial analysis of online voting compiled by Senator John Borwick, the system, as it was originally set up, made vote forging, anonymous voting and vote altering possible.

Since last Wednesday's emergency senate meeting, Borwick and fellow Senator Chethan Pandarinath have worked to correct any errors that existed in the online voting program.

Some of the changes made to the system include the creation of a process which logs any error that might occur during the online balloting. Also, Borwick said that all votes will be time-stamped.

"We encrypted all the names and social security numbers," added Borwick.

The encryption will prevent potential hackers from discovering the identities and social security numbers of voters.

Borwick, who discovered flaws in last year's online voting system, has also worked with Pandarinath to implement a system that prevents candidates from establishing a direct link to the voting site.

Despite initial security concerns, Borwick is confident in the security of the electronic balloting system.

"From what I've seen and heard, online voting will be more secure than paper ballots," Borwick said.

Students wishing to cast their votes in the upcoming elections can visit the Election's Board web site at:

<http://students.ncsu.edu/vote>

Also in connection with online voting, Inter-Residence Council Publicity Chair Greg Doucette will tour residence halls today and tomorrow with a laptop computer. Doucette will ask students if they have voted and, if they haven't, he will offer them the opportunity to vote over the Internet.

According to Doucette, the tour is an effort to "take all the work out of voting."

Online voting begins Sunday at midnight and will continue until 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

According to the NCSU Student Body Statutes, the results of the Student Body Elections will be available no less than 48 hours after the close of elections.

The NCSU Student Body Statutes dictate that all election appeals must be submitted to the Elections Board no later than 5 p.m. the day after elections end, or by Wednesday afternoon this year.

Any student wishing to appeal election results must include in the appeals their name and phone number and an explanation of what caused the inaccuracy in election results.

The Elections Board will meet following the election to review all appeals and rule on them. If necessary, students can appeal the decision of the Elections Board to the Judicial Board.

News editor Jimmy Ryals also contributed to this story.

CHASS dean gone after 2000-01

◆ After five years as Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Margaret Zahn will step down after the 2000-01 school year.

ZACK MAZER
Staff Writer

N.C. State University Provost Kermit Hall announced at a recent CHASS faculty meeting that Dean Margaret Zahn will step down following one more year as head of the college.

Zahn, who has served as dean since 1995, called the move "something I want to do" and a "mutually agreed on" decision.

"There are just so many things I want to do... after I finish some things in the college," Zahn said.

According to Hall, a standard five-year survey of the faculty gave mixed reviews of Zahn's performance over the past five years, showing "some plusses," but also areas that needed to be addressed. Looking to the future, Hall also stressed the need for a dean who wants to stay for many years to come.

"I really need someone with that kind of horizon if we're going to get anything done," he said.

Zahn, however, stressed that she did not want another five-year term and that the survey of her performance did not weigh into her decision.

"You are always going to have people who aren't happy," she said. "In this kind of job you make [tough] decisions."

Under Zahn's direction, CHASS gained \$1.6 million for student scholarships, new academic programs in communications and anthropology, the "Writing Across the Curriculum" program, scholarships for study abroad and the college's first two endowed professorships.

As for Zahn's successor, Hall said a search committee will be formed to find candidates for the department's next dean, who would most likely take over July 1, 2001. Two-thirds of the committee will be appointed, with one seat going to a current dean and the department's faculty senate, according to Hall, will elect one-third.

"These kinds of searches are a wonderful opportunity for faculty to come together... to form a vision of the future," said Hall.

Hall also sounded confident that Zahn will stay with the university, saying that she "will remain as a faculty member" and is "a person that will serve us very well."

Zahn did not seem so sure.

"If I remain at the university," she said, "what I will be teaching are courses in crime and justice... I haven't taught since being a dean and I really miss it."

She also said that she plans to develop some new courses, as well as finish her book and step up her involvement in national academic societies.

Robert Schrag, a professor in the communications department, was at the meeting where Hall announced the plans regarding Zahn's departure.

"Given the position the chancellor and the provost have for CHASS, they felt we needed a new dean," said Schrag. "I liked her; I thought she was cool."

Pictures from the NASA Pow-wow

JAMES CURLE, EDITOR

Below: Matthew Hedgepeth, 11, dances at the Native American Student Association Pow-wow in front of the Witherspoon Student Saturday.

Left: Chad Pierce, a senior in biological sciences, has been dancing at the NASA Pow-wow for seven years now.



Court ruling favors Michigan State

◆ The court ruled prosecutors cannot subpoena media for unpublished photographs and material collected during the March 27-28, 1999, riots.

KEVIN CRAWFORD
The State News (Michigan State U.)

(U-WIRE) EAST LANSING, Mich. — The state Court Of Appeals ruled in favor of 11 Michigan media outlets Tuesday, possibly ending a yearlong court battle with Ingham County prosecutors.

The court ruled prosecutors cannot subpoena the outlets, including The State News, for unpublished film footage and photographs from the March 27-28, 1999, riot.

The court concluded that, "A reporter, pursuing the reporter's profession, is subject to an inquiry by use of investigative subpoena only if the prosecutor seeks to

obtain previously published information or if the reporter is the subject of the prosecutor's investigation."

"We're pleased that we won," said John Ronayne, a lawyer representing The State News. "We think it's an important issue and we're glad the court came to the conclusion it did."

Ingham County Prosecutor Stuart Dunning III issued subpoenas to all state media outlets for copies of unpublished photographs and film footage taken during the riot in an attempt to identify some of the 10,000 people who flooded the streets after MSU lost to Duke in the Final Four.

Prosecutors argued that a statute allowing them to issue investigative subpoenas when pursuing felons didn't protect the media in this case because the riot took place in public.

News agencies moved to quash the subpoenas, arguing a First Amendment "qualified reporter's privilege," but were met with a series of appeals by prosecutors.

Dunning said he is still undecided on

whether he will further pursue the case.

"The government has not put the media in charge of the judicial system," he said. "Editors have been put in charge of who can and cannot be investigated for felony acts."

"All of this happened in public and I would not have pursued this case this far if I didn't believe that I should be able to have those photos."

East Lansing city officials estimate rioters caused \$500,000 in damages and costs. Prosecutors have convicted 132 adults and four juveniles for riot-related offenses.

David Miller, editor in chief of The State News, said a ruling in favor of the prosecutors could have negatively impacted the news media.

"If investigators were allowed to take our unpublished materials, the media would be seen as an arm of the law," he said. "If people thought we were working for the law, then they would be reluctant to talk with us for stories."

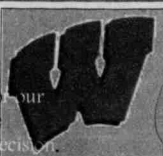
Golddiggers

Catch the spiel on "The Road to El Dorado" and some other stuff.



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Gymnasts fall short

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In the NEWS

Veterinary Medicine, Engineering Colleges rise in U.S. News rankings

N.C. State University's College of Veterinary Medicine is ranked fourth nationally — up one spot from fifth — in the new U.S. News & World Report Graduate School Rankings, released today (Friday, March 31).

The university's College of Engineering is ranked 28th nationally by the magazine, up from 30th last year. In specialty fields, NCSU's graduate program in nuclear engineering is ranked 7th.

Of the top 50 engineering schools, NCSU ranks fifth in Ph.D. student-to-faculty ratio, with 1.7 students per faculty member. Nearly half of the other top 50 engineering schools have ratios of three or more students for every faculty member.

U.S. News evaluates engineering schools every year, and veterinary medicine schools every third year.

Criteria used to rank schools include reputation among peers and corporate recruiters, research expenditures, selectivity in admissions, and number

of doctoral degrees granted.

Study cites ways to cut nutrient runoff, soil loss in tobacco fields

Conservation tillage practices, though not widely accepted by North Carolina tobacco farmers, can be highly effective in reducing soil loss during rain events, says a N.C. University research team studying best management practices (BMPs) for Piedmont tobacco fields.

The researchers also compared a mature, forested filter zone of pine and hardwood to a recently clear-cut forested zone, both near tobacco fields at the Oxford Tobacco Research Station in Granville County. They found that over a one-year period, the clear-cut forest worked better to slow down fast moving water and to absorb sediment and nutrients from storm flow. The evaluations of BMPs are intended to help farmers find the best techniques for reducing non-point source pollution from agricultural fields, usually flowing in rainfall runoff.

Dr. Carlyle Franklin, professor of

forestry at NC State, Dr. Greg Jennings of the N.C. Cooperative Extension Service, and NCSU research assistant Dennis Hazel presented their findings Thursday, March 30, at the annual Water Resources Research Conference at the McKimmon Center on the NCSU campus. The conference is hosted by the Water Resources Research Institute of the University of North Carolina.

Kanipe moves on to new challenges

John T. Kanipe's relationship with N.C. State spans 41 years as both a student and employee. When he retires next month from his position as executive director of corporate and foundation relations, that chapter of his involvement with the university will end — giving way to a new, undetermined future for the Fair Bluff, N.C., native.

"I'm certainly not going to quit work," he said, "but I'm at a point in my life where I want to do something

different. The easy thing would be doing what I've been doing — but then comes a time that we all need something with some new excitement — a new challenge."

To celebrate his service to NCSU, a reception is planned for Kanipe on April 10, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the Caldwell Hall Lounge.

Honor society holds induction

Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Sociology Honor Society, will hold its annual induction of new members on Thursday, April 13, 2000, at 7 p.m. in the McKimmon Center.

Dr. Patricia McCall, the featured speaker, will present "Homocidal Tendencies: Youth violent crime trends and race-specific homicide rates." Current and past members are welcome.

For further information, call Randall Thomson or Jeanne Guthrie at 515-3114.

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A&E Briefs

◆ Tired of going to the movies?
Here are some alternatives for you.

Raleigh Little Theatre presents
"Gunmetal Blues"

The hard-boiled detective tale, "Gunmetal Blues," disguised as a lounge act, is playing at the Raleigh Little Theatre. Directed from the Red Eye lounge, Buddy Toupee, a character inspired by the work of Richard March, tickles the ivories and serves up plot concoctions like a Chandler-esque Greek chorus. The private eye searches for a missing blonde through a double-dealing world of smoky bars, rain-slicked streets and more blondes.

"Gunmetal Blues" premiered on May 30, 1991 at the Phoenix Little Theatre. It was the first professionally produced play by Theatre New Brunswick and subsequently was presented Off-Broadway by the Amas Musical Theatre Inc.

Tickets go on sale at the Raleigh Little Theatre Box Office on March 27 at noon. All tickets are \$10. For further information, please call the RLT Box Office at 821-3111, beginning March 27. Shows run April 5-8 and 12-15 at 8:00 p.m., April 9 and 16 at 3:00 p.m.

N.C. State's Pan-African Festival is open to public

The annual Pan-African festival, which runs April 1-8 on the N.C. State campus, will include a wide variety of cultural and educational events that are open to the public. The theme of this year's event is "Illuminating, Celebrating, and Educating the African Mind."

The festival is one of the largest celebrations on the campus sponsored by the Black Students Board of the Union Activities Board. Since its inception in 1972, the Pan-African Festival has consisted of informative programs and social events. For more information, check out the Web site www2.ncsu.edu/uab/bsb/, or contact the Black Students Board, 515-5919. Tickets are available through Ticket Central at 515-1100.

Violinist Midori joins the North Carolina Symphony

The world-renowned violinist will be the guest soloist when she appears with Associate Conductor William Henry Curry and the North Carolina Symphony in a classical concert.

The concert will include the overture to "The Marriage of Figaro" by Mozart and "Mathis der Maler" by Paul Hindemith. The concert will also feature Sir Edward Elgar's Violin Concerto, performed by Midori.

Midori was born in Osaka, Japan in 1971. She began learning the violin at the age of three. Her concert debut was three years later, and received the first of many standing ovations that have come her way throughout her career. She now performs 75 to 80 concerts every year, dividing her time between recitals and concerto performances.

The concerts are on Fri. and Sat., April 7 and 8, at 8pm in Raleigh Memorial Auditorium. Tickets are also available for the open rehearsal on April 7 at 10 a.m. for \$10. Tickets for the evening concert may be purchased from Ticketmaster at 834-4000, at all Ticketmaster outlets, in advance at the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium Box Office or by calling the Symphony at 733-2750.



Midori. A really famous violinist.

Comics You Should Be Reading

◆ Comic books are now more than just "Batman" or "Superman." Check it out.

ZACK SMITH
Senior Staff Writer

It's long been established that comic books aren't just for kids any more. Currently, there are nearly 500 titles being published each month, marketed to everyone from young children to mature readers. As such, here are some that you should be reading, which don't necessarily feature super-heroes:

"Strangers in Paradise" (Abstract Press, \$2.75), is at once a screwball comedy, a poignant love story, a dark crime drama and a meditation on the nature of relationships. It concerns two young women, the neurotic Francine and near-psychotic Katchoo, whose relationship is, to put it mildly, incredibly complicated. Katchoo has long been in love with Francine. Francine sort of reciprocates the feeling but isn't sure how she feels. Francine and Katchoo's male friend, David, is in love with Katchoo. Finally there's Katchoo's past, a horrifying cycle of abuse and crime that frequently comes back to haunt her. The man behind all this is Terry Moore, who experiments with an incredible number of styles in this book; there are extended flashbacks, TV parodies and song lyrics interposed with the action and sequences consisting almost entirely of text. It sounds like a mess, but Moore somehow manages to make it hold together. The book is frequently collected; new readers should start with either the first

or second volume ("The Collected Strangers in Paradise" or "I Dream of You").

"Transmetropolitan" (DC/Vertigo, \$2.50) is probably the most entertaining science fiction comic to be published in years and is frequently more entertaining than most science fiction novels. The basic premise is a crusading journalist in a dystopian future ... but a journalist closer to Hunter S. Thompson than Woodward and Bernstein. Spider Jerusalem is a bald, tattooed, foul-mouthed and foul-minded creature in a world more corrupt than he is. In his attempts at reporting the "truth" in this world, Spider embarks on a series of adventures that range from the terrifying to the heartbreaking. There are three collections currently available: "Back On the Street," "Lust For Life" and "The Year of the Bastard," all of which read well as standalone works. Readers looking for more dementia from "Transmetropolitan" writer Warren Ellis should also check out "Planetary" (DC/Wildstorm, \$2.95), a revisionist look at 20th century icons and "The Authority" (DC/Wildstorm, \$2.95), a superhero team who takes on (literally) world-threatening foes. He's also recently been contracted by Marvel to creatively consult on their books "Generation X," "X-Men" and "X-Force," giving a darker, more intelligent feel to what were previously empty-headed "X-Men" spin-offs.

"Clerks" (the comic books) and "Jay and Silent Bob: Chasing Dogma" (Oni, \$10.95 and \$11.95 respectively) take the characters

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"Transmetropolitan" (top) and "Clerks" (left) are two comic books you should check out.

THE REEL SPIEL

"The Road to El Dorado" Light and Slight

BY ZACK SMITH
Senior Staff Writer

"The Road to El Dorado" has one of the most interesting promotional devices ever used for a movie, which is a cardboard standup with a mock-board game and several buttons. Upon pressing the buttons, lookers are treated to dialogue samples, parts of songs, etc. - in the three or so months it's resided at the Raleigh Grande, there's hardly been a time where a small crowd of children aren't playing with it. This promotional device has been described at such length for one reason: It's more interesting than anything in the film itself.

"The Road to El Dorado," the third film from DreamWorks Animation after "Antz" and "The Prince of Egypt," concerns Tulio and Miguel (voiced by Kevin Kline and Kenneth Branagh), two con men in 16th-century Spain who, through a series of coincidences, find themselves stranded on Cortes' ship. Managing to escape along with Cortes' horse, they find themselves in the New World, coincidentally right where the trail to the legendary lost city of gold, El Dorado, begins.

Once in El Dorado, the two are mistaken for gods by the locals, including a pleasant chief (Edward James Olmos) and a bloodthirsty priest (Armand Assante), who can't quite understand why the new gods are always calling off the human sacrifices. There's also an attractive peasant named Chel (Rosie Perez), who tries to help the guys out with their scheme and winds up coming between them, a large stone jaguar, a pesky armadillo and a half-dozen or so Elton John songs. While all this is entertaining and is refreshingly less cloying and sentimental than most recent Disney films, "The Road to El Dorado" lacks focus, plot and direction - is it a slapstick comedy, an allegory about colonization or something else? Frequently, the film seems to be an uneasy mix of the rapid-fire comedy of Warner Brothers animation and



Kevin Kline and Kenneth Branagh star in the animated film "The Road to El Dorado."

the cutesy "message" films of Disney.

DreamWorks has one of the best animation departments around and mixes the film visually lush (several sequences in El Dorado are quite breathtaking), but the elaborate look of the film seems out of place with the story's light-hearted, simplistic nature. The film allegedly took five years to make; for that much effort, you'd think the result would be more substantial. More importantly, "El Dorado" represents nothing new in the field of animation, which in the last decade or so has had a massive resurgence, particularly in the increased popularity of Japanese Anime and more mature, older-oriented cartoons like "Batman: The Animated Series."

Most of this animation, however, is limited to television and video, while feature animation, which has a larger budget and audience to work with, creatively languishes. Exceptions to this rule (such as last year's "The Iron Giant" and "Princess Mononoke") are usually ignored for such Happy Meal-selling fare as "Pokémon." The medium of animation is capable of visual storytelling in ways that live-action could never do and deserves stories to match that. While "The Road to El Dorado" is sometimes amusing, the genre deserves better films than this.

The Road to El Dorado

★ ★
Director:
Eric Bergeron
Don Paul
Starring:
Kevin Kline
Kenneth Branagh

SOUND-ADVICE

The Crow seeks some Salvation

WILLIAM REDD
Staff Writer

Another "Crow" movie means another wonderful "Crow" soundtrack. To flesh out the movie's shadowy world-a moody, gloomy, dark and doomy mosaic of rain-drenched back streets and haunting, dead-of-night beauty, KOCH Records has assembled a deliciously decadent star-studded soundtrack.

It's been over 10 years since "The Crow" first took flight, a black-and-white comic book struggling to sell out its initial 1,000-print run. Now, with feature films, a television series, video games, action figures, numerous books, comics and even an unauthorized stage show in Dublin, the Crow has become a unique and multifaceted pop culture icon of global proportions. A decade after its debut, "The Crow's" themes of eternal love, tragic loss and righteous retribution continue to resonate with audiences around the world.

The two previously released "Crow" soundtracks have sold over five million copies worldwide.

"The Crow: Salvation" features exclusive music from acts like Monster Magnet, The Crystal Method, Rob Zombie, Kid Rock, Hole, Filter and Days Of The New. The soundtrack also features music from artists Tricky, Stabbing Westward, Pitchshifter, Static X, Danzig, New American Shame, The Infidels (featuring actress Juliette Lewis on vocals), Sin and The Flys. "The record is packed with great artists and we have high expectations for its success around the world," says Bob Frank, President of KOCH Entertainment. Filter kicks things off with a remix of "The Best Things" (the album's first single and video), followed by Charlie Clouser's crunchy remix of Rob Zombie's "Living Dead Girl." Next is the sensuous, brick-oven smokiness of the Infidels', "Bad Brother," Kid Rock's bombastic "Warm Winter," Hole's scorching cover of Bob Dylan's "It's All Over Now Baby Blue" and the haunting hip-hop of Tricky's "Antihistamine" (featuring Martina singing the melody from Blondie's "Heart of Glass").

"This may be our best soundtrack album ever and certainly may be the strongest collection of artists ever conceived of for the Crow franchise," says the film's co-producer, Ed Pressman. "The Crow: Salvation" is one of the best soundtrack albums put together recently. The release date was scheduled for Tues. March 28. If you liked the previous "Crow" soundtracks then I would recommend this album to you.



COMICS

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from Kevin Smith's various films and unleash them into comics written by Kevin Smith himself. Even more irrelevant than the films (if possible), these stories alternate between stand-alone pieces and stories set during gaps in the various films' narratives ... Ever wonder what really happened at the funeral in "Clerks," or where Jay and Silent Bob went between "Chasing Amy" and "Dogma"? Unburdened by the often clunky directing that has marred his films, Smith turns forth some hilarious parodies and frequent self-satire. His depiction of crazed "Star Wars" action figure collectors is dead on (including such figure names as "Colt 45 Lando" and "Incestuous Luke and Leia Double-Pack"). There has rarely been a comic stranger than the one where Jay and Silent Bob not only get cursed out by Mr. Rogers but also find themselves cast in a porno movie directed by Neil Patrick Harris. To believe it you must read it.

"The Adventures of Barry Ween, Boy Genius" (Oni, \$2.95), is also recommended for fans of Kevin Smith, or fans of outrageous humor in general. Imagine the cartoon series "Dexter's Laboratory" by way of "South Park" and you have the premise for this series

about a ten-year-old with the I.Q. of Albert Einstein and the mouth of Eric Cartman. Along with his hilariously clueless friend Jeremy, Barry manages to survive adventures involving terrorists, inter-dimensional rifts, dinosaurs, terrorists, etc. While these may sound clichéd, creator Judd Winick (well-known as a member of MTV's "The Real World" in its third season), manages to give each a unique, hilarious spin. The humor is frequently laugh-out-loud funny, but unfortunately none of the jokes can be printed in a family newspaper. There's a collection of the first mini-series available, and a second series is currently being published.

"Akiko" (Sims, \$2.50) is a significantly gentler book than any of the books listed above, a light-hearted tale of a young girl who occasionally journeys to a fantastical alien planet for adventures. Although it is geared toward younger readers, its sense of absurd humor and creator Mark Criley's exquisitely detailed artwork make it a treat for readers of all ages. There are not only several collections available, but also Random House has recently adapted the first few issues into an illustrated hardcover novel.

The above books can be purchased at most bookstores, or at specialty shops such as Foundation's Edge or Capital Comics on Hillsborough. The Web page www.amazon.com also offers many of these books.

RUNNING

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"As soon as the race started, I immediately tucked into last place for a lap," Woods said. "I knew some of my fans were worried when I did this, but when I started moving up, I think they regained their confidence in me." Patterson echoed Woods' remarks about the crowd.

"I started from the back too, and as soon as I started passing people, the crowd got excited, and that just helped me pass even more people," Patterson said. "By the end of my race, I could hear so many people cheering for me that I hardly realized I was running so fast."

While Woods and Patterson shared the same strategy about starting in the back, they ran with completely different strategies during the race. Woods tried not to

look at the clock or think about his lap times, knowing that the competition in his heat would pull him to a good time. Patterson focused primarily on his splits during the race, trying to run as steady as possible and still hit his goal time of 14 minutes, 10 seconds.

"This race really was a breakthrough for both of these men," said Geiger. "Now they know they can run this fast, so they can concentrate on other goals, such as qualifying for the NCAA championships."

The provisional qualifying time for NCAA's is 14:07, which both of these men plan on running later in the spring.

"Patterson and Woods are real confidence boosters for me," added Geiger. "With five of our best distance runners graduating this year, I am glad to know we have two more men who are stepping up to continue the N.C. State tradition of excellent distance runners."

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seven seconds. His time is good enough to automatically qualify him for the NCAA championships, and it also qualified him for the Olympic trials. Dugan's time is the 12th-fastest in the world so far this year.

Dugan wasn't the only one who had a strong weekend for the Pack, though. Tyrone Dozier, State's number one 200- and 400-meter runner, finished sixth in the 200 and ninth in the 400. Assistant coach Terry Reese posted a third-place finish in the 110-meter hur-

dles with a time of 13.82 seconds. Isaiah Ogelsby placed seventh in the 16-pound weight throw and sixth in the discus. Zach Whitlow finished in a four-way tie for second place in the pole vault with a mark of 15.7.

In one of the most heavily contested events of the meet, the men's 5,000-meter run, State came away with 11th- and 12th-place finishes from David Patterson and Ryan Woods. Dan Middleman, a former Olympian in the 10,000-meter run, won the event in 13:37.6. Patterson and Woods finished in 14:12.6 and 14:15.8, respectively.

Also running in the 5,000 were Brendan Rogers, 21st, Abdul Alzindani, 24th, Michael Fitzula, 31st, and Joe Lion, 47th. State's

redshirt freshmen also ran well with Devin Swann finishing 25th and David Christian finishing 33rd.

State's Renea Robinson and Anne Marie Clark posted 17th- and 18th-place finishes in the women's 400-meter run. Both of these women ran 56 seconds for the race.

Kristin Pace finished in a tie for second place in the high jump with a mark of 5-10 1/2. This height qualifies her provisionally for the NCAA championships.

Sherlane Armstrong placed third in the triple jump with a jump of 42-2 1/2. This provisionally qualifies her for the NCAA Championships, as well.

State also posted sixth- and seventh-place finishes in the

women's pole vault by Clark and Katie Bolac.

Katie Sabino led the team in the 3,000-meter run with a third-place finish. Her time was 9:27.7, good enough to make the provisional qualifying standard. Megan Coombs placed 10th in this event with a time of 9:54.3.

State assistant coach Laurie Henes won the 5,000-meter race by over 10 seconds with a time of 16:09.1. State also took 11th, 12th and 21st positions in this race with Lindsey Rogers, Meredith Faircloth, Beth Fomer and Beth Kraft. Rogers' time is good enough to make her a provisional qualifier for the NCAA Championships.

RYALS

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points, including a 16-foot buzzer-beater that tied the half-time score, 37-37.

Wilkins and Inge scored the first four points of the second half before PSU forward Gyasi Cline-Heard scored the Lions' first points on a dunk.

After the dunk, the Pack went on

a 15-4 run that opened up a 56-45 lead with 12:13 left in the game. The Pack lead would reach 11 again on a Damon Thornton dunk with 9:14 remaining.

The Lions whittled away at the Pack lead, cutting it to one with 2:50 left on a pair of Stephens free throws. Gainey answered with a layup that put State ahead, 70-67.

That was the final lead the Pack would see, as the Lions scored seven of the game's final nine points.

Over the final 9:14, PSU

outscored State 23-8, holding the Pack to only two field goals. The inability to hold second-half leads was a theme for State throughout the second half of the season.

"We've not been able to close out a lot of games this year," said Wilkins. "Had we been able to do that, I think we'd be in a different tournament right now, but the biggest thing for us to do is remain focused."

In spite of the 0-2 record at Madison Square Garden, Pack Head Coach Herb Sendek put a

positive spin on the postseason experience.

"I think it was a real positive to be one of the eight teams still playing," said Sendek.

Thursday's loss ended an alternately promising and maddening season for State, who finished the year with a 20-14 record, the first 20-win season for the Pack since 1990-1991, when current Athletics Director Les Robinson was in his first year as head coach.

KELLY

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3-1 in the bottom of the fourth on consecutive one-out singles by Mooney and Craig Lee, and a two-run double by Josh Schmitt.

Tech tied the game at 3-3 with two more unearned runs off D'Amato in the top of the fifth. Menocal and Mark Teixeira led off with singles, and after Bryan Prince bled out, Goffena reached on a two-base error that scored Menocal and sent Teixeira to third. Basil grounded out to second base to drive in Teixeira with the tying run on what should have been the third out of the inning. State had a chance to break the tie in the bottom half of the inning, but left the bases loaded.

The Jackets took the lead and knocked D'Amato from the game in the top of the seventh with another unearned run. Menocal singled and Teixeira reached on an error. Prince sacrificed the runners to second and third, and Menocal scored on Goffena's sacrifice fly.

The Yellow Jackets threatened again in the eighth and ninth, but Jason Blanton stranded two runners in the eighth, and Josh Schmitt came out of center field to pitch and struck out Tyler Parker with the bases loaded to end the top of the ninth.

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"It was a good experience to get away with the guys, get away from school a little bit," said Anthony Grundy. "It was good to see a different place. It's real different up here and we had a lot of fun."

"I'm glad I've been through it, even though it was disappointing to not be where we wanted to be. But we had a good time in New York and we got to know our teammates better."

On the non-game days, the team spent some wandering around the nation's biggest city. A little bit of shopping, a little bit of sightseeing. Wednesday, the team went to the ESPZone in Times Square where it tried its luck in the arcade room on the top floor.

"Any time you go on an adventure like this, or something of this nature, it helps," Grundy said. "Kind of like the Italy trip, but in the United States."

"The trip's been pretty good," said Damien Wilkins. "We saw all the lights, the noise. Did a little walking around."

Ultimately, though, Wilkins said the Pack can't be satisfied with the trip.

"Those are two games we should have won," Wilkins said. "Those games are behind us now, we can't play them again until next year."

The final verdict on whether the trip was worthwhile will come next year as the Pack hopes to avoid a return visit to the Garden.

"Anytime you can spend more time together and have more experience you are able to get under your belt, you'd like to think that that's going to be an advantage," Sendek said.

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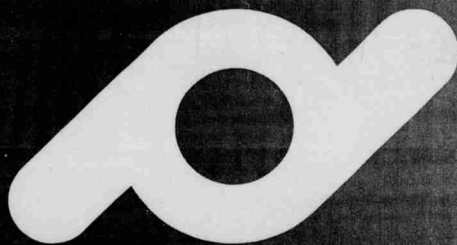
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TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

High court makes right call

“The First Amendment permits a public university to charge its students an activity fee used to fund a program to facilitate extracurricular student speech if the program is view-

above all, but rather the freedom to disagree. After all, freedom is rarely contained in the box of status quo.

On the other hand, the decision highlights a key cost in public education. Primarily, that one must in some way sacrifice individuality and even integrity in order to participate in a collectivist

point neutral,” wrote Justice Anthony Kennedy, adding, “When a university requires its students to pay fees to support the extracurricular speech of other students, all in the interest of open discussion, it may not prefer some viewpoints to others.”

And so came the Supreme Court decision which favored the University of Wisconsin and all public educational institutions in its policy of allowing student fees to fund student organizations without authority over the mission statements of those organizations.

Simply, such a decision means that, while an N.C. State student may not want to contribute to the funds of the Bisexual, Gay, and Lesbian Alliance, Student Health Services, or the Muslim Student Association, such financial distribution is not unconstitutional.

The decision highlights a fundamental principle of the First Amendment: it is not the freedom to agree that should be maintained

union. Many students on this campus do not support the values of the BGSLA; however, many students on this campus also do not support the values of Campus Crusade for Christ. Many students fund university dining without ever eating at Fountain Hall, just as many student finance professors that never teach them. Whites fund the African-American Culture Center. Blacks fund the Arab Club. The Arab club funds the College Republicans and the College Democrats.

It is the spirit of sacrifice and service to one another that gives us students the ability-the freedom to choose organizations, change them and even challenge them. And so we must guarantee First Amendment rights to all-not because we are too “soft” or too “liberal”-but because it is only by guaranteeing rights to all that we can guarantee rights to ourselves.

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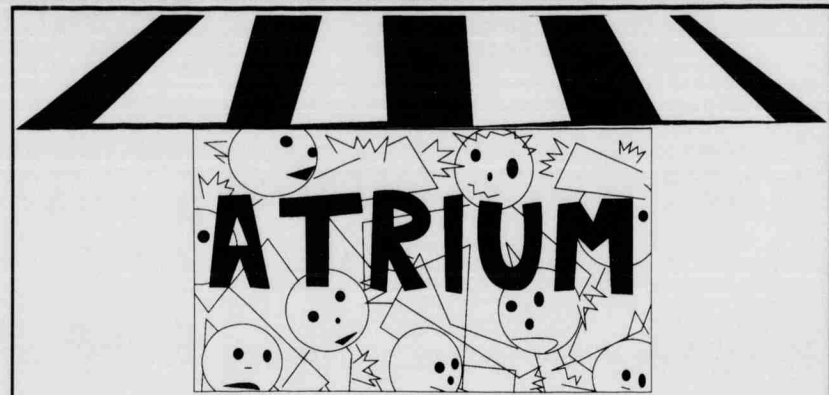
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"Mike" ads violate campus policy

Here is my humble opinion on "Mike"-I disagree with him! For the many who are doubtlessly confused and think that Mike is some poor guy running for student body office, I'll let you know that he is actually a speaker at Intervarsity Christian Fellowship is sponsoring. While I have no problem at all with the message he brings-I'm proud to be a strong Christian-I have some severe issues with the way IVC has chosen to promote his talk. [They ads are] in violation of NC State's policy on chalking, which prohibits using any vertical wall as your own personal sketchpad...because it will not be washed away by rain. The blatant disregard for these rules lead me to believe that the numerous fliers found in stair-

wells and elevator lobbies in residence halls were likewise put up without gaining proper permission. When mounting as massive a publicity campaign as the Mike advertising, those involved simply cannot be ignorant of the policies by which they must abide-when such policies are ignored, advertising can easily cross the line into useless graffiti, as the annoying "Do you agree with Mike?" publicity attests. Intervarsity should be held accountable for their actions, and something must be done to solve this problem and prevent it from occurring again. If it is not already a rule, publicity on such a massive scale should be required to include the name of the sponsoring organization, so that they can be identified.

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A Nice, Relaxing Lunch at the Atrium

Pack on the way back to top



MARK ANDERSON

Picking the Final Four teams in the NCAA college basketball tournament this March somewhat resembled throwing darts with your toes at those State Fair balloons while blindfolded and jumping on a trampoline.

Like many people in their right minds, three weeks ago I chose Michigan State, St. John's, Duke, and Ohio State to compose my Final Four. Well, it's a good thing I didn't bet anything.

For a little background: Michigan State did survive and will play in the championship game. However, Wisconsin, Florida, and our neighbors, the Tarheels of UNC crashed the Big Dance. Now, it's the recent success of that last team—it almost hurts to say it—UNC that irritates some die-hard Wolfpack fans.

No one—not even Eddie Cota himself—could imagine UNC playing in a national semifinal game. Few people really thought that UNC even deserved to be in the tournament at all. Well, well, well, the "Tarheel magic" is back...just in time to tarnish our own basketball team's modest success.

No, the NIT (a.k.a. "Not Important Tournament") doesn't have the big media hoopla

that surrounds the NCAA Tournament. And yes, NCSU did lose in the semifinals and the consolation game. But, folks, the big idea is that NCSU basketball is on the rise...and UNC will always be at or near the top. Why? I'll tell you later. First, let me whine a bit, if you please.

I have seen UNC find a way to win against N.C. State a time or two. It hurts. It becomes personal, like I have to stand up for State against those boastful Carolina fans.

Recently, some other unfortunate teams and fans have felt the agony of being beaten by a seemingly less talented team (you got it: Carolina).

We should probably send some of our fans to Tulsa, Tennessee, Stanford, and Missouri (the four teams UNC had beaten before Saturday's loss to Florida) for some professional counseling.

Similarly, like UNC, N.C. State has found post-season success after a sub-par regular season. State expected to find itself in the NCAA tournament at the beginning of the year, then landed a spot in the second-tier National Invitational Tournament. UNC was expected to miss a berth in the NCAA's, but squeaked in because they beat a whopping three ranked teams (one being N.C. State).

UNC was in the NCAA Final Four. N.C. State was in the NIT Final Four. O, the irony! It is disheartening, but revealing, too.

So, why is UNC so consistently successful? UNC is successful because of one person: Dean

Smith, their former coach. He was a good coach, a basketball mastermind, a consistent recruiter and a great man.

UNC's coach now is Bill Guthridge, a direct descendant of "The Dean" and assistant coach under Smith for 30 years. So, with that in mind, we Wolfpack faithful know the schools down Interstate 40 (Duke, too) will have decent—if not good—teams for a long time to come.

But, Herb Sendek will bring the glory back to Raleigh and the fear back to Chapel Hill. Give him time.

Justin Gainey, Tim Wells, and the other players from the past few seasons—most notably C.C. Harrison—have carried State through the rebuilding years. Those teams developed consistency for State to build upon, playing in four straight NIT tournaments.

Now, with experienced players returning and the incoming talent to bolster the bench, N.C. State basketball is synchronized. Good players help develop younger good players, and in turn, encourage high school recruits to join the lineage.

UNC has its name already etched in the new NCAA Hall of Champions in Indianapolis, signed Coach Dean Smith. N.C. State is making a name for itself again in basketball. It has been slow and agonizing for fans and players alike for ten years. The ancient pyramids weren't built in a decade.

Comments? Send them to mbander2@unity.ncsu.edu

Better never than late for Pope's attempted apology

RENEE MCERCHERN
FSJWV & Florida Flambeau

(U-WIRE) TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — In Rome, on March 12th, Pope John Paul II asked the world to forgive the Catholic Church for its sins. Seven of the Pope's cardinals and bishops stood before him and emphasized the injustice that was brought forth to women, Jews, the poor and immigrants over the past two thousand years.

The apology however, did not come soon enough. Though years have lapsed and opportu-

nities have arisen, the Pope only now acknowledges the pain of those who have suffered significantly at the hands of the church.

"We forgive and we ask forgiveness," John Paul II said.

Who exactly is he asking forgiveness from? There are so many people that the church has hurt it is difficult to categorize them into only a few groups.

He failed to address those who suffered beyond what an apology can heal. He did not recognize the suffering of Holocaust survivors or apologize

for the inaction of Pope Pius XII, who chose to remain silent while millions were being exterminated.

I am not a person of one particular faith. I believe the apology was a beginning, but it could have come sooner, been more specific and was given for the wrong reasons.

The apology comes now because Catholics are fearful that they are going to miss the coming of Christ.

Fear of his coming has caused a scramble

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CAMPUS FORUM

O'Connor misguided on capitalism

Darren O'Connor's March 30 letter to Technician about capitalism makes several points worth clarifying. His first point is that capitalism is the savior of mankind and sure, it has flaws like any other system. Fairness and competition are its hallmarks. Fairness like when you're a hard worker who has been too hardworking (and made your firm too successful) and your company moves to a "developing" nation where folks like you work at a pittance. That's not only fair, it's praiseworthy. Or corporations that suck millions out of the national treasury while children starve, in the name of "competition". Fair, my favorite statement is O'Connor's belief that somehow without capitalism and the Industrial Revolution we would all be ruled by rich elites. Who does O'Connor think runs the show? Us? He can't possibly think this is an effective democracy? The last of O'Connor's claims is that our national wealth and worldwide presence stem from this economic system. Nothing could be farther from the truth. Our nation's wealth (actually the wealth of a handful of people) has come at the cost of millions of lives along the way. Native Americans, regular folks and the

lives of millions across the globe who dare defy U.S. dictates (Iraqis, Mayans in Mexico) lay as a somber testament to just how fair our system is. Lastly while O'Connor praises capitalism for raising life standards, the average life expectancy of a black male from Harlem is the same as a citizen of Bangladesh.

Dan Chambers,
Communications

Mirchandani gets bad rap

On Thursday, I read Technician's endorsement piece for the Student Body President race. I am a sophomore in CALS and I pay my own tuition. I could not help but notice that you seemed to have blamed our current president for not having done anything this past year, especially about the tuition issue. Keep in mind that a Student Body President only has so much power. I believe that his efforts were. No leader, no matter how good his intentions, can be 100% effective and accomplish 100% of their goals. Yes, I'll be paying a good bit more next year to come here, but there will be no \$500 surcharge to deal with on top of that. Also, President Mirchandani seems to care enough about the tuition issue

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'Latin Explosion' denies centuries of history

DULCINERA LARA
The State News

(U-WIRE) EAST LANSING, Mich. — My history doesn't begin with Jennifer Lopez's acting debut or Ricky Martin's emergence into the music world, although it seems that way lately. The popular idea of the "Latin Explosion" creates a historical vacuum for people under the umbrella of this label. The idea that these singers and actors exploded onto the scene, considered in some circles as the "Brown Invasion," leads to a problematic misinterpretation of the real lives of these so-called Latinos.

Because Chicano and Latino teachers, parents, doctors and others holding honorable positions in society are completely neglected in this explosion phenomena, their history is trivialized and marginalized by people only recently taking notice of them. The theory of the Latin Explosion assumes these people were never here before. It assumes these people were not teaching, healing, working and contributing to society before.

It's like these people landed in this country yesterday and started giving salsa and merengue dance lessons. It even sounds ludicrous. According to mass media, we're

now suddenly important to the political and consumer world because, not only do we vote in blocs, we also buy beer in blocs.

Most people know nothing about the true history, about the explosions that took place during the Chicano Movement and the early 20th century revolutions. Few people know about the women and men who contributed immensely to the world Chicano live in today. As kids, most of us read a small paragraph on Cesar Chavez and the farmworkers movement in the chapter on diversity in social studies. That's it.

If you wanted to know the truth about Chicanos and Latinos, that option wasn't offered in most schools or history books, even in my New Mexico school. If you don't want to know the truth and beauty of Chicano-Latino culture and history, at least refrain from believing that we're all about singing and dancing. Although they are part of our culture, they're a very small part.

As a journalism major specializing in Chicano studies, seeing Salma Hayek pasted on the glossy cover of George magazine striding a big, red firecracker while

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amongst Christians to make sure they cleanse themselves from any wrong deeds that may have been committed.

As the saying goes, "Prayer is the last refuge of a scoundrel." Jews in particular, were disappointed that the Pope did not fully recognize the suffering they had to endure and the failure of the Catholic Church to help during the Holocaust.

The Catholic Church holds Pope Pius XII in a high regard. They defend his inaction and choose not to mar his memory.

A distressed Holocaust survivor

and Israel's Chief Rabbi, Israel Meir Lau said, "He (Pius XII) was a pope who didn't say a word at the time when rivers of blood were streaming all over Europe."

Two thousand years have passed and the Church is only now repenting for its sins. It strives for reconciliation but is that achievable when there are those living with the memories of pain and suffering?

The Pope's apology was sincere but reopened the wounds of people who are trying desperately to forget. For some, the apology is a remembrance of their loved ones who were torn away from them.

In most instances, when we think of apologies it is better late than never, but in this case it is better never than late.

Loco

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smiling and exposing all the right parts, makes me think my studies are in vain. People see these images, which are largely perpetuated by popular media, and assume we're all like that.

We all love the Taco Bell Chihuahua, speak with heavy accents — emphasized by Hollywood blockbusters — and are devout Catholics. This simply isn't true. While these stereotypes may seem harmless on the surface, they are just as pernicious as the gangster and Latina sex-pot stereotype. These new stereotypes make us an ahistorical people, people who live only in popular culture token ads. They assume we were never here before and wipe our struggle from existence. Unfortunately, it took a population growth spurt for us to be recognized.

Mainstream movies like "Mi Vida Loca" and "Fools Rush In" portray Chicanos in stereotypical and romanticized roles: the strong family, the loose morals, the gangster, the oversexed woman and on and on. What's worse is the new children's cartoon, "El Dorado." It is especially dangerous as a glorified depiction of the European colonization of the Americas during the 16th and 17th centuries. El Dorado means "The Golden

One," in reference to the large amounts of gold that attracted conquerors from around the world. The movie praises what amounts to one of the most disgusting mass genocides in history. After the search for gold was over, millions of Native American men and women were killed and raped, literature was destroyed and whole societies lay in ruins.

My guess, having not seen the cartoon, is this ugly side isn't portrayed. What an appropriate thing to teach our children — that monetary gain is more valuable than people's lives. I had a discussion with an acquaintance who questioned the harmfulness of such a cartoon. She asked why it was so dangerous. "It's just a cartoon after all. It's for kids." Exactly. Put a false portrayal of history in a neat, colorful package with animated characters and call it acceptable for children.

This is even more irresponsible than the institutionally accepted miseducation our children are already exposed to from elementary to high school. This amounts to lying directly to our children. Imagine if Disney came out with a cartoon portraying a romanticized version of the World War II Holocaust, exalting the Nazi German view. It wouldn't fly, right? But it's OK to do this to Chicanos.

I've been thinking, it's funny I'm associated in this mixture of people. I'm not Latin and I'm not exploding. Explain this one to me.

Bad Rap

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to want to keep the student body informed through his plan for a tuition increase formula. We are in a sad state of affairs when a president who has shown so clearly that he is working for students is called a do-nothing by his own school's newspaper. Other candidates seem to be talking about bringing the campus together. I think the first step in doing that would be supporting and not tearing down a president who has been constantly at work on the issues that mean the most to students. I want to be sure that when an issue of dire importance comes up, we have a leader who has proven he will drop what he's doing and work endlessly on it as our current President Mirchandani has done this year.

John Richtarik III
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N.C. State gymnasts finish disappointing fifth

◆ The N.C. State gymnastics team didn't qualify for the National Championships.

JEREMY ASHTON
Sports Editor

ATHENS, Ga. — A trip to the National Championship meet in Boise, Idaho, seemed like the perfect finish to a storybook season for the N.C. State gymnastics team. Unfortunately, someone forgot to write the correct ending.

The Wolfpack placed fifth at the six-team Region VI Championships Saturday in Stegerman Coliseum with a score of 193.475, costing the team a shot at Nationals. Third-ranked Georgia, the two-time defending national champions, won the meet with a score of 196.725. Brigham Young, the 10th-ranked team in the country, was the other team to qualify for Nationals, finishing 1.2 points ahead

of State.

"We felt like probably for the first time we were deep enough and good enough to legitimately be going to the National Championships," State head coach Mark Stevenson said. "We just didn't perform as well as we needed to today."

The fifth-place finish ended an otherwise successful season for the Pack. State ended the regular season ranked 13th in the country, topped the 197-point barrier for the first time in school history and won its second consecutive East Atlantic Gymnastics League title. But the ultimate prize for the Pack was a chance to compete at Nationals.

"We had a really good year but didn't finish in a bang," junior Kara Charles said. "It was an amazing year. We set records; we won EAGL again. We had a really good team this year. We all worked together as a team really well."

Saturday's meet marked the end of the season for most of State's gymnasts, but

for seniors Maggie Haney and Jenny Sommer, it also signaled the end to their outstanding careers.

In their four years at State, Haney and Sommer combined to set two school records, won one EAGL individual title, earned seven all-EAGL selections and were named to the EAGL all-academic team seven times. They were also a part of the first Pack squad to make Nationals and won two EAGL championship rings each.

"The quality of the gymnastics that they've given to our team has made our team move to where it is moving," Stevenson said of Haney and Sommer.

The State gymnasts appeared nervous on their first event of the evening, bars. The Pack missed its first routine on that event and had problems on the second one, setting the team behind from the start.

"If you start on floor or vault, you just go out there and go as hard as you can,"

Charles said. "That's what we've been starting on in a lot of our meets. So, you have to have kind of a different frame of mind going into the meet."

The Pack did not count a fall on any event but had problems with some of its routines. According to Stevenson, State just was not as "crisp and sharp" as it had been two weeks ago at the EAGL Championship meet.

"Today just wasn't one of those days that we hit," junior Amy Langendorf said. "We didn't have a really bad meet, but everything wasn't quite as good as it should have been."

Sophomore Kelli Brown was the Pack's leading competitor, posting the team's top scores on all three of her events. Brown's 9.825 on floor, the same apparatus on which she scored a 10 at Wolfpack Invitational, was State's highest score of the night. Brown added a 9.8 on vault and a 9.775 on bars.

Charles also made a solid contribution

for the Pack, finishing tied for fifth in the all-around with a 38.925. Charles scored over 9.7 on all four of her events, including a 9.8 on floor.

State did not come away from the evening completely empty-handed. Following the meet, Stevenson, assistant coach Sam Schuh and assistant athletics director Shannon Yates were recognized by the Region VI staff as coach of the year, assistant coach of the year and administrator of the year, respectively.

"Obviously, the kids earned that for us," Stevenson said. "Their performances and the quality of their gymnastics gave those awards to us [Stevenson and Schuh]."

"I was real pleased that Shannon Yates received administrator of the year from the other schools and that they were interested enough in our program to know how much better the program's become because of the support we've been getting from the department," Stevenson added.

Kelly pitches Tech past N.C. State

Sports Staff Report

Steve Kelly pitched eight strong innings and Georgia Tech took advantage of three N.C. State errors to score four unearned runs and defeat the Wolfpack 4-3 in Atlantic Coast Conference baseball action Sunday at Doak Field.

The Tech win completed a three-game sweep for the Yellow Jackets, their first three-game sweep ever at State. Friday, Tech's Cory Vance threw a two-hitter as the Yellow Jackets won 13-1. Saturday, State fell 11-6.

Sunday's win lifted Georgia Tech to 7-2 in the ACC and 23-8 overall, while State fell to 5-7 in the conference and 17-14 overall.

In Sunday's game, Kelly (4-1) allowed three runs, two of them earned, on nine hits. He walked one and struck out nine. Jeff Watchko pitched a scoreless ninth inning to record his third save of the season. Dan D'Amato (5-3) was the tough-luck loser for State. D'Amato allowed four runs, all of them unearned, on seven hits in 6 1/3 innings. He walked two and struck out three.

The Yellow Jackets took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first inning when Victor Menocal singled, went to second on an error, took third on a force play and scored on a two-out RBI single by Derik Goffena.

State tied the game with an unearned run of its own in the bottom of the second. Dan Mooney led off with a single, went to third on a throwing error and scored on a groundout. The Wolfpack made it

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Lions nip State

◆ N.C. State's season came to a close Thursday against the Nittany Lions.

JIMMY RYALS
Staff Writer

NEW YORK — Justin Gainey and Tim Wells' long run with the N.C. State basketball team came to a bitter end last Thursday night at Madison Square Garden.

As the final seconds ran out on Wells' and Gainey's careers, not to mention N.C. State's NIT consolation game against Penn State, PSU guard Joe Crispin drove past Gainey for the game-winning layup in the Pack's 74-72 loss.

Another close loss in a season full of them, the PSU game left Gainey and Wells disappointed.

"It hurts bad, but I realize that the world's bigger than N.C. State and that there's other things outside of it," said Gainey. "I can't do nothing about it now, just gotta move on."

"It's real disappointing...I'm close friends with a lot of guys on the team," said Wells. "It's really disappointing losing the last one."

Gainey and Wells both played solidly in their final college games. Gainey four points, four assists, four steals and two rebounds, while Wells had six points, three assists and two rebounds, continuing his strong NIT play after sitting on the bench for most of the season.

Crispin's basket came with two seconds on the clock and completed a PSU rally from 11 points down with 9:07 remaining in the game.

Keying that rally were All-Big-10 forward Jarett Stephens and Lions Crispin, the Lions' point guard.

After Stephens scored 18 first-half

points, the Pack defense held him in check early in the second half, holding him scoreless for the first 8:40 of the final period. Stephens came alive over the last 11:20, however, scoring 10 points to finish the game with 28.

It was the opposite story for Crispin, who went scoreless in the first half and netted 14 in the second. Crispin and Stephens scored 22 second-half points; the other seven Lions who played

scored 13.

According to Pack Head Coach Herb Sendek, Crispin's game-winning layup was not the result of a defensive breakdown.

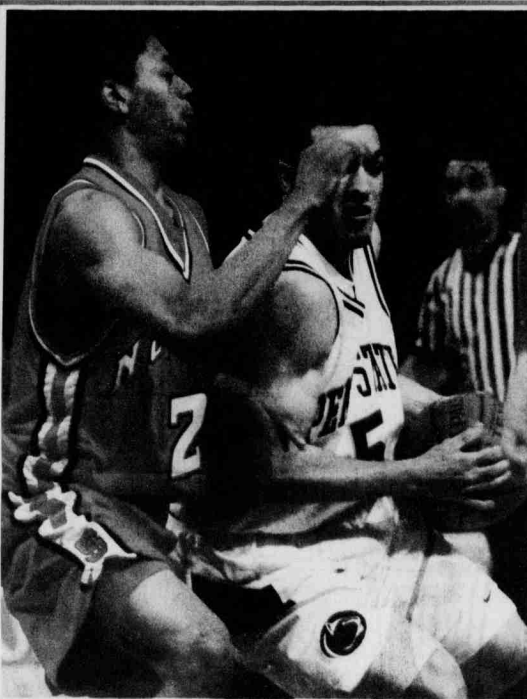
"They went to a spread set and kept the ball in the middle and in Crispin's hands, he made a great drive and made a nice shot off the glass," said Sendek. "It's really special for a one-on-one move; it's the same set we've used in the past in a similar situation."

Kenny Inge and Damien Wilkins led the way for the Pack, notching 18 points and nine rebounds, and 21 and six, respectively.

Inge's output continued his impressive postseason play. During the NIT, Inge averaged 13.8 points and 7.8 rebounds per game, up from his regular-season averages of 9.4 and 6.2, respectively. He had two double-doubles during the tournament and came one rebound short of notching a third in the consolation game.

Wilkins' good play Thursday was a reversal after his performance in the semifinal loss to Wake Forest, in which he shot 1-11 from the field and scored only four points. During a particularly impressive first half Thursday, Wilkins tallied 13

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Anthony Grundy defends against a Penn State player in Madison Square Garden.

Trip a winner off the floor

◆ The Wolfpack enjoyed the trip to New York, even if it lost both games.

JACK DALY
Sports Editor

NEW YORK — On the floor, the trip may have been a bit disappointing.

N.C. State lost to Wake Forest and Penn. St. in its two games in Madison Square Garden for the NIT. Both games were close, but in a microcosm of the Wolfpack's year, State couldn't pull out victories.

Off the court, however, the trip to the Big Apple was still a success.

"I think it was a positive to be one of only eight teams playing in the country right now and have the opportunity to come to New York and play in Madison Square Garden and advance through the postseason," said State head coach Herb Sendek. "I can only imagine next year would be more positive than anything else."

The trip to New York was the second major road trip for the team in nine months. In July, State traveled to Italy for a four-game exhibition tour against Italian professional teams.

As was the case with Italy, the visit to New York ultimately might be most beneficial with team chemistry.

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Sophomores running strong

◆ A pair of N.C. State sophomores appear ready to fill the spaces left by graduating seniors on the track team.

TODD LION
Staff Writer

Sophomores Ryan Woods and David Patterson knew exactly what they were getting into when they learned they were both in the first heat of the men's 5,000-meter run at last weekend's Raleigh Relays.

They knew they were running against two former Olympians, several All-Americans and many professional runners.

"When I first learned that I

was in the first heat I was scared," Patterson said. "But after I calmed down a little bit, I realized that I could run with those guys if I raced intelligently."

Woods and Patterson didn't just run with their competitors, they beat most of them, finishing in 11th and 12th place.

"I am extremely pleased with the way these two ran," said track and field head coach Rollie Geiger. "I was pretty sure they were capable of these performances, and I'm just thrilled they actually ran that fast."

Several days before the race, Patterson, joking about the level of his competition, said, "My race plan is basically to get on the starting line, and when the

race starts, grab onto somebody's shorts, and move my legs as fast as I can until I collapse."

When race time came around, however, both Patterson and Woods knew what they were going to have to do in order to even finish the race.

"I knew not to even try to think about the leaders at the start of the race," said Woods. "I knew my best shot at a good finish was to start at the back and work my way up throughout the entire race."

Woods' strategy worked. The only person who ever passed him in this race was his teammate, Patterson, who overtook him in the last 200 meters.

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Track and field had a successful weekend.

Track team holds its own

◆ The Raleigh Relays saw several incredible marks from N.C. State athletes as well as professionals.

TODD LION
Staff Writer

Before last weekend's Raleigh Relays, N.C. State track and field coach Rollie Geiger said that with the amount of athletes participating in this meet, he would be happy just to get through the meet smoothly.

In the end, Geiger's goal was attained. The final event, the 1600-meter relay, was only three minutes behind schedule when it started.

"Usually with a meet of this size, you can expect the starting times to be at least an hour behind schedule," Geiger said. "The meet staff and Roger Jennings' crew at

Finislynx, the company in charge of official results and times, really did a superb job of keeping this meet on schedule."

The quality of the results of Raleigh Relays seemed to parallel the superb job done by the meet's staff. The meet concluded with one American record being set, an Olympic trials qualifying time being run and several NCAA qualifying marks being made.

Lynda Bluthrich set an American record in the women's javelin throw with an outstanding throw of 188.5. Bluthrich's throw broke Ann Crouse's record, set last year, by one inch.

State's Chris Dugan dominated the field in the men's 3,000-meter steeplechase. He ran the race in 8 minutes, 41.6 seconds, winning by

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