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The Triangle Transit Authority (TTA) and Capital Area Transit (CAT) are cosponsoring a free job fair at the Raleigh Convention and Conference Center in downtown Raleigh on Wednesday, April 26 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

More than 50 area employers including TTA and CAT, will be on hand with job openings in a wide range of categories and representing entry, intermediate, and advance level positions.

The TTA began sponsoring job fairs in 1996 as a part of the welfare-to-work initiative. While helping people to become self-sufficient is still an objective of the job fairs, the events have become broader in scope. Fair organizers feel that the low unemployment rate in the Triangle has contributed to the diversity of the job fairs.

TTA and CAT consider their sponsorship a marketing tool, because more riders use transit for the work commute than for any other purpose, said TTA Event leanner Billie Cox.

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Planner Billie Cox.
Applicants who have access to either a TTA or CAT regularly scheduled bus may ride free to the job fair on April 26.
Although the job fair hours are II a.m. to 3 p.m. applicants are urged to arrive well in advance of 3 p.m. in order to be able to speak with several employers.
The Raleigh Convention and Conference Center is located at 500 Fayetteville Street Mall. For additional information, call 485-7462.

CVM plans and research forum April 14

The College of Veterinary Medicine will hold its annual Research Forum and Pharmaceuticals Day on Friday, April 14, Students, house officers and graduate students will present posters and oral presentations on their research from approximately 12:15 pm. no 5 pm. Prizes will be awarded to two students in each catteriors.

12:15 p.m. to 5 p.m. Prizes will be awarded to two students in each category. The keynote speaker for the Research Forum's Litwack Lecture will be Dr. Tracey McNamara, head of the Department of Pathology at the Wildlife Conservation Society in New York. She will be speaking on "The West Nile Virus Outbreak of 1999. A Bird's-Eye View from the Bronx Zoo." Vendors from several major companies will attend Pharmaceuticals Day to give students, faculty and staff the opportunity to become acquainted with their products. The vendor area will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, contact Samantha Hartford in the CVM Office of Continuing Education at \$13.6.259 or samantha_hartford@nesu.edu.

Speing Plant Sale will be

Spring Plant Sale will be April 15-16

Pi Alpha Xi (PAX), the honor society for floriculture, landscape horticulture, and ornamental horticulture, celebrates more than 20 years of providing the best selection of ornamental trees, shrubs, vines, herbaceous perennial plants and annual bedding plants in the Triangle during its 2000 Spring Plant Sale. The organization specializes in hard-to-find plants. The sale will be Saturday, April 15, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, April 16, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the JC Raulston Arboretum on Beryl Road. More information is on the Web at www2.ncsu.edu/unity/lockers/project/pialphaxi/sale.html.

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Summer school undergoes tuition changes

been overhauled. Under the new time-intensive plan, students will

STELLA LITSAS

For the past decade, all UNC System schools, including N.C.

single flat rate.

That will all change at NCSU, starting this summer. And, in spite of some monetary adjustments, NCSU students attending summer school may be pleased to find that they will actually pay less.

On Dec. 9, the UNC System's General Administration (GA)

mandated that all UNC schools must go through a process of changing their summer session fees from flat rates to hourly rates. The ultimate goal of the fee change is simply to modulate fees from flat rates and charge them on a per-hour basis.

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"Specific calculations have been made to determine exactly how

much money was produced last year, given the number of students enrolled and how they were distributed," said Cudd.

He added that those amounts were used to estimate what kind of hourly fee can be set for this year that will create an equal amount of money.

The NCSU Budget Office and the Summer Sessions office determined that \$35 per hour will gen-

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Celebration honors Kanipe

NCSU says farewell to an executive director

♦ At a celebration to honor his 41 years with NCSU, both as a student and as an administra tor, John Kanipe was presented with awards from Chancellor Fox and Governor Hunt

BRENNA ECKERSON

More than 50 family, friends, university administrators, including Chancellor Marye Anne Fox, and many others attended a ceremony Monday to honor John Kanipe and his decision to retire from N.C. State after an association of 41 years with the university. Kanipe, who spent more than four decades with NCSU both as a student and as an administrator, served his alma mater in several roles. As vice chancellor for development, he helped to raise over \$230 million through the Century II Campaign.

Kanipe served most recently as the executive director of corporate and foundation relations for the university.

"My 41 years of association have been a love affair with N.C. State," said Kanipe after he received awards from both Chancellor Fox on behalf of the university and former NCSU Supreme Court Chief Justice Burley Mitchell on behalf of Governor Jim Hunt, who was unable to attend the ceremony.

Fox presented a Citation of Appreciation to Kanipe for his work as the executive director of corporate and foundation relations, in which "he has helped secure continued support from the important corporate partners," said Fox.



Ain't no party like a ÛAB party...

• ...'cause a UAB party don't stop. At least, not until 3 a.m. The Union Activities Board will host its annual All Night Bash this Friday night from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m., with "midnight in paradise" luau serv ing as the party's theme.

NATALIE DUGGINS

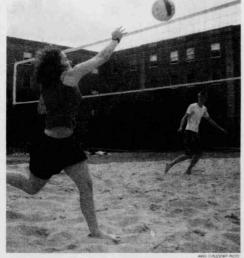
With the loss of campout and minimal Homecoming festivities this year, many students are clam-oring for a true N.C. State tradition. This Friday, the Union Activities Board (UAB) will host their annual All Night Bash in Talley Student Center.

"[The All Night Bash] has become oring on for years and it's a great

"The All Night Bash] has been great tradition...one of the few traditions left," said Jonathan Keane, vice president of the UAB.

The bash will go on from 10 p.m. Friday night to 3 a.m. Saturday morning. Students who enture out to the student center will be able to partake in several festivities in support of this year's Hawaiian theme.
"It's a huge carnival that [UAB] has been doing for years. Last year, 2,500 people came," said Keane.

He can dig it, she can dig it...



...but can anybody spike? Kellie Thompson (foreground) played volleyball yesterday for the first time. Joe Puckett(background) plays often. The two know one another through Intervarsity Christian Fellowship.

HIP points students in a healthy direction

◆ The Student Health Center's Health Improvement Program integrates exercise and a healthy diet into a physical well-being program that is geared specifically for college students.

Gaining weight in college is very common.
Late-night pizza, vending-machine meals and fast food can take their toll on any person's body. It is not unusual for college students to struggle with weight problems.

"When I was in high school I ran track and played baskethall," said N.C. State junior Lashonda Ridges. "But when I got to college tidn't do anything, and I at everything, even when I wasn't hungry. In my freshman year, I gained 12 pounds."

ANCSU-a program exists that specializes in helping students develop a healthy lifestyle in order to reach and maintain their desired weight. Located on the second floor of the Student Health Center, the Health Improvement Program (HP) provides consultation to shape up the mind as well as the body. Funded by a grant from the Annual Parents Pund, this program is available to all students who are ready to make a change in a healthy direction. Exercise is promoted in the program as a catalyst for looking and feeling better.

"This program complements a college environment because it touches every area of well-being, including emotional, social and physical health," said Stephanie Sobol, certified personal trainer for HP.

Getting involved with HIP is simple. Once a student contacts Sobol at HIP, they are asked to attend three consultations over a two-week span. At the first consultation, the student and Sobol discuss personal goals, and then the student fills out a questionnaire that will reveal some of the unhealthy eating

questionnaire that will reveal some of the unhealthy eating and exercise habits that need to be dedressed.

At the next visit, a body assessment pinpoints areas of concern on which the student should work. This body assessment includes a two-mine walk/run. Here were the student to student should work. This body assessment includes a two-mine walk/run. On the final wisit, the student, equipped with an exercise and thet agenda, is cleared to start a program. Sobol encourages the student to keep in contact by calling or stopping by her office, even if it is just to step on the scale.

"Just want to lose 10 pounds, so my plan is simple," said NCSU student Jeremy Palmer. "Four times a week I get on the treadmill or run for a half-hour, and then I add strength training in two days."

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are up to no good. Marks takes on our woody friends today in Opinion.



A beacon in the night

Mice get beat down...the death of dough girl... baseball sucks...sugar sugar...renaissance art.



Ashton's on his soapbox again in

HIP

dle of January, and I can already see a difference in the way my clothes ift," he said.

Students are cautioned that hard work is the only way that they will obtain results. Sobol reported that most of the students where you way to lose between five and 15 pounds and tone their body. Once the students had kept with the program for all east eight weeks, they not only reported losing weight but feeling better about themselves, as well.

"There are lots of obvious benefits to exercise that reach further than physical aspects," said Sobol.

"In college, students with a regular exercise regimen have more energy and are more alert. Both of these incentives are complementary to academics, as well." she said.

"Self-esteem rises, which make the students more willing to participate in campus activities.

HP encourages students to take advantage of NCSU's campus because it is very convenient for them to jumpstart their new healthy lifestyles. Any student can start by walking around campus at a brisk pace. Beginners can start slowly and work their way up to a more intense program. Filiness walking can be an effective way to lose weight if it is done consistently.

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done consistently. "In fitness walking, the upper body plays a major role," said NCSU physical education instructor A. Lynne Berle. "The arms are pumping, which increases your pace and stride and gets the blood circulating feater."

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"It is important to maintain your walking program on a continuous basis, at least four times a week to get results," Berle added.

To add variety to a workout, HP recommends aerobies classes, which are held daily in Carnichael Gym. Aerobies is a great way to improve on all areas of the body. Benefits include increasing muscular streamth. on all areas of the body. Benefits include increasing muscular strength, increasing cardiovascular and respi-ratory endurance, enhancing motor skills, and enhancing flexibility.

"In comparison to walking, running or even biking, aerobics is a group exercise," explains Robin Bell, aerobic program coordinator at NCSU. "The instructor is pushing you to get the most from ear-bics are felt by walking to classes with ease and more pep in their step.

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To take full advantage of Carmichael Gym, students, especially females, should not overlook the weight transing rooms. Belf recommends working in a strength-transing rogimen. Lifting weights as little as two times a week can produce noticeable differences on the body. Achieving well-defined arms, legs, chest and back in six to 12 weeks are attainable goods even for a beginner. Establishing an exercise regimen now along with healthy eating babis should improve quality of the in the long run. It can be difficult to lead a healthy lifestyle in college, but at least getting HIP can make things a little easier.

'I thought that being on a diet program would make me feel hungry said. Palmer. 'I am eating just as much food, but all the food is healthier now. I just cut out little things like eating dessert every might and eating sweets.'

'Since I started the HIP program.

"Since I started the HIP program, exercising and eating healthy have been pretty easy," said Palmer.

BRIEF

Campus Forum for Ticket Distribution to be held

A campus forum for ticket distribution will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. next Tuesday, April 18, in Student Senate Hall. 201 Witherspoon Student Center.

The ticket distribution task force will get input from students about proposed campout alternatives. Current proposals will be explained and discussed.

The forum will be broadcast live on WKNC 88.1 FM.

UAB

For only \$1, students can experience "midnight in paradise" by playing laser tag, competing with friends in the joust or enjoying some of the carnival rides. Students can also venture into the UAB's mock casino. Non-student guests will pay an additional \$2 to participate in the All Nighter.

"There's also going to be a bunger run, obstacle course, three carricature artists, face painters, fun flicks, a capella groups and, hopefully a steel drum player," Keane said.

Last year, students were in line

Last year, students were in line for nearly three hours trying to get their likenesses drawn by carica-ture artists. In hopes of alleviating

RETIRE

that problem, the UAB has added an extra artist to this year's roster. "And there's going to be a lot of food that is free upon admission," Keane added.

Students will be able to feast on Hawaiian pizza, nachos and cheese, sno-cones, cotton candy and a traditional Hawaiian pig pickin'.

"It's a really big party. You pay a minimal expense and you can stay as long as you like," said Mark Aldrich, current UAB secretary and Student Center presidentelect

Students wishing to volunteer to "get luau'd at the All Night Bash," can still contact Keane or Aldrich at the UAB office (515-5918) or through email at uab_bash@hotmail.com. Volunteers will be provided with a free Hawaiian t-shirt for their assistance.

SUMMER

erate the amount approximated, according to Cudd. Guidelines given by the GA stated that tuition percentages could not exceed 4.9 percent of overall revenue.

under the new proposal, the total cost of tuition and fees for summer 2000 is 13 percent less for three hours of courses and 1.1 percent less for four hours. Cudd adid that, in spite of the decreased payments, NCSU will still benefit if there is a decrease in student enrollment, as the funds help pay-off facility mortgages and program fees, in addition to supporting campus agencies.

"NCSU has absolutely no inten-tions of generating more money than any other previous years," said Cudd.

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Cudd said that the GA will look to make similar changes to the current NCSU fall and spring payment systems, thus making the hourly fee system a year-

BYU grad running for House

♦ Balkman, a Republican originally from Long Beach, Calif., hopes to reform taxes, create a business-friendly environment and boost pub-lic education to a higher level.

ELIZABETH ARROWSMITH

(U-WIRE) PROVO, Utah— Brigham Young University political science graduate, Thad Balkman, will run for the Oklahoma State House of Representatives against current seat-holder. Wallace Collins, in the November 2000 election

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Balkman, a Republican originally from Long Beach, Calif., hopes to reform taxes, create a business-friendly environment and boost public education to a higher level.

Balkman and his wife. Amy, moved to Norman, Okla., after graduating from BYU in August 1994 to pursue a law degree at Oklahoma University. They have two children, Adeline and Jackson.

Balkman studied political science at BYU because of his desire to learn the workings of government and the way policies and laws are made.

made "BYU was where I got my formal training in politics in the academic sense." he said. Balkman said the professors at BYU incorporated the role that morals and God play in our government and society - something he took as a solid basis with him into his professional career.

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nis professional career.

November's election will be the first time Balkman has run for public office. He served as a class and later student body president at Long Beach Polytechnic High School and as his class president at University of Oklahoma Law School in Norman.

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Balkman, 28, has worked at Stanley Ward Law Offices in Norman, a small private practice, doing mostly civil work since September 1998 when he received his law license.

With a Web site launched and a monthly cable show, Balkman is

heavily campaigning and fundrais-ing in preparation for the August primaries.

He knocks doors twice a week to introduce himself to voters and allow them to become familiar with his platform.

He has a real grass-roots

his platform.

He has a real grass-roots approach, said Jon Mott, instructional designer and adjunct political science professor at BYU who has been a political advisor to Balkman and developed his campaign Web site.

site.

"As a BYU graduate and member of the church, he's gone out to an area of the country that is not predominately LDS and has been able to establish himself in the community." Most said.

Balkman is one of tew active politicians who are members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints in the "Bible-bell" area of the United States, he said.

"Thad is continuing to be a pioneer in that sense," he said.

Balkman serves as the Elder's Quorum president in his ward, Being LDS has been a positive aspect of his image in this campaign, he said.

"People in Oklahoma are very religious. I've been asked a lot —are you active in your church? And Itell them yes and that I attend the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints." he said.

However, Balkman said he has been told his religion could be a disadvantage to his campaign.

"I've had a few people tell me that it's going to be a detriment. In Oklahoma we have a congressman who is LDS — Ernest Islow. People know him and know who is LDS — Ernest Islow got to be helpful."

Balkman's opponent, Wallace Collins, lost a libel and defamation suit as a result of a flyer he printed about his opponent which contained false information during the election for his first term.

"People know that he was found liable. When they know that, they want someone who's going to be honest and have integrity.

They equate that with the church,' he said.

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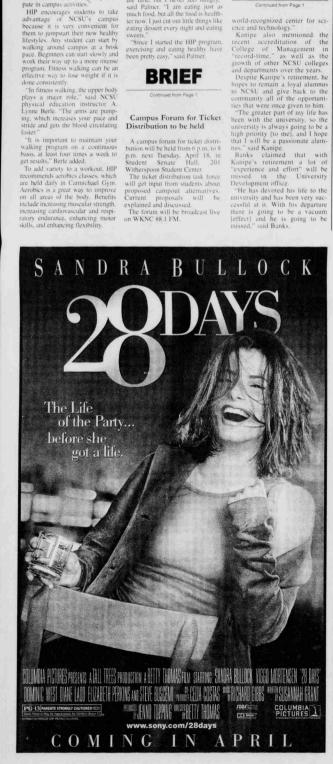




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The ABCs of journalism: DiCaprio and Clinton

none other an famed actor Leonardo Caprio of television's Growing Pains" and film's

Crowing Pains and tilms 'Critites 3," At present, ABC plans to include only a partial broadcast of the 20-minute interview. The dart, however, that 25-year-old news rookie DiCaprio was handed the privilege of interviewing he President of the United States, a honor most journalists have to fight to get, is a regrebate of the blurring between news and entertainment. Despite DiCaprio's "rank" as chairman of the U.S. Earth Day 2000 Celebration Committee, he has no place in a network interview with the leader of the free world.

world.

Of course, as an American citizen, DiCaprio does have the right to hold his leader accountable; that right, however, does not include being hired as a journal-

ABC's news department also isn't necessarily the highest of caliber; case in point: Diane

will run an interview of President Clinton con-ducted by Leonardo DiCaprio; but does pop

Sawyer's recent controversial onair "visit" with Elian Gonzalez,
conducted without the permission
of his father, in which the
respected journalist stood on her
head and somersaulted with the
Cuban 6-year-old.
Ignoring the honorary doctorates that celebrities may be grantde, even by lyy League schools,
stardom is not equivalent to
scholarship. Sorry, Bill Cosby.
In the end, however, an interview with the American head of
state and leader of the free world
is still newsworthy and should be
run in its entirety.
The whole incident is, of
course, a sizeable obstacle in
ABC's attempt to portray itself as
a credible news source; it's a fiasco and a compromise of integrity,
but it's also sadly newsworthy.
Even sadder: what disastrous
compromise of integrity isn't
newsworthy?

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In the air and on your car

Unless a last minute cold spell flares up and proves me wrong, I think it's safe to say that spring

has sprung.

The sun is smiling sweetly down on the world, lovingly coaxing the flowers out of the earth, tenderly turning up tulips and daffodils, beckoming bluebirds to come and sing their odes to rebirth and rejuvenation. Students kick off flip-flops, allowing toes to freely feel the grass on the Court of North Carolina. Coats are hung in closets for another season.

And of course, love is in the air.

Everyday we see its by-product, wafting on the breeze, gathering in the gutters in stringy yellow

to bare around.

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bunches, and I'm sick of it. And sick from it. It must be stopped. The sweet lovin' must end.

Surprisingly enough, this is not a call to arms against the couples clasping hands, who have cropped up across campus as of late (though if you wanna take a few of them out, well, I'm sure someone would appreciate it). No, dear reader, the true source of my anguish is the trees. Someone must stop them and all of their nefarious ways.

For the past two weeks, I've had

to witness their blatant PDAs. They stand on street corners out in plain view, unleashing their love dust on anyone who passes near—sprinkling it upon side-walks, dropping it wantonly upon the hair and clothes of passers-by. While spring might be the time that the whole natural world starts to feel a little frisky, the trees are by far the most lascivious of the lot.

Why should we tolerate this rampant love fest? It's time that the leafy little exhibitionists learn their place. No other species so shamelessly shoves its intimate relations into the face of decent society, barring a few anomalies aired on MTV's coverage of Spring Break 2000. And even those incidents don't leave a fine yellow film all over your car.

Now I understand it's a natural

Census should use sampling



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adequately decide where federal funds should go,

As Americans, I believe it is our duty to fill out our census. The census is not only for you, but for your state and nation too. However, what many people do not know about the census is that it plays a bigger role than just counting the number of people living in

the U.S. The census is about politics, money and race.

The idea of a census, performing an accurate count of the number of people inhabiting the United States, came about in 1790 when marshals counted the number of inhabitants of the 13 newly formed states via horseback. Ever since then, the constitution has mandated that a census be taken every ten years. Since 1962, the census has been used to redraw district lines and determine allocations received by each state from a \$18.5 billion federal budget.

Today, approximately 300 million forms were sent out, 860,000 temporary staff were hired and \$20 local office were established,

CAMPUS FORUM



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Israel speech wrong

"Israel Now You See It, Now You Don't?" is the title of a flyer being posted around campus. My question is WHY? This flyer relates to a speech sponsored by the Muslim Student Association (MSA) of NC. State this Thursday, April 13, from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the walnut room of the Talley Student Center. It's true the speech has not happened and it's unfair to judge anyone yet, but I think this title is just asking for trouble. I believe this title is provoking religious conflicts on campus that are not needed at all. I happen to be a Muslim and in no way believe in racism or discrimination. And Trian of suggesting the people who are organizing this are racist, but I'm concerned about their approach in dealing with this issue.

I'm writing to ask NCSU students

to attend this lecture and give this speaker a piece of their minds. I'm hoping students and faculty can come out and express that these types of views should not be tolerated on our campus. I'm not asking for a protest or a boycott. Rather, I'm encouraging students (especially Jews) to come and voice their opinion on this delicate issue. Let the speaker and MSA know that we will not be passive in this matter. We will not tolerate discrimination of any sort against any country or particular religious group on this campus.

Ahmed Ayad Junior Textile Chemistry

Media gave Pettigrew advantage

Technician's love for Harold Pettigrew pays off. Not only did

Technician's biased print get Pettigrew elected, but it also succeeded in making a year's worth of hard work by Raj Mirchandani's dedication to this university is evident every time you talk to him or read about things he is trying to get accomplished, not only for himself but for the entire student body. Technician presented Pettigrew as the perfect candidate. He claims to represent the entire student body, but all of his literature seems to speak of the minorities on campus. He will not represent the entire student body, but all of his literature seems to speak of the minorities on campus. He will not represent the entire student body. Still, after many references in the "Campus Forum" about an e-mail entitled "Urgency in the Black Community," which outlines Pettigrew's real views on diversity and minorities, nobody at Technician seems to want to investigate this any further.

Congratulations Harold for winning the election. If you decide tor run again next year, keep this in mind; all your hard work and sacrifices will be for nothing. Next year, somebody else will come and say that you have done nothing to better the university and suggest that it is time for a change. This may come to be true or it may not, but if the past predicts the future, Technician will believe them.

Benjamin Gani Communication

A sublime vision



Now that a new crop of student leaders are appearing all over the campus in Student Govern ment, Student Center, Union Activities Board (UAB). Inter Residence Council and Fraternity and Sorority Councils, let me share with them my stance on a very important issue-campus traditions, more specifically. Homecoming, Traditions must draw the entire university community together, the reason that homecomings are so successful on other campuses.

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First, the vision.

Homecoming is not just a football game but a weeklong celebration beginning with banner contests and Paint the Town Red" activities.

Anticipation for the weekend activities grow as the week progresses, with banners appearing on residence halls, Greek life houses and college buildings. Each banner reflects the organization that constructed it and their tie with the theme of "Red Wolf Rising."

Visitors to the many shops that line Hillsborough Street will sense something is going on because merchants will fly N.C. State flags and banners, and offer special Homecoming drink and dinner specials.

Then, Thursday night arrives and

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ten thousand people stroll into Reynolds Coliseum to see comedian Chris Rock or Carrol Top, or even to hear Jimmy Buffett. DMX or the Rolling Stones. After the concert, thousands march to Hillsborough Street singing the "Fight Song" and the "Red and White" to enjoy fine spirits, food and friends.

The campus comes alive on Friday with everyone wearing Wolfpack red and talking about the big game. After classes, students, alumni, faculty, and staff begin to gather in the Brickyard waiting in anticipation for the pep rally. Once darkness hits, the sound of the "Power Sound of the South" can be heard coming from engineering row. The football team files into the Brickyard whehind the marching band and Head Coach Chuck Amato takes the stage.

The crowd goes crazy as Amato ends his speech and lights the giant

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Handgun issues more than political



MARK ANDERSON

Gun control: it's

cun control: it's just one of those boring political issues you hear about on the news orms, if we are so fortunate to their straightforward opin-



Politicians and citizens ride the fence of ambiguity and indecision field of debate.

On one side of the fence there are the pro-gun voices chanting the Second Amendment under the direction of the National Rifle Association. On the other side are the mothers, fathers, friends and loved one, tragically gunned down either accidentally or purposefully. I realize that supporting the vague conception of "gun control" is political and cliche, at best. So why beat a dead horse?

Exactly! Why beat a dead horse when you could riddle the horse with a semiautomatic TEC-DC9 like the one used in the Columbine rampage in April 1999?

Let me preface the issue with some startling numbers. Of course, the twelve students and one teacher killed in Columbine represent sadly only a small portion of the Handgum Control Web site. That same year Canada counted 133, France 109; Germany 57 and Great Britain 19, Japan counted and read the converse fine for the more worthing zero deaths due to handgum.

overweiming zero deaths due to handguns.
But, the US has 260+ million people! However, those five coun-tries have a combined population of over 350 million, and still counted 4,974 fewer deaths by handgun.

handgun.

And more than 1,300 children, aged 10 to 19, committed suicides with a firearm in 1996, according to Handgun Control.

Enough of the statistics! We all should realize that a gun-violence social problem exists. If you don't see it, go the nearest sink, submerge yourself in cold water, then watch the evening news or read the local paner.

watch the evening nectors local paper. Preventable gun violence hap-pens everyday, and it can strike anywhere. If that is frightening, go back to the sink-water-news rou-

back to the sink-water-news rou-tine.

People can legally kill their own brain cells once they are 21 by drinking alcohol. And people can buy a handgun at gun shows, which effectively circumvents the Brady law. That law raised the age at which a person could buy a firearm from 18 to 21.

Gun shows should be better regu-lated. Allowing only hunting and non-assault firearms to be sold at these shows would be a start. The Columbine boys received and later used guns illegally bought at show. Assault features include larger ammunition magazines, folding stocks for concealing, pistol grips for stabilization during firing and many more sickening aids for vio-lence. For example, the Handgun Control Web site states: Threaded barrel designed to accommodate a silencer, which is useful to assassiss but has no purpose for sports-men.

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Assuming these sportsmen just want to really kill those harmful deer and pheasants with a full round of bullets, then fine, buy your assault weapons. Otherwise, these deadly guns are built simply for profit for the gun manufactures (no kidding) without regard to the reality of their eventual use: killing people.

I really do care about the next guy and his or her well being. But, if he or she chooses to get drunk without driving, then I can only

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Opinion

CENSUS

resulting in a total cost of \$6.8 billion for Census 2000.

However, when taking on such a momentous task, as the census. However, expensed to the consus Bureau. (directed by Kenneth Prewitt), must begin to evaluate the response and benefit received from such an endeavor. To the United State's government the census plays a very important role. The census is an accurate way to count the population, racial groups, socioeconomic groups, and to draw out congressional districts.

The question to be asked is, how are you supposed to account for everyone?

everyone? The Census Bureau is trying to implement campaigns to challenge districts to increase response. Plans such as the 90 Plas Five component of the How America Knows What America Needs campaign challenges local areas to raise their response rates by at least 5 percentage points over their 1990 response rates by at least 5 percentage points over their 1990 response rates by

esponse rate. However, what is to be done to ureas where is response in low, but he money stills needs to be allo-ated?

the government is so dependent the census as the way to ade-ately decide where federal funds suid go, why is their response il only a mere 70 percent? What

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about the other 30 percent of the population, which is somewhere in the range of \$2,400,000 people, who are not being counted and thus are not being, distributed adequate funds?

funds?

The argument can be made that funds or congressional districts should not be redrawn to account for a population that doesn't want to account for itself.

to account for itself.

My answer to adjusting for the undercounted is through statistical sampling. Statistical sampling was account of the property of the p

of blacks were not counted. However, when the decision was being made on whether or not statistical sampling was an adequate method to count for the under-counted, it was found invalid. The main opponents to statistical sampling were the Republicans, who thought if statistical sampling were the Republicans, who Democratis in the forming of congressional districts.

In 1999, the Supreme Court made

In 1999, the Supreme Court made a decision that the census only could not use sampling numbers when appropriating congressional seats. You may think, "Hey, that is ob, at least the undercounted are being counted for in some way."

Yes, that is true. However, they are only being taken into account in some instances, and in the big

Corporate lesson #1:

instances, such as drawing con-gressional districts which help determine federal budget alloca-tions, the undercounted are beings tossed to the side.

If congressional seat allocations and districting are the most important tasks of the census, how can you forget approximately 1.75 percent of the total population?

cent of the total population? You cannot. The census is a peacetime effort that should not really be played along the political party lines. The census is to be an adequate and accurate method to fairly determine how to distribute federal funds to needy populations, but now it is becoming a political play.

Most importantly, the Census 2000 response is lacking in the State of North Carolina. As of April 11, 2000, North Carolina has April 17, 2000, North Caronna has one of the lowest state response rates at 58 percent. Everyone needs to stand up and be counted in a population of 274,589,145 as of April 12 at 12:34 a.m.

Go and visit www.census.gov for more information on Census 2000. If you did not receive your Census 2000 then you can contact the Raleigh Census office at 231-8255. Also he sure to look for your census form at the residence hall box in the next couple of days. Please contact Rachael if you have any questions or comments at riovercu@unity.ncsu.edu

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PAYNE

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bonfire. The crazed fans break into song and throw miniature Blue Devil figurines on the fire.

With school spirit ramped, the crowd moves to the Student Center to see the Step Show and take part in the "Ultimate All Night Bash." Game day Saturday marks the culmination of activities. Not only are three bands playing in the parking lots of Carter Finely but also there is the traditional talgating. With a few hours to go to kickoff, judges walk around trying to determine the winner of the card-decording contest.

Along with the usual kickoff linearous for the saturdina and see numerous red- and- white decorations and the winners of the banner contest. During halftime the Chancellor will present to the student body the new "Mr. and Miss.

hope lasting harm doesn't affect their minds.

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Now, what is already in place?
The Homecoming Committee, composed of many departments and student organizations on campus, and drawing on administrative support from the Alumi Office, has meet numerous times in the past months. Three bands are lined up for Saturday: Chairman of the Board, Gran Torino, and the Usuals. The UAB has begun searching for a big name comedian or band. And all the other activities and events are in the works. the works

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narm doesn't affect me...or you.

I also hope the election campaigning can move beyond the rhetoric of politics that seeks to appease voters who are chamoring for greater federal gun control. Then some progress can be made in the future of gun violence in America.

Comments? Send them to mban-der2@unity.ncsu.edu



process, that we need new baby trees, that it's a beautiful thing, yadda yadda yatl I like to breathe. I think breathing is a very beautiful thing. I prefer to do it without sneezing, or my eyes watering or having to deal with the horrible sensation that is the draining of sinuses.

Nature might be feeling all sexy-like, but there's nothing too seductive about congestion. As the trees woo. I wheeze. Their reproduction is screwing with my respiration. And the only relief is in rain. I can only hope that the sky opens up soon and hoses, them all down, like the dogs in heat that they are.

I could, of course, take matters into my own hands. The problem is that I don't really want to cut them all down. Trees are fairly mice things to have around when they're not horny. And though I've tried to reason with them, theirs is a passion that will not listen to reason. Caught up in their love haze, they've no cares for my silly little sinuses.

And so I seek the only revenge. I can I blow my nose. Lots. On a fresh Kleenex every time. I march up to the nearest tree I can find, tissue box in hand, and sheet by sheet, empty the contents of my nose upon its kin.

It's a small stand, but perhaps, as they witness the great amounts of their ancestors that I go through on a daily basis, they'll take pause. Meanwhile, I get the satisfaction of knowing that each son.

me.

There will once again come a day when I can wake up and breathe freely without the aid of a hot shower or an allergy medication. The trees will reign in their wicked ways and return to a quiet life of celibacy. A cleansing rain will come and wash away the last remnants of a yellow-streaked world.

Until then, pass the Kleenex.

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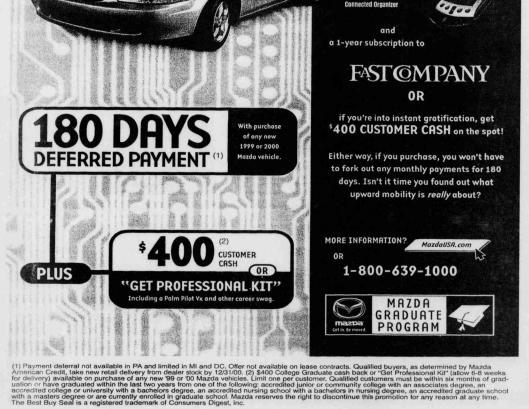
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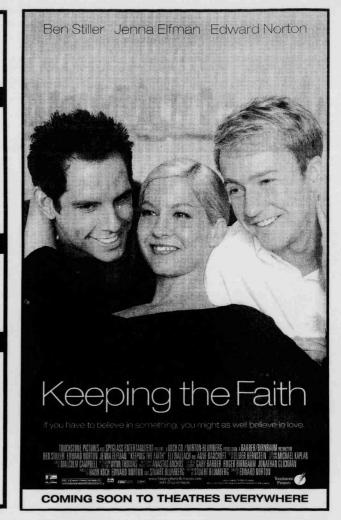
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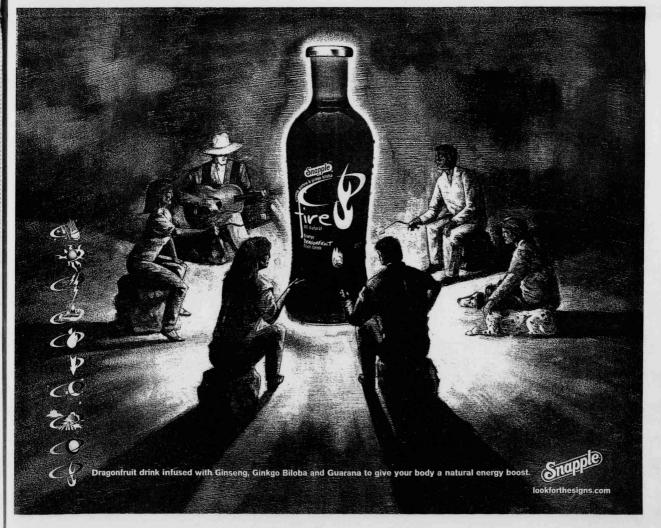
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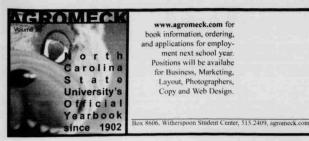
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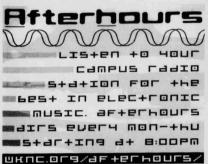


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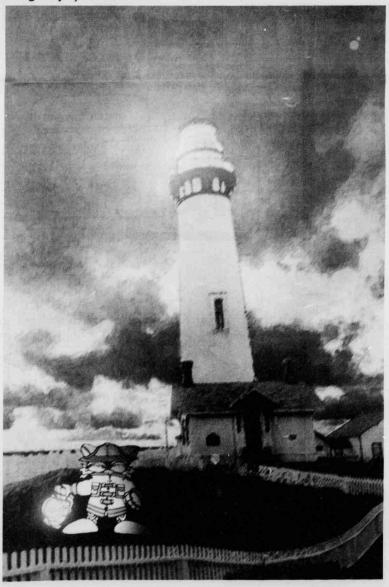








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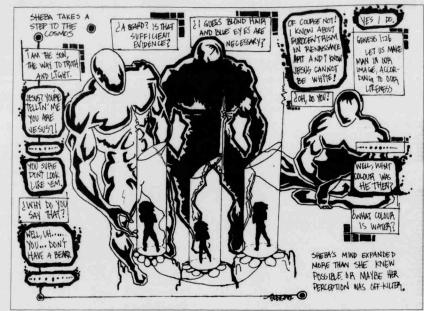
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crossbar is 15 feet off the ground instead of 10, as in the NFL. A net surrounds the outside of the goalposts, and any hall that is thrown or kicked off the net is still in play. Each team puts eight players on the field at a time, six of which play offense and defense. Receivers are allowed to make forward motions behind the line of scrimmage, unlike the NFL where they can only move lateralley. Punting is illegal in the Arena League, so teams can only go for the first down or kick a field goal. An extra point that is drop kicked threw the goalposts is worth two points, while a drop kicked field goal carns four points.

four points.

The players in the AFL aren't exactly hauling in endorsement deals, but the league does have some good players, some of whom have made the transition to the NFL.

Orande Gadsden is a former Arena star who is now starting at wide receiver for the Miami Dolphins. But the best example of an Arena player making the jump to the NFL is St. Louis Rams quarterback Kurt Warner.

Warner, who played with the AFL's Barnstormers in his home AFL's Barnstormers in his home state of Iowa, got the opportunity to start for the Rams when Trent Green went down in an exhibition game. All Warner did was throw for 4,359 yards, complete a league-high 41

touchdown passes, win the Most Valuable Player award and lead the Rams to their first Super Bowl title. Warner's success last season is a major reason that the AFL is more popular than it's ever been. The Cobras and the Los Angeles Avengers joined the league this year to give the AFL 17 franchises. The Detroit Fury will suit up for the first time next season, and plans are in the works for expansion teams in the works for expansion teams. The AFL has a television contract with TNN, which will televise the Cobras' game against the Orlando Willi was broadcast live by ABC Sports as the Albany Firebirds beat the Predators 59-48 for their first AFL title.

A spin-off of the AFL, arenafost-

are Predators 99-48 for their first AFL title. A spin-off of the AFL, arenafootall 2, kicked off on March 31 with 15 teams, including the Greensboro Prowlers. The purpose of af2 is to bring the arena game to mid-size cities across the country. The Arena League even went through a labor dispute that threatened the season, a sure sign of an up-and-coming league. The matter was settled before any games were lost when the players formed a union to negotiate directly with the league's owners. And that's a good thing for Triangle residents who can now experience the "50-yard Indoor War."

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tional power UC-Santa Barbara, the national runner-up last year and sixtime national champion, is having a slightly down year accruing 6 losses already, many other teams have regained its composure and now looks to be one of the strongest teams in the region.

If State is to win another national championship this year they will have to overcome strong squads from Colorado and Brown.

'I'd be lying if I said I didn't think we had a shot at winning the title again this year.' Hard said.

Over the next few weeks, the ultimate team will compete in tourna-

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ments hoping to qualify for the national championships. Initially, the team will travel to Wilmington to compete in sectional qualifying. From there, if hopes to advance to the regional championships in Clemson, S.C. A strong showing at the regionals would send Jinx to Boise.

Sometimes overshadowed by the

Sometimes overshadowed by the success of their male counterparts, State's women's ultimate team. Team Disco, has also been hard at work this spring. This year, Team Disco, has consistently been in the top 30 nationally, the best ranking for them since 1997, when it finished the year ranked 14th. Currently, the team is ranked 20th with an official record of 5-3. The women will attempt to rebound, from a 15-5 loss to second-ranked UNCW last weekend, in the sectionals.

ACC Baseball Notes

Davidson

DAVIDSON, N.C. - Stewart Sloan's grand slam in the bottom of the ninth inning gave Davidson a 7-6 victory over Duke Wednesday at Wildeau Park. The loss of grospo Duke to 13-27 overall while Davidson improves to 22-18 overall.

Duke held on to a 6-3 lead upon entering the bottom of the ninth inning. Davidson pinch hitter Eric Bowers and Ryan Stroker led off the ninth with consecutive walks off Duke reliever Kevin Perry, After Perry struck out Jack Purcell, he was replaced by Ryan Caradonna. Tim Frend loaded the bases with a single to left field for Sloan. Sloan sent a 2-2 pitch over the right-field fence for a grand slam and 7-6 victory.

Duke built a 6-0 lead with a pair of three-run imnings in the second and third. The Blue Devils took the lead when Kevin Kelly scored on an error and Mart Lynch drove in two runners on a two-RBI double to right field. Duke went up 6-0 in the third on Troy Caradonna's two-RBI single and Wes Goodner's RBI single.

But Davidson hung around. The Wildcats scored two runs in the third inning on an error and Manes Marino double. They added a run in the sixth on Ryan Stroker's RBI single. That set the stage for Sloan's home run. Duke's Ryan Caradonna (4-6) took the loss after facing only two batters in the inth. The Blue Devils used seven pitchers led by starret Larry Broadway struck out five batters in 3.0 innings. Kevin Thompson pitched two scoreless innings and struck out the side in the fourth innings. Jeff Alleva, Steve Schroeder and Brad DuPree all pitched one inning apiece.

Georgia Tech baseball pound The Citadel, 13-3

ATLANTA - Junior catcher Bryan Prince tallied four hits and drove in three runs on Wednesday afternoon, as No. 8 Georgia Tech downed The Citadel, 13-3, for its tenth straight victory.

Sophomore second baseman Richard Lewis added three hits for the Jackets, while driving in three runs, as he improved his ACC-best batting average to 497, and hitting

streak to 26 games.

The Citadel (24-12) opened up the scoring in the top of the first, as a single by Philip Hartig gave the Bulldogs a 1-0 lead, which

held until the bottom of the third. Iech (28-8) broke the game open with four in the third and six in the fourth, as the Jackets knocked out Bulldogs' starter Eric Talbert (2-2) en route to building a 10-1 lead.

The nine-run cushion was more than enough support for Tech starter Ben Sheeter (1-2). The senior southpaw allowed just three runs, two earned, and six hits over seven innings while picking up his first victory of the season.

seven tinnings was tory of the season.

The Bulldogs climbed to within 10-3 in the fifth on a two-run home run by Hartig, before a Brad Stockton solo home run in the bottom of the fifth, and single runs by the Jackets in the seventh and eighth innings provided the final margin of 13-3.

Stockton and Victor Menocal also compiled three-hit games for the Jackets, who slapped out 19 hits as a team in the contest. Jason Basil collected a double and a triple, while

Basil collected a double and a triple, while driving in three runs.

Georgia Tech returns to action on Friday night at 7 p.m. as the Jackets host Virginia in the opener of a three-game Atlantic Coast Conference series at Russ Chandler Stadium.

form in beating Seahawks, 6-1

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. - The University of North Carolina baseball team defeated UNC-Wilmington 6-1 Tuesday night at Boshamer

Chris Elmore picked up the win for the Tar Heels going six innings and giving up four hits, striking out six and allowing only one run. Jack Temple took the loss for UNCW allowing four hits and giving up one earned run while striking out four. Carolina jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the second on a two-out single from Chad Prosser to score Russ Adams. The Tar Heels added two runs in the third after both Dan Moylan and Tyrell Godwin scored on a Seahawk error.

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Seahawk error.
UNCW scored one run in the fourth to close the gap to 3-1, but Carolina answered as Eric Henderson crossed the plate in the sixth Moylan and Godwin started off the bottom of the seventh with a walk and a single to left. A Russ Adams fielder's choice scored Moylan and Matt McCay's sacrifice fly scored Godwin to give the Tar Heels a 6-1 lead.

lead.
Derrick DePriest took over for Elmore in the seventh and earned his seventh save of the season, holding the Seahawks scoreless over the last three innings to give Carolina the 6-1 victory.
Godwin and Moylan both scored twice for Carolina, and Godwin was two for three at the plate. Adam Greenberg also got two hits in five plate appearances for the Tar Heels. Carolina resumes ACC play this weekend, hosting Maryland in a three-game series. Friday's and Saturday's games are each set for 7:00 p.m., and Sunday's contest will start at 1:30 p.m..



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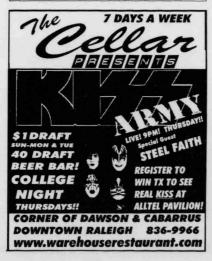
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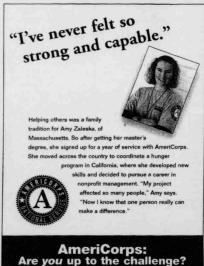


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State baseball falls to Monarchs, 9-8

◆A late State rally was not enough to overcome a clutch home run from ODU outfielder Brian Troilo. The loss dropped the Pack to 21-17 on the season.

STEUE THOMPSON

Fighting back from an early deficit, N.C. State's baseball team had their chances to win, yet came up short last

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Baseball Notebook
Brian Schmitt fastball over the center-field wall to give Old Dominion at Doak
win in Wednesday's action at Doak

Field. Jonathan Tinkham (3-0) got the win for the Monarchs and Schmitt (1-2) was credited with the loss. State put runners on the corners in the bottom of the ninth, but a Craig Lee groundout to short ended the Pack's effort.

effort.

"I thought we did a great job battling back." said Coach Elliot Avent. "This was our game to win."

ODU jumped out to an early 6-2 lead in the middle of the third inning. Jason Blanton, making his second appearance as a starter, gave up all six earned runs and was quickly removed. The outing was a letdown for ODU

Blanton, who had picked up a win against UNC-Wilmington in his previous outing.

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Avent alluded to Blanton's unwilling-

ggest problem. The lone bright spot for the Pack in The lone bright spot for the Pack in he early innings was the continued offensive tear of leftfielder Brian tryight. Since the Charleston Southern eries, Wright has hit well over .600 dhas been the Pack's main offensive heat. He blasted a first-inning home in to left-centerfield.

"Earlier in the season I was thinking no much," said Wright. "Recently, I've een focusing on seeing the ball and itting the ball."

Down 8-4 in the bottom of the sev-

Down 8-4 in the bottom of the sev Down 8-4 in the bottom or in seventh inning. State began its comeback. A John Whitley single, followed by a Daniel Caldwell walk, put runners on base for Jeremy Dutton. Dutton responded with a double down the third baseline, scoring Whitley.

Consecutive sacrifice flies from Jason Smith and Wright drew the Pack within

error, was left stranded on third when Dan Mooney flied out to end the

Stranding runners late in the game would eventually cost State the win. In the bottom of the eighth, after a two-out Dutton single brought in Craig Lee, Smith struck out with two men on and

Smith struck out with two men on and Wright on deck. In the last three innings, the Pack stranded five runners. With the loss, State drops to 21-17 on the year. This weekend, the Pack will face Duke at Doak Field in a pivotal ACC contest. A sweep of the struggling Blue Devils would take the Pack to 500 in league play, putting them in position for a possible bid to the regionals. regionals

"Despite the loss, this game shows us we really can play," said Avent. "Our confidence is at an all-time high."

Golf hosts Intercollegiate

♦ N.C. State will be in Cary this weekend for the Intercollegiate at MacGregor Downs. Next week is the ACC Tournament.

every week."
The Intercollegiate is the Pack's only real home tournament of the year. Traditionally, State has struggled a little bit in front of the home crowd. Both players and coaches

agreed that there might be a little added incentive to play well in Cary.

"I [wouldn't] say that the kids talk about added pressure, but if you look back at our record in this tournament, it isn't good." Sykes said. "Even years that we've really played well, we've struggled a little bit at home...obviously there's some pressure when you only play at home once a year."

The Intercollegiate will also serve as a mice tune-up for the ACC Tournament - a sort of TPC before The Masters. The ACC championships are next weekend at the Old North State Golf Club in Badin Lake, N.C.

The Pack, however, insist they will be focused on this weekend.

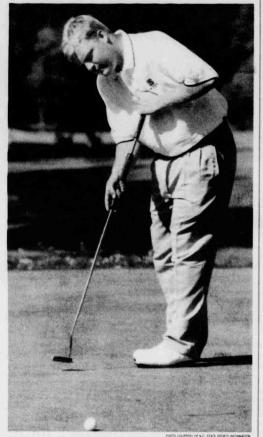
"Since we've had a week and a half off since the last tournament, you play this week, and when the tournament's over with, you start back from scratch the next week," Sykes said. "But if you're playing well, it kind of helps you lead into the next week."

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MacGregor Downs is a short course that relies on quick, undulating greens as its main challenge. The course is also narrow at points, so accuracy off the tee is a benefit. Sykes said the course was in good shape heading into the tournament, but rain Wednesday could soften the greens. State's ACC's rivals Duke, North Carolina and Wake Forest are entered in the tournament. Of those, the Blue Devils have the highest ranking at 22nd in the MasterCard rankings. The Tar Heels are ranked 42nd while Wake checks in at 47th, North Florida, Kansas, Colorado, Minnesota, Texas AcM and Tulisa are the other teams entered in the event.

The Tar Heels' Max Harris (eighth) is the toperanked individual in the tournament. The Pack's Carl Pettersson is 4th. "He's without question the best player on the team every week," said Turnesa. "He's just consistently good."

The competition begins Friday morning at 8 a.m. 36 holes of golf will be played Friday, with the final 18 holes starting Saturday morning at 8 a.m. as well.



Carl Pettersson and the State golf team host a tournament in Cary this weekend.

COMMENTARY An Arena League primer

JEREMY ASHTON

The Arena Football League finally makes its official debut in the
Triangle Friday night when the
Carolina Cobras take on the Florida
Bobcats in the Entertainment and
Sports Arena (ESA).
The Cobras
made their first
appearance in the
ESA last
Thursday when



important number to come out of the game wasn't on the scoreboard. The Cobras drew 8,621 fans for their first game, an encouraging sign for a team trying to establish itself in a sports-crazed area.

FOOTBALL

Arena football is a made-for-TV sport that has gathered a loyal cult following as it heads into its Hyear of existence. Games are fast-paced and high-scoring, and watch-ing two teams combine to score over 100 points is not uncommon.

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In some ways, the Arena game is
similar to the NFL. Games are 60
minutes long with four 15-minute
quarters. The offense gets four
downs to advance the ball 10 yards.
Touchdowns are still worth six
points, field goals count for three,
and teams have the option of kicking an extra point or going for at
two-point conversion.
But the AFL has its own quirks
stat make the Arena brand of football unique. The biggest difference
is the size of the field, which is only
50 yards long with
1050 yards long with
10-yard endzones.
In contrast, the standard
NFL field is 100 yards long with
10-yard endzones.

The goalposts on Arena fields are half as wide in the NFL, and the

Women's tennis faces key weekend Wake Forest. However, the Pack defeat-

◆N.C. State will take on both Virginia and Maryland over the weekend.

JONATHAN HONEYCUTT

The N.C. State women's fennis feam heads into this weekend facing crucial Atlantic Coast Conference competition. Virginia comes to town Saturday for an afternoon of matches, while Maryland rolls in for Sunday play. Despite a 0.5 conference record, Wolfpack head coach Kay Lowthian has her team ready for an intense weekend of action.

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"We're looking forward to Virginia and Maryland, and then just finishing the season strong." Louthian said. Virginia is coming off a 6-3 victory over North Carolina this past Sunday, which improved its overall record to 12-8 with a 2-4 record in conference play. "They just beat UNC-Chapel Hill. so hopefully they're happy with that," Louthian said. "They're gonna be a tough team, a feisty team, but we feel good about them coming." State's last match was just five days ago, when it lost to the ACC's top team,

Wake Forest. However, the Pack defeated in-state rival East Carolina last Thursday behind great play from Marissa Gildemeister and Loni Worsley. Both were able to pull out three-set singles victories and then teamed up to earn a doubles victory by a score of 8-2.

Myrma Bawono, Kristen Nicholls and Landis Strader also won in singles matches against ECU.

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"The girls have been playing hard", Louthian said.
"Myrna Bawono has been playing really well."

The Maryland Terrapins are also fresh off a victory over the Tar Heels of UNC. Maryland earned its first ACC victory of the year after pulling out a 5-4 victory last Saturday, one day before Virginia defeated the Heels.

Maryland holds a record of 7-9 overall with a 1-5 mark in the conference. Freshman Jessica Johnson has earned a team high I1 victories and has beaten a number of ranked opponents at the No. 2 singles position.

singles position.
For the Wolfpack, Strader was named

player of the week after a come-from behind singles win last week agains ECU. Strader trailed 2-5 in the secon set after dropping the first 3-6 but rai lied to win the match by a score of 3-6 7-6, 6-2.



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"I expect a tough isatch," Louthian
said. "I expect us to be up for it. The
team that comes out there the most
ready, physically and mentally, will
come out on top."
The first matches begin Saturday at 11
a.m. at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex.

♦ Jinx will look to defend its national crown in May in ultimate frisbee.

STEUE THOMPSON

Editor's Note: During the next couple weeks. Technician Sports will be taking a look at some of the club sports at N.C. State. Tuesday it was the rowing teams. Today, it's the ultimate teams.

Two of the more successful club programs here at N.C. State are the men's and women's club ultimate frisbee teams.

In this relatively new but rapidly growing sport, both teams have experienced national success in the last few years. Ultimate frisbee is not yet an NCAA-licensed sport, but club teams from around the nation come together for NCAA-level competition. In the six years since forming an ultimate program, State has established itself as a national powerhouse.

Coming off a national championship last summer, State's men's ultimate team, named Jinx, spent the fall reloading for the defense of its national title. With the return of key players like Chris Hinkle, Patrick Hard and Pat McNally and a stong supporting cast, the team has spent the

strong supporting cast, the team has spent the spring traveling across the Southeast in hopes of earning a chance to defend their title over

Defending the ultimate title

Memorial Day weekend in Boise, Idaho.
Jinx's title defense will not be easy. Nine players are gone from last year's team after graduating.
"This year has definitely been a rebuilding year."
said McNally, a senior on the 1999-2000 team.
"It's taken a lot of hard work to stay at the top."
The loss of key players such as Brian Snyder, who was a runner-up for the Callahan Award, an award extended to the national player of the year, did not change the lofty expectations of the team.
"We set the same goal this year that we had last year, winning the national championship," said Hard, a junior who is one of Jinx's leading offensive players.

The loss in talent resulted in many early-season losses, including a tough defeat to a relatively weak Appalachian State team. The turning point of the season, however, likely came in a 13-11 win over the University of Georgia.
"It was a tough game, really windy and all," McNally said. "It was a key win."
Since the Georgia game, the team has rebounded from the early season losses to gain impressive wins over North Carolina and UNC-Wilmington, who are both ranked in the top 10 nationally. Jinx currently has a 13-12 record and moved up three spots in the rankings this week from 15th to 12th. As ultimate frisbee continues to grow, the competition level continues to rise. Although tradi-