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Student in Ecstasy ring

◆ A four-month investigation by state ABC agents into one of Wake County's primary ecstasy suppliers led to the arrest of an NCSU junior, an NCSU graduate and a UNC-Charlotte student.

Andrew Buchert
Assistant News Editor

North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) agents say that the arrests of an N.C. State student and an NCSU alumni during a mid-April drug sweep have successfully cut off one of Wake County's primary suppliers of the party drug ecstasy.

The arrests came at the end of a four-month investigation by state ABC agents into UNC-Charlotte student Kevin Higgins. An undercover agent arranged to purchase 500 ecstasy tablets from Higgins, and the results from that deal led to the subsequent arrests of NCSU junior Robert Dancy and NCSU graduate Brandon Washam, according to ABC Chief Joel Keith.

"The surveillance from the campaign [to make the undercover purchase from Higgins] led to the identification of the other two individuals," he said.

Keith said that agents seized 165 ecstasy pills from Washam's residence, as well as approximately 10 ounces of GHB, com-

monly known as the date rape drug. A total of 899 ecstasy tablets were seized in the entire raid involving the three individuals.

This most recent ecstasy bust is not an isolated incident, as there have been several other ecstasy arrests in the Triangle area, including a large seizure of the drug by the Raleigh Police Department (RPD) in a raid last March. Keith said that, although the ecstasy network of Higgins, Dancy and Washam was not directly related to the one broken up in the March RPD raid, the two cases may be indirectly related.

All three suspects have ties to Charlotte, said Keith.

Ecstasy is commonly thought of as an upper-class party drug, and law enforcement officials are seeing dramatic increases in its use among young adults in their early and mid-twenties, said ABC agent Wes Nipper. He said that the drug is particularly prevalent in Triangle clubs and that the typical ecstasy user is upper-class, well-educated, well-dressed and well-groomed.

"We are experiencing a big rise in the distribution and use of ecstasy," said Keith.

"We are seeing a whole lot more of [ecstasy use] than before," said Nipper, "and we are especially seeing it among people whom we wouldn't expect to see [using] it."

Distribution and use of the drug is also increasing on college campuses.

"A lot of cases of ecstasy [distribution

and use] come from NCSU and the other major colleges in the Triangle, such as Duke and Chapel Hill," said Nipper.

Because of the drug's prominence college campuses, Nipper said that state ABC agents have a "working relationship" with NCSU Public Safety.

"We were actually working with [NCSU Public Safety] last Friday night, and we will continue to do so," he said.

Nipper said that ecstasy distribution and use is increasing in popularity because of the monetary value of the drug and the high that it brings most users.

"People who have been arrested for ecstasy possession have told us that they can experience a two-to-four-hour high from the drug," said Nipper. "Crack cocaine only provides a one-minute high," he said.

Agents say that ecstasy has a street value comparable to that of cocaine. Nipper said that once distributors establish a network, however, the profits are tremendous.

Evidence from the stocks and bonds that Washam held prior to his arrest indicates that he was "doing very well with his ecstasy proceeds," according to Nipper.

"He had no legitimate job, except for a Web business that he was starting in Wilmington," said Nipper.

"If we had not arrested these individuals when we did, their network would have probably kept growing," he said.

'Correct change?'



Aaron Henry, a senior in business, will only board the Wolfline a few more times.

NCSU to get lower phone rates

◆ The UNC System has signed a new long-distance calling contract with Raleigh-based Business Telecommunications Incorporated. The new plan, detailed below, goes into effect in the fall.

Lauren Pressley
Staff Writer

N.C. State's department of telecommunications has more changes in mind for the future. Students living in residence halls next year will be faced with a new cable plan and now, a new long-distance phone service as well.

AT&T/ACUS had served as the UNC System's long-distance phone service carrier for seven years, according to Telecommunications Marketing Specialist Erin Gillespie. As the AT&T contract runs out at the end of this academic year, the system sent out a request

for proposals from other long-distance providers.

Several companies put in bids, including AT&T, said Gillespie. But a Raleigh company, Business Telecommunications Incorporated (BTI), offered the best bid.

Beginning in fall 2000, all UNC System Schools will use BTI's Academic Edge program. Long-distance domestic calls will cost eight cents a minute with no monthly fee. AT&T had offered a plan for 15 cents a minute or a plan for 10 cents a minute with a monthly fee.

On-campus students will receive a phone card in their mailboxes when they move in next fall, Gillespie said. The phone card will allow students to make long-distance calls on and off campus using the same account.

She also said that all current conveniences that students are used to—such as individualized

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Nader addresses NCSU students

◆ Presidential candidate Ralph Nader addressed media diversification, corporate crimes and state funding in a speech at Talley Ballroom Tuesday afternoon.

Tim Clark
Senior Staff Writer

Presidential hopeful Ralph Nader spoke to a group of N.C. State students Tuesday afternoon in the ballroom at Talley Student Center.

Nader, a candidate of the independent Green Party, is running for the presidency. The Green Party began in 1984; later, it appeared on a state ballot for the first time, in the 1990 elections in Alaska. Nader's 1996 campaign was the party's first presidential push.

Nader addressed the connotations often placed on many words that are used, especially by the media, in today's corporate society. Words such as "crime," "violence" and "regulation" are often misrepresented in modern American media, said

Nader.

"Corporate society tends to define words in such a way as to exempt their behavior," said Nader.

Later in his speech, Nader returned to the topic to push for diversification in media, stressing the need to provide more balance in the content offered. As an example, he cited the media's need to focus on more aspects of college life than just athletics.

Nader later discussed the crimes committed on a regular basis by corporate America. Corporate crimes, as Nader defined them, are offenses of deliberate negligence, namely the continued production of products known to be harmful to their users, such as cigarette. Nader also discussed fraud that affects a broad user base. He noted the S&L scandals of the late 1980s and early 1990s as one example of his idea of corporate fraud.

Welfare was among Nader's topics, but not in the traditional sense of income to support for the poor. Nader addressed corporate welfare, discussing the billions of tax dollars allotted to



Presidential hopeful Ralph Nader caught a fish. It was this big.

government-subsidized industry. "Every year, billions of dollars in military contracts go to support defense companies that are suffering from their own mismanagement," Nader said.

A focus throughout the address was the proper allocation of funds in state spending. Nader referred to taxpayer-subsidized stadium proposals in Birmingham, Alabama, and Hartford, Connecticut.

Earlier this year, the Birmingham school system went bankrupt. It has since had to request aid just to remain open for the rest of the school year. The system has also laid off more than 200 teachers. Meanwhile, a multimillion dollar stadium lies just across the city, paid for with taxes.

Hartford scrapped its stadium plan favor of dividing the funds between existing programs.

Nader also brought up aspects of his party's philosophy, charging audience members to "look at [your] own state... You've got so many problems, you can work on your problem of choice."

He went on to discuss the issues that North Carolina faces regarding nuclear waste, among them the construction of a nuclear waste dump in the state.

Aside from his stances on individual political issues, Nader also talked about the battles that he faces as a third-party candidate. Because it is a third party, the Green Party must collect signatures in each state in order to appear on that state's ballot.

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Current NCSU long-distance plan (AT&T)

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- 1) Domestic calls- 8¢/minute, no monthly fee.
- 2) Phone card for on-campus students to use on and off campus.
- 3) Individualized billing.
- 4) Account status available online and over the telephone.



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New position promotes NCSU recycling

◆ Michelle Minstrell is N.C. State's first recycling and solid waste coordinator.

Jimmy Ryals and Jessica Probst
Staff Writers

Michelle Minstrell has been recycling since she was a five-year-old girl, towing piles of garbage around in a little red wagon.

Minstrell's motives, however, were not wholly selfless. She turned in the garbage for a fee, which she used to "buy the things that she wanted," in the words of Willis Beardall, assistant director of NCSU facilities operations.

As N.C. State's first recycling and solid waste coordinator, Minstrell now looks to impart her lifelong interest in recycling to

members of the NCSU community.

Minstrell came to NCSU from Chapel Hill's municipal Solid Waste Department. In that capacity, she consulted with companies on creating recycling programs.

Minstrell began in her new position on April 3. Two supervisors report directly to her, and eight or nine other employees report to them. As recycling and solid waste coordinator, Minstrell oversees the recycling and garbage collection crews at NCSU. She also works extensively with the university's compost site, located off Trailwood Drive.

Perhaps more importantly, Minstrell has the responsibility of helping to teach the NCSU community about solid waste efficiency and recycling.

"The big thing for her will be educating the people we've got here on the importance of recycling," Beardall said. "That will be the toughest part of her job."



Michelle Minstrell is on top of recycling at N.C. State.

The coordinator's position was attractive to Minstrell because of the work NCSU has already done

in the field of solid waste management.

"It was looking for new programs to move forward with," she

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said "NCSU has programs to improve and expand on."

Beardall has confidence that Minstrell will do a good job at NCSU, given her 15 years of experience in solid waste management and recycling.

"The world is hers, as far as where she wants to take [recycling and waste management]," Beardall said.

Beardall said that Minstrell and facilities operations are considering instituting a desk-side recycling program, wherein administrative and academic buildings would be equipped with desk-side recycling bins that would make recycling more convenient.

Beardall said that he and Jack Colby, director of facilities operations, created the recycling and solid waste coordinator position because overseeing the two areas was enough of a responsibility to warrant a new position.

Ivan Dickey, a third-level grounds supervisor, used to perform the duties Minstrell now handles. Dickey no longer works for NCSU; he is now an employee of Wake County.

Minstrell beat out 12 other applicants for the position. In addition to applications and interviews, the candidates for the position also offered 10-minute presentations, titled "Why should I recycle?" to the search committee.

It was in her presentation, Beardall said, that Minstrell relayed the story of her childhood start in recycling.

In other NCSU recycling news, the facilities operation division was awarded one of two Governor's Awards of Excellence in Waste Reduction last Friday. According to Beardall, one of the primary reasons that NCSU won the honor is the success of the NCSU compost site. Beardall said the compost site saved the university more than \$600,000 last year and contributed between 10,000 and 12,000 cubic yards of mulch to the campus.

"It's quite a site right now," Beardall said.

South Asian language courses offered at NCSU

◆ The Triangle South Asia Consortium announced that Persian, Tamil and Bengali will be offered at NCSU and three other nearby schools to generate interest in South Asian studies and expand the teaching of these increasingly spoken languages.

Spaine Stephens
News Editor

As more and more immigrating families begin to call North Carolina home, the N.C. State department of foreign languages and literatures looks to expand its courses into a worldlier curriculum.

Beginning in fall 2000, NCSU will offer elementary courses in Persian, Tamil and Bengali. The new South

Asian language courses are part of a Critical Languages Program. They were made possible by a grant from the U.S. Department of Education through the Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language Program.

NCSU and the other three members of the Triangle South Asia Consortium (TSAC)—UNC-Chapel Hill, Duke and N.C. Central—will offer the courses.

"Once students see the interest and value [of the new language program], it can become a permanent structure," said Tony Stewart, professor of South Asian religions at NCSU, and the director of the N.C. Center for South Asia Studies.

The new courses are already sparking interest among students.

"The Persian classes have

already taken off," said Stewart. "Current enrollments have already hit a dozen people."

The addition of the South Asian language courses will enhance the foreign language program by promoting more interest in the languages and meeting the intellectual needs of students, including "heritage students," whose parents come from foreign countries where the students never lived. These students will have the opportunity to study the languages and learn more about other countries and cultures.

Stewart pointed out that the new South Asian courses are among the largest in the world in terms of speakers. Hindi-Urdu, which is currently offered at NCSU, is the second-largest language worldwide behind Chinese. Bengali is the sixth-largest,

"but [it is] limited to a relatively small area geographically," said Stewart.

Stewart expects five to 15 students to register for each of the first semester Persian courses. He estimates that nine to 12 students will take the Bengali and Tamil classes. After the elementary courses are administered, intermediate levels of the classes will be offered the next year.

According to Stewart, the three-year Title VI grant, which is the umbrella for all international studies grants, will serve as start-up money to teach the language in the classroom, develop strong library holdings and build interest in the languages and surrounding cultures on all four campuses of the TSAC.

Members of the N.C. Center for South Asia Studies, a part of the TSAC, wrote the grant

proposal.

To build a strong Critical Languages Program at NCSU, mentor faculty members from U.S. institutions with stable South Asian language programs were called upon for assistance. Clinton Seeley and Norman Cutler from the University of Chicago serve as NCSU's advisers for the Bengali and Tamil programs respectively, and Fatemeh Keshavarz of Washington University in St. Louis is the mentor for the Persian program.

The mentors will help NCSU concentrate on strengthening faculty training, language instruction and library development by conducting workshops and evaluating the students' progress.

"They worked with our people very closely and are available as a resource," said Stewart.

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The party has collected slightly more than 20,000 of the 51,324 signatures needed to appear on the ballot in North Carolina, one of the highest signature requirements in the nation.

The N.C. deadline to file for third party status is June 1, which is also one of the country's earliest filing deadlines. The Green Party has requested an extension; it has threatened legal action if the date remains in effect.

Nader closed his address with a statement explaining his view of the necessity of the Green Party.

"We need a progressive political movement, and for that we need... people who are willing to work together," said Nader. "The great motivation for this is our forebears, who took on great responsibilities and accom-

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plishing — will remain in place.

BTI also has an automated voice line so students can check account balances, get dialing instructions and report lost or stolen cards, said Gillespie. The same information will also be available on the Internet.

"We're very committed to student services," said BTI's collegiate representative, Julie Wolstenholme.

Wolstenholme also said that BTI's Academic Edge program is already in effect with many schools.

The 12-year-old, Raleigh-based company is widely used throughout the south and is spreading north and west, said Wolstenholme.

She also said that BTI is very

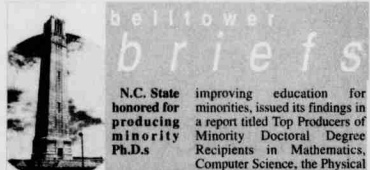
interested in having a positive relationship with the university. The company sponsors events with the universities it services and would be interested in sponsoring events here, as well.

Students will find notification when they receive their confirmation letters in July, said Gillespie. She also said that posters will be displayed in residence halls. There is also information on the telecommunications Web site and a write-up in the "State of Living and Learning" newsletter.

Gillespie said the real concern is that students will try to use their AT&T phone card numbers when they get back to school, so notifying students is very important.

"It's a pretty big change," said Gillespie, but she also said that she thinks it is a positive one.

More information can be found about BTI on the company's home page at www.bti.com.



N.C. State honored for producing minority Ph.D.s

N.C. State has been honored as a leading producer of minority Ph.D. graduates in mathematics, physical sciences and engineering.

The Quality Education for Minorities (QEM) Network recognized the university — along with 26 other doctoral-degree granting institutions — at the Ninth Annual National Conference of QEM's Mathematics, Science and Engineering (MSE) Network.

The QEM Network, a non-profit organization dedicated to

improving education for minorities, issued its findings in a report titled Top Producers of Minority Doctoral Degree Recipients in Mathematics, Computer Science, the Physical Sciences and Engineering.

QEM Network President Shirley McBay said the organization focuses on the doctoral level because it's important to understand why minorities receive so few doctorates in mathematics, physical sciences and engineering (MPSE), and to honor the institutions that are making a difference in that area.

NCSU also was recognized for its track record between 1991 and 1995 in producing undergraduates who successfully pursued Ph.D. degrees in those science fields.

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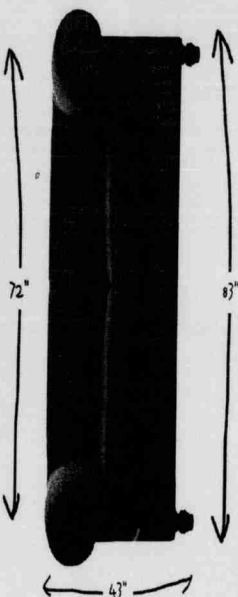
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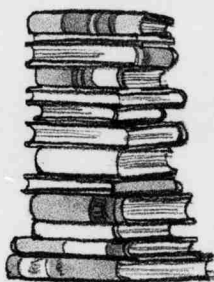


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Summer movie Throw down

Want to know what's going to be hot this summer at the theaters? Here is all that is going to be big in the coming months.

Ryan Hill
Features Editor

Ah, the dog days of summer. No class, no homework, nothing to do but work. Well, not exactly. Summer brings a lot of free time as well, and that free time could be used watching movies and listening to music (on the beach preferably). But enough with that, here is THE list of big movies coming out this summer.

Gladiator
Starring: Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix

Directed By: Ridley Scott
Release Date: May 5
Ridley Scott returns to the screen with Russell Crowe in this "Spartacus" type film. Crowe plays Maximus, a Roman general enslaved by Commodus (Joaquin Phoenix) and forced to become a gladiator. Everything about this film is huge, including the buzz, and the trailer makes the film look incredible. This movie is vying to be the first blockbuster of the summer and it will most likely be just that.

Road Trip
Starring: Tom Green, Breckin Meyer
Directed By: Todd Phillips

Release Date: May 19
Breckin Meyer is Josh, a college kid that makes a sex video with one woman from muls that video to his girlfriend. Quickly realizing his mistake, he and some of his buddies race to intercept the bus before his girlfriend gets it. Tom Green is Barry, Meyer's roommate, and Green eating a mouse is any indicator, this should be a crazy and hilarious ride.

Mission: Impossible 2
Starring: Tom Cruise, Anthony Hopkins

Directed By: John Woo
Release Date: May 24
Tom Cruise returns as Ethan Hunt in this sequel to the original movie, which was based on the popular TV show. In

this movie Hunt has to stop a madman (Dougray Scott) from releasing a virus into the world. Production delays kept "M: I-2" from reaching theatres back in December and it should be worth the wait. With John Woo ("Face/Off") directing, the action should be out of this world. It would also be an added bonus if this movie is easier to follow than the original.

Gone in 60 Seconds

Starring: Nicolas Cage, Angelina Jolie
Directed By: Dominic Sena
Release Date: June 9
Nicolas Cage in an action movie... what a novel concept! Cage has starred in a string of horrible movies, but this one has two saving graces: lots of car chases and Angelina Jolie, hot off her Oscar winning performance in "Girl, Interrupted." Jolie is always sexy, and car chases are almost always fun. Cage stars as a retired car thief brought back in by his brother (Giovanni Ribisi) for one last heist: 50 cars in 24 hours. This MTV style remake of the 1974 film of the



same name also stars Robert Duvall and Delroy Lindo. For Cage's sake it had better do well.

Shaft
Starring: Samuel L. Jackson
Directed By: John Singleton
Release Date: June 16

"I'm talkin' 'bout Shaft!" Unfortunately this isn't a remake of the 70s flick, it's an update, and updates rarely work the same with remakes, but

it's "Shaft," so almost all is forgiven). Richard Roundtree returns as an older Shaft and Samuel L. Jackson is his nephew. Jackson seems like he was born to play someone as cool as Shaft and Isaac Hayes returns to do the theme song. At least it's an update of "Shaft" and not an update of "The Ghost and Mr. Chicken."

Me, Myself & Irene
Starring: Jim Carrey, Renee Zellweger

Directed By: Peter Dinklage
Release Date: June 23
Jim Carrey is back doing what he does best, which is stupid slapstick comedy. Re-teaming with the Farrelly brothers, Carrey plays a man with two personalities, one of which is passive and the other aggressive. Both of



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Wahlberg and Clooney (top) battle nature in "The Perfect Storm." There's something about Jim Carrey (left).

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them fall for Renee Zellweger, but both of them probably missed her last stinker "The Bachelor." Expect lots of gross-out humor along the lines of the Farrelly's "There's Something About Mary." This movie should bring back a lot of Carrey fans, which didn't flock to his last film, "Man on the Moon."

The Perfect Storm
Starring: George Clooney, Mark Wahlberg

Directed By: Wolfgang Petersen
Release Date: June 30
Based on Sebastian Junger's book, "The Perfect Storm" is the true story of a hurricane that struck New England in the early 1990s. The good thing is it stars George Clooney (as Billy Tyne) and Mark Wahlberg (as Bobby Shattford), who come hot off of the contemporary classic "Three Kings." The film is directed by Wolfgang Petersen ("In the Line of Fire," "Air Force One"), and it has a

Directed By: Bryan Singer
Release Date: July 14
The highest-selling comic book ever finally comes to the big-screen thanks to Bryan Singer ("The Usual Suspects"). Hugh Jackman took over the role of Wolverine after Doug Gray Scott was held up on "Mission: Impossible 2." Led by Prof. Charles Xavier (Patrick Stewart), Wolverine and the other X-Men battle the evil mutants bent on taking over the world. "X-Men" looks to be the biggest movie of the summer, if Director Bryan Singer does a better job than he did on his last stinker, "Apocalypse Now." Rounding out the cast is Ian McKellan as Magneto, Ray Park (Darth Maul) as Toad, James Marsden as Cyclops, Famke Janssen as Jean Grey and Rebecca Romijn-Stamos as Mystique.

What Lies Beneath
Starring: Harrison Ford, Michelle Pfeiffer

Directed By: Robert Zemeckis
Release Date: July 21
Harrison Ford and Michelle Pfeiffer star as a married couple, Norman and Claire, haunted by the ghost of Norman's first wife. Why is she haunting them? She needs the pair to help her find her killer. It sounds interesting, but after "The Sixth Sense," it will seem original? Ford and Pfeiffer both have been on the backburner lately, with Ford's "Random Hearts" and Pfeiffer's "The Deep End of the Ocean," both tanking at the box-office. Hopefully director Robert Zemeckis ("Forrest Gump") will keep the audience on their toes with this supernatural thriller.

Nutty Professor 2: The Klumps
Starring: Eddie Murphy, Janet Jackson
Directed By: Peter Segal
Release Date: July 28
Eddie Murphy returns as the loveable Sherman Klump in the sequel to the movie that re-ignited Murphy's career. This one focuses more on the rest of the Klump clan, all played by Murphy. Janet Jackson plays Sherman's fiancée, and Murphy is also back as Buddy Love, who is determined to ruin Sherman's marriage. If this movie is as funny as the last one was, Murphy will be more popular than ever.

The return of No Doubt

No Doubt's newly released album, *Return of Saturn*, assures a successful return after a five year absence.

Marie Oblinsky
Staff Writer

After almost five years, No Doubt is back serving up its specialty — an entree of retro sounds mixed with the same punk, new wave, ska and rock edge that launched them to success in 1996 with *Tragic Kingdom*. Just after its release on April 11, No Doubt's sophomore album entitled *Return of Saturn* debuted at No. 2 on the Billboard album chart. The Billboard 200. With new singles "Ex-girlfriend" and "Simple Kind of Life" also popping up on the charts and on MTV's Total Request Live, No Doubt's obvious fans have found the band's follow-up album worth the wait.

The first single released off the album, "Ex-girlfriend," is a fast rock ballad cut with cool, slow-paced guitar transitions between the chorus and verse. "Ex-girl-

friend" is the type of song that's best played at maximum volume; the relationship-familiar lyrics and overlapping guitar hooks are empowering.

Return of Saturn has a strong 80s sound to it, and No Doubt combines this retro influence with their roots of ska to produce tracks like "Bathwater" and "Six Feet Under." Songs like "Magic" in the Makeup, "Too Late" and "Marry Me" are mixed with galactic new wave effects, horns and mellow reggae beats. Unlike Gwen Stefani's typical girl lyrics and sound, "Simple Kind of Life" and "Marry Me" are two tracks dedicated to her humble longing for love, marriage and family.

Return of Saturn, though long-awaited, is a diversified album of spastic rock, mellow ballads and hip mixes. No Doubt has undoubtedly done it again.

The band launches a two-month North American tour this summer starting with the first appearance at Dallas' Starplex Amphitheater on June 5th. No Doubt is scheduled to play in Charlotte on May 11th at Blockbuster Pavilion.



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No Doubt returns with its sophomore effort, *Return of Saturn*.

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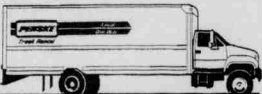
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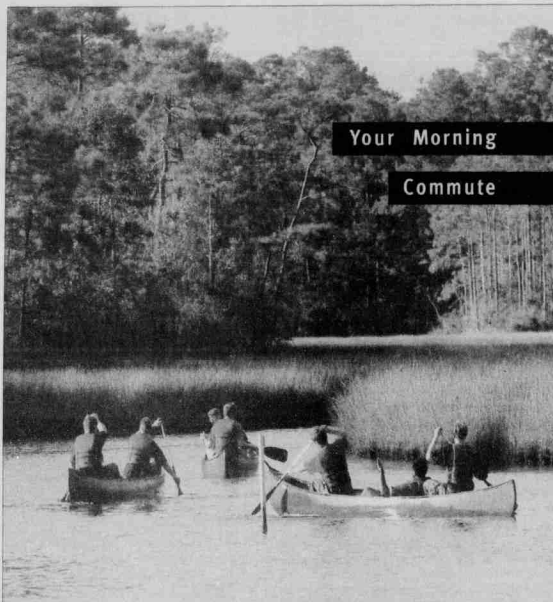
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Tenure: binding more than books



Staff Columnist
Cindy Spurlock

Without change, something sleeps inside us and seldom awakens. The sleeper must awaken." Had author Frank Herbert attended N.C. State, he may have altered his commentary on society to specifically address a growing problem on campus and around the world: the stagnation of higher education due to the outdated practice of offering unchecked tenure to professors.

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Good luck finding such ambiguous language in the policy manual of any company; it's not going to happen unless one is employed as a tenured professor at a university.

Employers are painstakingly careful when choosing words to define standards and conditions for employment, yet tenured professors are cloaked in immunity. Untouchable and beyond reproach, tenured professors are free to pursue their own agendas, often at the students' expense.

It's a known fact that power

corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. Why then should the methodology and philosophy of tenured professors remain elevated above critical and intellectual review? To allow stagnation to flourish is to encourage it by default.

Unless one can successfully scale the ivory tower of academia and attain full tenure as a professor, the odds of finding a job where performance and

"By not taking the opinions of students into consideration, the administration is essentially turning a deaf ear in students' direction, in favor of perpetuating an archaic system that serves and benefits the institution instead of the student."

results are not a factor in job retention or promotion are rather slim. Sure, students are allowed the token gesture of filling out a professor evaluation at the end of a course, but what real impact do those evaluations have on the record of a tenured professor?

Apparently, student reviews do not create enough of an impact to precipitate more than a cursory departmental review. One professor was quoted as saying, "The department will review these evaluations with me, but they don't really mean as much for me as they would mean for a non-tenured profes-

sor." Isn't the point of a review to analyze one's strong and weak points for the purpose of improvement?

Perhaps the proper question is: who's babysitting the baby-sitters? By not taking the opinions of students into consideration, the administration is essentially turning a deaf ear in students' direction, in favor of perpetuating an archaic system that serves and benefits the institution instead of the student.

Are the needs of students not paramount to the desires of the administration? The historical purpose of tenure was to encourage and guarantee academic freedom.

However, freedom of speech and intellectual inquiry are guaranteed, thanks to state and federal laws, established legal precedent and liberalized public opinion. Because there are already instruments in place to protect professors from academic censorship, what real purpose does tenure serve and who really benefits from it?

Today, tenure guarantees a professor the freedom to disguise egocentric power tripping as a viable form of communication and to define grading standards in ambiguous terms. It allows for the classroom setting to be used as a personal podium

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"Best policy" also hardest



Staff Columnist
Richard Morgan

Politicians lie, or merely don't volunteer the truth. Therefore misleading us; and we sigh and groan at the state of society, shaking our heads and muttering a disapproving "tsk, tsk, tsk."

We see the pot-bellied pothead on COPS scratch his "wife beater" as he tries to convince an officer that he "didn't do nothing," deceiving himself; and we sigh and groan at the state of society, shaking our heads and muttering a disapproving "tsk, tsk, tsk."

We despise dishonesty. It is one of those universal evils that has never been encouraged by any society.

It is deplorable, shameful and sinful, and it is also something of which we are all guilty.

Whether we're cheating on a math test or cheating on a girlfriend, whether we're trying to pass off Sprite for water, or a party as a business expense, we are dishonest people.

I am writing today not to merely make this declaration, because it is already common knowledge; I am writing today to emphasize how much dishonesty affects friendship.

Friendship is built on confidence, confidence is built on trust and trust is built on honesty. If we are not honest, we cannot have true friendships. All of the benefits of friendship—hanging out together, laughing together, crying together and learning together—are wonderful things, but they are meaningless if they are only possible thanks to lies and deceptions.

And, in being meaningless, they are damaging; for how can we hope to reveal the truths of life if we refuse to reveal the truths of ourselves?

Now, I can hear people's eyes rolling; you're thinking that I've spent too much time studying for COM112 or PHI205. You're thinking that this doesn't apply to you. You're wondering, "This thing, attractive Richard Morgan is crazy. What damage can a little dishonesty cause?"

Let me put it this way: when you first get a T-shirt, it has a line down the front of it, but the moment it gets dirty and has to be washed, the line is gone-forever. That's how friendships work. You only get one shot at honesty and it's all or none. As Alexander Pope wrote: "O grant an honest frame, or grant me none." People either find their foundation in truth, or in nothing at all.

Of course, friends forgive, but they don't forget.

The moment anyone is betrayed by anyone else, they stay forever aware that someone could betray them again. Even the Bible warns about this kind of behavior by saying, "Do not betray another man's confidence."

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During the course of the week, the limitations inherent in running one editorial every day prevents Technician from voicing its opinions on issues that perhaps do not warrant an entire editorial. In this new weekly feature we will attempt to make our thoughts known on some of the issues that slipped through the cracks.

Technician's thumbs of the week

Thumbs down to Time-Warner and Disney. Their headline-grabbing pissing contest robbed viewers of Dana Carvey on "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire." Even though they resolved their dispute, they showed no concern for their viewers. Instead they showed concern for their companies, which amounts to a few measly dollars.

Thumbs up to Tom Stafford's Ticket Distribution Task Force for choosing the simplest, fairest and cheapest means of handing out tickets. Though it will lack the flair of devotion that camping out had, as students sit in line for hours they'll remember what they lost through their immaturity and inability to handle responsibility.

Thumbs down to the American primary system that, for all intensive purposes, excludes numerous states. As half the country "votes," the nominations have, in actuality, already been determined.

Thumbs up to Student Senate for overriding the veto of next year's senate budget, which was vetoed for not including a campout line item. They were correct in assuming that there is no point funding an event that will not happen. The question now is: what will they do with all that extra dough?

Thumbs up to TCT Transit Services and N.C. State Transportation's handling of student concerns about a Wolfline driver. With school concerns and the craziness of college life, the last thing a student needs is a life-threatening bus ride, or a trash-talking driver.

Thumbs down to everybody who didn't vote yesterday and thumbs up to everyone who did, despite the previous lament over the tardiness of North Carolina primaries.

Thumbs down to the fact that there is still, in this great technological age, no way for immobile, on-campus and/or busy students to vote without leaving campus.

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Jerry Barker, Ed.D.
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Staff Columnist
Andrew Payne

It is the end of the year and I have criticized and praised the university and its administration for the entire year. I think it is important that, though we do not agree on every detail and the exact course to get to where we want to go, we all want the same goal: the betterment of N.C. State.

Students at NCSU are actually very lucky. We have one of the finest institutions in the country, and especially in North Carolina. It's unfortunate that many students and other members of the community do not see the university's potential.

Of course NCSU faces problems, but they pale in comparison to other universities in the UNC system.

During the past year, Winston-Salem State University's (WSSU) chancellor lost the respect and trust of its students, faculty and staff. Allegations came about after an audit that lead people to question the WSSU chancellor's spending habits. Tensions mounted further

after UNC President Molly Broad told the Board of Governors that she felt confident in WSSU's chancellor, and had no plans to replace him.

NCSU is fortunate that it has a chancellor who understands the university's role in the state and who fights for students. The chancellor lobbied the N.C. General Assembly vigorously this past summer in efforts to improve conditions and facilities and maintain the quality of life for students. It is not often politically feasible for a chancellor to stand up against the legislature, but our chancellor realizes that it is a must for NCSU to remain an academic powerhouse.

I have even heard critics say that one of the reasons the university did not receive the much-needed funding was because our chancellor went as far as she did and because she was from out of state. That might be one of the dumbest things I have ever heard.

If members of the General Assembly are basing their decisions on where individuals are from and not the welfare of the state, then our higher education system has no hope.

The potential for NCSU is incredible, and I want to applaud our chancellor for believing and seeing that potential. NCSU's economic impact already exceeds 1.9 billion dollars. It is about time that we have a strong leader willing to fight for the students.

After talking with student leaders from around the state, we are also fortunate to have an excellent student affairs staff. Not only do they take time to listen to our concerns but also they act swiftly to resolve problems. Students at other UNC schools must deal with administrators who could care less about students.

Every situation may not turn out exactly the way students want it to, for example naming the new Entertainment Sports Arena and campout, but at least they make time to hear us out and allow us to present our side of the story.

NCSU is on the right track, with the right leadership at the helm. We as students must spread the NCSU story so that many others can enjoy the experience.

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or he who hears it may shame you and you will never lose your bad reputation" (Proverbs 25:9-10).

So, given the problem that people are dishonest, what do we do about maintaining open and honest friendships? We must listen to the wisdom of Mohandes Ghandi, who declared that "we must be the change we wish to see in the world."

I urge anyone who is aware of dishonesty in their own life to destroy it with honesty. I urge those people to overcome the fears and shames and consequences of truth. I urge those people to remove any masks you show to yourself or others and to melt away the shackles

of deception with the fire of truth. Why, you ask? Why go through all the trouble?

Because, as Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote, "The glory of friendship is not in the outstretched hand, nor the kindly smile, nor the joy of companionship; it is the spiritual inspiration that comes to one when you discover that someone else believes in you and is willing to trust you with a friendship."

When it comes to honesty, everyone — including myself — is not what they should be and not what they want to be. But, if we all realize the need for honesty and pursue it with real dedication and conviction, at least we will not be what we were.

Comments? Send them to Richard Morgan at ncsu_writer@yahoo.com.

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where opinion is passed off as fact. It guarantees the freedom to live duplicitously as a dictator in the classroom by refusing to engage in two-way communication. And, by forcing one's own outdated text onto the syllabus when the material covered is contemporary in nature, and by not allowing the use of outside reference materials to validate or refute the material being presented.

Where is the intellectual process? Students should be encouraged to think for themselves and should be rewarded for drawing their own conclusions instead of simply regurgitating material directly from the text.

Tenure instills and reinforces apathetic complacency. There is no incentive for tenured professors to strive for excellence in teaching through quality interaction with their students or for them to follow innovative developments in their field if performance evaluations mean nothing in determining salary increases or promotions. Additionally, tenured professors are

more likely to devote their time to research and paper writing, leaving knowledge-starved students in the hands of amateurish graduate students. Are students truly getting what they're paying for?

One way to guarantee that these standards will be followed is to abolish the tenure system altogether and replace it with one of yearly evaluation. In order to facilitate objective evaluations, professors would be reviewed by their department head, a colleague, a professor from another department and also by their students.

The NCSU faculty handbook demands that professors adhere to the pursuit of excellence and professionalism. They should encourage students to engage in intellectual discourse and inquiry and to evaluate student performance on a scholarly basis.

Students have the right to demand that their professors adhere to these guidelines. It's time for the system to undergo the necessary changes - without change - there is no growth. The time has come for the sleeper to awaken.

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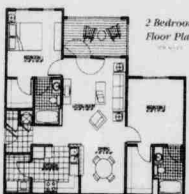
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"I am really proud of all of my accomplishments since I started throwing for State," said

Ogelsby. "I really have to thank God first for all of my success. Most of the credit for my success should go to my personal coach, Tom Wood. He has always been very supportive of me and has helped me tremendously these last two years."

"The hammer and weight throws are still new to me, but with more practice and more good coaching, I can legitimately look toward the 2004 Olympics as my ultimate goal with these events," he added.

GODFREY

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These stars sit in locker rooms after games, as though it's a throne, and they demand infinite respect from reporters and fans for innate athleticism. What do they do to deserve any respect?

Through and through, however, baseball is golden.

MLB hasn't aged six years unscathed. No one forgets Roberto Alomar's run-in with John Hirschbeck or John Rocker's classless comments about New Yorkers.

But home run races, playoff games and new ballpark in which fans watch Cal Ripken, Ken Griffey Jr. and Sammy Sosa help baseball persevere.

The realignment of the divisions, which led to the reformatting of the playoffs, has given fans one-game playoffs for playoff spots, and fans can't get enough.

On Opening Day 2000, 1,391,456 fans were in atten-

dance at 30 baseball games. That's an average of 46,382 fans at a game; the figure was the second highest in the game's history.

Meanwhile, guys like Derek Jeter and Frank Thomas mingle with fans before games and sign autographs, whereas NBA stars like Shaquille O'Neal feel the need to tell everyone, "I'm unstoppable."

Finally, baseball's resurgence has preserved the game's place as America's pastime, a game through which fathers and sons can identify. Fathers talk about Maris, Mantle, Mays and Aaron, and sons talk about McGwire, Griffey, Jeter and Sosa.

The former were upstanding athletes who played because they loved it and were conspicuously absent from run-ins with management and law enforcement in the same way the latter are today.

Six years is along time in the world of sports. For baseball, ironically, the skies are sunny, but has anyone checked the forecast for the NBA and the NFL?

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from January of 1993 through the 1993-94 season. He returned the Timberwolves as an assistant coach this season.

During his professional playing career, Lowe played for five different NBA teams including the Timberwolves and Hawks.

Lowe's family still resides in North Carolina although they are in the process of building a new home in the Twin Cities area.

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Wednesday Sports



N.C. State hammer thrower makes a dent

◆N.C. State hammer thrower Isaiah Ogelsby has high goals for himself as he looks toward the track national championships later this month.

Todd Lion
Staff Writer

Isaiah Ogelsby may only be a redshirt freshman, but that hasn't stopped him from setting N.C. State school records in the indoor 35-pound weight throw and the outdoor hammer throw. "Isaiah is an extremely talented athlete," said State track and

field head coach Rollie Geiger. "He is absolutely critical to the success of this team." Ogelsby competes in all of the weight throwing events — the shot put, the hammer throw and the discus throw — but the 16-pound hammer throw and its indoor counterpart, the 35-five pound weight throw, are his specialty events. "Even though those are my best events, I am still getting used to them," said Ogelsby. "Last year was the first time in my life I had ever seen a hammer-throw competition."

In high school, Ogelsby threw the shot put and the discus. He

was the North Carolina state champion in both events in 1998.

"It took me a while to get used to throwing the hammer. Once I got into college, and I messed up a lot in the first few competitions," said Ogelsby.

Ogelsby doesn't make many of the same mistakes any more. He won the ACC Indoor Championships in the 35-pound weight throw and finished sixth in the shot put. His weight throw was good enough for a school record and was just inches short of an ACC record. He proceeded to better the ACC record the next weekend.

His outdoor marks are also improving. He placed seventh at the very competitive Raleigh Relays in the hammer and discus throws. And he won or placed very high in several regular-season meets in all three of the throwing events.

Ogelsby's latest accomplishments came at the ACC Championships at Duke two weekends ago. He won the hammer throw in a convincing manner, beating the next-best competitor by 3 1/2 feet with a mark of 190-7. He also placed sixth in the shot put and fifth in the discus throw, accumulating 17 points for State at the ACC

Outdoor Championships.

"I really wanted to win the discus, and I think I could have," said Ogelsby. "Next year, I am planning on winning both of them."

"Isaiah is one of the most important competitors on the team, scoring-wise," said Geiger. "He almost always is a double-digit scorer for us and in track, anyone scoring over 10 points is a huge contribution to the team."

Last weekend at the Penn Relays, Ogelsby bettered his best mark by setting a new

ISAIAH OGELSBY

THIS SEASON, WAS ACC CHAMPION IN HAMMER THROW...FINISHED SIXTH IN THE SHOT PUT AND FIFTH IN THE DISCUS IN THE ACC CHAMPIONSHIPS IN DURHAM...AT THE PENN RELAYS LAST WEEKEND, OGELSBY BETTERED THE SCHOOL RECORD IN THE HAMMER THROW, WHICH ALLOWED HIM TO QUALIFY FOR NATIONALS...WAS THE N.C. HIGH SCHOOL SHOT PUT AND DISCUS CHAMPION.

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Baseball is the best

ROB GODFREY

Think back six years to a dispirited time. It was the summer of 1994 and a player



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strike loomed over Major League Baseball, ready to quell sports fans' enthusiasm for America's national pastime. Prepared to benefit from fan antipathy towards MLB were the NBA and the NFL, both of which had been steadily growing in popularity through the early 1990s.

The NBA had a solid talent pool with fledgling stars like Grant Hill, Anfernee Hardaway and Chris Webber who attested to the survivability of the league despite Michael Jordan's unexpected experiment with retirement.

And sports fans enjoyed America's team, the Dallas Cowboys, with its All-Pro roster that included Troy Aikman, Michael Irvin and Emmitt Smith. Add to those three players Steve Young and Jerry Rice, and there was little question that the NFL could pick up baseball's slack.

Now fast forward to the transition between spring and summer 2000 and consider which — among the NBA, NFL and MLB — is in better fan standing.

The NBA is hurting. Not that David Stern's livelihood is in danger of disbanding. It's just the relationship between college basketball players, NBA scouts and sports agents borders on the absurd.

Players like Darius Miles and DeShawn Stephenson skip college, or leave college early, following Kevin Garnett's and Corey Maggette's leads, when they haven't any business doing so and, consequently, dilute the skill level in the NBA.

There is comparable talent in the NBA to that of 10 years ago, but the skill isn't refined.

For certain, no one has a solution to the NBA's main problem. Or maybe the man with the solution hasn't spoken up.

Until the NBA and NCAA collaborate to restore order to the NBA draft process, whether the answer is a player stipend or a requirement to fulfill three years of eligibility, Stern's league will continue to suffer.

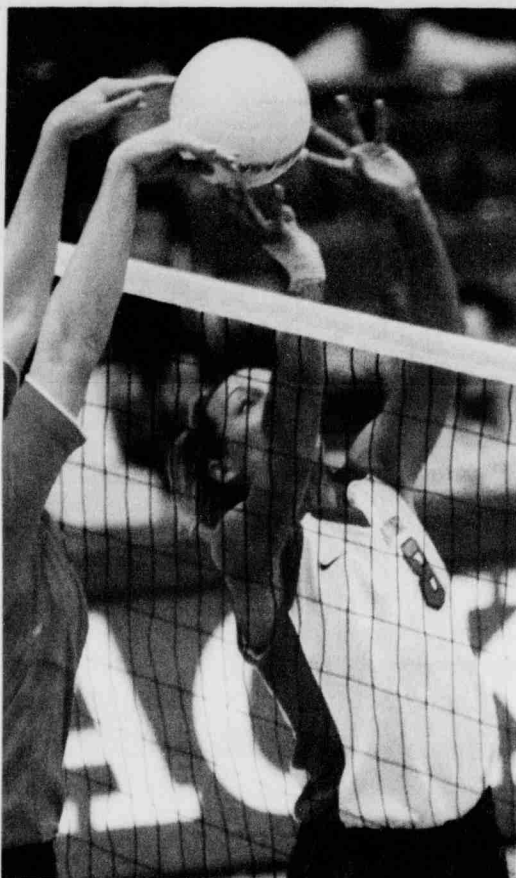
As for the NFL, its problems are more serious than the NBA's. And the problem is a matter of character.

Whereas guys from the NBA and MLB garner negative attention in the off-season due to contract disputes, it seems the NFL can't keep its ambassadors to the world out of jail.

Rae Carruth and Ray Lewis, both facing murder charges, are the NFL's only active players to face such charges in league history. How do such occurrences lend integrity to the league?

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Vesey's exit creates void



Erin Vesey (8) left the N.C. State volleyball program in January but Coach Kim Hall thinks she has two replacements with Crystal Shannon and Jackie Stratton.

◆The Wolfpack volleyball team awaits newcomers to fill the void left by transfer.

David Hobgood
Staff Writer

Changes occur in every aspect of life, and collegiate volleyball is no different.

The N.C. State spikers were faced with drastic change when their sophomore setter Erin Vesey transferred before the start of second semester. With the absence of Vesey, the Pack will look to a pair of newcomers to pick up where she left off.

In her two seasons in Raleigh, Vesey was one of the strong points of the team. In her freshman season, she compiled 663 assists, 133 digs and 75 kills. Then in this, her sophomore season, she produced a monstrous 1682 assists, 345 digs and 59 kills.

"Erin came in and was one of three or four freshmen that started immediately," said coach Kim Hall. "She was basically the peg that our offense worked around for the last two years."

Although Vesey contributed lots of positive energy on the court, the Pack is not in total disarray upon her departure.

"Erin's departure was disappointing, but not a surprise," said Hall. "It happens in all sports and in all programs. However, we are very positive and optimistic about the whole situation."

The Wolfpack is looking to a pair of newcomers, incoming freshman Crystal Shannon and junior college transfer Jackie Stratton, to ease the pain of the loss at the setter position.

Shannon is a 5-foot-10 setter from Tampa, Fla., that will add an immensity of athleticism to the Pack's lineup. In her last three seasons in high school, 1997-99, she was part of a state championship team.

"Crystal is coming in from an extremely strong program with a great coach," said Hall. "She has lots of experience and great practice after coming from such an impressive school. Her Junior Olympic Club team has finished in the top four in six of the last 10 years."

Stratton will arrive as a junior college transfer from Phoenix College. The Pack did not begin recruiting her until Vesey's departure.

"Jackie should be able to step right into Erin's spot and bring us lots of experience and maturity," said Hall.

As for who will start and how she will react to playing at a big-time ACC program, Hall is a little less certain.



Stephanie Stambaugh.

"I really don't know who will start between the two at this point," said Hall. "I guess we'll just have to wait and see when preseason practices begin. We could possibly use them interchangeably. Also this spring, we have really made a concerted effort at preparing and maturing enough among our returning unit, so when our new setter comes in they won't have so much responsibility and pressure on their shoulders to carry the load."

As with all changes, the Pack will have to adjust to the departure of Vesey. However, it feels confident that everything will work out for the best.

"Since we have a new setter coming in, we will definitely need a little more practice time for everyone to get used to it," said Hall. "But we are all looking forward to it."

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Wilkins interviewed; Jarvis denies report

WASHINGTON — The coach with the most victories in NBA history may soon get back in the game.

Lenny Wilkins, who resigned from the Atlanta Hawks last month after a 28-54 season, met with Wizards president of basketball operations Michael Jordan on Tuesday regarding Washington's coaching vacancy.

"They are meeting together," said Wilkins' agent, Lonnie Cooper. "He has a lot of respect for Michael Jordan and they have a long-term relationship. He felt it very important to meet together. There's no

agenda."

Jordan, who is in Chicago, could not be reached for comment. General manager Wes Unseld declined to comment, although Wizards owner Abe Pollin recently said the team is "very interested" in Wilkins.

Meanwhile, St. John's coach Mike Jarvis said through a university spokesman that, "there was no truth to the rumors" that he would be interviewing for the Wizards job this week. The Washington Post, citing an unidentified league source, reported Tuesday that Jordan was to interview Jarvis, who coached George Washington University in the nation's capital from 1990-98.

Jarvis said no one had contacted him about the Wizards job, according to St. John's spokesman Mike Carey.

UT faculty orders investigation

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — While adopting a series of recommendations made to prevent plagiarism by tutors in the athletic department, the University of Tennessee Faculty Senate also told a panel of faculty members to begin a new investigation of academic abuse allegations involving football players.

The faculty panel presented to the senate Monday its findings from a six-month probe into allegations that tutors may have done schoolwork for football players, including members of the 1998 national championship team, dating back to 1995.

That panel, at the direction of Provost John Peters, did

not look at specific instances of wrongdoing and instead focused on how to improve the academic systems in the athletic department.

But the faculty senate on Monday ordered the panel to investigate allegations of academic abuse made recently by English Professor Linda Bense-Meyers, who had reviewed the records of 37 football players and two other athletes and placed the information in an anonymous form for public review.

The report said, among other things, that football players often were steered toward easier majors, benefited from many grade changes and that some were permitted to continue at the university despite spending most of their career on academic probation.

NCSU alum Lowe a candidate for Atlanta job

Sidney Lowe, who helped N.C. State win a college basketball national championship in 1983, is being considered for the vacant head coaching job with the NBA's Atlanta Hawks. Lowe, currently an assistant under Flip Saunders in Minnesota, has confirmed to the St. Paul Pioneer Press that he has spoken with Hawks' officials about the job.

Atlanta began its search for a new coach soon after veteran Lenny Wilkins announced his resignation last week.

Lowe has been an NBA head coach before: He was the top man on the Minnesota Bench

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