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Coach Chuck Amato and the Wolfpack celebrate admist rainy weather after a victory over Arkansas State in the first overtime game ever played at Carter-Finley Stadium.

NCSU to host ASG election

Spaine Stephens and Natalie Duggins
Staff Reporters

For the second year in a row, the Association of Student Governments is being forced to find a new president. Representatives from the 16 universities of the UNC System will meet in Student Senate Chambers of Thursday to select a new student representative for the Board of Governors.

Five candidates have already expressed an interest in assuming the position left vacant by Cliff Webster, the former student body president at East Carolina. Authorities at ECU arrested Webster on June 30 in connection with the theft of a pair of benches from the ECU campus. The two benches are valued at \$900 and \$1,400, according to ECU Assistant Police Chief Thomas Younce.

The candidates for the position are James Bryant from UNC-Greensboro, David Chesley from Western Carolina, Liz Gardner from UNC-Chapel Hill, Andrew Payne from N.C. State and Richard Wheelahan of Appalachian State.

"At the point of the new representative's election, Cliff Webster will be officially stepping down," said NCSU Student Body President Harold Pettigrew.

Payne said students' efforts to gain a vote in the Board of Governors has been set back once again. This year will have to serve as a rebuilding year for ASG leaders to strengthen the "credibility and confidence" between students and UNC system administration that has been further damaged by recent events.

"We can't go any further until credibility is established," said Payne, the only current candidate who also ran against Webster for the position last spring.

Wheelahan, a junior in political science at ASU, ran against Jeff Nieman last year when the ASG was searching for a replacement for resigned president Nic Mirisits. However, Wheelahan opted against running in last spring's elections when Webster and Payne vied for the presidency.

"[Webster] embraced a lot of the same ideas that I had on my platform," Wheelahan said.

Payne's main goal for the position is "to restore confidence in the Association both internally and externally. Without that, nothing can get done."

Wheelahan focuses his platform on revising the current ASG Constitution

and keeping students at the constituent universities informed.

"I want all UNC System students knowing where their tuition dollars and student fees go," Wheelahan said.

Payne placed gaining the confidence of the Historically Black Colleges and Universities near the top of his list of goals to meet if he is elected.

Also resting on Payne's platform is the passage of the bond referendum. If the bond issue is passed, new facilities and buildings will begin to be erected all over campus.

For this to benefit students, the Legislature must commit to further funding for the upkeep of the new facilities. If there is no commitment, Payne said, it could mean more student fees for students.

"This could incur a lot more costs, and the only people who get hurt are the students," said Payne.

Wheelahan shares Payne's agenda and promises to "mobilize and motivate students to register to vote and support the bond."

Payne also addressed underlying problems within the ASG that have caused many schools to disassociate themselves from ASG.

At present, there is no set process by which to handle situations like the Webster situation. Delegates and candidates will go into the Thursday meeting unsure of what will happen.

"An association that represents 137,000 students has to be able to function properly, and [ASG] can't under its current bylaws and statutes," said Payne.

Candidate David Chesley agreed.

"After what happened last year, ASG started losing delegates from some schools," said Chesley. "Schools seemed disinterested, because they felt they could not accomplish anything after that."

Chesley voiced his desire to become the calm after the storm, though he admitted the job would be tough to take on. Chesley said the Board of Governors would not view its next student representative the same until he or she had earned the Board's trust. Chesley repeated that the biggest challenge for ASG is to regain the credibil-

ity of "major student-wide organizations."

Chesley's main goal for the job is to organize student leaders on a campaign to get news to communities about the bond.

This is also the priority of Gardner's platform.

"We all need to come together about [the bond], since it's the most important thing right now," said Gardner.

Gardner also expressed interest in starting a system-wide conference on UNC system equity, involving university officials and legislators to discuss issues on equity. Also included in Gardner's platform is the necessity of internal communication within all ASG schools, with focus on strong meetings.

"The campuses can really benefit from what goes on at [ASG] meetings," said Gardner.

Gardner said the Board of Governors might be disappointed with the way ASG leadership has worked out in the past, but that they are willing to look ahead and accommodate a new student representative.

Webster's decision to step down came as a result of both problems within his personal life and the allegations against him.

The candidate elected at Thursday's meeting will also serve as the student representative on the UNC Board of Governors. When asked if the subsequent resignations of two ASG presidents would affect the student voice on the BOG, Wheelahan expressed some concern.

"The new president will have to demonstrate their sincerity and common sense moral character," said Wheelahan.

Candidate James Bryant could not be reached for comment.

Four NCSU delegates will have votes at the meeting Thursday. Pettigrew and Student Senate President Conen Morgan are two of the delegates representing NCSU, but the remaining two spots have yet to be filled. Pettigrew and Morgan will decide who will fill them this week. Four delegates from each of the 16 UNC system schools will make up the general body of the ASG. However, thus far, few schools have expressed their intent on attending this week's meeting.



Andrew Payne

Belltower Briefs

N.C. State Family Scholarships go to 13 students

In its first year of existence, the N.C. State Family Scholarship has selected 13 scholars from among 20 applicants.

The scholarship was established to provide need-based scholarship assistance to full-time students enrolled at NCSU whose parents are employees of the university. The value of the award, which is typically set at \$2,000, varies depending upon the student's financial needs. The inaugural awards range from \$237 to \$2,000.

Other scholarship criteria include academic performance, motivation and leadership potential.

"The N.C. State Family Scholarships ensure that the children of our employees benefit from an education at North Carolina's leader in science, engineering and technology," said Chancellor Marye Anne Fox. "This program is an opportunity for us to assist in meeting the financial needs of our students. Although available financial aid funds lag behind the total necessary to meet the needs of all students, the N.C. State Family Scholarship Program is one way we can help our faculty and staff afford an exceptional education for their sons and daughters."

CES takes two national USDA awards

Dan Glickman, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, presented two of his department's highest awards to the N.C. Cooperative Extension Service this summer during the annual Secretary's Honor Awards Ceremony in Washington, D.C.

Cooperative Extension received the Silver Plow Honor Award for "Emergency Response and Heroism" for its responsiveness and leadership during and after Hurricane Floyd.

The Neuse Education Team received an honor award for "Promoting Sensitive

Management of Natural Resources" for its Neuse River water-quality education program.

Dr. Jon F. Ort, director of the Cooperative Extension Service at N.C. State, and Dr. Dalton McAfee, associate administrator of the Cooperative Extension Program at North Carolina A&T State University, accepted the award on behalf of North Carolina Cooperative Extension. Other Extension employees involved in hurricane relief also attended the ceremony.

"I am honored that USDA recognized the vital role that Cooperative Extension played for eastern North Carolina farmers and families during Hurricane Floyd and its aftermath," said Ort.

In Sept. 1999, Hurricane Floyd's heavy rains claimed 51 lives and resulted in nearly \$1 billion of agricultural losses, due to unprecedented flooding. The field and campus faculty of both N.C. State and N.C. A&T State worked tirelessly in the 44 counties battered by Floyd to help eastern North Carolina farmers and rural families persevere through the chaos.

The team's education efforts include the "NeuseMobile," a brightly painted education center on wheels; a Web site, the NeuseLetter (at www.neuse.ncsu.edu); conferences, workshops and more than 60 demonstration projects.

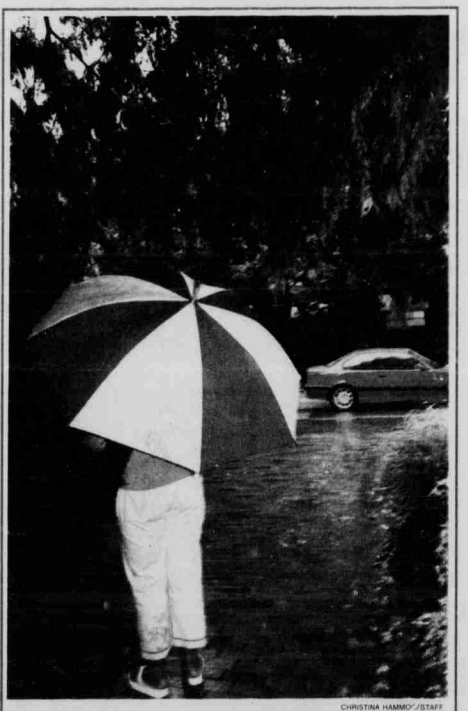
Sept. concerts kickoff 2000-01 school year

The N.C. State University Music Department is ushering in a new school year with two concerts in September.

At 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15, in Stewart Theatre, Dr. Jonathan Kramer, cellist, will be joined by his brother, pianist Stephen Kramer, and Italian soprano Ilfiara Galgani for the music department's first concert of the 2000-01 season.

Sept. 24 will feature a gala musical evening at 8 p.m. in the ballroom of the Talley Student Center. This program will serve as a dedication for the recently rebuilt NC State harpsichord. Works by Baroque and early romantic composers will be presented.

Tickets for both concerts are \$6 for general admission; \$5 for NC State faculty and staff; and \$3 for NC State students, and may be ordered by calling Ticket Central at 515-1100.



Meshia Miller, a sophomore in Microbiology, waits for her bus in the rain.

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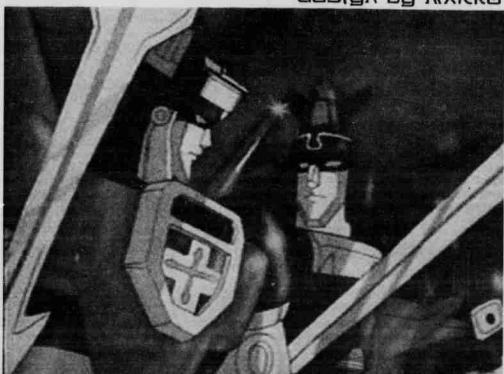
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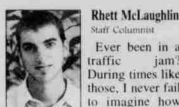
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Hypocrisy is human nature



Rhett McLaughlin
Staff Columnist

Ever been in a traffic jam? During times like those, I never fail to imagine how cool it would be to have Inspector Gadget's van, to simply press a button and laugh indolently as I straddle the traffic with my hyper-extended shocks. But mostly I wonder about the cause of the jam.

Certainly, a delay of such magnitude is the result of a jackknifed 18-wheeler; or maybe one of those toxic waste spills that only little men in rubber suits are allowed to see. But this is never the case.

As I approach what the end of the bottleneck, I see the thinned traffic stretching ahead in the distance, each car speeding off freely as if it has been released from some numbing forcefield. I see no new lanes, no stop sign newly toggled to the slow position by Dwight the orange-vested sign swinger; no mangled wreckage being pulled off to the median.

What I see, instead, is any of the subsequent situations of the like: An impatient motorist having just been pulled by a cop, two lightly dented cars moved to the side, an abandoned car resting peacefully on the shoulder, the remains of some large road kill pushed aside to avoid the oncoming vehicles, a pair of cops (still in their cars) parked parallel to one another discussing their weekend hunting adventures, or a "just-good-looking-enough-to-slow-down-traffic" female hitchhiker.

Not one of these obstacles actually serves as a true obstruction to traffic flow. They are simply distractions. You, just like me, have been a culprit in this onlooker traffic scheme. You've been sitting in traffic, cursing the day when Ford was inventing wondering what in the O.J. Simpson is going on, blaming the traffic on some "stupid people up there." But when you get to the point of interest, you apply your brakes needlessly just so you can get a better view of the ed, three-day-old carcass that

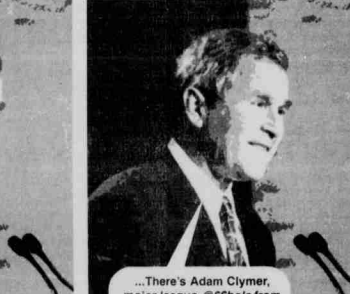
Savvy political comment made over a microphone on Labor Day.



...There's Adam Clymer, major league USSHore from The New York Times...

It's time to elect people who say what they mean and mean what they say when they tell the American people something...

Unsavvy political comment made over a microphone on Labor Day.



Lord help us if he decides to talk to Barack and Arafat...

I'm a hypocrite. You are, too. If you disagree, then you're a hypocrite. You're asking, "So what?" As far back as I can remember, I have been instructed by teachers, songs, movies and TV personalities to look deep within myself to find the secrets to life's great mysteries. Apparently the key to happiness and true joy actually lies somewhere hidden in the chasms of Rhett McLaughlin, hypocrite.

You have presumably heard the same philosophy. It made sense to you the first time you heard it. The answers to all of humanity's ailments can actually be found within humanity itself. That sounds good. It makes me feel good about myself and the rest of the world. The question remains: is it true?

As I observe our leaders, I see people similar to myself. I see hypocrites, liars, cheaters, and backstabbers. Am I an idiot for thinking that the answers to the world's toughest, most significant questions don't reside somewhere in peoples' hearts and minds? Should I look to myself and others to ascertain the means

to authentic joy through a yet-to-be-discovered philosophy or theory? Should I trust myself and others to accomplish such a task even without reason? Maybe I'm just a pessimistic, ignorant idiot and I need to wake up. Maybe I just need to jump on the humanistic train to glory. Or, is it true that we humans really don't have what it takes to create heaven on earth? No doubt the journey to free the potential of humanity is a worthy one, but for what is our potential? When all of which we are capable has been accomplished, what will we, this hypocritical and flawed species, have to show?

Maybe the words of the wise Mahatma Gandhi will serve to enlighten us: "There are limits to the capacity of an individual, and the moment he flatters himself that he can undertake all tasks, God is there to humble his pride. For myself, I am graced with enough humility to look even to babes and sucklings for help."

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The debate debate

In a bold move considering his recent double-digit deficit in recent national polls, George W. Bush rejected the debates set up by the commission on Presidential Debates, a nonpartisan panel headed by former leaders of the Republican and Democratic parties. Bush then dared Gore to follow his lead.

Despite the commission's statement that their plan is "in the best interest of the American public," Bush offered less formal debates on NBC's Sunday morning talk show, "Meet the Press," CNN's late-night cable talk show, "Larry King Live," and a commission-sponsored debate at the University of St. Louis. Rather than being shown during the middle of October, the time that the commission deems to be the peak of public interest in the election, Bush's debates would begin as early as Sept. 12.

Bush is arguing that the American people deserve to see the candidates in different formats. But that's exactly what the commission is offering: a town-hall meeting, a conversation with a moderator and a traditional podium-style debate. The only real difference Bush's proposal offers is limiting the number of viewers.

Bush's need to choreograph the debates as much to his liking as possible smacks of arrogance. As president, would Bush demand that NATO and U.N. events be played out according to his rules as well? If he can't charm Russian President Vladimir Putin or sweet talk his way through Middle East peace negotiations,

will he just refuse to participate in those processes? Bush's dangerous move is, as described by the Gore campaign, "arrogant" and only solidifies the idea that Bush, running on a platform that hopes to bring real leadership to the White House, has forgotten that the President is a public servant first and a political leader second.

While Gore has already agreed to appear with Bush on "Meet the Press" and "Larry King Live," he has gone the extra mile in also committing himself to the commission's plan. Bush may be trying to appear confident in his determination to have things his way but actually comes out as fearful of how damaging it would be to debate Gore on the commission's rules.

No one has challenged the commission's proposals since 1976, when Gerald Ford dragged out his decision, hoping for Jimmy Carter to slip up. Ford lost that election for much the same reason that Bush may now lose this one: Ford's reluctance to engage in the political process proved, as political analyst Saul Pett wrote at the time, that "his only problem would seem to be that in three or four debates the comparative quality of the candidates' thinking may come through."

Unfortunately, his campaign has painted itself into a corner. Bush's campaign manager Don Evans ruled out any further discussion on the debates, saying a la Regis Philbin, "This is our final answer." Bush's million-dollar campaign may end in vain when this debate situation proves that all the American public really wants is a candidate's two cents.

Equality for all

Cindy Spurluck
Staff Columnist

Monday, millions of Americans were granted a day off. Although a quick use to this time to enjoy the last official respite of the summer, many of these revelers didn't pause their picnics, concerts or relaxation time to ponder the history and meaning behind this important government-sanctioned holiday. For one group of people, however, the symbolic meaning of Labor Day and the rights that it represents are more of a distant dream than a tangible reality.

Since its start as a national holiday in 1894, the significance of the first Monday of the month of September, Labor Day, has fluctuated according to the tides of public opinion and economic prosperity. For many of the country's 15.7 million immigrants, however, the meaning of the Labor Day holiday has not been lost to the booming white-collar economy.

For these disenfranchised individuals, the rights many Americans take for granted, such as the right to collective bargaining, to a safe and hazard-free workplace, and to benefits such as paid sick leave and health insurance, have been made inaccessible by both ineffectual government and the questionable practices of big business. Figures released this past week by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, a division of the U.S. Department of Labor, show that the number of immigrants in the U.S. has increased by 17 percent since 1997. If only 12 percent of the American work force is comprised of immigrants, why is it that more than a third are without adequate health insurance?

The answer lies in the fact that immigrants are more likely to take jobs that have been shunned by other socioeconomic groups. As a result of the need to work being placed before the desire to have a say in what kind of work they are doing, immigrants face an increased risk of working for employers that may attempt to or may have a history of circumventing labor laws.

Keep hands off the Boy Scouts

Justin Greene
Staff Columnist

We all live in a democracy, right? I mean, since we first cut our teeth in elementary school, we've been taught that this is a country ruled by the consent of the people. In America, it was said, we elect representatives who go to Washington to take care of defending our nation, regulating commerce and the like. Our government was divided into three branches: the executive, the legislative and the judicial precisely so that one individual or group of people would not be able to impose their power unchecked.

Laws were to be created through the consensus of the legislature and held up by legal precedent and good judgment in the Supreme Court. Our President was to be a visionary leader and executor of the law, but was not capable of dictating law himself. Nothing — absolutely nothing — was to come between the American people and their constitutional rights of association and freedom of religion, right? Wrong!

This is not how our country is operating. In America today, as is evidenced by the recent "controversy" over the Boy Scouts' choice not to allow homosexuality, the Federal Government and even local governments have

shown their true colors by reacting wildly to fears that political incorrectness still exists in America.

This whole mess has shown me exactly who is really running America and how much respect they have for the true meaning of the Constitution.

First of all, the Supreme Court's 5-4 decision that the Boy Scouts are allowed to discriminate against gays is scary enough in itself. You're telling me that the idea that a private organization can establish the rules and standards it wishes and promote whoever it wants to positions of leadership had to go all the way to the Supreme Court? In addition, four of our most "distinguished" and "knowledgeable" judges couldn't seem to tell the difference between their own political opinions and the freedoms guaranteed to the American people.

For those of you thinking that I'm making wide generalizations and assumptions about what these justices believe, I assure you that I read the entire dissenting opinion of the Court. The four justices — Breyer, Ginsburg, Stevens and Souter — based their entire arguments on the fact that the Boy Scouts had not previously defined when they meant in their policies when they said that homosexuality was not "appropriate." Also, according to the dissenting justices, the fact that the Boy Scouts had until then remained relatively quiet on

the homosexuality issue was supposed to imply that the Boy Scouts had no right to say anything about the matter now.

The reason that the Boy Scouts had not addressed the homosexuality issue in the past was because the Scouts were founded in a time when the government couldn't bully its way into the beliefs and policies of private organizations. It never occurred to Scout leaders that they would have to define the term "morally straight" or explain themselves to a hostile government. They didn't anticipate that the wonderful tradition of scouting would be subject to a group of justices with no legal precedent telling them what they should do or should teach the Scouts. Such ideas, in the mind of those who love the Constitution, are absurd.

In spite of the fact that the Supreme Court narrowly ruled in the Scouts' favor, the wake of this highlight on the American legal system has been one of intense persecution of the Scouts by the political police. Scouts in Chicago, San Francisco, San Jose and many other municipalities across the country have been told that they can no longer use public parks or facilities. For all you unclear about this issue, this is not about public funding of the Scouts; it is about not letting the scouts meet at all on any public land — even if they pay the full price.

In addition, state employees in

Connecticut have unconstitutionally been banned from contributing money to the Boy Scouts with direct deductions from their paychecks. Who is really being discriminated against?

"How can this be?" you may say. I assure you that it is true. This is not happening because the people want it or because Americans suddenly hate the Boy Scouts. Polls say that Americans overwhelmingly support the Supreme Court decision. This is happening because most Americans who care about it are sitting on their duffs, saying, "Someone ought to do something about this."

I urge all of you who are enraged by this insanity to do something. Call your Senators and representatives, like I did yesterday. Tell them that you don't support this kind of political persecution. Don't let a few radicals who have climbed to power strip Americans of our God-given freedoms. If you relax now, next they'll be telling our churches and parents what to teach and we'll have to pass a thought test before we can camp in Yellowstone or visit historical sites. If you hear anything, let it be that this is no joke.

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dependent contractors who make a profit selling this labor to larger companies, which in turn refuse to regulate the conditions under which the immigrant laborers work, claiming that they are not responsible for ensuring that their contractors adhere to labor laws.

As a result, these companies are able to increase production while decreasing cost, a practice that results in legitimized corporate slavery. For the past eight years the American economy has continued to prosper; more than 22 million new jobs have

been created since 1992 and, as a result, the jobs at the bottom of the barrel have gone vacant. The only people taking these jobs are those who have no alternatives.

Unfortunately, most of these jobs lack benefits of any kind, and these workers are often denied access to union representation. When workers do fight for the right to organize, many are greeted with threats of retaliation by their employers. The right to fair treatment in the work place — access to health insurance, safety equipment and sick time — is a right that should be

guaranteed to all workers, regardless of their immigration status or ethnic origin. Labor is not a commodity.

Although Labor Day 2000 is now behind us, the time has come for us to look to the future; it is the ethical, moral and social responsibility of all Americans to work together to ensure that the rights of everyone are looked after.

Questions or comments? Email Cindy at cspurluck@ncrr.com

Idle time



Here's some sequential art worth looking at.

Zack Smith
Senior Staff Writer

"Deadenders" (DC/Vertigo, \$2.50) has been described as "Quadruphonia" meets "Blade Runner," although neither of those descriptions really does the book justice. Set at some undefined point in the future, "Deadenders" follows the lives of a group of teenagers in "Sector 5," a dismal place devastated by some mysterious event called "the Cataclysm." Their lives mostly consist of racing scooters, scoring drugs and trying to survive, but Beezer, one of the group, has eerily realistic visions of a world where the sun still shines, which may hold the secrets to his own mysterious past. While this makes "Deadenders" sound like a typical science fiction book, the real charm of the series comes from the writing of series creator Ed Brubaker, who is able to make the potentially generic characters into realistic, three-dimensional people. Credit also goes to artist Warren Pleece, whose pencils perfectly capture the desolation of Sector 5. Ultimately, "Deadenders" is not so much about the Cataclysm or rebellion as the idea that maybe hope still exists, even in the most hopeless individuals. A collection of the first four issues, "Stealing the Sun," is available for \$12.95; it's a tale of an accidental death, a surprising revelation and one perfect day. Brubaker has also recently been tapped to take over the regular "Batman" comic; you can talk to him on the Web at his message board at www.delphi.com/edbrubaker.

"The Metabarons" (Humanoids Publishing, \$2.95) is the comic book equivalent of an epic science fiction novel like "Dune," which is no surprise since writer Alejandro Jodorowsky worked on an un-filmed version of the novel in the 1970's. Jodorowsky, a major film director in the 1970s ("El Topo"), working from characters created by the legendary French artist Moebius ("Heavy Metal"), tells the story of Othan, the Metabaron, in a 16-part story that is currently reaching the halfway mark. If this description sounds vague, it's because the tale itself is relatively easy reading, but almost impossible to describe to anyone else. Observe this excerpt from a description for the upcoming issue #10: "After having mercilessly tested the murderous efficiency of the Metabaron's bio-electrogram, Tonto continues his story of the duel between Steelhead and Agbnar, each with his own metacraft." Aided by the amazing artwork of Juan Gimenez, "The Metabarons" is a must-read for fans of space opera, Jodorowsky's films or good science fiction in general. Issue #7 just came out a few weeks ago, but

back issues can be ordered from the publisher's Web site at www.humanoids-publishing.com. "100 Bullets" (DC/Vertigo, \$2.50) is a book that asks the question "What if you could commit murder and get away with it?" Various, seemingly random people are contacted by the mysterious Agent Graves, who offers them a briefcase containing the picture of a person who has secretly done them wrong, incontestable evidence that the person is guilty...and a gun with 100 rounds of ammunition and carte blanche immunity from prosecution. Some people take Graves up on his offer. Some try to figure out why he offered it to them to begin with. Still others try to figure out who Graves is and how he got so powerful, a choice they may not live to regret. Better than most current mystery novels, "100 Bullets" takes you into different worlds with every story-line, from the world of professional rambling to the bars of Miami to the streets of Paris...all the while providing tantalizing hints as to the true nature of Graves, and the people he meets. Crafted by the subtle, multi-layered stories of Brian Azarello and the gritty, atmospheric art of Eduardo Risso, "100 Bullets" is an intelligent, gripping tale of crime and temptation. Pick up the first collection, "First Shot, Last Call" (\$9.95). You won't regret it.

"The Waiting Place" (Slave Labor, \$2.95) is what "Dawson's Creek" wants to be: a smart, subtle exploration of teenage life in a small town. Creator Sean McKeever explores the lives and loves of a number of painfully realistic characters in the town of Northern Plains, who are trying to figure out what to do with their lives...or just figure out their lives, period. The large cast is guaranteed to contain at least one character you'll identify with. It might be Scott, whose life consists of managing a video store, throwing beer parties and reminiscing about his high school glory days. It might be Kyle, whose anger and abusiveness masks a brutal home life. It might be Jeffrey, the new kid in town who wonders why his parents saw fit to move to this nowhere place. Or it might be Lora, the school outsider, who has more going on inside than meets the eye. Smart, sweet and sometimes sad, "The Waiting Place" is a masterpiece of characterization and storytelling. The fifth issue of the most recent series has just come out, and the six issues of the previous series are already available. You can learn more about the book at www.seanmckeever.com, which also has back issues available for ordering.

Most of the comics mentioned here are available at Capitol Comics and Foundation's Edge on Hillsborough Street. You can also order them online at the creators' Web sites, or from www.amazon.com.

Samiam won't lead fans astray



Rachael Rogers
Staff Writer

Like all good things, Samiam has emerged from a rocky history and continues enjoying success. Samiam's album "Astray" has a little something for all music lovers; it's a bit harder, but if you aren't into head banging, you'll still enjoy this upbeat and funky album.

It's evident that these guys are talented and know what they're doing and where they want to go. They can play their instruments and at times they play so passionately that their array of drums and guitars drown out the words, but

it's a good beat and good music, so who cares?

Samiam has a definite sound they're shooting for and this sound is captured in each song, but the songs don't sound completely the same. They usually start out slow, with a drum beating in the background and then pick up speed and noise, approaching an almost heavy sound. It wouldn't hurt the album if a few songs were left out, but overall the songs are really great. Fun to listen to and make you want to jump around. The album leads off with one of the best songs, "Sunshine," and then follows with one of the worst songs,

"Wisconsin," and the album proceeds in this manner, alternating one really great song with one sort of lousy song, but it keeps things interesting. Overall, the best song is the fourth, "Mud Hill." The beat is incredible, the lyrics are inspiring and it is a bit different from the rest of the songs on the album.

Samiam's "Astray" is, overall, a fantastic album that will further their success. It offers music that anyone (other than Celine Dion or Mariah Carey fans) can listen to and the music is different from the bubble gum teen music that can be found on some of the local stations like GT105.

"The Revolution" sparks interest at WKNC radio

Katie Kelley
Staff Writer

Most people just don't understand what 25,000 watts can do for a radio station, but the folks behind WKNC 88.1 FM are definitely the exception.

If all necessary legislation is passed, not only will the sound and listener support at KNC radio be boosted, but KNC will also receive a much-needed competitive edge. The staff of KNC radio is brewing with excitement and anticipation as they await the news that guarantees to change the face of KNC radio forever. Joe Ovies, general manager of KNC radio, believes that increased wattage will play a key role in making the station more competitive with other local stations. According to Ovies, a "boost in wattage will carry KNC's sound all the way to Winston-Salem and even as far as Virginia," which would dramatically increase KNC's audience. Ovies also emphasizes that "an uptake in wattage will allow campus issues to get out further" in areas besides the triangle. Scott "Jett" Jackson, a KNC DJ, also agrees that 25,000 watts will allow KNC to "cater to a wider variety of listeners outside the area."

A new tag line is also scheduled to accompany the arrival of 25,000 watts at KNC. What used to be "the

best in college radio" will become "the revolution changing the way you hear music." The station also plans to change the way people hear music by increasing variety and by expanding its originality.

Kevin Tice, a local music director, promises they will play songs from "bands you'll never hear anywhere else." These bands include The Figgs, the Henchman and the Pinchurst Kids. Ovies states "college radio is getting stale," but he says KNC "will appeal more to NCSU by playing tunes from other artists besides those in the top 40 such as Korn, Limp Bizkit and the ever popular boy/girl band melodists."

The game plan at KNC radio is to set 88.1 FM away from the redundancy played on competitor stations including 96 Rock, G-105 and Mix101.5. KNC wants to start using a more modern sound by relying less and less on old rock and pop to get the job done. Also, KNC is going to begin playing songs from music genres "typical to N.C. State stu-



dents," according to Ovies. These genres include hip-hop and music from bands like The Deftones. The staffs at KNC radio all agree that 88.1 will become a pioneer in music playing all the best, new sounds first.

To prove that a "revolution" is indeed taking place, Scott "Jett" Jackson pleads with all NCSU students to at least "listen to 'crazy' Thursdays 11 a.m.-2 p.m. for the best new music you won't hear anywhere else." With such big changes scheduled to take place at WKNC, it's no wonder why the staff is eager to begin functioning under a new and improved 25,000 watts.



Cheer Fever

Ryan Hill
Features Editor

Kirsten Dunst has turned herself into quite the little comic. She has appeared in quite a few spoofs, including "Drop Dead Gorgeous" and "Dick." The only problem with her career thus far has been that all of these comedies have been awful. Until now.

"Bring It On" is about two rival cheerleading squads vying for the National cheerleading championship. Torrance (Dunst) is the newly appointed captain of one of these schools and quickly loses one of her best girls to a broken leg. In comes gymnast Missy (Dushku) who soon realizes that Torrance's squad is using stolen routines from an East Compton squad. The East Compton Clowers (why a school in Compton would call themselves Clowers is still an unsolved mystery) also find out and the rivalry begins.

Torrance scrambles to try and find a new routine but ends up falling flat on her face. Fortunately for her, since her team is the five-time National champions, it gets a free ride to Daytona, FL, for Nationals.

In between the cheers, Torrance goes through everyday life, including a college boyfriend (Richard Hillman) who is cheating on her and a slew of "Clueless" spin-off friends.

One of the best things about "Bring It On" is that these high school kids talk like real high school kids. The dialogue is as irvergent as "Clueless" and at times funnier. Whoever heard of cheer sex? That's when a cheerleader does her cheers just for one person in the audience and the cheering is meant for that person only.

One of the scariest things about the movie is that it probably is dead-on in the portrayal of cheerleaders, both male and female. Most of the female cheerleaders are "promiscuous" and one of the male cheerleaders is homosexual, while the other has a lot of fun when he gets to hold a woman up with one hand. There are the insane cheerleading coaches who get on the judges about every little thing, the families of the cheerleaders who think that cheering is stupid and then there are the football players, convinced the guys are gay (this isn't entirely false) and the girls are hot. Or



Kirsten Dunst and Eliza Dushku get down and get funky while proclaiming "Bring it!"

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Bring It On

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Director:

Peyton Reed

Starring:

Kirsten Dunst

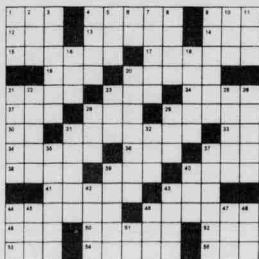
Eliza Dushku

maybe that's just how most people think. The most intriguing part of "Bring It On" is that the movie isn't quite the spoof it makes itself out to be. In actuality it is probably as real as it can get (scary as that is). Parts of the movie are cheese straight out of the '80s, but for

the most part as surprising as it is, "Bring It On" works. Dunst is definitely growing into a genuine actress (anyone who thinks otherwise should check out "The Virgin Suicides") and Dushku ("True Lies"), fresh from a spin on "Buffy The Vampire Slayer," does more of

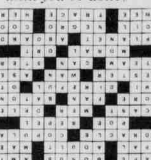
the same that she did on "Buffy" (hard-core trash talker). The twist here is that she cleans up from time to time. Despite featuring a cast made up mostly of women, there is plenty here for everyone to enjoy. There is the camaraderie of the girls (or lack thereof),

and a cheesy romance for the ladies and for the guys, well, it's a cheerleader movie. "Bring It On" is definitely a movie that brings it, what looks on the surface to be a trash-movie not worth anyone's time is actually a trash-movie that's lots of fun.



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 - 15 Pimpney
 - 17 A band link
 - 19 Father of detective story
 - 20 Drive away
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 - 22 Menden (abbr.)
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 - 26 Devotee
 - 29 Wind
 - 30 3rd note in musical scale
 - 31 Awful
 - 33 Spokes of bike (abbr.)
 - 34 Vinegar ether
 - 36 That's RIGHT, at UT you can have unlimited seconds!
 - 37 Enzyme (chem. suf.)
 - 38 Limit
 - 39 Will
 - 40 Young and gang suffix
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 - 3 Goria by
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 - 5 Live; poem
 - 6 13th Greek letter
 - 7 Smash (abbr.)
 - 8 Heat
 - 9 Charm against injury
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 - 18 Trade
 - 20 Restore service
 - 21 Helen's
 - 22 Get up
 - 23 Damage
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 - 29 Bread roll
 - 31 Gavel
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Jesse Helms 9-3
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N.C. State 38, Arkansas St. 31	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State
East Carolina 38, Duke 0	ECU	ECU	ECU	ECU	ECU	ECU	ECU	ECU
Brigham Young 38, Virginia 35	BYU	BYU	Virginia	BYU	Virginia	BYU	BYU	Virginia
Clemson 38, The Citadel 0	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson
North Carolina 30, Tulsa 9	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC
Georgia Tech 21, C. Florida 17	Ga Tech	Ga Tech	Ga Tech	Ga Tech	Ga Tech	Ga Tech	Ga Tech	Ga Tech
UCLA 35 Alabama 24	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	UCLA	Alabama	Alabama	UCLA	Alabama
Notre Dame 24, Texas A&M 10	A&M	N. Dame	A&M	N. Dame	N. Dame	N. Dame	A&M	A&M
Colorado State 28, Colorado 24	Co. State	Colorado	Colorado	Colorado	Colorado	Colorado	Colorado	Colorado
Nebraska 49, San Jose St. 13	Nebraska	Nebraska	Nebraska	Nebraska	Nebraska	Nebraska	Nebraska	Nebraska
Arizona 17, Utah 3	Utah	Utah	Arizona	Arizona	Arizona	Utah	Arizona	Arizona
Jackson State 34, Howard 16	Jackson St.	Jackson St.	Jackson St.	Jackson St.	Howard	Jackson St.	Jackson St.	Howard

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Elon midfielder Stephen Hockman worked the ball down the right wing and then centered to Robert Lalimer who cracked a shot barely out of the reach of the diving keeper Mitchell Watson to give Elon the 1-0 lead.

After stopping another Elon attack, State pushed the ball into its attacking third on a give-and-go by Matt Tabor and Nick Olivencia. On the play, an Elon defender deflected a Tabor cross and the ball nearly found the net before the keeper pushed it aside.

The Wolfpack continued to attack, but Elon quickly countered and State's defense brought down an Elon attacker just outside the penalty area.

On the resulting free kick, Chad Heimecke blasted a shot into the far post to give Elon a two-goal lead.

A desperate State attack committed more men forward to try and chip into the lead. The team's inability to score resulted in an outnumbered and visibly tired defense, scored by Marley Hagerstrom.

In the final 10 minutes, State finally got on the scoreboard with a Tabor goal, but it was too little, too late. Elon added a fourth goal in the waning moments of the game to emerge with a 4-1 victory.

"I've never lost 4-1 in any open tournament," said the disappointed Tarantini. "This was an old-fashioned kick in the butt."

In Saturday's game against High Point, State was able to score in the last three minutes of regulation to salvage a 4-4 tie.

"I love it," Tarantini said after that game. "We scored four goals. It was up-and-down. I really enjoyed it."

Olivencia scored twice, while Baldwin and Damon Butler added goals for the Pack.

State played most of the second half a man up after High Point's Damon Ming received a red card. After Butler's goal, however, the Panthers scored four of the next five goals - in a 16-minute span, no less - to take a 4-3 lead.

State was able to escape with a tie after Olivencia bent the ball around a High Point wall and keeper Eric Lona at the 87:43 mark.

RIVERS

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Rivers came through on both occasions. He found senior Eric Leak for 8 yards on fourth-and-6 with 1:21 left on the game clock. Four plays later he hit sophomore Bryan Peterson for 24 yards on fourth-and-10 to put the Pack on the ASU 10-yard line.

"We've got to keep Philip healthy," Amato said. "He showed tonight that he doesn't get rattled, and he did a great job of seeing the whole field. He had great poise and showed great leadership."

Rivers also showed his leadership skills on the sideline. With the Pack trailing 17-7 in the third quarter, Rivers walked up to the other offense players and got in their faces.

"He said, 'You can quit or you can keep fighting,'" running back Ray Robinson said. "That's big. He played like a vet. He made it happen for us."

The freshman was quick to defer credit for his success following the game. The offensive line did a solid job protecting Rivers, giving him time to throw and limiting the ASU defense to two sacks.

"Everybody has questioned our offensive line," Rivers said. "When you know you're going to get protection, it's a lot easier to throw."

Rivers distributed the ball all over the field, completing passes to nine different receivers. Koren Robinson caught seven passes for 115 yards, and Leak hauled in nine for 100 yards.

Rivers was one of nine true freshmen that made their collegiate debuts for the Pack Saturday night. Jerricho Cotchery, Andy Bertrand, Ricky Fowler, Austin Herbert, James Walker, Roger Pollard, Andrew Purcell and Danny Young all made appearances for State.



AROUND THE ACC

Appalachian State 20, Wake Forest 16

Clemson 38, The Citadel 0

East Carolina 38, Duke 0

Georgia Tech 21, Central Florida 17

North Carolina 30, Tulsa 9

Brigham Young 38, Virginia 35

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2:17 to set up Kent Passingham for the game-winning field goal right before time expired.

The 18-year-old Rivers led the charge down the field on that drive. Rivers came into Saturday night with tremendous fanfare and never succumbed to the pressure, throwing for 397 yards in his debut. Obviously, one game doesn't make a star, but from what I saw, the freshman quarterback is worth the hype.

Ray Robinson did a splendid job, as well, shaking off any doubts about his play following an injury-plagued season. Robinson rushed for 139 yards on 27 carries and scored both

of State's overtime touchdowns. While Saturday's thrill ride showed the kind of character State has, the Pack still almost lost to a team it should have blown out. Again, the Indians deserve some recognition for playing a great game. But State has a long way to go before it can run with the big boys of the Atlantic Coast Conference like FSU and Clemson.

The Pack made some costly mistakes against ASU that the Indians capitalized on. The offense coughed the ball up six times, three of which were recovered by ASU.

One of those fumbles came when Koren Robinson dropped the ball on the ASU 5 with a wide-open path to the end zone with 4:40 left in the third quarter and State trailing by 10. The defense forced

ASU to punt, and Rivers quickly found freshman Andy Bertrand for a 35-yard touchdown pass. Mistakes like that could prove costly later in the season, however.

Amato thought the defense could have done a better job of wrapping up the Indians' running backs. ASU rushed for 179 yards and chewed 5:39 off the clock with a three-point lead on the drive that ended with State's goal-line stand.

The Pack is going to take its lumps this year, but Amato has definitely got his team headed in the right direction.

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GameNotes

Another close call

N.C. State's 38-31 win over Arkansas State marked the fourth consecutive year that the Wolfpack has won its opener by seven points or fewer. State won 32-31 at Syracuse in 1997, 34-31 against Ohio in 1998 and 23-20 at Texas in 1999.

Rivers leads the nation

Freshman quarterback Philip Rivers leads the nation in total offense after his first game. Rivers accounted for 383 of the

Pack's 539 yards Saturday night. He was named Atlantic Coast Conference Rookie of the Week for his performance.

Triple threat

Senior Eric Leak, sophomore Koren Robinson and junior Ray Robinson made a little bit of State history Saturday night. Leak and Koren Robinson each topped 100 yards receiving, and Ray Robinson added 139 yards on the ground. That gave the Pack two 100-yard receivers and a 100-yard rusher for the first time ever in the same game.

SCORES

Football 38, Arkansas St. 31
 Women's soccer 1, USC 0
 Elon 4, Men's soccer 1
 VT 3, Volleyball 2



Tuesday
Sports



SCHEDULE

Football @ Indiana, 9:12, 12:10
 Women's soccer @ UNC-G, 9:6, 7:30
 Men's soccer vs. Butler, 9:8, 5:00
 Volleyball, NCSU Classic, 9:8-9
 Cross country, Wolfpack Invit., 9/16

Rivers has record-setting performance



Philip Rivers.

◆ Philip Rivers threw for 397 yards and three touchdowns in his collegiate debut.

Jeremy Ashton
 Sports Editor

Philip Rivers has impressed head coach Chuck Amato and his staff ever since his arrival at N.C. State.

The 18-year-old quarterback showed uncommon poise, maturity and consistency in scrimmages. But in the weeks leading up to the Wolfpack's opener, Amato often wondered out loud how Rivers would react in game situations. Amato got all the answers he needed Saturday night.

In his first collegiate game, Rivers completed 29-of-57 passes for 397 yards and three touchdowns. Every one of those numbers established single-game records for

Pack freshmen. He fumbled once, which he later recovered, and was never intercepted. "Eighteen years old going on 28," Amato said. "I thought he showed great poise, character and leadership."

Rivers appeared nervous early in the game, throwing over receivers and into the ground. Wide receiver Koren Robinson was open deep on the first play of the game, but Rivers missed him long. Rivers later admitted to having some first-game jitters.

"I struggled some early," Rivers said. "But this is not high school. For these were 60,000 [46, 943] screaming fans instead of 5,000. It

took a little while to get the feel. But I got comfortable."

Rivers, who was named the Atlantic Coast Conference Rookie of the Week, settled down toward the end of the first half and guided the Pack on a seven-play, 65-yard scoring drive just before halftime to tie the game at seven. The drive culminated in an 8-yard touchdown pass to Robinson with five seconds left on the clock for Rivers' first career touchdown pass. Rivers finished the first half 15-of-30 with 171 yards.

Rivers' poise was key late with the game still hanging in the balance. The Pack trailed by three with 2:18 left in the game and the ball on its own 11-yard line. But Rivers calmly led the Pack into field-goal range, setting the stage for overtime.

State faced fourth-and-long situations twice during the game-tying drive, but

football

State on the right track

For just a minute, forget the fact that the Wolfpack was playing

Arkansas State and not Florida State. Saturday night's game at Carter-Finley Stadium proved a lot about the direction that



Jeremy Ashton

N.C. State football is headed.

Head coach Chuck Amato didn't take long to show that he's going to take some chances. On the first play of the game, freshman quarterback Philip Rivers aired out a pass for Koren Robinson. The throw landed out of Robinson's reach, but the crowd at Carter-Finley didn't seem to care too much, giving the Pack a standing ovation.

Amato and offensive coordinator Norm Chow made it very clear that they've got plenty of guts, brass and a few other words I can't use in this newspaper. State went for six fourth-down conversions against ASU and was successful five times. The Pack made just 17 attempts on fourth down all last year.

Chow's play calling was pretty inventive, too. At one point in the first half, Rivers ran toward the State sideline, looking very confused. In the ensuing chaos, running back Ray Robinson took a direct snap and went straight up the middle for a 7-yard gain.

The young Pack players also made a statement with their backs up against the proverbial wall. ASU deserves plenty of credit for putting State in that position, easily playing well enough to walk out of Raleigh with a huge upset. But the Pack refused to let that happen.

State's never-say-die attitude was most apparent when the Pack was in its most desperate situation of the night. A pass interference penalty against Brian Williams gave ASU the ball on State's 2-yard line with 4:45 left and a 24-21 lead. All the Indians had to do was punch the ball into the end zone and the game was effectively over.

Amato has said numerous times that goal-line situations are about attitude. The Pack defense showed that attitude with the game on the line, stuffing ASU three times before Williams dropped running back Danny Smith in the backfield for a 9-yard loss on fourth-and-goal from the 2.

The offense then took its turn to come through in the clutch, marching 74 yards in

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"I struggled some early," Rivers said. "But this is not high school. For these were 60,000 [46, 943] screaming fans instead of 5,000. It

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A Night of Firsts

◆ The night didn't go as planned, but N.C. State gave Chuck Amato a win in first game as head coach.

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 Sports Editor

In a night of firsts at soggy Carter-Finley Stadium, N.C. State narrowly avoided falling prey to an upset-minded Arkansas State.

Ray Robinson scored his second touchdown of the game in the second overtime as the Wolfpack held off the Indians 38-31 in the first OT game ever at Carter-Finley. Robinson's run turned out to be the winning score after linebacker Levar Fisher crunched ASU's Jacques Walker on a third-down play in the second OT, causing a fumble that the Wolfpack's Edrick Smith recovered.

The play preserved a win in Chuck Amato's first game as State's head coach.

"We showed a lot of character," Amato said. "Our slogan this year is 'Finish.' I am happy as a lark."

Perhaps no State player showed more character than quarterback Philip Rivers, who was playing in his first collegiate game. After a nervous first half, Rivers repeatedly led State down the field in the fourth quarter.

The freshman from Athens, Ala., finished with 397 yards passing, completing 29-of-57 throws. Rivers broke the school records for completions and attempts in a game by a first-year player, previously held by Roman Gabriel and Geoff Bender, respectively.

"Rivers is 18 years old going on 28," Amato said. "I thought he

showed great poise, character and leadership. He is such a charm to work with. He showed his great speed sprinting out there a few times. He just does not get rattled."

Rivers could have easily been shaken after the Indians took a 17-7 lead early in the second half. With just under six minutes remaining in the third quarter, ASU's Hanis Bowns blocked Kent Passingham's 30-yard field-goal attempt and ran it back 80 yards for a touchdown. Instead of being tied, the Pack found itself 10 points down.

But Rivers met with his offense on the sideline, and the Pack reeled off three impressive drives in a row. Two of them resulted in touchdowns. Andy Bertrand caught a 35-yard pass to make it 17-14, and then tight end Joseph Gray hauled in a 30-yard spiral to give State its first lead of the game, 21-17, with 13:40 remaining.

ASU responded immediately. On the ensuing kickoff, Robert Kilow returned the ball to the Pack's 41-yard line. The Indians then used eight plays to cover the remaining yards, scoring on a 5-yard run by Jon Adams.

After State failed to move the ball on its next possession, ASU started its drive on its own 20-yard line. That position changed quickly as Adams ran for a 45-yard gain on the first play from scrimmage. After a key pass interference call against the Pack, the Indians had the ball on State's 2-yard line.

On first down, Adams got the Indians to the 1. On second down, State's defense caused a fumble but was ruled offside. Third down was a wash after Adams was stopped for a yard loss. On fourth down, ASU made a critical decision and chose to go for the touchdown, passing up a 19-yard field-goal opportunity.



Ray Robinson ran for 139 yards on 27 carries.

State's defense came up with an immense stop — a 9-yard loss actually — and the team had the ball on its own 11 with 2:18 remaining.

"They weren't getting ready to punch it in, you saw what happened," Fisher said. "Goal-line is our specialty, and we've been working on that more than anything else."

After two Robinson runs — he finished with 139 yards on 27 carries — Rivers connected with Koren Robinson for 29 yards, giving State possession at ASU's 46. Two fourth-down conversions — the Pack was 5-for-6 in the game on fourth down — left State on ASU's 10-yard line. The offense was unable to get the ball in

the end zone, instead settling for a 33-yard field goal by Passingham.

"How about that kicker (Passingham)?" Amato asked. "When he needed to do it, he did it."

ASU and State traded touchdowns in the first overtime. Cleo Lemon threw a 6-yard pass while Ray Robinson ran in from 5 yards.

In the second overtime, State lost starting center Keegan Weir to a broken leg. It was the second time in as many years that Weir broke his leg in a season opener.

"He has become a leader of the line," Amato said. "The center makes a lot of calls. This is a big loss."

Women's soccer sweeps

◆ On a sour note, keeper Gretchen Lear separated her shoulder.

Sports Staff Report

The N.C. State women's soccer team shutout South Carolina and the College of Charleston this weekend, netting five goals in two games, despite the loss of goalkeeper Gretchen Lear.

Lear, a senior, separated her shoulder in warm-ups before Friday's contest against Charleston.

In that game, sophomore Laura Scott fired two goals past Charleston defenders, as State coasted to a 4-0 victory. On top of that, Kristin Skinner, who replaced Lear in goal, secured a shutout in her first collegiate appearance.

"We really possessed the ball well in the midfield again tonight," said N.C. State head coach Laura Kerrigan. "We had some trouble finishing at first but we began capitalizing in the second half. The great thing about tonight is that we did a great job of creating opportunities for ourselves and were able to find the back of the net during key situations in the game. Also, our ability to finish our opponent once we are able to control the action was really evident tonight."

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State used another great performance by freshman goalkeeper Kristin Skinner to defeat USC 1-0 on the road Sept. 3 in overtime.

Wolfpack freshman Carmen Israel blasted the 12-yard game-winning shot past South Carolina goalkeeper Elnie Matthews into the left corner of the net at 9:54 in the first overtime. Skinner saved four shots for State to secure her second shutout in as many starts. State has not allowed a goal in its last 186:07 played.

Israel led the way for the Wolfpack with four shots, while junior midfielder Kelly Blaggie, sophomore midfielder Amy Bary and freshman forward Lindsey Underwood took two shots each.

The Pack (2-1) will next travel to UNC-Greensboro for a match Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Men's soccer struggles

◆ N.C. State only mustered a tie out of its weekend games against Elon College and High Point.

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N.C. State men's soccer season got off to a shaky start this weekend in the adidas Wolfpack Classic, as the team allowed four goals against both Elon and High Point and failed to pick up a victory in either contest.

Without much experience in the midfield, the Wolfpack (0-1-1) was unable to control play. This put immense pressure on the defense, which eventually broke down and allowed a total of eight goals.

"I'm very disappointed right now, because we can be better [in the midfield]," said head

coach George Tarantini. "What we need to do is not to give the ball away, play with intensity, to play with heart."

In Sunday's game vs. Elon (2-0), State dominated the first 10 minutes of the game, pressing forward in attack and having

many chances created by the creative play of midfielder Lee Baldwin. The chances were unable to produce a goal, however, and the attack soon stalled.

Elon was quick to counter, pressuring the defense for the rest of the half. Although the Pack held off the attack, it was unable to hold possession



Ross Weikel kicks the ball.

long enough to shift momentum. The defense finally cracked at the beginning of the second half.

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