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## Public Safety search nears end

◆N.C. State administrators anticipate naming a new Public Safety Chief within the next several weeks.

Jimmy Ryals  
News Editor

The national search for a replacement for former N.C. State Public Safety Chief Ralph Harper is reaching its "final stages," according to Chancellor Marye Anne Fox and Vice Chancellor for Finance and Business George Worsley.

Worsley would not divulge the names of any of the final candidates for the position.

A source close to the Public Safety chief search committee, however, said that the committee has recommended Interim Chief Terry Wright and East Carolina University Assistant Police Chief Thomas Younce to Worsley and Director of Environmental Health and Public Safety David Rainer.

Worsley said he and Rainer are not considering any candidates other than those recommended by the committee. Fox said the next Public Safety chief will likely come from outside the university.

"It's likely that we'll go outside and it's mandatory that we hire someone who has extensive law enforcement experience," said Fox.

"Not only will the next Public Safety chief need extensive law enforcement experience, Worsley and Fox both said that the new chief will have to have experience working on law enforcement on a major campus.

The candidates' personal attributes are also keys for the administration. Fox said the next chief will "have to be someone of the utmost integrity."

Worsley is looking for a new chief who will inspire confidence among members of the NCSU community and members of Public Safety.

"[Public Safety officers] so often have a lonely drive at night, and they need to believe that they're working for someone who cares about them as well," said Worsley.

Fox and Worsley anticipate naming a new chief within the next few weeks, though neither offered a definite timetable for the hiring of a new chief. The need to name a new chief is pressing.

"We need to get someone in place so we can move ahead," said Worsley. "We've got a lot of

issues we need to address. We need to rebuild the credibility of the department here on campus and off the campus.

"The sooner we can get a seasoned person in place, the earlier we will begin that process," Worsley added.

Worsley said the decision on a new chief is in Rainer's hands. Rainer became Public Safety's overseer after Harper's resignation at the end of June. Associate Vice Chancellor for Finance and Business Jeff Mann had been the department's supervisor.

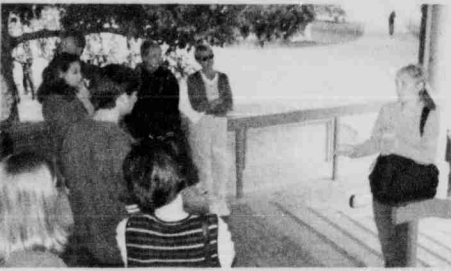
Mann was reassigned June 26. He has since resigned. Fox said his resignation will be effective

at the end of December.

State Auditor Ralph Campbell released the results of his office's special review of Public Safety on Oct. 4. Worsley said the NCSU administration made no conscious effort to delay the naming of a new Public Safety head until after the audit's completion.

The auditor's report detailed \$843,588.47 in questionable financial management committed by Public Safety under Harper.

The NCSU Board of Trustees will have to approve the hiring of a new Public Safety chief.



Rebecca Neglow, a senior in Communication Disorders, gives a campus tour to a group of high school students.

## Senators spur APS installation

◆A group of N.C. State student senators have embarked on a campaign to get audible pedestrian signals installed on busy streets around campus.

Spaine Stephens  
News Editor

N.C. State Student Senator Thomas Croom is no Boy Scout.

When Croom was crossing Hillsborough Street a few weeks ago, he noticed a blind student still waiting at the edge of the street, unaware that he could cross. Croom went back and helped the student across the road and hurried on his way. The incident prompted Croom to question the safety of NCSU students and pedestrians crossing Hillsborough Street. He emailed members of NCSU Student Senate with his thoughts on the matter.

Within hours, almost 25 senators replied, ready to make the busy thoroughfare safer for handicapped students as well as the community as a whole.

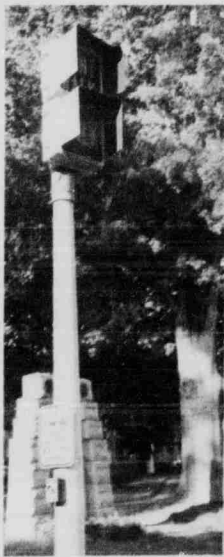
Croom's actions have resulted in a full-fledged effort by members of Student Senate to install Audible Pedestrian Signals (APS) that will allow safer crossing situations for visually impaired students on Hillsborough Street and Western Boulevard.

"It wasn't Boy Scoutish," said Croom. "I thought about it later that day and wrote an email to Student Senate. Everybody jumped on it really fast."

The email sparked other senators to take action and join in the campaign for the APS units. Croom, Brad Adams and approximately 10 other senators have contributed to research toward a proposal for the APS units that will be submitted to the NCDOT by the end of this week. The students split up the work, looking at different Web sites and compiling information on the subject.

"This is going to help everybody," said Croom. "If it's safer, it's safer for everyone."

Adams said six signals could be installed on Hillsborough Street from Dan Allen Drive to Oberlin Road, and two could be installed at the intersections



Pedestrian signal on Hillsborough St.

of Avent Ferry and Western Boulevard, and Dan Allen Drive and Western Boulevard.

"I have spoken with engineers in the signal division of NCDOT," said Adams, "and they expect a short time period of a few months from the time of our request to the time of installation."

Audible crossing prompts would make Hillsborough Street safer not only for visually impaired students, who would easily be alerted when it is safe to cross,

## Politics as usual?

◆Mike Anthony is a student politician with a different definition of the term.

Jimmy Ryals  
News Editor

Editor's Note: This is the second story in a series of profiles on N.C. State student leaders. The next installment will appear in the Oct. 19 Technician.

Mike Anthony is a student politician. N.C. State's Student Body Treasurer does not shy away from that label.

His definition of a politician, however, lacks much of the sting out of being labeled as one.

"A politician is someone who is a servant of the people, someone who works for the people, as far as making policy goes," said Anthony.

A junior in business management, Anthony also does not shy away from saying politics gets on his nerves.

"When you have to serve a constituency, you can't expect to please everybody," said Anthony. "The President of the United States can't please everybody, but he has to find some way to please the majority of the people, and that is hard sometimes."

Having to serve a constituency occasionally stifles Anthony.

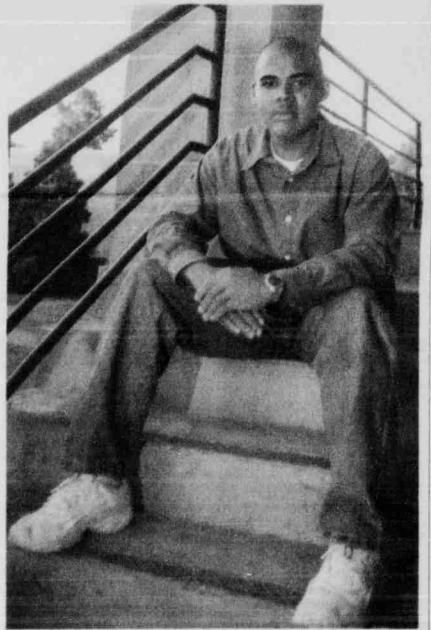
"Everything I say and do is not up front," said Anthony. "It's not directly to the point of what I really want to say sometimes."

"Why? Because it's not a good political move to do that sometimes," Anthony added.

Accessibility is Anthony's focus as a member of Student Government.

Toward that end, Anthony has put the entire student fee allocation process on the Internet, one of his proudest during his campaign for the treasurer's position.

Anthony said that, if he doesn't make himself available to his constituents, then he "doesn't have any power except with people who know



Michael Anthony is the NCSU Student Body Treasurer.

[that I'm treasurer]."

Anthony is also looking to move money from the senate to the students who apply for money more quickly.

The Student Body Treasurer, in his vision, does not simply hold the purse strings for Student Government. Comptroller Becky Hartman is more focused on Student

Government accounting. As treasurer, Anthony sees himself as a part of the executive branch of Student Government.

Anthony says that he is "definitely a liberal arts man" who loves Geoffrey Chaucer, Elie Wiesel, Robert Frost and Shakespeare.

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## Ohio State U. trustees voice concern about campus safety

◆Students need to be aware of the possibility of crime on and around college campuses.

Andy Hockman  
The Lanterns (Ohio State U.)

(U-WIRE) COLUMBUS, Ohio - The need of Ohio State University students living in the off-campus area to feel safe was the number one priority of Board of Trustees members at Friday's meeting.

The trustees felt students need to be made aware of the increase of crimes in the off-campus area. The Columbus Division of Police reports that the number of burglaries in the University District is up 20 percent from last year.

The off-campus area is the area situated east of High Street, north of 10th Avenue, west of Indiana Avenue and south of Lane Avenue.

"The focus today was to talk about the great partnership with students, Campus Partners, the university and the Columbus Police Department to

address crime," said Ron Meyers, president of the Council of Graduate Students.

Crime statistics are made available to students on the university's Web site at [www.ohio-state.edu/campus-safety](http://www.ohio-state.edu/campus-safety). Students are encouraged to read the statistics and the measures they can take to help decrease criminal activity in the area.

"The most important thing is that students need to read the crime stats," said Robert "B. J." Schuerger, presi-

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but for everyone in surrounding communities and NCSU.

Adams and Croom are consulting with Rene Cummins, a graduate student in psychology, who has acted as the students' primary advisor on contacts

within the Department of Transportation. Cummins has also helped identify which intersections around campus are particularly problematic. She will also advise the students about the type of APS system that should be installed.

If approved, Croom said the APS installations will come at a crucial time for Hillsborough Street and NCSU. In the future,

bus routes and the direction of traffic flow could change, creating more hazards for pedestrians. NCSU will also be expanding with the possible addition of a train station, which will increase pedestrian traffic.

"We need to be a progressive, forward-thinking university," said Croom.

Adams and Croom have also gained the support of the admin-

istration, including Chancellor Marye Anne Fox, who is aware of their efforts. Also helping the students are Cathy Reeve of NCSU Transportation, Greg Holden, ADA coordinator, and Bob Bryan of Student Development.

The campus-wide support is proof that NCSU is capable of bringing about necessary change, and that NCSU is "thinking proactive as a university," said Croom. He also said that "this is the sort of thing that will benefit everyone at NCSU. All it takes is a simple initiative, for someone to go down and ask."

Adams pointed out that the installation of APS units would establish a liaison between the Student Government and the NCDOT, and would open the door for more efficient resolutions to future transportation issues around NCSU.

"This relationship allows us to play a larger role in the changes that will soon be occurring in the Hillsborough Street corri-

dor," said Adams.

Croom said the project presents several goals that are secondary to the safety of students. The project will create better ties with the community, urge more campus activism and strengthen the roles of new student senators.

Reeve said she was pleased with the initiative of the student senators to get the project approved and completed. Reeve added that any citizen can make this type of request to the city, and that there is an obligation to follow through with the request.

"I'll really be surprised if the city says no," she said.

Reeve noted the way Croom and Adams brought people together in the effort, which was a "good way to approach it."

Croom was also pleased with the response he got after his initial message to the senators, and the speed with which they got the process going.

"We didn't want to lose momentum," he said. "We just wanted to have results."

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ment of Undergraduate Student Government. "I think they are as accurate as they can be. Students need to realize what crimes are taking place in their areas."

The university has also mailed information about safety to all students. Along with members of the Student Safety Initiative, university officials also went door-to-door in the off-campus area to inform residents of the

problems in the area and how they can get involved.

"What is so gratifying is the student leadership that has stepped up is making a tremendous impact in the neighborhood," said Bill Hall, interim vice-president of Student Affairs. "We are going to continue to change. We have a long way to go but we are making progress."

Hall said one of the missing ingredients to resolving the problems is the lack of student input. "I would encourage people to get involved with our campus partners," said Hall.

## ANTHONY

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Being liberal arts-minded would seem to conflict with his current (business management) and former (electrical engineering) majors and his position as Student Government's financial affairs.

Anthony reconciles that easily, however.

"I love certainty. I really do, but I like some of the abstract, too," said Anthony.

Before his election as student body treasurer, Anthony served as treasurer for Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity and the Society for African American Culture. Anthony is also a former Student Senator; he served as

chair of the senate's Government Operations Committee last year. Anthony is also the former chief photographer for the "Nubian Message."

By virtue of his being student body treasurer, Anthony currently heads the senate Finance Committee. He is also a member of various standing committees for which Student Body President Harold Pettigrew selects him.

Anthony said that he probably will not run for reelection; he does not give a great deal of thought to the idea of running again.

"If I'm sitting here worrying about what I'm running for next year and what I'm doing next year and things like that, then I'm not doing my job," said Anthony.

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## TECHNICIAN'S VIEW Truce or consequences

Officially, the United States is the Middle East peace process. The Clinton Administration has pushed for a legacy of bringing peace to Israel and Palestine ever since it set up camp on Pennsylvania Avenue, Peaking in 1994, Clinton has done much to bring awareness to the need for peace to be reached. But has the United States gone beyond

The day before, Ivanov discussed the soldiers' situation with Syrian President Hafez Assad and Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharraf. United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan also met with Arafat in Gaza to discuss the peace process and push for Israeli acceptance of a U.N. Security Council call for an international commission to investigate Israel's use of violence in recent days.

With a global diplomatic press pushing for peace in the Middle East, is the U.S. position going what it's saying or just fishing for positive PR in a sea of confusion?

But what has the United States — the world's final superpower, the self-christened flagship of democracy — doing? Speaking anodyne. A U.S. official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, told CNN that they were disappointed that Arafat didn't use his meetings in Egypt to publicly oppose the violence now occurring.

Has it taken the necessary initiative to actually push for peace and not just the idea of peace?

Another U.S. official (maybe the same one; we'll never know, who did not wish to be named, also told CNN that they had warned against focusing on the exact hour of Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak's deadline set Saturday, saying that deadlines in delicate situations are usually fluid.

Last Saturday, the United Nations Security Council, of which the United States is one of five permanent members, adopted a resolution condemning Israel's "excessive use of force" against Palestinians in violent clashes that began with the Sept. 28 visit by Israel's hard-line Likud opposition party leader, Ariel Sharon, to a holy site in Jerusalem revered by both Jews and Muslims.

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Since the fighting began, at least 89 people have been killed and 2,000 have been injured — mostly Palestinians. In the face of such rampant, chaotic violence, the world is pushing actively for peace.

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Egyptian Foreign Minister Safwat el-Sherif said that a recent meeting between Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak dealt with both peace and the issue of a cease-fire and Palestinian sovereignty over East Jerusalem.

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Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov met on Monday in Beirut with Lebanese leaders and Hezbollah militants to discuss the status of three captured Israeli soldiers along the Lebanese border.

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Wednesday is National Coming Out Day. My question is this: what happens after someone comes out? When they open the door to the world

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er and step out, where do they end up? These are, of course, questions that cannot be answered in any sweeping, general way. But the issues still need to be addressed. Many argue that gays have arrived — culturally, politically, socially and even legally — all we discuss here arrived? Where has the mold led them?

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To answer that question, we need to see where the road started, which is somewhere after Shakespeare's famous "Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?" pick-up line in Sonnet 18 (written to a guy) and somewhere before the likes of Oscar Wilde and Walt Whitman "yawp"ed their way into a sexual revolution.

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In 1953, President Eisenhower passed an executive order barring employment of gays in federal government — all part of the same xenophobic Puritanism that formed the Committee on Un-American Activities and forced Lucy and Ricky to sleep in separate beds.

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## Same Israel, same Arafat, different stakes



Justin Greene  
Staff Columnist

growing fire. The next day, the Palestinian police, controlled by Yasser Arafat and responsible under the Oslo Accords for helping to keep the peace, joined in and began shooting at Israeli police and soldiers. Several more died that day, including a 12-year old Palestinian boy cowering in fear.

countries, recently introduced a resolution to the U.N. condemning Israel's use of force in defending itself. The United States dramatically let down her ally Israel by not vetoing the resolution. Instead, the U.S. issued a lame statement about maintaining objectivity in the peace process and abstained from voting.

stated by a few decades. As long as Yasser Arafat leads the Palestinians, they will have no hope for a peaceful state. How can peace be made with a man who consistently calls for the annihilation of Israel? Is a Palestinian state his only goal? The United States must stand by Israel, a country smaller than New Jersey, in her attempt to simply be left alone. If we don't, Israel will be forced to take drastic measures, and the last time that happened, the military forces of six nations were wiped out. Nobody fights like one who is backed into a corner. With the Mediterranean on her back and hostile nations all around, Israel will not back down from anyone. With the threat of major war on the horizon, why are we so hesitant to check Arafat's vitriolic leadership? Is this really the path to peace? For the sake of the Israelis and the Palestinian people, I hope our leaders will use their clout to toss aside politics and stand for what's right.

Some 84 Palestinians and several Jews, including Hillel Lieberman, a distant cousin of Vice-Presidential candidate Joe Lieberman, have been killed. The violence all started the day that Israel's ancient general Ariel Sharon chose to visit the sacred Temple Mount with about 1,000 policemen in tow. This was a symbolic gesture meant to reaffirm Jewish rights to visit their holy sites. Palestinian protesters were infuriated that Sharon made such a move because of his documented record of brutality towards them.

The next two days were filled with negotiations in Paris between Arafat, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak, and U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright. Barak agreed to pull back Israeli troops in an attempt to revive the dying peace process. Arafat agreed verbally. While the cease-fire was being drawn up, Arafat left abruptly without signing and returned to Gaza. Barak, at the behest of the United States, pulled back his troops anyway; the Palestinians responded by storming the sacred Jewish Tomb of Joseph in Nablus, desecrating ancient Jewish texts, taking pick-axes to the stones and gutting the place with fire. Elsewhere, Palestinians chanting references to the "War for Jerusalem" began firing upon Israeli soldiers with rifles, not just stones. Arafat, instead of condemning the violence, instigated his followers by making verbal threats blaming Israel for everything.

While the Palestinians have certainly suffered under extreme conditions, the stance they have taken against Israel is irrational. At a point when Israel was closer than ever before to ending Palestinian statehood (Barak offered most of East Jerusalem and 91 percent of the West Bank to Palestine), Arafat and his cronies have reverted to the old, bloody anti-Zionist stances of the past.

Abu Allah, one of Arafat's top men, recently answered Barak's concessions by saying, "I do not see any concessions. Why negotiate East Jerusalem only? The issue to be discussed is Jerusalem-East and West." In addition, Saddam Hussein recently stated that if he had access to an Arab state on the West Bank, he would "eradicate Zionism."

Local Palestinians responded by storming the Mount, throwing rocks and bottles, and burning cars. The violent reaction escalated as thousands of Palestinians clashed with Israeli police and rioters rained stones down on Jews praying at the Western Wall.

It has become fashionable in certain international circles to blame Ehud Barak and Israel for all the violence. Malaysia, of all

The arrogant and stupid assertion that Palestine, a country that until recently had the destruction of Israel as one of its primary goals, will control all of Jerusalem only serves to set back the timetable for Palestinian

in a statement that *connected Taiwan to China. I believe, as do my Taiwanese friends on campus, that Taiwan is an independent country, separate of China and should stay that way. I'm sorry for any confusion that resulted.*

The Israeli police, under orders not to fire unless fired upon, responded with rubber bullets and tear gas canisters in an effort to regain control of the streets. In the melee that ensued, several Palestinians were injured or killed, only adding fuel to the

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## Can politics really make you hurl?



Rhett McLaughlin  
Staff Columnist

I know their individual stances on a number of issues: education, taxes, healthcare, social security, abortion, foreign policy, defense, etc. I am voting for the man that I agree with most on all of the issues.

Something the majority of my family made it through the muckies without vomiting. This streak was something in which we took great pride. I was happy to meet someone and let them know, "I haven't thrown up in over a decade. My brother hasn't in over 10 years and my father hasn't in about 15. Together we have over 35 years of vomit freedom." Those days are over.

There is one man that will better represent what I think is best for America. My decision is based on who I personally think is the better all-inclusive leader — not who comes across as more suave on television.

Last Wednesday morning I woke up sick. As my stomach tossed and turned, I thought to myself, "You've got to give. You've got to keep the streak alive. The McLaughlin boys don't puke." I was determined to keep it down. That determination soon dwindled to a realization that I was going to retch in the year 2000.

The opposing candidate could go on "The Arsenio's...on Hill Shows" and play the sax, hug Oprah, dress up in an Elvis jumpsuit, whatever. My decision has been made. My favorite candidate could arrive at the next two debates with his fly open or speak the entire time with a booger hanging from his nose. I don't care. I have made up my mind.

I upchucked 11 times on Oct. 4, 2000 — about once for every year I'd missed. It was a dreadful experience. I opened the door of the bathroom after the horrific regurgitating and announced to my roommates, "The streak is over. I have fallen." They consoled me.

The sad fact is that many people will let insignificant crap determine their final decision. They will enter the ballot box basically ignorant of each individual's stance and pick the guy that left a good taste in their political palette because of his last late night TV appearance.

I wondered what had made me so sick. Thinking through the events of the previous day, it suddenly occurred to me: I had watched the Gore vs. Bush debate.

Truthfully, it was probably the veggie lasagna I ate just before the debate that made me so very sick (lasagna is supposed to have meat — trust me). I'm just trying to communicate the nauseating power of what I witnessed that night, and I'm sure my 13-year-old son, who has been exposed to the monumental ignorance of a few of my fellow Americans, didn't help me in my continuance in personal vomit-abstinence.

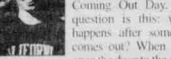
Several undecided voters were interviewed immediately after Bush and Gore left the stage. It seems that most of them remained in this state of indecision after watching the debate. The majority had similar sentiments. "I'm going to wait and see who does the best in the debates, then pick my man." What? Are these people really that stupid? Are they serious? I feel myself getting sick.

Do us all a favor. Don't "Rock the Vote" if your decision will be centered on your fickle opinion of who is the coolest candidate. Find out who thinks what, figure out what you think, and vote. Otherwise, you will be yet another American exercising the unfortunate right of "idiot's suffrage."

I think quite differently. I have examined each candidate's platform.

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## I, Q: intelligently 'queer'



Richard Morgan  
Staff Columnist

Wednesday is National Coming Out Day. My question is this: what happens after someone comes out? When they open the door to the world

some may chalk that up to another mistake of the acid-tripping, wife-swapping genre. In his list of mental disorders, 100,000 Stonewall riots hit New York City in 1969, homosexuality had joined the ranks of Montgomery bus boycotts and *42-The Feminine Mystique*-to become both a political and social crusade.

er and step out, where do they end up? These are, of course, questions that cannot be answered in any sweeping, general way. But the issues still need to be addressed. Many argue that gays have arrived — culturally, politically, socially and even legally — all we discuss here arrived? Where has the mold led them?

Soon after, the American Psychological Association removed homosexuality from its list of mental disorders. 100,000 people marched on Washington to support gay rights. Wisconsin enacted the first statewide gay-rights laws, and Rep. Gerry Studds announced on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives that he is gay.

To answer that question, we need to see where the road started, which is somewhere after Shakespeare's famous "Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?" pick-up line in Sonnet 18 (written to a guy) and somewhere before the likes of Oscar Wilde and Walt Whitman "yawp"ed their way into a sexual revolution.

In the same way that the black movement had to break the stereotypes of Malcolm X militancy and Jesse Jackson political poetics, gays must refuse to confuse unity and uniformity. In that sense, this year's National Coming Out Day doesn't offer a chance for people to declare themselves gay as much as it offers a chance for gays to declare themselves unique and individual.

In 1953, President Eisenhower passed an executive order barring employment of gays in federal government — all part of the same xenophobic Puritanism that formed the Committee on Un-American Activities and forced Lucy and Ricky to sleep in separate beds.

Unless the gay movement moves beyond the comfort of a united front and offers a brave new world of individuals who happen to be gay, gay rights will always be marginalized because it will be made up of people who have marginalized themselves under the illusion of inclusion.

"Illinois became the first state to decriminalize homosexuality in 1961. And while

And now what? In a new century full of red ribbons and Ellen's love life and Richard Hatch's digitally blurred genitalia, what has the gay movement come to? Not much. Being gay, by and large, is

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## an angelic voice



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Staff Writer

**Emmylou Harris**  
*Red Dirt Girl*  
★★★★

With her 1995 album, "Wrecking Ball," Emmylou Harris set rolling one of the greatest comeback music has seen, although to have ever considered Emmylou out of the game would have been a grave underestimation of this incredible talent. With the production and incredible guitar work of Daniel Lanois, of U2 fame, she created an album unlike anything heard in popular music; equal parts country, rock, folk and whatever music was floating through the heavens at the time of its production.

So, as with all acts of such inspiration the question arises after awhile of how does the artist follow it up. For Harris to follow in her own footsteps would be ludicrous, for lightening such as captured in "Wrecking Ball" doesn't strike twice, but to turn her back on the lessons learned would be as equally foolish, for it was quite a revelation. The answer to this question is found in Emmylou's new album, "Red Dirt Girl." Here she holds tight to the production values of her previous work but ups the creative ante by placing the songwriting duties, which beforehand had fallen the likes of Neil Young, Steve Earle and Gillian Welch, upon herself. The result is a work of beauty and strength, which stands as a testament to the importance of Emmylou Harris as a total artist.

While "Wrecking Ball" seemed to be an album blown in on the wind, with a lot of space drifting around throughout the songs, the majority of "Red Dirt Girl" is thick

and dense. Producer Malcolm Burn, who worked with Lanois previously, has adorned Harris' songs with trippy drums and thick bass lines very reminiscent of Peter Dinklage, an artist who has also received the Lanois treatment on his albums "Us" and "So." On "I Don't Wanna Talk About It Now," Emmylou's sultry voice comes in over a drunken drum line and chunky bass that is laid down by Luscious Jackson's Jill Cumminf. All of this matches perfectly the lines of sexual desperation ("But I'd be drawn and quartered/ If I could keep you in my bed.") that grace the song. Even Burn's use of drum box programming through out the album seems somehow earthy when matched with Harris' songs.

On "Tragedy," Harris presents the listener with a rather rudimentary acoustic country ballad (rudimentary for Harris being earth shattering for most artists) that still seems natural backed up by the processed drums sound (although vocal help from Bruce Springsteen and his wife don't hurt matters). Also the genre bending nature of it all keeps the album fresh. "My Baby Needs A Shepherd" reads like an Irish ballad, but is adorned with Eastern sounding drums and guitar.

The guitar work on this album is truly exceptional and actually much more complementary than Daniel Lanois' work on "Wrecking Ball." Most of this is executed by Buddy Miller, a great solo artist in his own right and Ethan Johns, last heard on Ryan Adams' "Heartbreaker." On the opening track, "The Pearl," Miller's work coupled with Harris' angelic voice lifts the song off the ground, giving it a heavenly quality and a perfect primer for this album.

For one who has often not written her own songs, Harris' writing on

"Red Dirt Girl" is surprisingly personal. On "Bang The Drum Slowly" (co-written with Guy Clark) she explores the questions left hanging after the death of her father, and in the almost menacing "Hour Of Gold," Harris explores the depths of a broken marriage. The title track holds the greatest of Harris' lyrical work. Telling the story of a woman who dreams big but never escapes the destitution of rural Alabama ("...there won't be a mention in the news of the world/ About the life and death of a red dirt girl"), Harris shows an empathy for the country lost on most big time country artists though all their posturing.

Surrounded by the likes of Jill Cumminf of Luscious Jackson and Paty Griffin, Harris gets a little funky on tracks like "J'ai Fait Tout" and "One Big Love" and only on these tracks does she even come close to falling over and over, but when the music makes these two tracks stick out on the collection, and graced by Harris' beautiful tone it's a sin easily forgiven.

It would also be remiss not to mention the duet between Harris and Dave Matthews on "My Antonia." Matthews shows up with his best deep sultry voice for the story of two lost lovers, but in the end does as most do when they stand foot to foot with the talent of Miss Harris, bowing at the feet of her angelic voice.

Despite the production, and the well-written songs, this album, like all others from Emmylou, features one important element...her voice. And when it all comes down to it we could all listen to her sing the phone book with a polka band. Thank God "Red Dirt Girl" has come around, and we don't have to.

Emmylou Harris will be at the Ritz in Raleigh on Oct. 22.

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**Joel Isaac Frady**  
Staff Writer

Timing and having a good time scheme is vital to a film. Some films fail because they go too long and nothing much happens. Others fail because they try to jam a short film with a little too much information. "The Opportunists," the feature-film debut for writer/director Myles Connell does a lot of both wrong: it's a short film in which not very much happens.

The film stars Christopher Walken (the "tapest guy" in Hollywood) as Victor Kelly, an auto mechanic whose life is getting worse and worse. He's flat broke, his business is going under, he can't afford the rent and to top things off (in a comical turn of events) the nuns who keep his aunt are getting frustrated at his checks bouncing. Walken, in his first theatrical lead role since "Suicide Kings" in 1997 (notice we're not counting the straight to video "The Prophecy 3") gives an excellent performance in a very different role for Walken. Audiences are used to seeing him as a creepy, evil character actor, and here he plays a friendly, nice auto mechanic trying to make ends meet.

Things get interesting for Victor when a "cousin" from Ireland (Peter McDonald, "Felicja's Journey") shows up and needs a place to stay for a few days. After his arrival we find that Victor was once a master thief, but is now trying to make a living straight. As one might guess (as the plot holds few surprises) that the plot thickens when Victor attempts his one last big heist, this time to get him back onto his feet.

A very talented and diverse supporting cast supports Walken. McDonald, as Michael, is perfect as this creepy yet likeable character. Newcomer Vera Farmiga lights up the screen as Miriam Kelly, Victor's daughter. She is as promising an actress as one will find, being sweet, funny, with a perfect smile (despite the strange resemblance to Claire Forlani). Look for her to go places.

**The Opportunists**  
★★

Director:  
Myles Connell  
Starring:  
Christopher Walken  
Cynthia Lauper

## A BAD OPPORTUNITY

Also good, in a bit part, is José Zúñiga (who was a riot as a Cuban gangster in the unseen but hilarious "Gun Shy") as Jesus, one of the security guards who schemes the heist up. He is only given a scene or so, but manages to milk a good laugh or so out of the character.

The most interesting bit of casting is Victor's girlfriend, played by 80's rock star Cyndi Lauper. Adding to the growing number of musicians in art films (who can forget Sheryl Crow in "The Mtns Man," or Jewel in "Ride with the Devil?"), we again wonder if she'd have been better just sticking to music. She doesn't do much of anything in the film, although her and Walken have good chemistry. It's a pity that VH1 didn't do a "Behind the Music" on her right before this film came out, because that would've been some great publicity.

The real problem with the film is it's writer and director, Myles Connell. The film jumps in tone from time to time, even though the film never picks up the painfully slow pace. The film takes a bit too long to establish itself and it abruptly concludes and ends. One wonders how this 90-minute film has the same feeling of length that one feels while watching "Braveheart" or "Magnolia" (both films that kept the viewer's rapt attention despite their length). The score doesn't help either, sounding as if it were created using some long forgotten synthesizers from the early 80's (when Cyndi Lauper was still singing "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun"). The score is just the film's slow and moody and by the time the film ends the score is getting on your nerves more than the movie itself.

It can be hard to see so much talent and work go into a movie that fails, as is the case here. Christopher Walken has made many, many great movies and has many more great movies to come. Let's just hope that he lets other opportunities like this pass him by.

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## Parents' Weekend



**Zack Smith**  
Senior Staff Writer

The best comedies have always been about manners; that is, someone acting one way while everyone else behaves in a bizarre manner, or vice versa. "Meet the Parents," the new Ben Stiller film, understands this rule perfectly. The entire film is 90 minutes of one joke told over and over, but when the joke is this funny, who cares?

The premise is something everyone can identify with: Greg Focker (Stiller), and the character's last name is pronounced exactly the way you think it is, is a likable if insecure male nurse in Chicago, who wants to ask his girlfriend Pam to marry him. Pam, as played by Teri Polo (known from various TV shows like "Sports Night") is the kind of attractive, likable woman that would make most people wonder how she ended up with Greg. Greg, under-

standably, wants everything to be perfect. And finding out that Pam's sister's fiancée asked - her dad's permission - before proposing seals his fate.

Off Greg goes with Pam to Oyster Bay for her sister's wedding, on a trip where Murphy's Law reigns supreme. First, the bag with all of Greg's clothes (and the engagement ring) gets lost by the airline, forcing Greg to spend the weekend in a series of increasingly inappropriate outfits. Then he gets hassled by red tape when trying to get his luggage recovered. All of which is a cakewalk compared to the actual meeting of the parents. Greg's Mom (Blythe Danner) is nice enough, but dad Jim

**Meet the Parents**  
★★★★

Director:  
Jay Roach  
Starring:  
Ben Stiller  
Robert DeNiro

(Robert De Niro) completely sees through all of Greg's attempts to be polite and manages to subtly undermine him at every turn. Whether it's a disagreement over the real meaning of the lyrics of "Puff the Magic Dragon," an attempt to have

the Jewish Greg say Grace at dinner or even Greg's attempt at a gift (which proves vastly inappropriate), Jim continually gives Greg just enough rope to hang himself. Greg responds by trying even harder to please Jim, which only gets more difficult as the weekend goes on and the wedding approaches...and the details of Jim's true occupation. Pam's seemingly perfect boyfriend (Owen Wilson) and the family cat haven't even entered the equation

yet. Jay Roach of "Austin Powers" fame who in the past, has shown a willingness to let a half-funny joke gradually beat itself to death directed "Meet the Parents." He makes a major leap forward in this film, letting Greg's seemingly unending humiliations pile on, each topping the last. Several set pieces (including a family dinner, a water-volleyball game and a bit on a rooftop) gradually build to a screamingly funny climax. Credit is also due to screenwriters Jim Herzfeld and John Hamburg (from a story by Greg Ginnema, Mary Ruth Clarke) and to the actors, particularly Stiller and De Niro, who in the past year reinvented himself as a formidable comic actor.

While there isn't a lot to "Meet the Parents," it's still one of the funniest films of the year. Sometimes the best comedies are the simplest. IMAGE FROM WWW.YAHOO.COM



## Dream the Dream

Nikhil Kriplani

Staff Writer

Dream the dream,  
 Of the dolphin in the blue sea, it swims so unfettered, so free.  
 Dream the dream,  
 Of the eagle in the sky, it flies so proud, so high.  
 Dream the dream,  
 Of the mother and the child, of the husband and his wife.  
 Dream the dream,  
 Of the Bedouin walking in the sand, all the desert is his land.  
 Dream the dream,  
 Of the slave who has been released, he maybe dead but is free.  
 Dream the dream,  
 Of the lover and his love, all the time they spend is not enough.  
 Dream the dream,  
 Of the hermit on the mountain peak, who feels nothing but peace.  
 Dream the dream,  
 Of the farmer who tills his land, on his two feet he stands.  
 Dream the dream,  
 Of the celebrity playing the game, the bright lights and the fifteen minutes  
 of fame.  
 Dream the dream,  
 Of running free in the field, in the solitude of the gentle breeze.  
 Dream the dream,  
 Of being the person you are, not the one you cannot be.  
 Dream the dream,  
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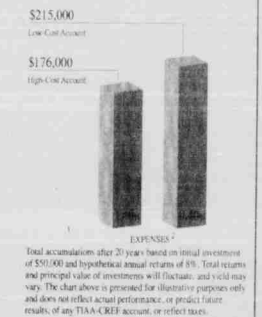
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## V-BALL

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with budding expectations, Williams didn't fall prey to the vaunted sophomore slump. In fact, she etched her name into the State volleyball archives en route to a phenomenal season.

Williams accumulated a team-high 529 kills, which is the fourth highest in school history. She also compiled 33 kills in a breath-taking performance vs. Duke, which fell only one short of the school record.

"To me it's just crazy to even look at those numbers as something that I accomplished because all I ever did was just go out and compete," Williams said. "It was a shock to see them after the fact. However, these marks are a direct reflection of the support around me. Lots of it had to do with Tara [Greene] and the outstanding defense she played, which allowed many of those scoring opportunities."

"So far this season has gotten off to an outstanding start as Williams has continued to excel in all aspects. She leads the team with 247 kills and is second on the team with 163 digs. However, her biggest athletic accomplishment came at the start of the season, when she was voted team captain by her teammates."

"It was quite an honor to be voted team captain," Williams said. "It is really nice to know that

your peers respect you and that all of the hard work has paid off."

Williams has a demanding early morning routine. Although her first class doesn't start until 10:15 a.m., Williams gets up at 7:00 a.m. and arrives at an empty Reynolds Coliseum at about 7:30. From there she jogs for 20 minutes, uses the stairmaster for 30 minutes, and lifts weights three days a week for 45 minutes to an hour. This dedication leaves no doubt as to why her coach enjoys coaching her so much.

"Chance is just a joy to coach," head coach Kim Hall said. "She has never given me a second's worry on or off the court. She is very dependable and much more mature than her age. She also has been so easy to coach because she always listens to instruction and works hard to understand concepts."

With all of her impressive exploits on the athletic field, she has been even more awesome in the classroom. Williams has received one accolade after another. While maintaining a 3.3 grade point average, she also was just one of two student-athletes to represent N.C. State at the NCAA Foundation Leadership Conference in Orlando. She also was named an Arthur Ashe Scholar, which is rewarded nationally to African-American student-athletes that excel in the classroom and the playing field.

Also, Williams has been on the ACC Honor Roll every semester since she's arrived at State.

around effort with 13 kills, four blocks and two service aces for the winners.

Maryland improved on the season to 10-8 overall and 2-5 in the ACC. State dropped to 6-12 overall and 0-6 in the conference.

State will be in action again Friday against Duke at 7:00 p.m. at Reynolds Coliseum.

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the Atlantic Coast Conference with a loss and could be facing 1-5 with games against Clemson and Virginia to follow. But a win against the Pack could catapult the Heels' bowl hopes.

State is actually riding some momentum despite its loss to Clemson over the weekend. The Pack, a three-touchdown underdog, played the Tigers evenly and received the ultimate sign of respect from their fans when they rushed the field and tried to take down the goal posts. The Clemson faithful could use some lessons from State fans, however, on how to actually get those big yellow things out of the ground.

The rivalry's return to the Triangle adds some interest, as well. State's appearance in Kenan will be its first since 1996, and the Pack's high-scoring offense should be a major drawing card. But O'Cain's presence on the UNC sideline will be the major focus of the week of hype leading up to the game. The Heels' sports information department said O'Cain will give no interviews.

this week regarding his seven years as State's head coach. That won't stop the talk.

Some fans have accused O'Cain of being disloyal for going to UNC following his termination at State. The man devoted his life to State football while he was here, but that commitment ended the moment Fox showed up on his doorstep.

It's hard to fault the guy for taking a job with the Heels after he was practically run out of town by the students and alumni. That doesn't mean that State fans should temper their resentment for him on Saturday. After all, he is wearing the powder blue now. But accusing him of being disloyal is crossing the line.

This long-running football rivalry is going to get taken to a new level. The State players have had this game on their minds ever since the schedule for the year was released. Emotions will run high, heroes will be made and someone's going to go home very, very disappointed.

Let the battle begin.

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Face, Ga. The Wolfpack, ranked 25th in the nation, shot a three-day total of 39-over-par 903.

Host Georgia Tech won the event with a 54-hole score of six-over 870, to edge Clemson by a single shot. Both teams are ranked in the top five in the national golf polls.

Senior David Sanchez led State by carding a three-day total of one-over-par 217 to finish in a tie for sixth place. Senior Chris Mundorf scored a four-over 220 and finished in a tie for 16th.

Kyle Thompson of South Carolina won the individual title.

firing an eight-under 208 to edge Tech's Bryce Molder by three shots.

State's next event will be Oct. 15-16 at the Duke Golf Classic.

## Women's golf finishes 17th at Tar Heel Invitational

NC State's women's golf team finished 17th in the Franklin Street and Trust Tar Heel Invitational played at North Carolina's Finley Golf Course Friday through Sunday.

Competing against some of the top teams in the country, the Wolfpack shot a three-round total of 1,016 in just its third tournament since the program was rein-

## AMATO

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achieving a moral victory.

"It was a very big disappointment because we felt like we were in position to win, or at least tie, the game," Leak said. "We didn't go to Clemson to lose by seven. We didn't go to lose at all."

Penalties proved costly for the Pack throughout the game at Clemson. In all, the team was flagged for 10 infractions totaling 105 yards. However, it wasn't just the sheer number of penalties that hurt State; they seemed to occur at the most inopportune moments.

"We killed ourselves with silly penalties," Amato said. "We had them stopped and there's a flag. Then we do it again. We've got to correct our penalties."

Amato, along with his coaching staff, will attempt to correct some of the problems, especially the offensive calls. He stressed that the team must limit penalties without sacrificing its aggressiveness.

"I don't want to make it such a big thing that next time you see us play we're a yard off the ball at the snap," he said.

Despite the mistakes his players made against the Tigers, Amato was proud of his team. He knows the Pack must maintain its intensity to perform well against Carolina.

"We played awfully good against an outstanding team," he

stated this fall. Coach Page Marsh Lea's squad, consisting of five freshmen, carded a 341 in the final 18-hole round on Sunday.

Nationally ranked Duke easily won the team title with a 30-over-par 894 to defeat runner-up Tennessee by 19 shots. Georgia, South Florida and Furman rounded out the top five.

Malin Claesson, a rookie from Kalmars, Sweden, led the Wolfpack with a 54-hole total of 242 to finish in a tie for 50th in

said. "We made believers of them, and we made believers even more so of our players. Now we have to do it all over again."

Looking ahead to this weekend's opponent, Amato praised the Tar Heels' speed and talent. "They've got great skill. I think their wide receivers are more skilled as a group than Clemson's," Amato said. "And their secondary may be more skilled. They've got some corners that can fly."

Even so, Amato was obviously enamored with the battle in the trenches. He stressed that State's offensive line play will be a key to beating the Tar Heels.

"The biggest matchup will be up front," said Amato. "They have people who are big and can run. That's what you need to play defense."

Defensively, the Pack will try to contain Carolina quarterback Ronald Curry. State has already faced two very athletic quarterbacks this season in Clemson's Woodrow Dantzler and Indiana's Antwaan Randle El. Amato knows that mobile quarterbacks always present a special challenge for a defense.

"Ronald Curry can control a football game," he said bluntly.

Notes: Junior linebacker Levar Fisher and quarterback Philip Rivers were named the ACC Defensive Lineman and Rookie of the Week, respectively, by the ACC on Monday.

It is the fifth time in six weeks that Rivers has won the honor.

the individual standings, Freshmen Chloe Ritson of Scotsbrink, England, recorded a 248 tournament total to finish in a tie for 69th.

Duke's Candy Hamernann (73-72-75=220) and Leigh Anne Hardin (73-72-75=220) tied for individual medalist honors.

State will compete in its final tournament of the fall season on Nov. 6-8 in the Pine Needles Invitational in Southern Pines.

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digs in the win. Sophomore setter Lindsay Davey paced the Maryland offense with a match-high 53 assists on the night. Senior Nnenna Anobi had a solid all-

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Ray Robinson will face UNC.

## Amato downplays UNC contest

football

## Rivalry reaches new level

◆ N.C. State travels to UNC Saturday looking to snap a seven-game losing streak against the Tar Heels.

**Jerry Moore**  
Staff Writer

Two days after his team's 34-27 loss to Clemson, N.C. State football coach Chuck Amato turned his attention to Saturday's match-up with rival North Carolina.

At his press conference Monday, Amato acknowledged the importance of this weekend's game but downplayed the fact that it's another chapter in an age-old rivalry with UNC.

"It's the big game this week," Amato said. "Last week there wasn't a bigger game on our schedule than Clemson. Next week there won't be a bigger game than the bye."

State will be looking for its fifth win overall and second in the Atlantic Coast Conference against UNC. Senior wide receiver Eric Leak echoed the sentiments of his coach and emphasized the value of any victory at this point in the season.

"We just want to tally up as many wins as possible," said Leak. "We don't care who they come against."

Amato and his players may want to downplay the situation, but the fact remains that State has

lost its last seven meetings with the Tar Heels, dating back to 1993.

The two most recent contests have taken place at Ericsson Stadium in Charlotte. Saturday's game will be played at Carolina's Kenan Stadium as the series returns to the campus for the first time in four years. Amato is glad the game will be played on campus, but thinks the Tar Heels could benefit from the support of their home crowd.

"I like the game being on campus just because of the atmosphere," he said. "I think that if a team has an emotional advantage, it's them. The game's over there, more people will be cheering for them and the noise will help them

emotionally."

UNC offensive coordinator Mike O' Cain has switched sidelines for this year's game after serving seven seasons as State's head coach. Leak admitted that it would feel different without O' Cain, but he denied players would harbor any hard feelings toward their former coach.

"I think he's a great person and a great coach on top of that," Leak said. "It's going to be odd seeing him over there in blue and white, but I don't think that gives us any extra motivation."

If Saturday's loss at Clemson garnered the Pack some amount of national recognition, the players didn't take any solace in

There's a war brewing in Chapel Hill this weekend.

The battle lines have been drawn. The generals are busy planning their strategy for the upcoming fight. The troops are anxiously awaiting their moment on the battlefield.

N.C. State finally meets North Carolina at Kenan Stadium in what will be the biggest game this rivalry has seen in recent memory. An order analyzing the match-up might have trouble understanding why a meeting between two unranked teams in October carries so much weight. But everyone in Kenan on Saturday, from the fans to the teams to the hot dog vendors, knows that this is a pivotal game for both programs.

The State-UNC football rivalry has diminished slightly in importance in the past few years. Seven straight victories by the Tar Heels and two games in Charlotte, including last year's Thursday night game that was rather inconsiderate of the students from both schools. The events of the last 12 months have added renewed vigor to the rivalry, however.

The Wolfpack entered the 1999 meeting 6-4 and apparently headed to a bowl game. In contrast, the Heels were 1-9, down to their fourth-strung quarterback, and were reportedly going to lose head coach Carl Torbush at the conclusion of the season.

For long-suffering State fans, this was supposed to be the moment when UNC finally got its comeuppance. Instead, the Pack came a half-yard short of breaking the streak when Chris Coleman was stopped in sight of the goal line late in the game to give UNC the 10-6 win. That moment touched off a series of events that permanently changed both programs.

The Heels went on to blow out their other rival, Duke, in their season finale. The athletics department gave Torbush a reprieve after he guided the team to wins over its two biggest foes.

Mike O' Cain obviously didn't fare quite as well here in Raleigh. A loss to East Carolina left the Pack with a 6-6 record and end of the bowl picture. O' Cain's punishment was an early morning house call from Chancellor Marjorie Anne Fox to inform him that his services with the State football team were no longer needed.

O' Cain's departure paved the way for State alum Chuck Amato to take over the Pack. State's former head coach didn't take long to land on his feet, though, showing up in all places. Chapel Hill as the Heels' new offensive coordinator.

All of this has transpired because Coleman couldn't stretch six more inches to break the plate of the end zone.

At least in the short term, the changes caused by that one play have benefited both programs. Torbush may not be the best coach in the world, but his players are behind him and want to play for him. And many believe O' Cain will take Ronald Curry to new heights based on his reputation for working with young quarterbacks.

Meanwhile, Amato's arrival has given the Pack a new lease on life, inspiring fans and instilling a never-say-die attitude in his players. His love for State has been obvious from day one, and he has brought a championship swagger to the program thanks to his experience as Florida State's assistant head coach.

Saturday's contest has become more than a rivalry game, if that's even possible, because of all the subplots involved.

Both teams face crucial situations in terms of the rest of the season. UNC would fall to 1-3 in



Jeremy Ashton

## The TOTAL package

◆ Charece Williams combines athleticism and intelligence to create quite a package.

**David Hobgood**  
Staff Writer

The old adage of not getting something for nothing is a glaring reflection of N.C. State junior Charece Williams and the way she conducts herself on and off of the court.

A devout work ethic combined with an intensity of athleticism and intelligence has led to the creation of one of the conference's best all-around student athletes and volleyball players.

When wondering where the 5-foot-11 Columbia, S.C., native received her phenomenal athletic ability, one should look no further than her immediate bloodlines. Her father, Clarence Williams, played running back for the San Diego Chargers from 1976-1981 and the Washington Redskins in 1982-1983.

"I think it's pretty obvious that I got my athletic ability from my father," Williams said. "However, I also got quite a few of my other characteristics from my mother."

Williams developed her passion for volleyball from another family member at a young age.

"My sister is six years older than me and ever since I was in fifth grade I always went to her matches," Williams said. "By watching her play in high school and college at Carson-Newman, I always knew that I wanted to play."

That initial intrigue eventually led to a road of success. Although Williams dominated her opponents on the volleyball court, she also stood out in a couple of other athletic venues.

During her time in high school, she completed numerous accolades and accomplishments in volleyball, basketball and track.

In volleyball, she was a six-year letterwinner, team captain as a junior and senior, voted All-State from 10-12 grades,

named all-region for four years and helped lead Imo High to win the Lower State championship as a sophomore.

On the basketball court, she was a five-year letterwinner, team captain as a junior and senior and team MVP as a senior. "I would have to say that although all of my accomplishments in high school meant a lot to me, the greatest honor I received was being named All-State as a sophomore," Williams said. "I was one of only two tenth-graders that were named to the team in all four classifications."

The athletic field was not the only place where Williams stood out amongst her peers, as she served as class president as a junior and senior. However, these accolades that she received at the high school level would be only the beginning of her future successes in the classroom and on the court.

After arriving in Raleigh in August of 1998 for the start of her freshman year, Williams quickly learned of a few adjustments that she needed to make on the court and in the classroom.

"Two of the biggest adjustments I had to make in terms of volleyball were conditioning and development of actual skill level," Williams said. "I thought coming in that I was in great shape because I had always conditioned for three sports in high school, but I quickly learned otherwise."

"I also had to improve greatly on my skill level because in high school I always relied on sheer athleticism to dominate matches. And I was unable to do that at the collegiate level. In terms of academically, I had to really force myself to keep up with my work, because while playing volleyball, we miss lots of work so I had to make sure that I never fell behind."

Williams' freshman season was a success as she worked her way into the starting lineup by mid-October and never looked back. She ended the season with 175 kills and 112 digs.

After a successful freshman year filled



Charece Williams plays the Pack in kills this season.

### CHARECE WILLIAMS

VOTED A TEAM CAPTAIN FOR THE 2000 SEASON...LAST YEAR, HAD A TEAM HIGH 529 KILLS, THE FOURTH HIGHEST SINGLE-SEASON TOTAL IN SCHOOL HISTORY...AGAINST DUKE, WILLIAMS HAD 33 KILLS, ONE SHORT OF THE SCHOOL RECORD...HAD DOUBLE-DIGIT KILLS 26 TIMES AND DOUBLE-DIGIT DIGS 17 TIMES.



Katie Kost and the Wolfpack were unable to pick up an ACC win over the weekend.

## Volleyball loses two over weekend

Sports Staff Report

N.C. State's volleyball team was swept in action against two Atlantic Coast Conference foes.

Friday night, University of Virginia fourth-year middle Deanna Zwanich recorded match-highs of 22 kills and nine blocks to lead the Cavaliers to a 3-1 (15-8, 15-9, 14-15) victory over N.C. State.

Semir middle blocker Stephanie Stambough led State with 14 kills, while junior middle blocker Alison

Kreager notched 11 kills and 13 digs. Sophomore outside hitter Tara Greene led all players with 20 digs, while freshman setter Crystal Shannon contributed 38 assists and 10 digs.

Virginia won the first two games by scores of 15-8 and 15-9, respectively. The Cavaliers spotted the Wolfpack an 11-0 lead in the third game and scored 12 straight points to take a 12-11 advantage. The Hoos then took a 14-13 lead, but the Wolfpack came back to take the

game 16-14. UVa won the fourth game decisively, 15-4, to close out the match.

Saturday, the team traveled to Maryland. There, the Terrapins made history by defeating State (3-1) 6-15, 15-3, 15-13, 15-10, to capture win number 700 in Maryland volleyball history.

Sophomore outside hitter Carey Bretnan snacked a match-high 22 kills and recorded a team-high 13

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## WolfpackNotes

### Fisher, Rivers named receive awards

Junior linebacker Levlar Fisher and quarterback Philip Rivers of N.C. State were named the Atlantic Coast Conference Defensive Lineman and Rookie of the Week, respectively, by the league Monday.

Fisher recorded a career-high 19 tackles Saturday in the Wolfpack's 34-27 loss to Clemson. That total was the seventh most in school history. Fisher was also credited with two

tackles for loss, two sacks, one pass breakup and one caused fumble. It was the seventh caused fumble of his career, which is tied for the third most in school history.

Saturday's game marked the 12th time in his career that Fisher had 10 or more tackles in a game. The 6-foot-1, 223-pounder from Beaufort leads the team and the ACC in tackles with 69.

Rivers was named the Rookie of the Week for the fifth time in six weeks. Rivers, a true freshman, completed 21-of-48 passes for 370 yards and three touch-

downs against the nation's No. 1-ranked defense. Rivers threw two touchdown passes of 81, 52 and 63 yards in the loss to Clemson. His 370 yards was the 10th best single-game total in school history.

### Boward falls at ITA All-American

N.C. State's Ryan Boward fell Monday afternoon at the Mar's ITA All-American Championships 6-0, 6-3 to Quentin Blakeney of Kansas at

the Lincoln Tennis Center in Stone Mountain, Ga. Boward had won three matches in the last two days to reach this point.

"Ryan really didn't have his best game today," said head coach Eric Hayes. "Blakeney really forced him into some errors and really made it hard for him to get any type of momentum going. However, I'm really proud of the way he played here. He really had a good tournament and represented us well."

State's Eric Jackson will take the court Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. against Jorge Abos-Sanchez of

Nebraska. Jackson, ranked 73rd in the nation, is a native of Stone Mountain.

### Golfers finish 13th in Carpet Capital Collegiate

N.C. State's men's golf team moved up two spots in the final round of competition to finish 13th in the highly competitive Carpet Capital Collegiate held at The Farm Golf Club in Rocky

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