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FINAL TAKE: BROAD TALKS BOND

♦ The president of the UNC System commends N.C. State students, Chancellor Marye Anne Fox and bond opponents on the eve of the bond referendum.

Spaine Stephens
News Editor

N.C. State administrators and student leaders "have been extraordinary" in their efforts to increase awareness about the $3.1 billion community college and university bond referendum, according to UNC System President Molly Broad.

The bond referendum, which will be voted on tomorrow, could bring NCSU $468 million in funding for facility improvements and additions. All 16 universities and 59 community colleges in the UNC System will receive funding if the bond passes.

"[NCSU Chancellor] Marye Anne Fox and others have done a sterling job," said Broad. "[Fox] has mobilized cooperative extension."

Broad praised state university and community college officials for this mobilization, recognizing the way school leaders have sparked statewide education about the bond.

Broad accompanied Gov. Jim Hunt on a tour last Thursday of some of the colleges and universities that could be affected by the bond. The tour included Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, North Carolina A & T in Greensboro and UNC-Chapel Hill.

Representatives from NCSU were present at the UNC-CH rally.

Broad has acted as an ambassador for all the community colleges and universities on the bond issue, and she has "gone to speak to organizations across the state [including] Alumni, Rotary groups, Chambers of Commerce and business organizations," said Broad.

She has spoken to groups about the bond an average of twice daily, and considers the bond issue a "marvelous opportunity" to educate N.C. citizens about the UNC System. She explained that voters should recognize the choices they make and their implications.

Campaigning for the bond has brought Broad closer to North Carolina's citizens.

"If not for the bond, it would have taken me five years to reach and connect with so many North Carolinians," said Broad.

She values the "double-teamed" efforts of the universities and community colleges in the UNC System, which has resulted in opportunities to strengthen relations among all UNC System schools.

Broad also treasures the students within the UNC System and their own awareness campaigns. Specifically, Broad noted the efforts of student leaders to register students to vote as "very, very impressive."

Broad said many people focus on student apathy, but that "student leadership has [possibly] increased voter turnout," and "they could play a role in other parts of the election."

Many NCSU students realize the importance of considering all aspects of the bond and looking ahead to the implications.

"In order for our schools to continue to be a leader in research and technology, it is essential for the bond to pass," said Zac Tunstall, a senior in business management.

Broad said that the system's students have been key to the overall mobilization of bond support.

The UNC System President also expressed appreciation to those who have raised questions about the bond. Those who have openly questioned how necessary the bond is have "helped the overall effort because we have great answers to the questions they posed," said Broad.

Such opposition includes the implication that the number of students at universities does not need to increase. Broad believes that the additional 50,000 students projected to attend UNC System should be accounted for.

"Every parent and grandparent believes that their children and grandchildren deserve a university education," said Broad.

She also acknowledged concern from citizens about a possible tax increase that could accompany passage of the bond. Broad cited N.C. Treasurer Harlan Boyles' statement that no tax increase will result from the passage of the bond. Further, Broad said the passage of the bond will not affect the state's credit rating.

"We will continue to enjoy the coveted AAA bond rating we've enjoyed," said Broad.

Boyles said in an Aug. 17 letter to N.C. legislators that the bond's failure could actually hurt the state's credit rating, as bond rating agencies look at the condition of state colleges and universities when determining credit ratings. The state's credit rating affects its ability to borrow money.

Broad said she and other officials are feeling very positive about the results.

Clashing viewpoints in the N.C. Senate and House of Representatives kept a higher education bond from reaching a vote last year.

After the bond failed in the General Assembly last year, a Select Legislative Committee was named, and the group toured the campuses in the UNC System last spring and recommended that the bond be decided by a referendum. The GA announced the referendum on May 18 of this year.

The bond campaign will reach its finale tomorrow when voters across the state make their final decisions. Broad's fingers are crossed that the bond will pass.

"I'm very hopeful," she said. "You never know. You keep running right up to the wire."

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(from left to right) Hanna Froberg, Anna Bladh and Kat Bukowy enjoy a recent day outside Alexander and Turlington Hall.

Rural areas swell, cities shrink

I N.C. State Professor Mitch Renkow studies the cause of increasing rural populations.

Heather Millen
Staff Reporter

Since the 1970s, the population of rural areas in North Carolina and many other states has increased steadily. In the last 10 years alone, 250,000 people have moved to North Carolina's rural counties.

This may appear to benefit these counties; however, N.C. State professor Mitch Renkow found that this might not be the case.

Economists, demographers and other social scientists have debated the reason for the trend, which is a reversal of many years of rural-to-urban migration.

Some say that this migration results from people seeking jobs in these rural communities, or people wanting to live in these areas but continue working in the urban areas from where they are relocating. Most say it is the latter.

Regardless of the reasoning, these rural economies are improving. This improvement, many social scientists say, has resulted from a shift in the national economy from the industrial sector to service-sector jobs and from an increase in telecommunication technologies that allow businesses to locate outside urban centers.

Yet a study Renkow performed cites a different reason for this developing trend.

"People see the trend and decide it's a rural renaissance," said Renkow, "but it's really just the counties located near the metropolitan areas that are growing. What it really appears to be is more of an urban sprawl."

Renkow arrived at that conclusion after analyzing migration and commuter trends to and from 43 rural counties that ring major North Carolina population centers like Raleigh and Charlotte.

Although the number of people moving to those counties has increased since 1960, so has the number of people leaving the counties to work. This indicates that although people are becoming more interested in the fresh air and spaciousness of rural life, the better-paying jobs still remain in the city.

The findings bring up some poignant questions. After all the years of people moving to the city, why now the reverse migration? Why do people commute from places like Johnston or Chatham counties to Raleigh?

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Board prepares for elections

♦ Increased voter registration has left some voters' names off their precincts lists; they will be able to vote, however.

Yona Owens
Correspondent

A spike in the number of registered Wake County voters this year has left elections officials scrambling to get each polling station a full list of its registered voters.

Cherie Poucher, director of the Wake County Board of Elections, said that there are more than 411,000 registered Wake County voters for this election, compared to around 334,000 in 1996. Board of elections officials have entered all registered Wake County voters into their main computer.

According to Poucher, however, all those voters do not have their names listed in the "Poll Books," the huge computer printouts used to identify voters at voting sites.

The master list for the Poll Books had to be downloaded last Monday in order for printers to have duplicate and bound copies ready in time for precinct judges to pick up starting at 1 p.m. Friday.

Voters whose names didn't make the Poll Books can still vote, but not before the polling station officials check with the board for verification.

If the voter does not have time to wait for verification and receive a standard ballot, he has the option of voting on a provisional ballot.

Poucher said "several thousand" voters could end up filling out provisional ballots Election Day.

Provisional ballots are sealed and not reported with the regular votes at the close of the poll on Tuesday. It takes the board of elections three days to research and approve the provisional ballots, but the provisional votes do count.

Poucher stressed the fact that voters who registered on time will still be able to vote.

"Voters who registered on or before Oct. 13 are accounted for [on the board's master list] and will be allowed to vote," Poucher emphasized.

Voters can check their voter registration and precinct polling place location at the Wake County Board of Elections Web site at http://web.co.wake.nc.us/bordelec/.

Those voters who registered before the Oct. 13 deadline and who are not listed on the board of elections Web site should call the Wake County headquarters of either the Democratic or Republican parties. Each party has a book of street names compared to precincts and can direct voters to their proper polling places.

Susan Oller, executive director of the Wake County Democratic Party, said Saturday afternoon that she was handling about 56 calls an hour from voters trying to find out where to vote.

The Board of Elections office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 5:15 p.m. In an effort to handle more calls, the board has called in extra staff and volunteers, added extra phones and even rented a number of mobile phones so a greater volume of calls can be handled. The elections board's voice messaging system will also be turned off starting Monday, so that callers will talk to real people rather than leaving messages.

Poucher suggested that voters who have a question about their registration or voting place should call the board's office at 856-6240 before going to the polls.

Even those voters who call ahead of time to confirm their registrations may find their names missing from the Poll Books. Poucher said that the board may not be able to notify the precincts to add voters by Tuesday morning.

Other elections news

N.C. State students who registered on campus will not necessarily vote at Witherspoon Student Center.

A registered voter's polling place depends on the address listed on the voter's registration, rather than on the location where the voter registered. Witherspoon is the polling site for Precinct 01-23; the precinct includes on-campus NCSU students who registered using their dormitory addresses and any Raleigh residents registered within the precinct's area, students and non-students alike.

As for voter registration cards, Poucher said the last cards that will be mailed out before the election are in the mail. Last Monday, 10,000 voter registration cards were mailed out.

VOTER GUIDE

GOVERNOR

Mike Easley
Party: Democrat
Age: 50
Home: Raleigh
Current job: N.C. attorney general
Abortion: Easley supports woman's right to choose.
Taxes: Easley supports tax relief starting with lower classes. He would increase personal deduction on state income taxes and eliminate the "marriage penalty."
School vouchers: Easley wants to improve the status of public school systems, instead of draining money from public schools to pay for vouchers for the private sector. He believes that school vouchers will not work in rural areas of state where only schools are public

Richard Vinroot
Party: Republican
Age: 59
Home: Charlotte
Current job: Lawyer, Robinson, Bradshaw & Hinson
Abortion: Vinroot supports a ban on abortion, except in certain circumstances such as rape of a child or incest.
Taxes: Vinroot has said he will veto any tax increase and push e for a significant reduction in taxes.
School vouchers: Vinroot would work to make poor children in failing schools eligible for "opportunity scholarships" after a period of time. He would push to divert state money currently used to send students to public schools and use it to send them to private schools, making a net loss of zero for the state.

Barbara Howe
Party: Libertarian
Age: 47
Home: Oxford, Granville County
Current job: Homemaker
Abortion: Howe supports women's right to choose.
Taxes: She wants to reduce state government spending.
School vouchers: Howe supports a "taxpayer choice scholarship plan," in which parents can send their children to their schools of choice; each child eligible for $3,000 to cover private school or homeschooling costs.

Douglas Schell
Party: Reform
Age: 59
Home: Pembroke, Robeson County
Current job: Business professor, UNC Pembroke
Abortion: Schell supports a ban on abortion, except for cases where one is medically necessary to preserve the health of mother.
Taxes: Schell would simplify tax structure and lower the overall tax rate.
School vouchers: Schell would push to give vouchers to all children; he has said he will veto any bill not giving equal opportunity to all private schools.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Catherine Carter
Party: Reform
Age: 46
Home: Blowing Rock
Occupation: Writer, public speaker and consultant, president, Jivana Enterprises, LLC
Carter has said that her top priorities if elected include campaign finance, election and educational reform. She supports a flat tax.

Betsy Cochrane
Party: Republican
Age: 64
Home: Bermuda Run
Current job: state senator since 1989
A former teacher, Cochrane would seek to increase N.C. educational standards. The condition of the elderly and family values also have positions on Cochrane's platform.

Beverly Perdue
Party: Democrat
Age: 53
Home: New Bern
Current job: state senator since 1991
Perdue focus if elected would be on improving public education and making prescription drugs and health care more affordable to senior citizens.

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Dan Boyce
Party: Republican
Age: 41
Home: Raleigh
Current job: Lawyer, investigator

Margaret Palms
Party: Reform
Age: 48
Home: Boone
Current job: Lawyer, mediator

Roy Cooper
Party: Democrat
Age: 43
Home: Rocky Mount
Current job: Lawyer, state senator from District 10 since 1991

SECRETARY OF STATE

Harris Durham Blake
Party: Republican
Age: 70
Home: Pinehurst
Current Job: Developer

Elaine Marshall
Party: Democrat
Age: 54
Home: Buies Creek
Current job: Attorney, N.C. secretary of state since 1997

MIGRATION

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Renkow identifies two major factors that have facilitated the urban-to-rural commuting trend: better roads and greater affluence.

"People are able to do it now and their taste for commuting has increased," Renkow said. "People are just more interested in living in a more spacious setting. They value having that opportunity."

The effects of this trend are bittersweet for the residents of these rural areas. While new residents in those areas bring new demands for the services offered by grocery stores, restaurants, dry cleaners and the like, this onslaught in the rural population also creates more demand for expensive government services such as schools, trash collection and water and sewer infrastructure. It could be only a matter of time before the cost of living that helps lure people out to these areas is on the rise.

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Spirits of '76

SHOULD GOV. GEORGE W. BUSH'S DRUNK DRIVING ARREST IN 1976 — AND THE FACT THAT HE LIED ABOUT IT — AFFECT HIS CAMPAIGN OR POSSIBLE PRESIDENCY?

Over the weekend, a new campaign issue was let out of the bottle: alcohol. Specifically, a drunk driving charge Republican presidential nominee George W. Bush received in Maine over Labor Day, 1976.

The arresting officer, Calvin Bridges, pulled Bush for swerving and driving slowly. Bush was taken to a police station after receiving a sobriety field test. The official arrest report card cites Bush's blood alcohol content (BAC) at .10, the legal limit at the time; the secretary of state's office in Maine, however, released notes Friday from a hearing officer with the handwritten words "BAC .12," possibly indicating Bush's actual level of drunkenness. Bush's license was suspended from Oct. 26, 1976, to July 25, 1978, in Maine; he paid a fine of $150 ($450 in today's money). When confronted with the issue this weekend, Bush chalked the drunk driving charge up to "youthful indiscretion." He was 30 at the time of the arrest.

Furthermore, when Wayne Slater, a *Dallas Morning News* reporter asked Bush after a Sept. 1998 press conference whether he had been arrested for anything after a 1968 arrest over a college prank, Bush clearly replied with a flat "no."

Bush has admittedly struggled with alcohol throughout his life. According to the Associated Press, in an incident in the early 1970s, a drunken Bush arrived at his parents' Washington home by smashing his car into a neighbor's trashcan and dragging it down the street. When confronted by his father, Bush offered to go *"mano a mano"* outside.

To his credit, Bush has sworn off drinking since his 40th birthday in 1986, and has openly discussed his struggles with alcoholism in the past, but never revealed his history of alcohol-related arrest. But should he have to?

Alcohol is regularly mixed into political careers. President Ford used to have martini lunches in 1974. Current members of Congress — including Rep. Louis Stokes, D-Ohio, and Sen. Bob Kasten, R-Wisconsin — have survived convictions for drunk driving. Even Bush's own running mate, Dick Cheney, has been *twice* convicted of drunk driving.

Although his arrest does remind people about Bush's own vague assertions that, since 1974, he has not used cocaine, should even cocaine use, if proven, be used against him? Washington D.C. has already let its mayor be a cocaine user and its president be a "non-inhaling" marijuana user, why should Bush be held to any higher of a standard?

Answer: Because Bush has built his campaign on the increasingly hollow rhetoric of "restoring honor and dignity to the White House" and grounding any administration he may lead in honesty, integrity and strong moral character (see: *"mano a mano"*). The fact that such a man both hid and lied about a criminal history is, to put it diplomatically, disappointing. If, as a nominee, he'll lie about something as petty and inconsequential as a 24-year-old drunk driving arrest, what will he lie about as president?

Alcohol may end up making this Bush campaign burn; we can only hope it won't make him crash as well.

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The price of prisons

Bryan Proffitt
STAFF COLUMNIST

Tomorrow we are voting, in the words of poet/activist Amiri Baraka, "between a whore and a serial killer." We all have an important choice to make. We'll either be gored by the passing of a bull (market), or allow large percentages of the population to flounder while the already wealthy and powerful hide in a bush. It's the lesser of two weasels. But as we wait, straight-jacketed and splashing in a tank of water like Houdini, to find out who will kill us most softly, there are a few items that we can be proactive about.

For example, the Criminal Justice Facilities Bond Wake County voters face tomorrow (yes, I'm going to talk about it again). As clear a case of a citizenry being pimped as I've seen. We've been duped into buying this proposal by a propaganda machine convinced that more bars and fences will solve our social problems. They lock people up for prostitution I think, but this vote could potentially put us all on the corner with a shorter skirt and brighter lipstick.

We've been told that in order to keep up with rising crime rates due to our rapid increase in population, we must build more jail space. When the projections of population growth are at 42 percent over the next 15 years, however, *and* the projected incarceration increase over the same period is 132 percent, the numbers don't add up. In fact, in the last 10 years, our population has increased by 30 percent and our incarceration rate increased over 100 percent, from 480 to 1,022. At this rate, in 2100, Wake County will host a special version of, "Who Wants to be the Millionth Prisoner?"

Equally deceitful, we've been told that this won't raise our taxes: a clear case of "fuzzy math." While the plan for jail and prison expansion clearly calls for $33.2 million, the bond is only going to cover $20 million of that. Truth be told, with $20,000 a year as the average cost to keep a prisoner locked up, and the North Carolina Department of Corrections' figures of $74,000 per bed to construct, the cost in real dollars to push this new campaign of incarceration to the taxpayer is over $700 million in 15 years. Where is this cash coming from? Maybe we'll find it in the bushes...

Meanwhile, the Center on Juvenile Justice and Criminal Justice reports that more than 70 percent of the population behind bars are in for drug-related crimes. These people do little more than suffer from an addiction: an addiction to drugs or an addiction to eating and supporting your family. Should people go to jail for addictions? Will they lock up our unpresidential candidates for addictions to lying or selling out? If so, let's take a look at our own addictions to cigarettes, alcohol, and um, Chap-Stick, and decide whether or not we should all be locked up. All of us; that's who the prison-builders will go to next to keep their beds full and communities "safe."

Time to chill... If radical is too much, let's try rational. If the majority of people go to jail or prison for selling and/or using drugs, then we can be a whole lot more cost effective than we're being. The average cost of enrollment in intensive rehab programs is $4,000. The average cost of community college tuition is $3,000. We could send three people through rehab *and* college for the price of one to prison. I don't understand why the Republicrats have not gotten down with this yet; this is efficient stuff we're talking about. And we need to start telling our leaders these things.

Basically, if we continue to stand on the corner making money for the tacky dude in the furry suit while he does whatever he wants to us, we have no one to blame but ourselves. Every dollar that we allow to be spent on locking more people in hell is one more dollar not invested in our schools, our health and our community, and that *invites* more crime and less safety. That's the real truth. Do the right thing and vote "no" to an unsafe society.

Vote "no" and email Bryan at bryanp33@yahoo.com to tell him about it.

The dirty politics of bathrooms

Greg Volk
STAFF COLUMNIST

For years, Europeans have been saying that Americans have a silly and wasteful preoccupation with bathing. I admit that I bathe quite frequently and that many times it is just out of habit; I don't really need to bathe. But in this microbacterially-infested day and age, the American public has extended this hysteria to the process of hand washing.

You hear commercial after commercial about germ-killing disinfectants, anti-bacterial soaps and even anti-bacterial hand lotion. It makes one wonder how humans survived for thousands upon thousands of years without waterless hand sanitizing products and the like. Perhaps the decline of the Roman Empire was due in part to the lack of adequate hand sanitation.

Because germs are thought to be everywhere, we are expected to wash our hands all the time. Hand washing is even being hailed as a prevention of the common cold. My grievance with this expectation is in regards to how it applies to using public restrooms. This has special relevance for college students who spend many hours in the realm of public restrooms on campus.

My personal policy is that I don't wash my hands in public restrooms unless my hands became significantly soiled during the process, whatever it may have been. I often receive scolding looks from people as I exit a stall and proceed directly to the door, but I am secure in my reasoning. What is my reasoning you may ask?

Well, in a given day in a given public restroom, many people's hands touch the knobs on sink faucets. How do I know where these hands have been, much less what they have been doing before they touch the faucet? People say, "Don't you feel like your hands are dirty?" No. At any moment, I would hope that every inch of my body is cleaner than public restroom sinks on the whole.

Skeptics then may say, "Well you had to flush in order to use the restroom...Don't you flush?" I would reply by saying, "Yes, I flush... with a wad of toilet paper, paper towel or my elbow in extreme cases." Rarely does my elbow come in contact with my mouth, whereas in the true danger of germs lies.

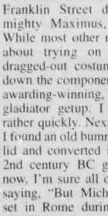
In the exit of the restroom, I also employ the elbow method if doors luckily open outward. If our government wants to make some truly useful legislation, they should consider a bill requiring all public restroom doors to open outward. In the unfortunate event that the door opens inward, I am forced to resort to using my hand. Even still, I am confident that my hands remain cleaner than if I had "washed" them.

Do not give into peer pressure. Develop your own hand sanitation policy and implement it regardless of what society says you should do. My policy has served me well. As of late, our culture has been making great strides in this area with those sensor-operated faucets and foot-flush mechanisms (they have these in Broughton Hall if you'd like to try them out). But more still must be done.

Just be wary next time you shake the hand of a stranger. You don't know what that person's hand sanitation policy is, or even where that hand has been.

Greg used his elbow and a paper towel to type this column. Email him at gmvolk@unity.ncsu.edu

Dressing up is hard to do



Michael Coutouzis
STAFF COLUMNIST

Dressing up for Halloween isn't easy anymore. Gone are the days in which one can find just the right attire to make a really good costume. In my case, the most critical item of my costume should have been the easiest to find. But was it? In all honesty, I would have to say no. I searched no less than a week for that accursed item and I finally happened across one the day before Halloween.

Wonder what it was? It was just a simple plastic sword. Why was it so hard to find you ask? Well, bear with me and you'll see.

This Halloween, I decided to go to Franklin Street dressed up as the mighty Maximus, savior of Rome. While most other males were out and about trying on dresses for their dragged-out costumes, I was hunting down the components I needed for my awarding-winning, made-from-scratch, gladiator getup. I found my sandals rather quickly. Next, I needed a shield. I found an old bummed out garbage can lid and converted it to a very trendy, 2nd century BC gladiator shield. By now, I'm sure all of you are probably saying, "But Michael! Gladiator was set in Rome during the 2nd century AD. That is the wrong style of shield!" Yeah, well, sue me. To hold up my tunic, I used my brown leather Levi's Silvertabs belt. I know Roman gladiators didn't sport such belts, but if they did have them at the time, they probably would have. They are very durable and go rather well with most dark colored sandals. Anyway, the time had now come for me to acquire the pride of the gladiator, his gladius (that's sword for you common folk). I tried the costume shops first. They didn't have anything.

Next, I tried Spencer's. They did have some swords but they were geared more toward satanic sacrifice than to a gladiatorial combat. Fair enough. There is always Toy'R'Us. When I was younger, all one had to do to get any type of plastic gun or blade was to visit these hollowed halls of childhood bliss. I went through the whole store and I couldn't find a single thing. They no longer even had a section for them.

Somewhat perplexed at how things could have changed so dramatically, I decided to ask an employee were they were. Big mistake. She snootily replied, "Well, sir. Toys'R'Us is a family store. We don't carry crude toys like that anymore. You should try someplace violent like K-Mart or Wal-Mart."

Someplace violent like Wal-Mart or K-Mart? Now we've all seen what can happen to a person when they accidentally get in the way of a bluelight special mob but to label these stores violent because they carry plastic swords? That's going too far. I don't know if our little friend realized it, but just two isles down, there were video games in which you could rip the head off of a defeated opponent. Family oriented, huh? What kind of family is that oriented to?

Anyway, I did just what she said and went to Wal-Mart and K-Mart and found that they too had succumbed to the whims of this unseen power. They chimed in on the same claim that these toys cause children to be violent. Well that's funny. I used to play with these things all the time as the generations did before me. I don't seem to remember getting the urge to maliciously attack or blow someone away. My friends didn't either. Come to think of it, I don't recall children ever committing such horrendous acts until recent years when right and wrong has been thrown out and moral values have become relative. Anyway, I digress.

Like I said, I eventually did find a sword and some armor at Kaybee Toys in Cary. Now that my getup was complete, I was now safe to display my visage as gladiator right? Wrong.

As soon as we neared Franklin Street, my friends and I were stopped by several cops and made to disarm for fear that we would start trouble with our plastic weapons. We bent them to show that they were harmless but it was to no avail. Our fake weapons joined the huge pile of batons, fishing rods and light sabers deemed too violent. Stripped of my arms, I ceased to be a gladiator. I was now, as any unarmed gladiator would be, worm food.

Let's face it. How can a gladiator be a gladiator without his sword? It saddens me that in today's society, carrying something like a plastic sword somehow transforms its beholder into a violent scumbag. Society's ills are not caused by cheap plastic weapons; they are caused by morally bankrupt attitudes that affect us all. In order to overcome these problems, we have to attack the root of the issue, not the scapegoat.

Shortly after writing this column, Michael accidently broke his cheap plastic sword. Do you know where he could get another? If so, email him at skeelo77@hotmail.com

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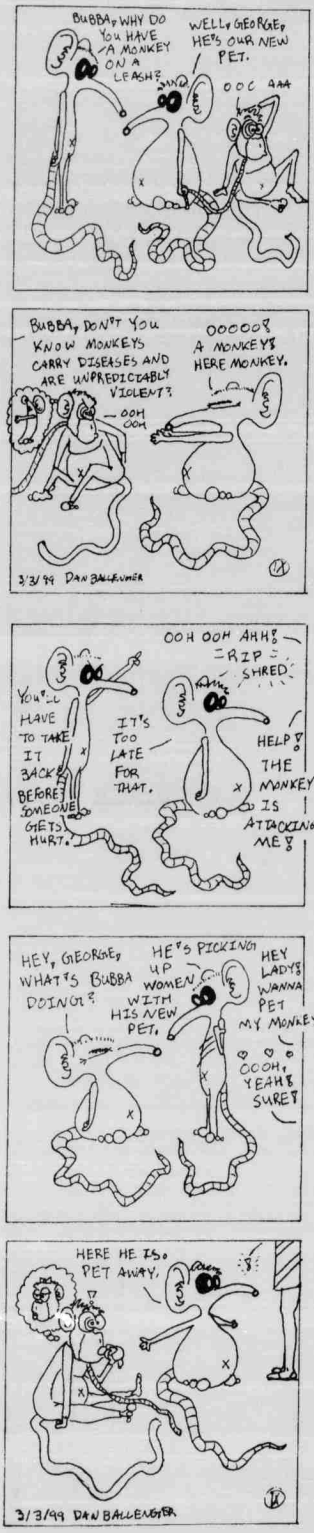

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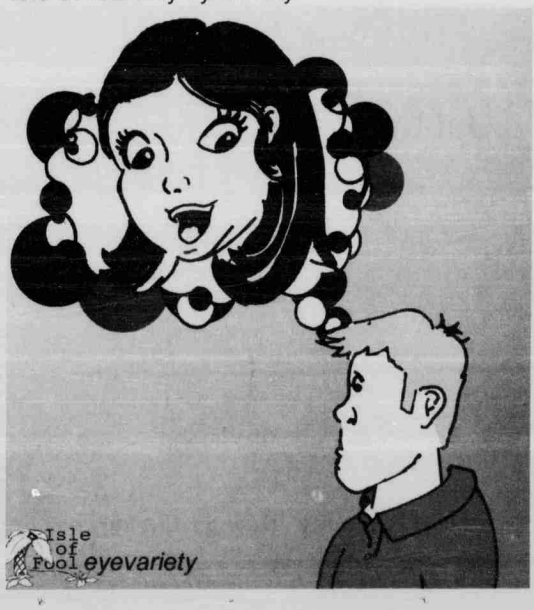

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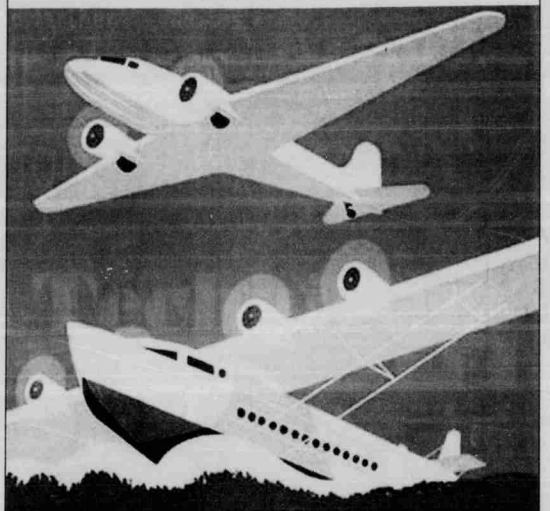

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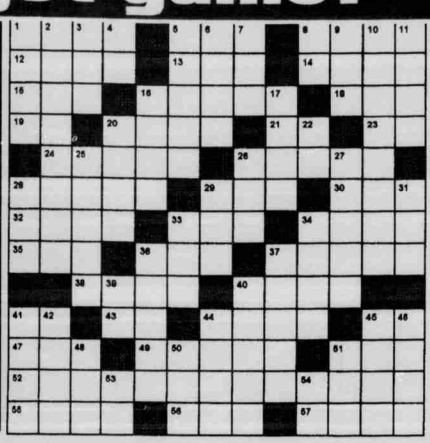

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Basketball wins exhibition 86-82

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The Wolfpack used a 27-3 advantage at the free-throw line to take the victory. State also outrebounded Interhoop 55-31 in the game.

Senior Kenny Inge paced the Pack with 21 points and 19 rebounds. Inge shot 8-of-13 from the field. Senior Ron Kelley also contributed 17 points and nine boards in just 21 minutes of action.

State's next exhibition game is Saturday at 7:30 p.m. against the California All-Stars.

Swimming takes three of four

The N.C. State swimming and diving teams took three victories out of a possible four Saturday in Pittsburgh at a tri-meet.

The State women defeated Rutgers 127-116 and host Pittsburgh 133-110. The Wolfpack men downed Rutgers 143-95, but later fell to Pittsburgh 146-95.

The Wolfpack women were once again strong in the relays winning the 400-yard medley relay in a time of 3 minutes, 56.12 seconds, and the 400-yard freestyle relay with a time of 3:32.64. Senior Mary Mittendorf then posted another win for State in the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 2:07.62. Sophomore AnnaMaria Gazda took first for State in the 200-yard backstroke (2:06.36), while senior Natalie Jones posted a Wolfpack win in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:21.45), just ahead of junior Bridgett Bowers (2:24.97).

For the men, senior Stephen Matthews posted the first win for the Pack in the 1000-yard freestyle with a time of 9:27.72, slightly ahead of senior Mark Eberlie, who took second in 9:29.57. Senior All-American Greg Solt took another win in the 50-yard freestyle in 20.77 seconds, while junior Tim Haley won the 200 butterfly in a time of 1:53.05. Senior Suha Akman closed out the State scoring by placing first in the 200 breaststroke in 2:09.10.

The Pack's next meet will be at East Carolina on Nov. 10 at 4:30 p.m.

Women's soccer left out of tournament

Six of the eight women's soccer teams from the Atlantic Coast Conference appeared in the field when the NCAA Tournament brackets were announced late Sunday. N.C. State was not one of them.

The Wolfpack, along with Maryland, failed to qualify for the tournament. State finished the season 10-7-3 overall and 2-4-2 in conference play. Through the course of the season, State defeated ACC Tournament finalist Duke and played Clemson and Florida State, two teams that beat ACC champion North Carolina, to scoreless ties.

The ACC sent more teams to the tournament than any other conference except the Pac-10, which sent seven. The ACC teams that made the tournament – UNC, Clemson, Wake Forest, Duke, Florida State and Virginia – were all ranked in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America top 25 during the season. Georgia Tech does not field a women's soccer team.

UNC is the defending NCAA Champion.

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pressure you."

In the 14th minute, Meredith Florance sent a pass to Alyssa Ramsey in front of the goal. Ramsey slipped a shot under Duke goalkeeper Thora Helgadottir to give the Heels a 1-0 lead.

Florance's tenacity created another score for the Heels seven minutes later. She warded off two Duke defenders to save the ball on the end line and fed Jordan Walker who blasted in UNC's second goal of the match.

Duke couldn't muster a first-half shot, and the Heels took a 2-0 lead into the locker room.

"It's so hard for us to replicate the pressure UNC is capable of putting you under," said Hempen. "You can talk about it all you want, but until you're out there experiencing it, you don't know what it's like."

Six minutes into the second half, Kalli Kamholz headed Jena Kluegel's corner kick past a defenseless Helgadottir. Even with a 3-0 advantage, UNC continued to launch volleys and headers at the Duke goal. Marslender had a breakaway chance but her shot sailed just over the crossbar.

Sarah Pickens managed Duke's first and only shot in the 60th minute, but keeper Jenni Branam easily saved it. Soon after, Pickens broke through the Heels' defense on consecutive plays, but she was off side both times.

The bright sun bothered Branam on several plays, but Duke's offense couldn't apply enough pressure to pose a serious threat. The Heels retained control of the match as they wore down and frustrated the Devils. The Heels outshot the Devils 15-1 by the end of the match.

Ramsey set up the Heels' final goal with a low cross in the 78th minute. The pass found its way through a crowd of Duke defenders, and Anne Remy nailed a diving header into the net.

"At times we played tremendously well," said UNC head coach Anson Dorrance. "I thought we were a little fatigued, but I was certainly pleased with the quality of our finishing."

Florance was named Tournament MVP, and she was joined by teammates Kluegel, Remy and Marslender on the All-Tournament squad.

Dorrance appeared relieved after Sunday's win. He admitted that his team's losses had been tough to swallow.

"Obviously we're thrilled to be conference champions again, especially in light of this season when we took some hits," he said.

Florance said her squad had a little extra incentive to perform well in the tournament.

"Losing three games was hard on us," she said. "We did feel like we had to prove something."

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end a State drive on the Maryland 30-yard line. A stiff wind had prevented the Pack from attempting a 47-yard field goal.

After the Pack stopped Maryland, it was given one additional chance, as State forced Maryland to go three and out, and Koren Robinson returned the ensuing punt 20 yards to the Maryland 30-yard line.

With 12 seconds remaining in the game, Rivers dropped back to pass, yet was forced to scramble. His 9-yard run came up just short of the first-down marker, and time ran out before the Pack could get off another play, sending the game to overtime.

In overtime, the Pack struck first, as Rivers found Robinson in the left corner of the end zone on a third and 7. Maryland quickly answered, however, as LaMont Jordan took an option pitch from Hill 25 yards to equalize.

"We gave them the momentum and we just couldn't get it back," said Amato. "We thought we did in the first overtime, but then they just broke back."

Maryland got the ball to begin the second overtime and, aided by a 21-yard quarterback draw by Hill, found the end zone in four plays.

State began its possession by using two Ray Robinson runs to get to the 12-yard line. On first and 10, however, Robinson was stuffed for a loss of 10 yards, putting the Pack in a precarious situation.

A 6-yard slant to Wright cut the yardage, but two consecutive passes into the end zone fell away from the hands of Wolfpack receivers to hand State its first overtime loss of the season.

"Nobody was necessarily open, but Willie was down there with a smaller corner," said Rivers about the final play of the game. "I was going to give him a chance – maybe interference or maybe he'd go up and get it – but it didn't work out."

By cruising to a 21-6 lead at halftime, few would have predicted such an abrupt crash for the Pack.

In the first quarter, Maryland jumped out to a 6-0 lead, despite the Wolfpack outgaining the Terps in total offense. The second quarter, however, belonged to the Pack.

A five-yard pass from Rivers to Koren Robinson gave the Pack a 7-6 lead, capping an eight-minute, 19-play, 94-yard drive.

After stopping Maryland, the Pack took the ball 70 yards in 10 plays to add another touchdown. A 3-yard pass to Andy Vanderveer provided the touchdown. The touchdown pass was the 20th of the season for Rivers, setting a new school record.

The Pack finished the second quarter by adding yet another touchdown by Ray Robinson to provide the 21-6 halftime lead. In the first half, Robinson ran the ball 23 times for 126 yards. He finished the day with 40 carries, a new school record, and 176 yards.

"He ran hard and he ran well," said Amato. "He's a tough hard runner.

"LaMont Jordan's an awful good runner, but a lot of his yards came with open space. Ray ran tough, broke tackles. It'll be interesting to see how many yards he gained after breaking tackles."

The loss was a difficult one for the Pack players to handle.

"It was a tough loss; we got beat," said Rivers. "We've got three left to go and we need all three of them."

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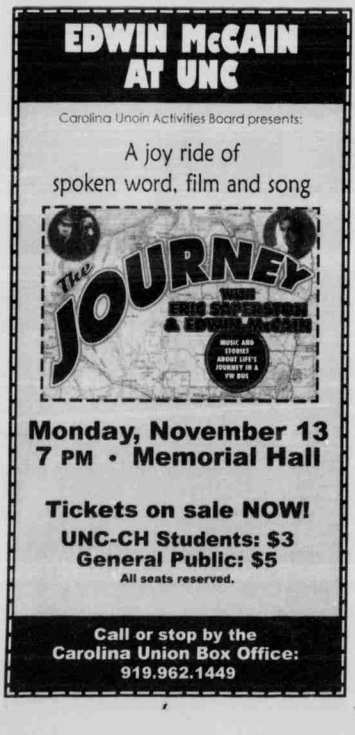

WEEK TEN

TOP 4

- Jesse Helms 94-26
- Kermit Hall 89-31
- Caulton Tudor 87-33
- Chip Alexander 87-33

BOTTOM 4

- Mike Solarte 85-35
- Marye Anne Fox 81-39
- Bates Battaglia 79-41
- Adam Gold 77-43

PIGSKIN PICKS

Games to be played for the week of ~

NOVEMBER 4

THE CONTENDERS [THEIR PROFESSION]	Jesse Helms *N. C. Senator*	Marye Anne Fox *N. C. State Chancellor*	Kermit Hall *N. C. State Provost*	Chip Alexander *N & O Reporter*	Caulton Tudor *N & O Reporter*	Bates Battaglia *Carolina Hurricanes*	Mike Solarte *850AM Personality*	Adam Gold *850AM Personality*
OVERALL SCORE	94-26	81-39	89-31	87-33	87-33	79-41	85-35	77-43
WEEK'S SCORE	9-3	4-8	7-5	7-5	4-8	7-5	6-6	5-7
Maryland 35, N.C. State 28	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State
Wake Forest 28, Duke 26	W. Forest	W. Forest	W. Forest	W. Forest	Duke	Duke	W. Forest	Duke
UNC 20, Pittsburgh 17	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	UNC
Florida State 54, Clemson 7	FSU	FSU	FSU	FSU	FSU	FSU	FSU	FSU
Miami 41, Virginia Tech 21	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami
Northwestern 54, Michigan 51	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan
Mississippi 38, Arkansas 24	Ole Miss	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas	Ole Miss	Ole Miss	Arkansas
Washington 35, Arizona 32	Washington	Arizona	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington
Syracuse 31, West Virginia 27	Syracuse	W. Virginia	W. Virginia	W. Virginia	W. Virginia	Syracuse	W. Virginia	W. Virginia
LSU 30, Alabama 28	LSU	LSU	LSU	LSU	Alabama	LSU	Alabama	Alabama
Wisconsin 41, Minnesota 20	Wisconsin	Minnesota	Wisconsin	Wisconsin	Wisconsin	Wisconsin	Wisconsin	Wisconsin
Georgetown 43, Iona 14	Georgetown	Iona	Georgetown	Georgetown	Iona	Iona	Iona	Iona

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dropped, many of them were off target and underthrown. Many times during the game, receiver Koren Robinson had his defender beat, yet Rivers' passes hung up in the air and allowed the cornerback to close the gap.

"I guess we just had some miscommunication because I wanted him to throw the ball longer, and he kept on taking something off the ball," said Robinson. "If he could have led me, or if I could have went up and got the ball, things could have been different."

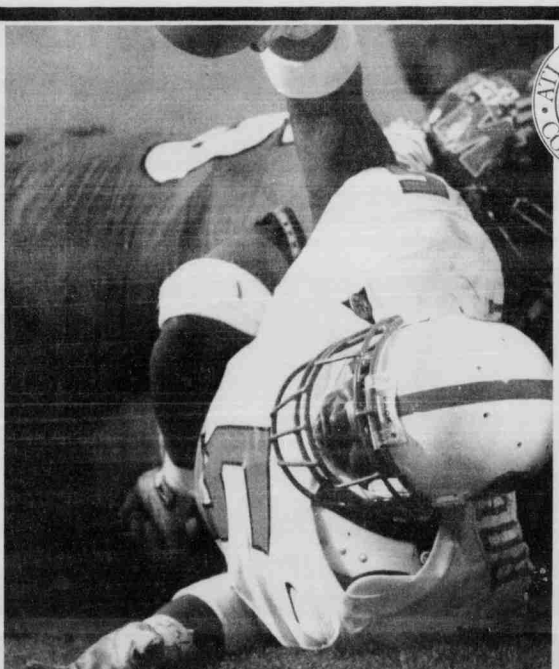
Maryland QB change

At the end of first half, Terrapin starting quarterback Calvin McCall went down with an ankle sprain. But the reserve quarterback, Shaun Hill, came in and led Maryland to victory.

Hill, who is not known as a running quarterback, surprised the Pack with his versatility. He ended up passing for 137 yards and gaining an additional 45 on the ground.

Hill was especially effective in the overtimes, running the option, which freed LaMont Jordan for his 25-yard touchdown run in the first overtime. In the second overtime, he made perhaps the play of the game with his 21-yard quarterback draw on third and seven, setting up his one-yard, game-winning touchdown.

"When a second stringer goes in there, he always wants the opportunity," said Amato. "He answered the call."



JAMES COLE/STAFF

Ray Robinson stretches for yardage while a Maryland defender brings him down.

AROUND THE ACC

Wake Forest 28, Duke 26

Well, someone had to win this one. Sophomore Tarence Williams scored the first three touchdowns of his career and rushed for 154 yards to give the Demon Deacons their first win of the season and potentially doom the Blue Devils to their second 0-11 season in five years.

North Carolina 20, Pittsburgh 17

The Tar Heels kept their bowl hopes alive and shut up Carl Torbush's detractors for at least a week with their win at Pitt. Following the game, Panther head coach Walt Harris said his team had its worst week of practice all season after nearly upsetting then-No. 2 Virginia Tech last Saturday.

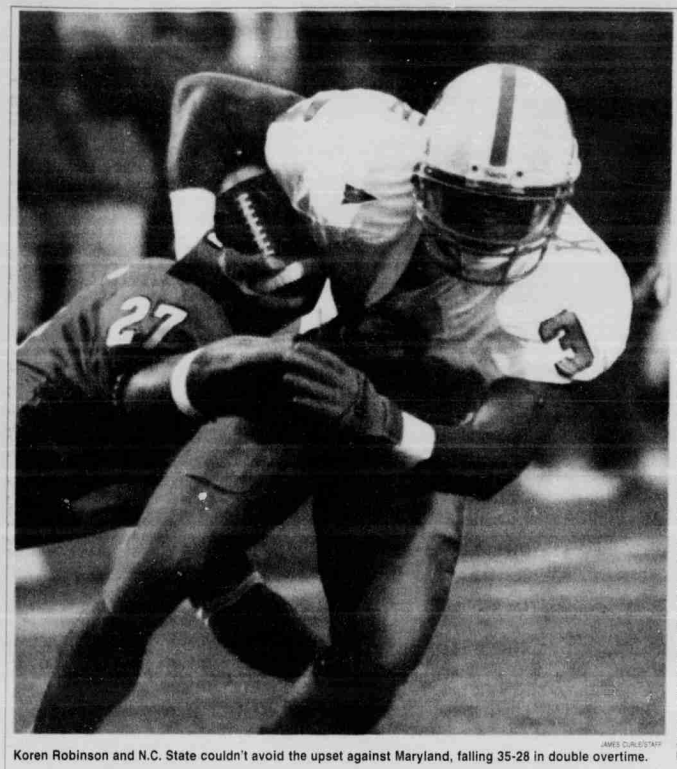
No. 3 Florida State 54, No. 17 Clemson 7

Christmas at the Bowden household may not be too much fun this year. Dad Bobby and his Seminoles clinched a share of their ninth consecutive ACC title in a laugher over son Tommy's Tigers. In the victory, quarterback Chris Weinke threw for 521 yards, his fourth game with more than 400 passing yards this year.

SCORES
Maryland 35, Football 28 (2OT)
Volleyball 3, Va. Tech 1
M. swimming 143, Rutgers 95
W. swimming 127, Rutgers 116

Monday Sports

SCHEDULE
Football vs. Duke, 11/11, 1:00
Men's soccer, ACCs 11/9
Volleyball @ Ga. Tech, 11/7
Cross country, Districts, 11/11
Swimming @ ECU, 11/10



JAMES CURLEE/STAFF

Koren Robinson and N.C. State couldn't avoid the upset against Maryland, falling 35-28 in double overtime.

TERPS GO OVERTIME TO STUN PACK

♦ N.C. State lost 35-28 in two extra periods for its first loss in three overtime games this year.

Steve Thompson
Staff Writer

COLLEGE PARK, Md. – It was a tale of two halves Saturday afternoon at Byrd Stadium, as N.C. State dominated the first only to watch Maryland dominate the second half and overtime in a shocking 35-28 loss to the Terrapins.

The loss was the second straight for the Pack (5-3, 2-3 Atlantic Coast Conference), who drop to sixth place in the ACC and remain one win away from becoming bowl eligible.

"We couldn't get anything going," said N.C. State head coach Chuck Amato. "In the second period their defense was on the field just about the whole time, just like ours was for the third and fourth periods.

"Give credit to Maryland. Their coaches had them prepared to come out there fighting."

Because they deferred possession to begin the game, Maryland (5-4, 3-3) began the half with the ball. The Terps were unable to get anything going, however, and were forced to punt.

On the Pack's ensuing possession, Ray Robinson fumbled on the State 37. Maryland's E.J. Henderson recovered the ball, giving the Terps prime field position and the momentum.

Maryland took the ball down to the 17-yard line, where it faced a third and 5. On the play, Maryland reserve quarterback Shaun Hill threw a fade to Guilian Gary. Although the pass fell incomplete, the Pack was flagged for pass interference, sustaining Maryland's drive.

On the following play, Hill threw a quick slant to fullback James Lynch for the touchdown. Following a quarterback draw by Hill on the two-point conversion, Maryland drew to within a touchdown at 21-14.

Football	
NCSU	28
MARY.	35

On State's next possession, a third-and-7 pass was dropped about 35 yards downfield by Eric Leak, and State was again forced to punt.

The tone was set for the second half.

In the third quarter, the Pack gained only one first down, while Maryland controlled possession for more than 11 minutes. An interception on the 1-yard line by Adrian Wilson was the only thing that prevented the Terps from equalizing in the third.

"I just read the quarterback and made the play," said a dejected Wilson after the game. "I guess it doesn't matter now."

The fourth quarter began in the same fashion, as Maryland forced State to punt and then used an eight-play, 58-yard drive to draw even. A 20-yard pass from Hill to Gary provided the touchdown, and the extra point by Brian Kopka leveled things at 21-21.

The Pack attempted to add a late score, yet the team's efforts proved fruitless. A fourth-and-14 pass from quarterback Philip Rivers was deflected out of the hands of Willie Wright to

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What went wrong

♦ A combination of factors led to N.C. State blowing a 15-point lead against Maryland.

Steve Thompson
Staff Writer

COLLEGE PARK, Md. --- N.C. State seemed to have the game in its grasp.

As the first half ended, the Pack headed to the locker room with a comfortable 15-point lead. The defense held Maryland to only 138 yards and nine first downs, while the offense used a diverse attack to amass 282 yards and 19 first downs.

The rest of the game did not go as well for the Pack, however. The offense stalled, and Maryland was able to chip away at the lead before emerging victorious in overtime.

What went wrong?

Costly mistakes

The complexion of the game was changed by a few key Wolfpack mistakes.

To begin the second half, the Pack defense stopped the Maryland offense and forced them to punt. On the ensuing possession, Ray Robinson fumbled, giving Maryland the ball back and the momentum. The Terrapins went on to score, and added a two-point conversion to cut the lead to seven.

"We held them to three plays and made them punt, and then we fumbled the ball," said N.C. State head coach Chuck Amato. "That turned a lot of momentum around."

On the next possession, State receiver Eric Leak dropped the ball on what would have been a 35-yard pass play. State was forced to punt and was unable to regain any momentum.

Near the end of the fourth quarter, with the score tied and the Pack driving, an offensive holding penalty took the Pack out of field-goal range. Another dropped pass by Leak on third and 14 left the Pack with a long fourth-down play, which they were unable to convert.

"We're down right now because we made too many mistakes," safety Adrian Wilson said. "We shouldn't have won the game with all the mistakes that we made."

Injuries

In the first half, State was effectively able to mix the run and pass to exploit the Maryland defense. Near the end of the half, however, offensive linemen Scott Kooistra and Chris Colmer went down.

Without the linemen, the running game was unable to gain yards early in the second half. Robinson, who ran for 126 yards on 23 carries in the first half, was held to only 11 yards on five carries in the third quarter.

The offense that had gained 13 first downs in the second quarter was ineffective in the third period, picking up only one.

"It's tough to lose anybody, period," said quarterback Philip Rivers. "We just didn't come through as of late."

Rivers' sub-par day

At first glance, Rivers' stats, although not spectacular, don't look too bad.

He threw for a modest 183 yards. His three touchdown passes gave him 21 on the season, which is a new Wolfpack single-season record.

The performance, however, was not one of his better ones. For only the third time this season, Rivers completed less than 50 percent of his passes. All three games have been Wolfpack losses.

Although a few of his passes were

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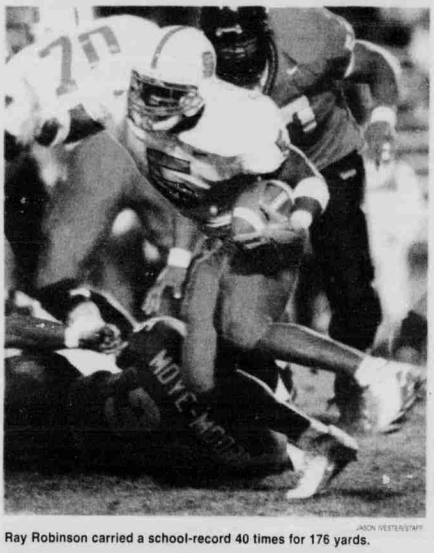

JASON VESTER/STAFF

Ray Robinson carried a school-record 40 times for 176 yards.

Volleyball buries Hokies in four

♦ N.C. State halted a five-match losing streak with a win over Virginia Tech.

Sports Staff Report

Junior outside hitter Charece Williams had 26 kills, and junior middle blocker Alison Kreager had 13 kills, 15 digs and five blocks to lead N.C. State to a four-game victory over Virginia Tech on Saturday at Reynolds Coliseum.

The Wolfpack, which improved to 8-19 with the win, won by scores of 15-12, 13-15, 15-7 and 15-9. State had lost five matches in a row, all in the Atlantic Coast Conference, heading into Saturday's match. The Hokies dropped to 12-16 with the loss.

The Pack finished the match with a .194 hitting percentage. State also got notable performances from seniors Meredith Price and Stephanie Stambaugh, who had 12 and 11 digs, respectively. The setter combination of freshman Crystal Shannon and junior Jackie Stratton contributed a total of 49 assists.

Volleyball	
NCSU	3
VT	1

Junior Holly Disser and sophomore Ana Lang, both outside hitters, led Virginia Tech with 11 kills apiece. Junior outside hitter Candice Lahm had a match-high 18 digs, and sophomore middle blocker Cheryl Stinson had 12 digs for the Hokies.

State returns to action Tuesday when the team travels to Atlanta to face Georgia Tech. The two teams first met on Sept. 23, with the Yellow Jackets prevailing 14-16, 16-14, 15-11 and 15-12.

DYLAN WILSON/STAFF

Two Pack players go for a block.

Heels win ACC title

♦ North Carolina defeated Duke 4-0 in the finals of the ACC women's soccer tournament.

Jerry Moore
Staff Writer

After stumbling through its worst regular season in recent history, the North Carolina women's soccer team flexed its muscles and dominated the Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament.

The Tar Heels (16-3, 7-3 ACC) used a balanced scoring attack to rout Duke 4-0 in Sunday's final and capture their 12th consecutive ACC Tournament Championship. A crowd of 5,273 attended the final at Koskinen Stadium on the Duke campus.

After losing regular-season conference matches to Clemson, Florida State and Wake Forest, UNC entered the ACC Tournament as the third seed. The Heels, who have won three of the last four NCAA Championships, hadn't lost as many as three games since going 21-5 in 1980.

"We knew we had to regroup," said UNC's Julia Marslender. "Our goal was to come out fast from the first whistle of the tournament."

And they did. The Heels dominated in their first two contests of the weekend, downing N.C. State 5-1 and Florida State 3-0.

Duke (13-7-1, 6-4 ACC), the No. 5 seed, advanced to the final by beating Virginia and the top seed Clemson.

Despite the loss to UNC, Blue Devil head coach Bill Hempen was happy with his team's showing in the tournament.

"I'm really proud of our kids," he said. "Not too many people gave us a chance even to get to this point."

UNC's teamwork and pressure frustrated Duke all afternoon. The Devils routinely misplayed balls in the midfield and squandered what few chances the UNC defense afforded them.

"Their team works unbelievably well together," said Duke's Kim Daws of the Heels. "They put constant

ACC women's soccer tournament
1ST ROUND
UNC 5, NCSU 1
FSU 1 (5), WAKE 1 (4)
DUKE 0 (4), UVA 0 (3)
CLEM. 2, MARY. 0
2ND ROUND
UNC 3, FSU 0
DUKE 1, CLEM. 0
CHAMPIONSHIP
UNC 4, DUKE 0

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