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A passion for the environment

◆ **Joe Pursley will graduate this spring after beginning his college career in 1988.**

Susanna Smith
Senior Staff Reporter

Running with Joe Pursley is an experience that is not about running; it is about trees.

Mile three, the legs hurt, the sides cramp. He yells something about exotic trees and the environment but the lungs seem to be convulsing; it is hard to listen.

Mile four, uphill, but it is a lesson in leaf identification.

Joe Pursley has been in and out of college, working on a Bachelor's degree since 1988. This spring he will finally graduate with a degree in ecosystem assessment, and in addition to trees and birds, from the N.C. State College of Natural Resources.

Many of us wander through college looking for focus and direction; for Pursley it was well hidden.

Joe Pursley's fascination with

nature started early. He considers his best teacher his tenth grade science teacher, Mr. Bell. "The first day he looked at us and turned around waved for us to follow him. We walked out the door," Purley remembers. "We went to the river. We turned over rocks. We looked at the shadows. We didn't discuss it, we just looked. Then we went back to class."

"With school I never applied myself," Pursley said. "I was never there for myself. I went because people told me I needed to go to do well. It was only after a bunch of dead-end jobs I actually decided I wanted to be there."

Starting out at Lower Columbia College in Longview, Washington, on a partial scholarship to play soccer, Pursley was out of a school after a year of "concentrating on partying."

Next came the University of Idaho with a tuition waiver to play soccer, a major in geology, until the team folded. After another year Pursley was back in Washington, living in self-described party house.

"That's how we paid rent, we

threw parties," Pursley explained. "We had a walk in cooler that could hold twenty-one kegs."

Pursley eventually enrolled in Washington State University, spending the next year and a half working on a major on wildland recreation. Then came the migration east, from Washington to North Carolina with two cars, two dogs, and two cats, and the woman who would become his wife, Marta Bull.

There was little planning involved, no house rented, no friends, and neither had a job waiting.

The first stop was Charlotte, where they thought they would stay because they had heard of the Charlotte Hornets.

But on arriving in Charlotte, they did not drive into the brightest part of town. When they went out house-hunting, a bottle was thrown at their car. It was the middle of heat wave, 104 degrees, and then the car tried to commit suicide by jumping out of the car.

They decided they were in the wrong place, and they did not

really like basketball anyway. They kept driving east until they hit Raleigh, staying at a Days Inn for six days until they found the house they are now living in.

For Pursley the story was the same, a string of jobs; first a cabinet company, then UPS, a concrete company, Mitch's, and the list goes on.

In 1997 Pursley enrolled in Wake Technical Community College, finishing his Associate of the Arts degree, followed by an acceptance to NCSU.

In the summer, working under a graduate student in the zoology department, Pursley hiked 800 miles in the Smokey Mountains in two and a half months. He lived on the trail, losing 20 pounds by not consuming fat. All summer he identified birds by song.

The passion is apparent. Today Pursley has 25 bird feeders in the yard.

"I'm becoming a blue birder, a member of the N.C. Bluebird Society," Pursley says with a tone of excitement few can muster when talking about birds. "I'm establishing a blue-



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fewer places to live."

In the fall of 1998, his first semester at NCSU, Pursley took a dendrology class with Richard Brahm.

"That is when my addiction to

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Reception honors GPA increases

◆ **University Housing recognized on-campus students who raised their GPA by at least a point.**

Lauren Pressley
Special to Technician

All students face the judgment standard of grade-point average. And, at times, it can be difficult to set high goals, especially after a particularly rough semester.

Monday night, University Housing praised 150 of their most improved residents in the Talley Student Center ballroom in an effort to "recognize academic achievement in residence hall students," as described in the invitation. The students who were recognized raised their semester GPAs by at least one point in the fall.

Housing staff, students with the increased GPAs and their resident advisors were invited to the reception.

This was the first of the semesterly academic achievement receptions planned by the Striving Towards Academic Improvement in Residence (STAIRS) committee, said Jennifer

Tuttle, Quad resident director and member of the committee.

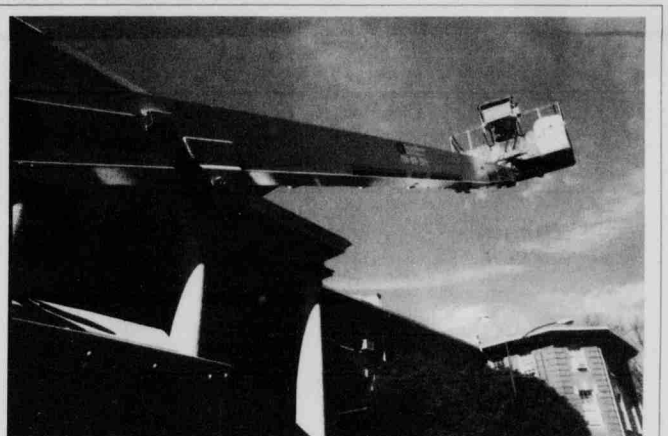
Tim Luckadoo, associate vice chancellor for student affairs and head of housing, spoke at the reception and said that the residents' academic excellence confirmed they were at the right place and pointed out that students living in residence halls often have higher GPAs.

He also reminded the students that, since they live in residence halls, they have academic support. Their support does not only come from being surrounded by people with similar goals and ambitions, but the housing staff can help as well or at least refer the student to a campus resource that could be of assistance.

Susan Grant, university housing associate director and chair of the STAIRS committee, speaking on behalf of Chancellor Marye Anne Fox, congratulated the students, saying, "You've made your university very proud."

Residential life coordinators, resident directors and student leaders spoke at the reception as well.

The keynote speaker was Tia Dovey, a residence life coordinator for West



Campus improvements are non-stop, like the recent construction on the 1911 Building.

Campus. Her message to the students was, "follow your bliss." She also emphasized that "success is error driven," and pointed out such examples as Abraham Lincoln's not making office but still running for president, Henry Ford's not succeeding in all automo-

bile endeavors and Albert Einstein's getting expelled from school.

Students who were recognized at the event had an opportunity to win a gift bag from Procter and Gamble, \$200 towards housing for fall 2001, a free semester of cable, \$100 in Board

Bucks, a free semester of ResNet, tickets to on-campus plays, a calling card, \$50 credit for on-campus laundry, a free one-year membership to the Student Wolfpack Club, an art print or \$150 to put toward text books.

Sexual assaults reported

Four sexual assaults in off-campus student areas over the weekend have led to the issuance of a safety warning for the N.C. State area.

Early Sunday morning, a suspect entered a series of apartments along Gorman Street. According to police reports, a man broke into an apartment at 1521 Graduate Lane and assaulted a 20-year-old NCSU student at 3:30 a.m. He returned to the apartment and assaulted a 21-year-old woman at 4:30 a.m.

Sunday evening, a third assault occurred at 538 Brent Road, in each of the assaults, the man entered the homes and fondled the victims while they slept.

In an Associated Press report Tuesday, Sgt. Tim Sincok of the Raleigh Police Department described the assaults.

"He was very bold in his actions. However, I want to emphasize that the attacks were not violent at all, and when the girls awoke from their sleep, he left the area," Sincok said.

Police fielded reports on the assaults at 7-17 p.m. Sunday. Investigators believe the assaults are linked.

Duo researches wireless signals

◆ **Hans Hallen and Alexandra Duel-Hallen have found new technology to help predict wireless signal fades.**

Dominique Donato
Staff Reporter

Hans Hallen and Alexandra Duel-Hallen have found a new approach to problems in wireless transmissions. They are predicting deep fades, which are quick drops and sudden rises in the signal, which characterize wireless data transmissions.

"If you look at the problem, it looks random, but it's not," said Hallen.

Which is why most people have tried to create several signals, more specialized antennas, etc. No one thought it was possible to predict these signals. That is, until now.

"We used the algorithm to find it

[deep fades]," Hallen said. "It can tell you when the signal is bad. It can also tell you when it's good... This is one possible method to make it better... always."

This kind of signal forecasting allows the user to send the data faster when the signal is good, send it slower when the signal is bad or just avoid sending it at all when the signal is awful. Hallen emphasizes that prediction is critical to such a process.

"Without prediction, this fails miserably," he said.

The big hurdle in this project seems to have been the actual realization that prediction is possible. Apparently, this original idea started with a simple, yet well-directed question. Alexandra Duel-Hallen asked her husband one day, "Why does this channel bounce around so much? What are the physics behind it?"

Hallen's answer? "Simple physics."

"Signal fading is caused by multi-path propagation and Doppler frequency shift," Hallen said.

Physics aside, the problem lies in the "tremendous growth in demand for wireless communications capacity" which "has created a need for new modulation, coding, power control and detection methods that can more efficiently use the multi-path fading channels encountered in mobile radio," Duel-Hallen and her colleagues wrote in the May 2000 "Signal Fading" magazine.

With the opportunities that this kind of technology opens to the digital market, companies are becoming excited about marketing the product. The algorithm would be a small device that would most likely be put in at the base station.

Qualcomm, Inc. had offered to take on the algorithm if the algorithm offered a factor of improvement of less than two.

The Hallens' team has created an algorithm with an even higher accu-

racy than this. But the Hallens have not patented the idea and seem uninterested in the profit it could bring them.

"He decided it just wasn't worth it," Hallen said.

Seeing others use their research is part of what drove the research in the first place for the Hallens.

"That's what science is all about," Hallen said. "If you see something you've developed [yet] used, it's pretty neat."

Duel-Hallen received her doctorate in electrical engineering from Cornell University and is currently an associate professor in the department of electrical and computer engineering at NCSU.

Hallen received his doctorate in applied physics from Cornell University and is currently an assistant professor in the physics department of NCSU.

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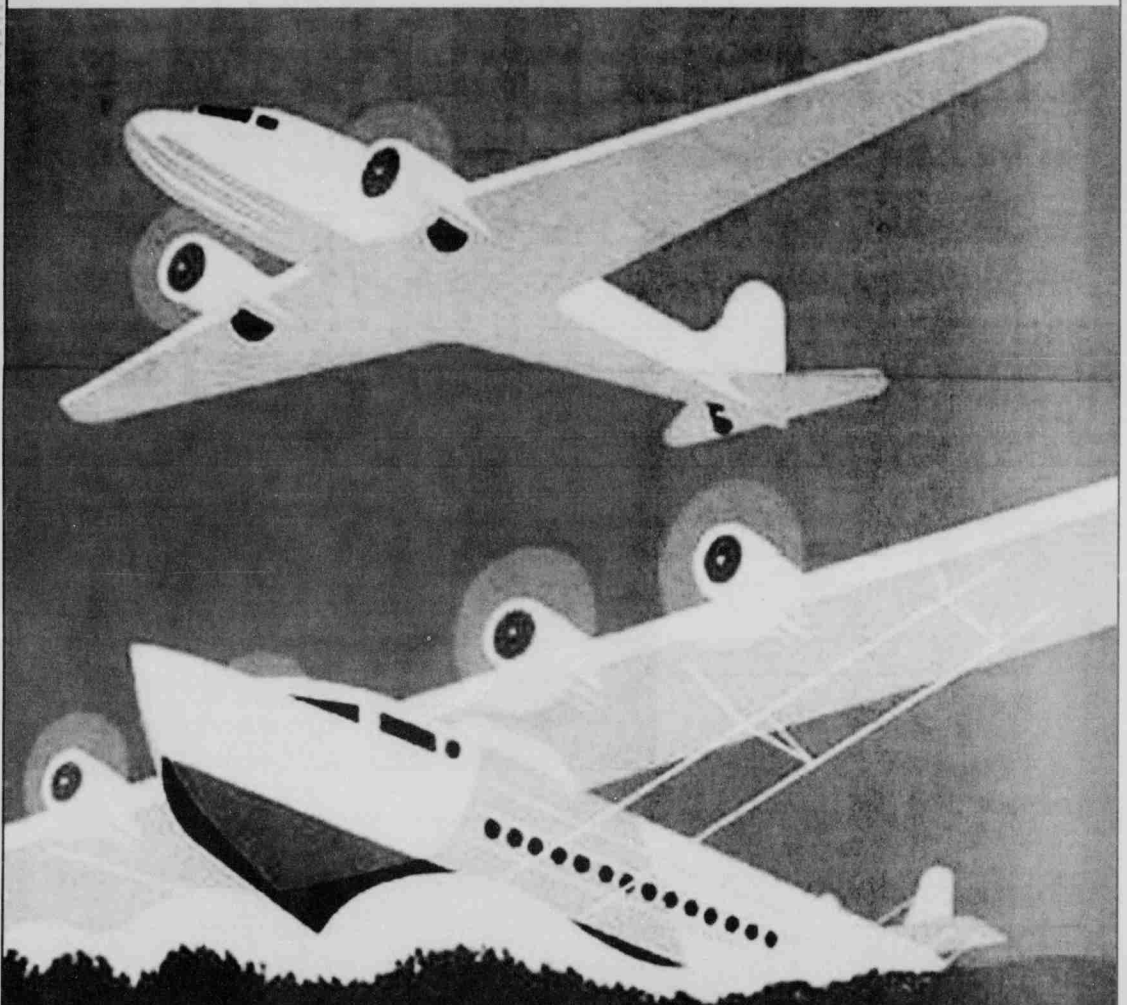
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Crime on college campus up across U.S.A.

◆ The report analyzed crime data reported by 6,300 postsecondary institutions from 1997 to 1999.

Charles Twitchell

Independent Florida Alligator (U. Florida)

(U-WIRE) GAINESVILLE, Fla. - Campus crime increased slightly over the past year, according to a report issued by the Department of Education last week. But one campus crime group says the report ignored crime that affects campuses and their surroundings.

The Department of Education report said that overall campus crime

increased 1 percent from 1999 to 1998. Murders were down from 24 to 11 in 1999. That decline was significantly greater than the overall decline in the national murder rate, which dropped 8.5 percent.

The greatest decline occurred in burglaries, which declined 5.6 percent.

About one-third of all campus crime was committed in residence halls, according to the government report.

The report analyzed crime data reported by 6,300 postsecondary institutions from 1997 to 1999.

But S. Daniel Carter, vice-president of Security On Campus Inc., said the report, though accurate in all areas, ignored data from the communities

surrounding colleges and universities. While the report collected data from crimes on off-campus property and public property adjacent to campuses, Carter said the results still do not paint a good enough picture.

"The DOE was much more narrow," he said. "Once you exit that universe, the statistics don't apply."

Carter and Security On Campus, though, hailed the report because it is the government's first comprehensive national campus crime report. The fight for such a report began after the passage of the Jeanne Clery Act, a federal law forcing colleges and universities to provide comprehensive crimes statistics to the public.

Security On Campus has been a

driving force behind the law's implementation because the group was formed by Howard and Connie Clery after their daughter, Jeanne, was murdered while attending Lehigh University.

"The Clery Act has drawn attention to problems. It is not just about reducing crime, but giving the opportunity to be informed," Carter said.

Carter said despite the law's passage in 1990, the Department of Education and several state university systems have been reluctant to comply with regulations.

Carter praised UF's compliance with the Clery Act.

"The University of Florida's report is a model for other schools," said

Carter. "The presentation is excellent."

UF produced "UF Together for a Safe Campus," a comprehensive information packet available at the University Police Web site.

UF submitted data to the Department of Education that showed a steady decline in crime for the past three years.

The only significant statistic increase for UF has been a near doubling of arrests for liquor law violations.

"Sometimes the numbers are up, and sometimes they're down," said UPD spokesman Joe Sharkey. "We've always had a proactive stance against alcohol."

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plants started," Pursley says.

Pursley then started working as a field technical under the United States Forestry Service in the Southern Global Change Program. He identifies and counts trees, take soil and foliage samples to assess a forest's productivity.

"A lot of people have to take biology as a general university requirement but should they go a little farther and get that hands-on experience," Pursley suggests. "That is what changed it for me, to see it, touch it, feel it, learning the natural history of the trees and how the wildlife is all tied together. It is a background of biology and ecology, but the Earth needs to be seen as a whole living thing not individual species."

Not only is Pursley in love with trees, he likes to try to convert others into sharing his passion or at the very least respecting it.

"I think dendrology should be required for the every student on the N.C. State campus," insisted Pursley. "Once you know something, once you can give something a name you have a harder time destroying it or disregarding it."

Pursley's wife, Marta Bull, considers graduating his greatest accomplishment, "because it took him a very long time. He's doing something he really loves which says something about taking your time," Bull says. "It is better to take your time and do something you love."

After graduation Pursley hopes to "work for a non-profit organization or a government agency that is directed towards conservation because there are too many advocates in industry and not enough advocates for the environment."

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A banner decision GEORGIA'S NEW STATE FLAG IS A GOOD MOVE, BUT WAS IT MADE FOR THE RIGHT REASON?

The Georgia House of Representatives decided on a flag redesign that reduces Confederate presence in a close vote Wednesday. The bill will go to the state Senate, where a decision is likely early next week.

The vote, which won 94-82, came in reaction to Democratic Gov. Roy Barnes' public stance against the Confederate presence on the current flag. Barnes warned state legislators to change the flag "before it reverses four decades of economic growth and progress."

The NAACP is looming a possible boycott over Georgia because of the current flag's design and the NCAA, by request of Martin Luther King III, is also threatening to relocate the 2002 and 2007 Men's Final Four, the 2003 Women's Final Four and other sports events scheduled to take place in Atlanta.

The current design, which prominently features the Confederate flag, was adopted in 1956 in a political move seen as a reaction to federally mandated school racial integration.

The proposed new design features a gold Georgia state seal on a blue field. The words "Georgia's history" and five small replicas of flags that have flown over Georgia, including the Stars and Bars, would run along a banner at the bottom of the flag. The national motto,

"In God We Trust," was also added.

Georgia reacted with a pressing awareness of economic and cultural pressure put on its neighbor South Carolina, whose flag controversy received national attention and a NAACP boycott of tourism. Residents of Mississippi, the only other state to feature the Confederate banner, will vote this April on a flag referendum.

Although Georgia's flag bill was backed by the Governor and other fellow Democrats, it only passed thanks to the votes of 18 Republicans, most of whom are from the Atlanta area.

With those facts, it's hard to wholeheartedly praise the Georgia House for passing the bill. Especially in the context of Barnes' explicit call to protect economic interests, the House seemed to vote with their wallets, not their consciences (yes, we're assuming these politicians have consciences).

In doing so, Georgia may be worsening racial relations in its state by approving the deep-rooted, complex problem with a quick, cosmetic solution. Such motivations serve only to add insult to injury, paralyzing blacks with the "out of sight, out of mind" illusion that diminishing the space taken up by the Confederate flag on the state flag will reduce the racist mentalities tied to the image itself.



Are you a square?



Kelly Marks

STAFF COLUMNIST
I know I am one; I feel it every day. What's a lot harder to believe, however, is the following: I am a woman. Fact of the matter is, I'm not sure I am. Though I'm getting older, I still think of myself as a girl. I still think of my friends as girls (excluding of course, the boys—okay, maybe some of them, too). And as I walk around campus, I still consider most of the people I encounter girls as well (slight tangent here: for the guys who are asking "Where? Where?" try taking more classes in CHASS).

I know the words "girl" and "woman" are both synonyms for the same basic idea: they are both female — but they are not interchangeable. It's a little like geometry, where a square can be a rectangle but a rectangle can't be a square. Right now, I'm not yet a square. More needs to happen; I need to pull myself together, to take in all of my sides and make them equal.

I know how to be a girl. A woman is something else entirely. I can't exactly put my finger on the difference, but I know there is one. They seem taller or something and they have jobs — real ones — or kids or both. They buy outfits, clothes that will last and coordinate, clothes that look a lot more professional than jeans and a hooded sweatshirt. They have grace and wisdom and strength and not nearly as much of the spasticity that comes with youth.

So when do I finally feel like one? What makes that word fit better? Health books and films prophesized that middle school would bring with

it a chain of events, ushering us girls into the secret world of womanhood. But, when it was all said and done, middle school just made me feel younger a lot of the time. And the rites of passage that were once whispered about with curiosity are now just daily annoyances. Nothing really changed except that we had to start carrying pocketbooks on certain days and some boys suddenly had trouble making eye contact in conversation.

So what's the prerog? When does this so-called "change" really take place? Do I wake up one morning and go, "Wow! I feel like a woman now?" I used to think there was a default age. Twenty seemed old enough. When I was in middle school all the 20-year-olds I knew seemed like women. Now some of the 20-year-olds I know make me feel old. Okay...so maybe the real age is 30...Something tells me that it doesn't work like that.

I don't think adulthood can be measured by age even though our society tends to use that as its cutoff line for regulating behaviors. Age is arbitrary. And it's relative. It seems like adulthood should be based on something more substantial than a number and a random day of the year. So does it lie instead in some quality we suddenly possess? Or does it come when we finally grow out of all those things people kept saying we'd grow out of? I'm not sure I want to stop liking the batter off of spoons.

Does being a real grownup woman mean that instead of thinking, "Mmm... chocolate," I start saying, "Hey, that's got raw egg in it; spit that out, you're gonna be sick?" Does it have to do with how other people perceive us? People have started calling me ma'am. That has to mean something, right? And yet, it doesn't make me feel any different. It's as awkward a label as "woman"; it's just too old, too formal, too grandiose for what I am so far.

So what's the final marker? What change occurs that makes all of these wrong words feel right?

I think adulthood is measured by responsibility. Now, I take on all

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sorts of responsibilities, but I don't think they count. It's the responsibilities that you can't help, the ones that you don't necessarily volunteer for. And they go beyond the mundane ones like paying bills and buying your own food and washing your own stuff. It's when people start to depend on you and you have responsibilities to someone other than yourself.

Adulthood comes when someone else looks up to you. This could be your kids, your coworkers, your siblings, or maybe even your elders. You are an equal with other adults. It's almost as if being a woman (or man, for that matter) is not really something you achieve on your own — it's more like a title that others present you with. It's a position you didn't ever apply for.

It comes when you finally seem to have more answers than questions, when you've learned enough that you have something to teach as well. It's the sum of what you can tack under your belt — your experiences. It's in all the baggages you lug around with you, weighing down your arms but making you stronger for it.

It's not something you can do all at once; you can't squint your eyes together hard, think "grow, grow, grow" and expect results. You don't blossom into womanhood like a Chia Pet grows hair. It's a far more subtle process. Womanhood is more like a rain forest (no, not hot and wet) with all of its intricacies and interchanges, taking everything into consideration and taking, more importantly, time.

When you look at it that way, I'm not sure I'm in such a rush to be one anyway. It seems like a well-respectable thing to be, but I'm still young and green and learning. Besides I like time, and I think I'm going to take mine.

This make a lick of sense? Spit it out, it's got raw egg in it. Or just email Kelly at kmmarks@unity.ncsu.edu.

C A M P U S F O R U M

Men 'must accept consequences'

I am writing in response to Richard Morgan's Jan. 24 column, "A man's right to choose." I take great exception to his statement "pregnant women can force men into fatherhood." A woman doesn't force a man to put his penis into her vagina and ejaculate.

It may seem unfair to some men, but they must accept the consequences of the simple biological fact that women, not men, gestate. Once a child is conceived, the father, not anyone else, cannot dictate whether the pregnant woman aborts or carries to term because to do so would be to tell her what she is to do with her own body. The moral right to control what is done to and with one's own body surely supersedes the right to choose to be a parent or not. But men still have a choice. A man can always choose whether he wants to be a father or not

at the time of copulation. It's simple: if you don't want a baby, make sure you are having sex with a responsible woman who also does not want a baby and take appropriate precautions, and if you do want a baby should one be conceived, make sure you are having sex with a woman who won't abort it.

Angela Jones
Senior
Electrical Engineering

Real fans support their team

Editor's note: In the spirit of Sunday's game against Carolina, the word limit has been waived.

Like Lucas Miller, whose article entitled "Patience 'gone' with Senek" appeared in *Technician* on Jan. 24, I have been a fan of N.C. State athletes

all 19 years of my life. Even though I was not even two years old when NCSU last won a national basketball championship, I still take pride in that achievement. Believe it or not, I remember my aunt, who was a sophomore at NCSU at the time, showing her little nephew (me) with tons of NCSU championship apparel: a tiny little shirt, which is framed and on my bedroom wall at home.

Unlike Miller, I still have patience. I have lived in North Carolina all my life. People who have lived here all their lives know that most North Carolinians are not Wolfpack fans. I will let you guess where most of their "loyalty" lies. Because I have lived in North Carolina all my life I have had to endure ridicule from the endless stream of "Carolina fans" that for some reason unknown to me I chose to call my friends in grade school through high school. All those lifelong NCSU fans

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On naked men and personal space



John Sisco

STAFF COLUMNIST

On Wednesday thousands of naked Hindu monks stood on the banks of the holy Ganges, prepared to submerge themselves in the icy waters. This huge group bathing ritual was part of a celebration called the Purna Kumbh Mela (The Celebration of the Full Pitcher). These men, some brandishing tridents and swords, all stood together on the beaches awaiting their turn to plunge into the depths. Besides these monks, millions of other people also crowded together, further back from the water, to be a part of this most holy ceremony. "My soul is absolutely cleansed," one man joyfully stated as he walked along one of the bridges over the water. This man could not have been more happy at this time in his life than he was standing there, dripping wet, freezing cold, with millions of other people crowded next to him.

While I cannot begin to relate to the feeling expressed by the constituents of this festivity, that these immense groups of people were so comfortable and content crammed into this undersized area was what impressed me the most. The revelers could not have been less concerned with the proximity of others to them. "Personal space" was not even an issue there. Allow me to reiterate that there were thousands of naked (naked!) armed monks on the beach together waiting to hop into the waters. Many students here at N.C. State get tisty if they're forced to ride a bus that is full to capacity with their (fully dressed) peers. As travelers enter the bus and vacate their seats, other riders may even opt to stand and be thrashed about by the sudden starts and stops of the bus rather than sit down between two strangers.

If you've ever been in an elevator as it fills with passengers, you'll notice that as each one boards, they

push the button of their destination, then speedily retreat to the unoccupied corner furthest from any other rider in the car. Also making every effort to avoid human contact, people carrying unbelievable quantities of stuff will make miraculous shifts of their cargo to one hand, to allow them to push the button themselves instead of asking another, unburdened passenger to kindly press it for them.

Where did the notion arise that brushing against, asking a favor of, or generally acknowledging the existence of another human outside of a leisure setting is socially taboo? In everyday situations we must indirectly deal with all kinds of people that we don't know. These situations could be greatly eased by simple communication. For instance, if someone in front of you is walking too slowly, instead of squeezing into the front gap between them and incoming traffic, you could politely say, "excuse me," thus saving yourself the trouble of having to avoid speeding automobiles. This also works inversely. If you've just entered a building, and see someone behind you teetering toward the same door, with their arms full of parcels, take the initiative and hold that door open for them. While it might be amusing to watch them struggle to get the door open while still keeping their belongings off the ground, you would certainly appreciate their help if you were in the same situation.

As unpleasant for some as it may be, people are everywhere. No matter where we go or what we do, contact with strangers happens. This can be made much more pleasant by simply not going out of your way to avoid any kind of interaction. Understand that these strangers must deal with the same circumstances day to day as you probably do, and allow them the courtesies that you would like them to allow you.

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Ho hum open source



Robert Jalil
STAFF COLUMNIST

Anyone who follows technology news is undoubtedly familiar with the "open source movement," but for the uninitiated, the open source movement can be described as a fad where software developers distribute the source code to their products for free so others can alter it and redistribute it more or less as they choose. However, it is misleading to describe the movement as a "fad," because it implies that the open source movement is transient. "Fad," though, is an apt descriptor for the mainstream media's handling of the phenomenon when one realizes that the open source movement has and will have little to do with the everyday experiences of ordinary computer users. Indeed, it is hard to view the open source movement's effect on the computing industry as anything more than inconsequential.

To understand open source's impotence, one has to understand the players involved in software development: developers and users. Linux, which lies inextricably at the heart of the open-source movement, provides a good example of how the open source movement requires someone to become a hybrid of user and developer. To fully exploit Linux and other open-source software the user has to have intimate knowledge of the inner workings of the operating system and sometimes has to be willing to handle and change source code. In addition to the extremely high learning curve, open source software often lags feature-wise behind their commercial counterparts. The average Linux

user and, by association, the open-source user trade functionality for "freedom" (free software, freedom to control a software product). This open-source mentality is not that of any right-thinking consumerist.

The average user's approach to software almost completely opposes the open-source approach. All regular users want is the ability to use their instant Messenger, web browser, email, Microsoft Office and perhaps a few games. Average users don't care how they get something done, just as long as it can be done quickly and easily. The "out of sight, out of mind" cliché applies here. The bottom line for average users is not the intangible concept of freedom, but the tangible concept of functionality: two is more than one, bigger is better.

But the question still remains: what is/will be the influence of the open source movement? Open-source hype purports (because what else would it do) that the movement will gain a greater influence in the mainstream computer markets. For the open source movement to appeal to the mass market, though, it has to change in several ways. Open-source software has to come pre-compiled and easy-to-use. However, to the hybrid Linux developer-user, "easy-to-use" means unnecessary features. Developing mass-market software means creating features that the hybrid developer-user doesn't want. Thus, mass-market open-source software requires some amount of altruism on the part of developer-users, not the most steadfast human quality. Mass-market users also need support. Sooner or later, large amounts of cash are needed to maintain an effective support program. If open-source groups did what was necessary to distribute software to a mass-market, they would have to charge money to cover support costs and write "superfluous" ease-of-use features

into their software: they would not be much different from commercial companies. Consequently, open-source attempts to reach the mass-market are ultimately self-defeating.

Of course, it is possible for average users to become developer-user hybrids themselves, but the presence of relatively cheap, functional, and superior proprietary software gives average users no incentive to move to open-source software, where it is very unclear if the grass is greener.

There are still a few backdoors, though, through which open-source can reach home users. If there were a revolutionary development in computing lead by the open-source movement, one compelling enough to change the way average users behaved, open-source would become widespread. Though improbable, anyone who has lived through the evolution of the PC industry cannot rule this revolution out (adding to the improbability, however, is the fact there is no indication an open-source group are attempting something so spectacular). Something more likely to bring average users in contact with open-source is a blurring of lines between commercial arenas and open-source ones. For example, there is a trend toward web-based services and applications, an area where open source programs rule. Thus, indirectly and by their own ignorance, ordinary users may use open-source software.

In the end, though, materialism remains the bane of the open-source movement; most people are willing to trade money for an easy-to-use product rather than time and effort for a fundamental understanding of how their computer works. As long as most people are materialistic, open-source software will remain in hidden corners of the computer industry.

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the second half of the Maryland game was non-existent, things that the coaching staff should have handled.

However, I also have questions for all those lifelong NCSU fans out there. Why are there empty seats in the student section? Why is it that part of the Wolfpack club and the band are the only ones that seem to give a damn during the game when it counts the most, meaning when we are down by a few points. Some of you may say the answer is simple: because we are losing, but before you answer that way let me remind you that attitude is the type of attitude that the entire college basketball world, including the Wolfpack "faithful," so proudly berates Carolina "bandwagon" fans for!

In short, Wolfpack, listen to the Athletics Director and have a little patience. We have been through much worse; granted, we fired Les, but I think Herb's future is a little brighter and Herb is certainly a better coach than Les. Some of you may try to argue that, but if you look at the two objectively you cannot doubt that Herb is the better coach. Herb's tournament record is pretty decent, and this is the best team he has ever had in a tournament, so who knows what the ACC tourney will bring. As fans, however, we need to suck it up and come out to every game determined to win and yell our

hearts out, even bounce a little like the "Crazies," whatever it takes. Simply put, real fans support their team.

Marlo Perkins
Sophomore
Undecided

Consider Ashcroft's context

I have a few remarks in response to Richard Morgan's Jan. 24 column entitled, "Hail to the Thief."

Morgan's indictment of John Ashcroft is baseless. He holds Ashcroft responsible for the opinions of Southern Partisan, a magazine that once interviewed him. True, Ashcroft did call Confederate soldiers "patriots," and true, he does beg for misinterpretation by saying the magazine "helps set the record straight." But the misinterpretation stems from historical misunderstandings that are commonly held in the United States.

What are these misunderstandings? One of them is that the Civil War was fought over slavery. This fact is understandable, given that slavery was a central issue in the Civil War; but Lincoln himself said his objective in the war was to preserve the Union, not to defend or oppose slavery. The Civil War was fought over states' rights;

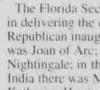
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Tom Stafford



The vice chancellor of student affairs didn't make it to the top of the 19,349-foot Mt. Kilimanjaro in Africa, making it to the snow-covered, above-the-clouds altitude of 16,000 feet before suffering violent intestinal illness. Montezuma's Revenge in Africa: proof that the continents were once connected.

Katherine Harris



The Florida Secretary of State who played a pivotal role in delivering the election to George W. was introduced at a Republican inauguration ball with the intro: "In France it was Joan of Arc; in the Crimea it was Florence Nightingale; in the deep south there was Rosa Parks; in India there was Mother Teresa and in Florida there was Katherine Harris." Yes, that's right; now I remember all that mascara Mother Teresa used to wear.

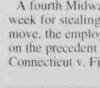


Italy



Italy's National Health Institute told Reuters its possible AIDS vaccine was ready for human testing. Although the vaccine was in fact first created in China, Italians improved it by adding zesty tomatoes and a rich five-cheese cream sauce.

Midway Airlines



A fourth Midway RDU airport employee was arrested this week for stealing from passengers' luggage. In a bold move, the employees are suing Midway for their jobs based on the precedent 1983 landmark case of State of Connecticut v. Finders, Keepers, Losers, Weepers.

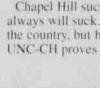


El Red (The Internet)



North Carolina's new Hispanic Family Center now offers free Internet access to the Latino community. Viva la Revolución de punto-com! Como se dice "eBay" en español?

UNC-Chapel Hill



Chapel Hill sucks, they've always sucked, and they always will suck. Yes, it's the oldest public university in the country, but have you seen the students that populate it? UNC-CH proves the old saying: "age before beauty."

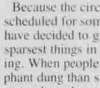


Hesam Khalili



The 20-year-old Iranian man married Fatemeh Jamshid Khakhi, a 77-year-old virgin in the village of Gonabad in Khorasan bordering Afghanistan. If you're having trouble imagining this relationship, just picture 'N Sync's Justin Timberlake going for "The Golden Girls" Bea Arthur; that should clear things up.

Barnum & Bailey



Because the circus is running at the ESA during the time scheduled for some N.C. State games, the Arena authorities have decided to give "the greatest show on Earth" the sparest things in Raleigh—namely, NCSU's student parking. When people would rather use space for storing elephant dung than students, the only joke is that the ESA cares about the university at all.

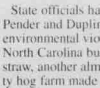


Philanthropy



Texas philanthropists Anne and Robert Bass have given an additional \$10 million to Duke University to enhance undergraduate education. In response, Duke has changed the names of some of its majors. Fishometry is now called Bass Fishing Studies and the Music Department's Big Fat Violinophone majors are now Bass Cello majors.

Hog Farms



State officials have fined the owner of three hog farms in Pender and Duplin counties more than 43,000 dollars for environmental violations. The farms failed to meet strict North Carolina building codes; one was made entirely of straw, another almost completely of wood. A Harnett county hog farm made of brick was left untouched by federal officials.



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know exactly what I am referring to; they are more commonly referred to as "The Les Years," the years when NCSU basketball hit absolute rock bottom and people around the country forgot that NCSU and UNC were two different schools; in other words, NCSU basketball didn't exist!

Those years were terribly painful and they really hurt our program.

However, the last five years have been a little more bearable. Granted, we still have not reached the plateau that a school with a basketball history as rich as ours aspires to, but it is coming and, quite frankly, there is no doubt in my mind that Coach Sendek is the one to get us there. Sure, an NCAA birth managed to slip through our fingers last year and it appears that we are currently experiencing the butterfly syndrome again. But I cannot see how it possibly helps anyone involved in this program to declare dissatisfaction and outright mutiny on the coaching staff before the conference season is even halfway over. Sure, I have questions regarding some of the coaching, such as why Virginia was able to create so many turnovers with their baseline press whenever we inbounded the ball, or why the energy in

southern states claimed the right to overrule the federal government on the issue of slavery, the federal government and the northern states disagreed, and a war was fought to settle the issue.

Ashcroft is not a racist. Viet D. Dinh, a law professor at Georgetown and former Vietnamese refugee, praised Ashcroft in a recent *Washington Post* op-ed piece for his compassion toward Vietnamese "boat people" — refugees from Vietnam that set sail in overcrowded boats for any country that would take them. According to Dinh, with refugees being kicked out of refugee camps in Hong Kong and being forced to repatriate — having been turned away outright from such countries as Malaysia and Thailand — Ashcroft supported legislation to stop forced repatriation until the refugees' claims of asylum could be heard by the United States.

That legislation was ultimately vetoed

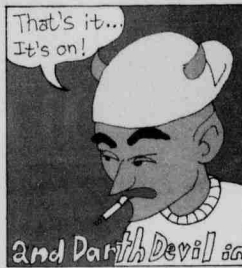
by President Clinton but Congress, under Ashcroft's leadership, didn't stop there. Congressional pressure led the State Department to establish a program that would expedite the review of these asylum claims. According to Dinh, the program allowed for the review of the claims of 20,000 refugees, 90 percent of whom were ultimately granted asylum and settled in the United States.

My point is that words and actions have contexts; and, without knowing the context of a particular statement or action, we postulate one. My challenge to Morgan and others is to consider all feasible contexts and choose the one that is most reasonable — not just the one that is easiest, or most immediate, or most damning.

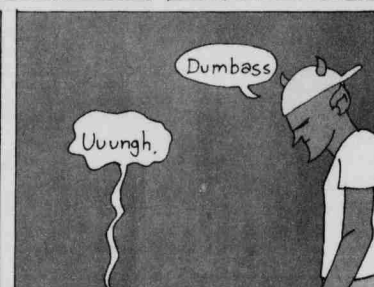
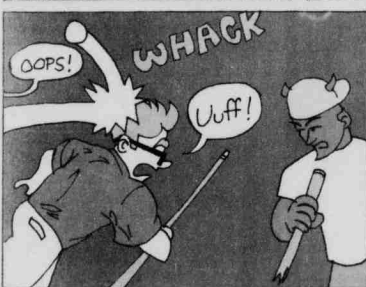
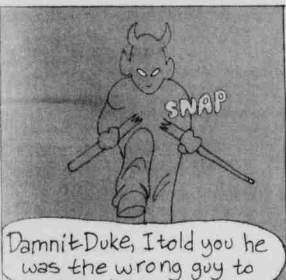
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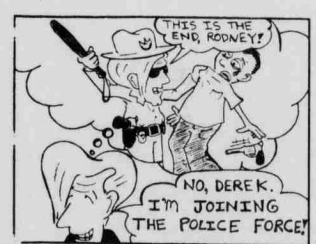
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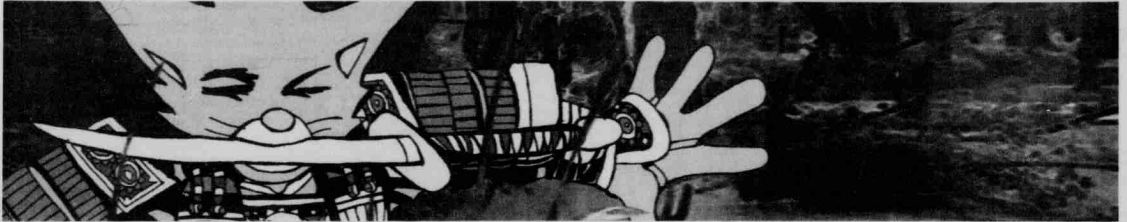
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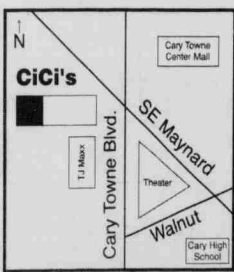
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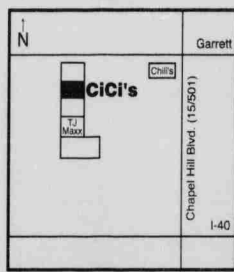
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SWIM

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defeating Miami, South Carolina and Virginia Tech.

One of the main swimmers for the Tigers is junior Caroline Peterson, a short-distance freestyle specialist who earlier in the season was named ACC Swimmer of the Week.

The meet will likely hinge on which team is able to pick up first-place points in the 200-yard backstroke, 100-yard breaststroke and 200-yard individual medley.

In all three of those races, the Wolfpack (16-3, 0-31) has a swimmer capable of winning, however the Tigers' depth gives them a number of swimmers in each race that will force the Pack to perform at peak levels.

In the 200 backstroke, sophomore Annamaria Galza has the fourth-best time in the ACC this year (2 minutes, 4.05 seconds), however Clemson has four swimmers in the top 10.

The Tigers also have four swimmers in the top 10 of the other two races, while the Pack must rely on Natalie Jones in

the 100 breaststroke and Mary Mittendorf in the 200 IM.

The Wolfpack drivers will look to continue their recent success. On the 1-meter boards, the Wolfpack women have the top three drivers in the ACC, with Erin Bailey leading the way. Freshman Pat Roberts has also excelled on the 1-meter boards on the men's side, as he also has the top score of the season in the ACC.

Overall for the Wolfpackmen, the road to victory will be even more challenging than the women's, as the team continues to swim with a depleted roster.

"We are pretty thin this year," said Teal earlier in the season. "We just have to go out and swim with the personnel we have."

The Pack will continue to look to seniors and defending ACC champions Greg Solt and Braaten Holloway for leadership. Solt specializes in short-distance freestyle events while Holloway is primarily a backstroke swimmer.

Another swimmer bringing a strong season for State is junior Tim Haley, who swims butterfly events.

The meet will begin at 1 p.m. in the McHugh Natatorium on the campus of Clemson.

WolfpackNotes

Sykes inducted into Golf Coaches Hall of Fame

N.C. State men's golf coach Richard Sykes was inducted into the Golf Coaches Hall of Fame in Orlando, Fla., on Thursday.

Sykes, along with Doug Gordin of Florida Southern and Wally Goodwin of Stanford, were formally inducted at the awards banquet of the Golf Coaches Association of America convention. The trio was chosen by a vote of their peers who serve on the GCAA national selection committee.

Sykes is in his 30th season as the head coach at State, establishing the Pack as one of the top men's golf programs in the nation. Sykes, a four-time ACC Coach of the Year recipient, has guided the Wolfpack to 25 NCAA Tournament appearances and coached 24 All-Americans during his tenure. His teams have twice finished in the top 10 of the NCAA Championships.

The Wolfpack will tee up its spring season on Feb. 19 at the Mercedes-Benz Collegiate Championships.

Swimming and diving meet time with UNC changed

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er, off of fearless turnovers by State.

With the standout play of Deedee Warley, who lead all players with 17 points, Maryland would enjoy a run of its own.

"Twenty-one turnovers tonight," said head coach Kay Yow. "I feel that is the difference in the game. The offensive rebounded twice as many for us.



Carlae Moody had 14 points for N.C. State. Moody has had a strong season replacing Kaayla Chontes.

UNC

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scoring just over seven points a game, but bringing in about eight rebounds, as well.

The Tar Heels, who are playing some of their best basketball of the season, are coming off of an 88-81 home win over No. 13 Virginia Wednesday night.

"Carolina is a good team," Crawford said. "Everybody looks forward to playing Carolina; everyone gets up for it."

Sophomore guard Joseph Forte, who scored an impressive 33 points in the game, led UNC to another victory. The Tar Heels led by 15 at halftime, but once the second half began it was a different story.

Virginia went on a 16-4 run to close the lead down to three, but on the back of Forte, UNC went on a 9-0 run and would overtake the lead. The win was the 12th in a row for the Tar Heels, who are perfect in conference play.

Nevertheless, the fans and players know how big this game is between the two schools, and if it turns out to be anything like those games in the past, then it surely will be one to remember.

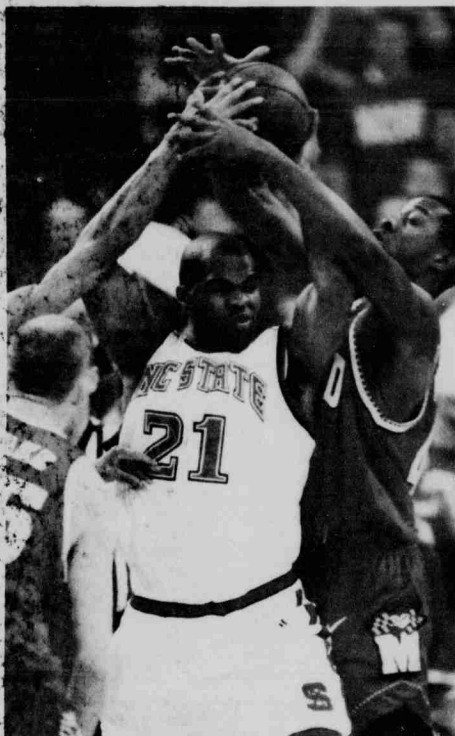
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points after halftime. In the Wolfpack, while Arrington scored 14 for the Seminoles, Arrington led Florida State with 22 points, including hitting a three-point shot with eight seconds left in regulation to send the game into overtime.

State shot 50 percent from the floor for the game and hit 26 of 35 free throws. Inge led the Pack at the charity stripe, hitting 14 of 17 from the line.

FSU (4-14, 0-6 ACC) has lost five games in a row and will play at Georgia Tech on Saturday. State won for the second time in six games and will host North Carolina on Sunday.



Kenny Inge scored a game-high 26 points in N.C. State's win over FSU.



AROUND THE ACC

Standings:

Team	ACC Record	Overall
Duke	6-0	18-1
North Carolina	6-0	16-2
Maryland	5-1	14-4
Wake Forest	3-4	14-4
Georgia Tech	3-4	11-7
Virginia	2-4	13-4
N.C. State	2-4	10-7
Clemson	1-5	10-9
Florida State	0-6	5-14

Saturday's Games

Florida State at Georgia Tech, 12:00 p.m., RSN

FSU has shown signs of improvement over its last two games, pushing North Carolina in the second half and forcing overtime against N.C. State. The Seminoles might have a good shot at an upset against a Tech team that barely beat Clemson 111-108.

No. 9 Wake Forest at Cincinnati, 1:00 p.m., ABC

Wake steps out of conference to take on Bob Huggins' Bearcats. Cincinnati already has a win over an ACC team this season, after beating Clemson 88-80 on Dec. 20.

No. 13 Virginia at Clemson, 4:00 p.m., RJ

UVa heads plays Clemson down in Death Valley, which has become a difficult place to play for late. The Tigers own a home win over N.C. State and scored more than 90 points against Maryland and Georgia Tech.

No. 2 Duke at No. 8 Maryland, 8:00 p.m., ESPN

Duke plays the second of three consecutive games against Top 10 teams in Cole Field House. The Blue Devils dispatched Wake Forest with relative ease Wednesday by a final of 85-62. The Terps are the only ACC team that has beaten Duke in the last three seasons.

done just yet.

After Moody fouled out with 18.3 seconds left, State had to look to someone else to win the game. Daphne Hutcherson found the ball in her hands and drew the foul on the Terps. She missed her first free-throw attempt and purposely missed the second in hopes that the Pack could get the rebound in the paint.

Talisha Connors was then fouled but only connected on one of her foul shots. The ball was knocked off into the air after State's second shot rammed out and the final seconds ticked off the clock, sealing the win for the Terps.

"It was a very disappointing loss," said Yow. "If we get one win straightened out, it seems like we will in another one. Tonight we shot a better percentage than usual. We went up by 12 in the second half, and then we have a span of perhaps a lack of focus and just allowed three easy baskets to get back just like that."

The game started out as a blowout by both teams.

State scored first to take an early lead, but it was Maryland that would battle back to "take" control. Creating turnovers, as well as converting off of them, allowed the Terps to go on a 10-0 run.

Maryland would hold the lead at 13-6 for some time until Lewis hit a jumper to break the Pack's cold spell.

Then the pesky defensive performance of Hutcherson helped bring State back. Hutcherson managed to strip the ball away from a Terran player and found Ivy Gardner under the basket. Gardner made the easy basket but was fouled in the process. She would connect on the free-throw attempt to convert the three-point play for the Pack. On the next play, Hutcherson stole the ball again, but instead of giving it up this time she pulled up and made a jump shot of her own, tying the game at 13 apiece.

The Pack would go on an 11-2 run, led by Moody, whose 16 first-half points led both teams. With Moody's presence on offense and tough defensive play by the whole team (Maryland was called for two shot-clock violations in the game), State went into the locker room leading 25-21.

"We just can't quite put the final game together," said Yow. "We have to do all of them at one time, especially against great competition. That's what we just have to keep working on."

SCORES

Men's basketball 84, FSU 81
Maryland 57. Women's basketball 56



Friday
Sports



SCHEDULE

M. basketball vs. UNC, 1/28, 1:00
W. basketball vs. FSU, 1/29, 7:30
Wrestling @ UVA, JMU, 1/27
Gymnastics vs. Florida, 1/27, 7:00
Swimming @ Clemson, 1/27

North Carolina vs. N.C. State

In need of an upset

◆ N.C. State looks for a win against the rival Tar Heels.

Justin Sellers
Staff Writer

With the Atlantic Coast Conference season not being as good as it hoped for, the N.C. State men's basketball team will look to get on the right track with a win over fifth-ranked North Carolina at the Entertainment and Sports Arena on Sunday.

A victory over the hated Tar Heels would go a long way toward putting some smiles on the faces of Wolfpack coaches, players and fans.

That's what can happen if a team beats its archrival. "I hate them now," said State's Scooter Sherrill, a UNC fan growing up, who

will experience the rivalry for the first time. "I can't stand them."

"It's going to be fun. I'm going to have jitters before the game. I'm sure once I get out there and calm down, hopefully, I'll have a good game. I can't wait."

UNC has won five in a row against State and four consecutively in Raleigh. Last season, the Tar Heels won 83-75 at Chapel Hill and 70-62 in the ESA.

The recent success isn't a concern to the Pack, however.

"It really doesn't bother me," said State point guard Clifford Crawford. "I wasn't here, personally, when they didn't have that success. So it's a new year. It's 2001. It's a different story."

The Wolfpack (10-7, 2-4 ACC) is coming off of a close win in overtime over the Florida State Seminoles on Thursday night.

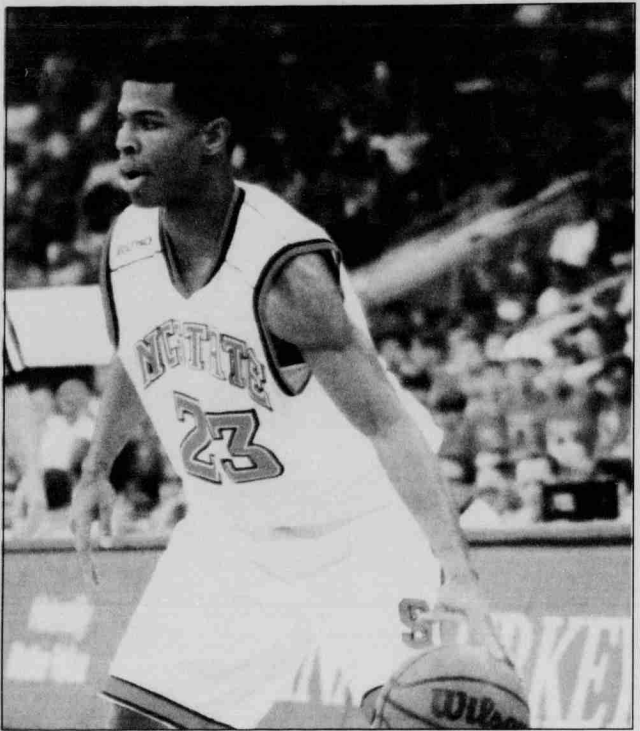
Managing a win over the Tar Heels (16-2, 6-0), however, won't exactly be a piece of cake for the Wolfpack.

Anthony Grundy, who is averaging just over 17 points and 3.6 assists per game, will lead State's attack. The pressure, however, will be on Grundy and Crawford, whose playing time has increased, in the past weeks with Archie Miller's leg injury.

Together, Grundy and Crawford will have to have one of their best performances of the season so far but also ensure that they get the rest of the team involved as well.

The Wolfpack will have its hands full the whole night at all positions. With big men Brendan Haywood, Kris Lang and Julius Peppers combining for an average of 31 points and almost 18 rebounds a game, State players Kenny Inge and Damien Thornton will both have to have big games, not only offensively but defensively, too.

Inge and Thornton can be dominant in the paint, which was evident in State's victory over Georgia Tech. Inge is averaging 12.6 points and eight boards a game, while Thornton, who has managed to stay out of foul trouble recently, is



Scooter Sherrill grew up a North Carolina fan, but that's changed now.

JASON WESTER/STAFF

Pack downs FSU in OT

◆ N.C. State notched its second ACC win of the season in overtime against Florida State.

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Kenny Inge scored 26 points and Damien Wilkins added a career-high 25 to lead N.C. State to an 84-81 overtime win over Florida State Thursday night.

N.C. State (10-7, 2-4 Atlantic Coast

Conference) led throughout overtime by as much as five points. FSU had a chance to tie the game and force a second overtime, but guard Delvon Arrington missed a three-point shot as time expired.

Arrington may not have been able to hit the game winner, but he did prolong the game by five minutes. With six seconds left in regulation, Arrington hit a three to tie the game at 68. Clifford Crawford had an opportunity to break the deadlock, but his shot rimmed out and Inge's tip attempt also missed as time ran out in regulation.

In the overtime period, FSU pulled

as close as 82-81 with 10 seconds remaining. But freshman Scooter Sherrill was fouled and calmly hit two free throws to extend the lead to three.

FSU called time out and gave the ball to Arrington, who tried to dribble his way free for another game-tying three. This time, the Pack didn't allow him to get off a clean shot, preserving the victory.

The Wolfpack hit 4-of-5 field goals and 7-of-10 free throws in overtime. The Seminoles struggled at the foul line, hitting only 17-of-31 shots.

Inge and Wilkins each scored 17

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Damon Thornton battles UNC Sunday.

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The Key Contestants

Clifford Crawford vs Ron Curry

Anthony Grundy vs Joe Forte

Damien Wilkins vs Jason Capel

Kenny Inge vs Kris Lang

Cornelius Williams vs Brendan Haywood

	7.8 ppg, 4.3 apg	17.1 ppg, 2.8 spg	12.0 ppg, 6.0 rpg	12.6 ppg, 8.1 rpg	1.1 ppg, 1.8 rpg
	5.5 ppg, 3.9 apg	20.7 ppg, 5.2 rpg	10.3 ppg, 6.7 rpg	13.7 ppg, 6.4 rpg	12.1 ppg, 3.6 bpg

Heartbreaking loss for Pack

State swimming with Tigers

◆ N.C. State dropped its fourth straight in a 57-56 loss to Maryland.

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Coming into its game against Maryland on Thursday night at Reynolds Coliseum, the N.C. State women's basketball team was hungry for a win after a tough week of action. What the Wolfpack got, how-

ever, was its fourth loss in a row, giving up a heartbreaking game to the Terrapins 57-56. State went on an 8-2 run coming out of halftime. With help from Carisse Moody and Adeola Olanrewaju in the paint, the Wolfpack out-rebounded Maryland 34-21. Moody and Olanrewaju combined for 13 boards.

The Pack would build its lead to as much as 12 points behind the shooting of Tynesha Lewis, who finished the game with 12 points and seven rebounds. The Terps would come back, how-

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Monica Bates didn't tally a point for the Pack as State lost its fourth in a row.

◆ The swimming and diving teams travel to Clemson in search of an ACC win.

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Coming off a strong performance last weekend against Virginia Tech, the N.C. State swimming and diving teams travel to Clemson this weekend for their penultimate dual meet of the season.

The meet should be a challenging one for the Wolfpack, who has struggled this year in Atlantic Coast Conference

meets. Although the Tigers have also had their problems, they

possess many more ACC-caliber swimmers than State, so the road win will be difficult to come by.

Despite its struggles in dual meets, the Wolfpack remains focused on a strong showing at the ACC

Championships, which are set to take place Feb. 22-24.

"Winning is very nice, so long as you do it the right way," said State head coach Brooks Teal following last weekend's triumph over the Hokies. "Our main goal is still to swim fast times and remain focused on preparing for the conference championships." In the women's competition, Clemson (3-4, 0-2 ACC) will be looking to break a three-meet losing streak. On the season, the Tigers have dropped meets to Penn State, Alabama, North Carolina and Virginia while

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