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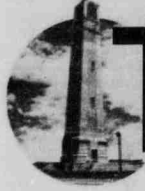


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## Prisons conference coming to N.C. State

◆ Area college and high school students have organized a conference for prison reform to take place at N.C. State this weekend.

**Carla Froedge**  
Assistant News Editor

A caucus tonight at 7 p.m. begins a weekend-long conference assembling collegiate and high school youth on the N.C. State campus to discuss and familiarize them with the growing problems in the criminal justice system.

The conference, which is run and led by students from NCSU, UNC-Chapel Hill, Peace College and area high schools like Enloe, will last through 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 18.

Currently, America's prison population exceeds 2 million and is the largest system in the world, which "indicates something is wrong with society," said Meg Hensley, one of the NCSU organizers.

The members of Youth Seeking Justice Now! claim that education and labor are affected by the problems within the criminal justice system: police brutality, racial profiling, capital punishment and prison warehousing.

This weekend, these youths aim to explore solutions through teaching, learning and talking about these problems.

They will also attempt to discuss and solve these problems in terms of age, race, gender, sexuality and class.

One of the organizers is NCSU student Bryan Proffitt, who said, "This is an issue facing young people more and more each year."

Proffitt described that each year in N.C. and nationally, education spending is either decreasing or staying the same while corrections spending is increasing. This, he said, is essentially what is sending more and more youth to jail.

"Society defines someone of worth as having an education," Proffitt said. "You take education away from people and then criminalize them for not having it. This specifically targets people" like the poor and minorities.

Hensley also said that education is the root of the problem. She described that when children enter school, they are immediately "tracked," meaning that children are categorized as "behavior problems or gifted children." This, she said, "sets them up for a lifestyle." The children with behavior problems, she said, will eventually get behind and could wind up in jail.

Race is another issue the conference

will address this weekend. Erica Smiley, a UNC-CH junior in political science, is one of the conference's organizers; she cites the disparity between the number of minorities in North Carolina prisons and the overall minority population as a major problem.

"Black people and people of color make up more than 70 percent of the North Carolina's prison population," Smiley said.

According to 1999 estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau, African Americans make up 22 percent of

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## DELTA, vice provost strengthen distance education

◆ Tom Miller was named vice provost for Distance Education and Learning Technology Applications this semester.

**Spaine Stephens**  
News Editor

The Distance Education and Learning Technology Applications division at N.C. State is quite fittingly referred to as DELTA; it is a catalyst for change and growth across all of North Carolina.

It is also fitting that the man at the helm of this vehicle for expansion sees service to the state as his top priority.

A professor of computer and electrical engineering and associate dean of the College of Engineering, Miller had served as interim vice provost for DELTA from July 1, 2000, until he was given the job permanently in January 2001.

"I understand what technology can do," he

said. "I'm very excited about what it can do for education."

It works out right, then, that he couples a sharp image of NCSU's technological abilities with a strong desire to serve the state.

DELTA offers technological options like online courses to students on campus and offers flexible accommodations to off-campus students across the state, among other endeavors.

Former NCSU Provost Kermit Hall created the new division last July and appointed Miller as interim vice provost.

Miller worked with Hall to come up with a strong program that would "advance campus in the use of on-and-off-campus learning technology," said Miller.

"We spent several months in preparation," said Miller, "assembling a compact plan."

Even though Hall departed NCSU at the end of 2000, DELTA is still following through with all of the initiatives begun when Hall was here.

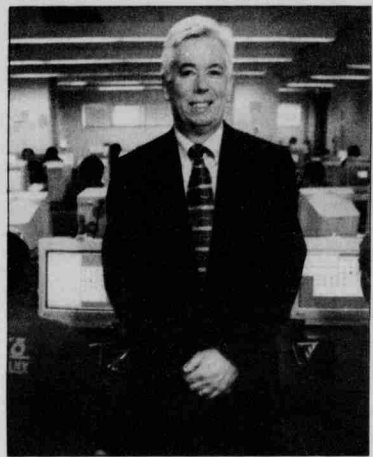
Other divisions within the Provost's Office are also extending their reaches to enhance distance education. Miller noted the joint effort between NCSU Libraries and Information Technology to strengthen learning technology. That effort resulted in the creation of the Learning Technologies Service, which is now a core unit within DELTA that works closely with DELTA's distance education unit.

"By having them together, we have the ability to use all capacities to leverage what we're trying to do off-campus for distance education," said Miller.

He added that this would also improve the learning environment on campus.

Vice Provost for Information Technology Sam Averitt said that, considering the future, the use of distance education and technology will escalate and continue to be a substantial part of teaching and learning.

Averitt said the benefits of learning tech-



Tom Miller is the Vice Provost for DELTA.

JAMES CULBERT/STAFF

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## Computer training made simple

◆ Information Technology, in conjunction with New Student Orientations, is working to get incoming students more complete computer training.

**Dominique Donato**  
Staff Reporter

For many N.C. State students, all of the computer training they ever see is 15 minutes of optional training at summer orientation. They learn how to get their Unity passwords and see how to use the UNIX computers.

Thanks to an effort between Information Technology and New Student Orientation, stu-

dents going through summer orientation in 2001 may be much better prepared.

Last year, a small group of students from the First Year College wrote to then-Provost Kermit L. Hall expressing their frustration with not having the proper training to fulfill some computer-based assignments. Some professors assume that students, entering college have the skills to fulfill these tasks, but that is not necessarily true.

In response, a small team within IT was asked to come up with a more complete computer training process for summer orientation.

This small team consists of ResNet Coordinator Stan North Martin, IT Computing

Consultant Susan Klein and IT Education Coordinator Sarah Noell.

The team ran into a time problem on improving computer training during orientation sessions that bring students to campus for only two days. They solved that problem by creating a CD-ROM equipped with tutorial information on ResNet, basic productivity software such as Windows and other programs.

Though plans are not yet finalized, Klein said they would try to "get students the information they need to log on and the very basic tools they need ... e-mail, Internet access and how to get access to the various Web resources that would be useful

to them."

The CD-ROM is extremely useful when the team is only allowed 30 minutes to present the information, information that can be overwhelming in a day with a tight schedule like that of summer orientation.

Other members of IT have helped with the planning for training improvements.

"The three of us work closely together to plan [the program] ... and recruit other people within Information Technology," said Martin.

"When Sarah, Stan and I put together the orientation program, we involved almost all of our staff," Klein said. "There

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## Library provides enhanced assistance

◆ Ask a Librarian LIVE provides students with a more personal and helpful means of getting information from the library.

**Blair Parker**  
Staff Reporter

N.C. State's D.H. Hill Library has recently installed a convenient yet innovative means for students to receive reference assistance while not in the library. Ask a Librarian LIVE allows students to ask their questions in three separate ways, through phone calls, e-mail, and now through chat.

While it has always been possible to phone the reference desk or send an e-mail, this is the first time it has become pos-

sible to chat with a librarian. October of 1999 was the transition point when the Distance Learning Program removed phones from the reference desk in the library and directed calls to a designated assistant, allowing the reference desk to be uninterrupted by calls when helping a student.

Ask a Librarian LIVE has been a success to this point; it has currently been running for more than a month. Josh Boyer, a reference librarian at D.H. Hill, highlighted some of the features of the new software program.

"With students using chat, they are able to have their questions instantly answered and actually have the opportunity to refine their question while having someone on the other end

assisting them," said Boyer. According to Carolyn Argentini, associate director for public services, the library staff began researching software options as far back as the spring of 2000, finally settling on Library Systems and Services Inc., or LSSI, customized for libraries.

Recent user of the program, freshman Joshua Peak, found that the most helpful feature of the software combined with the library assistant was the ability of collaborative browsing.

"She was able to lead me to the exact site I needed and explore it with me to get the information I was seeking," said Peak.

The library assistant now has the technology to show a student visually rather than relying

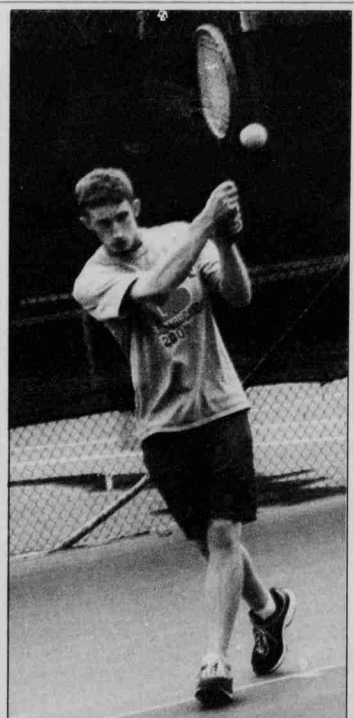
on textual messages, or description. Collaborative browsing may not always be appropriate to answer a student's question; the library assistant may only need to copy a web address or simply push them a single page.

Those with the greater benefit are off-campus students who can now rely on the success of this program to have their questions answered quickly and efficiently without the hassle of getting to the library.

Furthermore, the LSSI program also opens doors to a creative new way of teaching. Essentially, group learning is now made available and allows one teacher to instruct a class from the computer.

Josh Boyer compared this way

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Tennis I proves to be a little less stressful than curriculum classes for Computer Science freshman Hunter Tweed.

BATUA ADHAM/STAFF

## DELTA

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nology would first be felt by on-campus, traditional students and then expand to off-campus students.

"This is a major piece of the future," said Averitt. "It's a major facet we need to engage in."

Miller said he has had "extensive conversations with Dr. [Charles] Moreland [interim provost]," and he is on the same page as far as DELTA and its goals are concerned.

"The chancellor is fully on board as well," said Miller. Miller is confident that when a new provost is installed, it will be someone who has clear visions for DELTA.

Miller pointed out that technology is perpetually getting better and cheaper. Students, at the same time, are searching for college campuses that offer the flexible access to educational programs and services that technology provides.

Miller recognized the fact that students may go home for the summer or participate in co-ops. With a course offered online as part of distance education, it gives students with otherwise limited access options for flexibility.

"With the Internet being ubiquitous, it serves us well to take advantage of this to allow flexibility," he said.

There are distance education programs or courses currently offered by most of the colleges, but DELTA administrators are trying to widen the use of distance education across the university, and extend NCSU's

reach to other regions of the state.

One program offered by the College of Engineering and supported by DELTA is the Two-Plus-Two Engineering Program, which permits students to complete the first two years of an engineering curriculum at UNC-Wilmington, UNC-Asheville or Lenoir Community College. The rest of the program will then be completed at NCSU. UNC-Charlotte or North Carolina A&T.

"Distance education prior to the 1998-1999 academic year wasn't a mainstream state-supported activity," Miller said.

Students who get their education by distance education are, on average, "just as satisfied as students on campus, and their performance is just as good."

Twelve to 13 percent of graduate students are currently served by distance education, as opposed to seven percent three years ago, said Miller. Three percent of NCSU undergraduates use distance education, up from one percent three years ago.

"It's becoming more popular," Miller said. Miller wants to see distance education "more blended" with other educational programs on campus.

One course offered on the Internet is available to advanced high school students, allowing them to earn credits and experience college-level instruction from NCSU. This also helps the university alleviate crowding and serve even more students.

Miller noted that the projected enrollment for NCSU in 2010 is 31,000; even with the bond funding, he said, there will still be a space shortage. Distance

education is one solution to reaching more students while also avoiding overcrowding.

"In November, we issued a request for proposals for distance education programs and courses," said Miller. "We received \$1.4 million in proposals, and allocated \$504 thousand to the colleges to fund the new program development. Unfortunately, we could only afford to fund about a third of the proposals."

This response shows that the NCSU community is interested in building this capability, Miller said.

All features of distance education and learning technology are being bolstered. In the works are more training sessions for students and faculty who will be teaching Web-based courses.

Also in the future is the hiring of teams of instructional designers who will work to support the development of distance education programs. From there, opportunities for outsourcing will be created, which will provide "extensive capabilities in production for online courses," said Miller.

DELTA's gathering strength comes simultaneously with a collective shift from the educational use of older technology like video and face-to-face broadcasting to newer Internet-based technology. Two years ago, Miller stressed, 2 percent of classes were offered online, compared to 24 percent online last fall.

DELTA is meeting a storm of challenges as it takes shape. In the last three years, distance education enrollments have doubled. Miller is not concerned that the program will continue to grow at such a rate; it is "only

allowed to grow at 70 percent of what we planned for this year," he said.

Another challenge DELTA faces is "the incentive for the faculty to participate in distance education programs," said Miller.

Distance education could initially seem unattractive because this form of instruction is more challenging than teaching in a traditional classroom setting. Once more programs are implemented that get faculty involved and support staff in place, "all these things in concert will help develop a critical mass of interest and activity," he said.

Another key for the expansion of distance education and learning technology is the forming of partnerships with other universities, community colleges and corporate entities. One such example of this is the partnership made public last fall between NCSU, IBM and Red Hat that spurred the enhancement of academic computing on-campus.

"When geographic boundaries no longer give you a monopoly, partnerships are key," said Miller.

Miller achieved a graduate degree in biomedical engineering from UNC-Chapel Hill, which gave him the strong basis for a career in electrical and computer engineering.

"I didn't know I was an engineer until grad school," he said. "I probably should have come here [NCSU] to begin with."

Like the Greek letter delta, Miller's devotion to the university has three corners: his devotion to DELTA, his duties as associate dean and his teaching.

His career began in the classroom; he is wistful that his

teaching will be limited, but highly motivated toward his administrative responsibilities.

"I'm an educator," he said. "That's my passion."

He recalled one of the first classes he taught, in which 150 students sat, pencils poised, ready to take down his very words.

"It hit me what an awesome responsibility I had," he said.

"He's an exceptional teacher," said Averitt, who also praised Miller's administrative abilities. "He is an exceptional critical thinker, an outstanding individual and an excellent choice [for vice provost of DELTA]."

Nino Masrani, dean of the College of Engineering, commended Miller's work ethic and ability to work with people. "He has tremendous vision in what needs to be done," said Masrani, adding that DELTA would "take the university to the next level and utilize technology on campus and in academic programs."

Miller sees DELTA as the key to positive educational change across the whole state, starting with NCSU.

He hopes one day learning technology will be an educational norm, when "using it is

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were up to 15 to 18 people per session, about 30 people in total, working during orientation," said Klein.

Klein emphasized that input was crucial to this project. She said students during orientation said the tutorial helped them, but that no surveys had been done post orientation.

The team invites email suggestions; Klein's email address is susan.klein@ncsu.edu. "You [the students] are why we're here. We would like to find out from the students what they think," said Klein.

In March, IT will meet with representatives from New Student Orientation, who will provide information about what students need as far as computer training.

The actual plans will be drawn up around May.

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North Carolina's population. He expects a lot of attendees but will not be disappointed if the numbers are few.

"We all discussed it, and it's not the numbers of people that show up but the quality of the folks who are there," Smiley said.

Some of the workshops being held are on topics like the war on drugs. The workshops will take place throughout the day Saturday at Nelson Hall. There will be an information table in place at the Hillsborough Street entrance where the room numbers of specific sessions will be available.

Saturday night's activities will take place at the McKimmon Center. They commence with a speech from former prisoner Kimba Smith at 7:15 p.m. Other Saturday night activities include the performance of

"Right is Right," a hip-hop drama and a performance by Washington, D.C.'s Black Lung.

Conferees will also take part in a conference call with Eddie Hatcher. Hatcher is currently in prison awaiting trial on a capital murder charge in connection with the May 31, 1999, killing of Brian McMillan in Maxton, N.C.

Activities Sunday include a pair of strategy sessions and a series of presentations on prison reform campaigns in North Carolina. They will take place at Witherspoon Student Center, either in the African American Cultural Center of the cinema, according to Proffitt.

The event is sponsored by the African American Cultural Center, Knowledge, Wisdom and Understanding, Campus in Action, Grassroots Leadership, Reciprocity, the Office of the Vice-Provost for Diversity and African-American Affairs at NCSU and the UE 150 labor union chapter at UNC-CH.

are more possibilities readily available for students.

Ask a Librarian LIVE is currently available to all NCSU students through a link off the library's homepage, or at [www.lib.ncsu.edu/lives](http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/lives). The service is guaranteed weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Argentati, however, commented that as soon as they build up their user base they will work on extending it into prolonged hours as well as into the weekend.

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UNLESS THE STUDENTS GAIN A VOTE ON THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, OUR REPRESENTATION IS A SHAM.

The UNC Association of which N.C. State employees, of which N.C. State senator Andrew Payne is president, are scheduling Students' Day at the Capitol Friday under the theme, "Making Higher Education A Top Priority."

There are three main goals of the event: 1) a six percent faculty raise for UNC employees, 2) a student vote on the UNC Board of Governors (BOG) and 3) a need-based student financial aid plan.

Our faculty needs the pay increase to stay competitive. While the General Assembly did give three percent salary increases for 1999-2000, four other states got higher increases (Mississippi, 5.11 percent; Oklahoma, 4.74 percent; South Carolina, 5.14 percent; and Virginia with 4.95 percent). When we got a 4.2 percent salary increase in 2000-2001, Maryland increased by 7.5 percent and Kentucky by 6 percent. If we do not get this faculty increase for our university system, we will fall behind nationally.

Findings of the Take Force on Student Aid cite the need for need-based financial aid. Tuition and fees account for only 23 percent of total college costs.

And, while over 56 percent of UNC undergraduates apply for need-based aid, only 5 percent of them have their need fully met with grant aid. By far, however, the most important goal of the ASG will be the fight to give the students a BOG vote. Currently, the ASG president represents more than 162,000 students but has no voting power on the Board.

Of states with student representation on higher education boards, 82 percent have voting power. Opponents to a student vote claim it would make the voting board 17 members large, thus giving the ASG president the opportunity to cast tie-breaking votes. However, such an argument ignores the fact that all other members would have an equal opportunity to cast such a vote — including, most importantly, the Chairman.

Students — through their age's worldview or their legal representation — have no participatory power in the Board of Governors. We are now little more than glorified observers of the process. Students have a right to affect their own university system. Until Payne is given the power the vote, we will be denied that right.

Opinion

American youth is 'stupid'



Robert Jaill

American youth: you are stupid. If the IDSA (Interactive Digital Software Association) has its way, no ads for video games rated M (mature) will appear in magazines, Internet Web sites, where 45 percent of the audience is under 17, and on television shows, where 35 percent of the audience is under 17. According to the group that hands out the ratings (the ESRB), an M rating has the vague description of "may include more intense violence or language than products in the Teen category." To anyone who is a gamer in the slightest, this means almost all good games.

This erroneous logic completely misses the real problem plaguing American youth: stupidity.

If it is true the media influence the behavior of children, the problem isn't with the media; it is with the children. It is no great lesson to teach a child not to choke-slam their little brother onto a table simply because someone did it on television. The ability to distinguish fantasy from reality is a fundamental thinking skill. People who cannot do so have serious medical problems (with their minds, not from being choke-slammed onto a table). Recognizing fantasy is something mentally sound eight-year-olds through seventeen-year-olds should be able to do.

If reality shows most kids lack the basic mental ability to distinguish fantasy from reality, then there must be someone else to blame for the stupidity of children. The first suspects are parents; if anyone has the responsibility to teach children fundamental life skills, it is parents. The apparent mass stupidity in youth suggests parents around the country are failing at their jobs. The failure of adults to teach children the difference between fantasy and reality is not a particularly measurable point, and it is certain that some parents aren't very good parents; but, overall, most parents probably are good about telling their kids not to body-slam their little brothers. Thus, if parents do their jobs, and the IDSA, Lieberman and Gore still see a need for their censorship (protection), there must be yet another influence causing American youth to forsake simple rationality.

conservative, violence and sex on television and video games don't produce violent and sexual behavior in children. Compared with American children, youth from Western Europe and Japan demonstrate the behavior (with regards to involvement in crime and sexual activity) social conservatives would call desirable. It is doubtful that children from these other countries are smarter than Americans; instead, it is the policies of these other countries that are smarter — policies that happen to be very little policy at all. In these foreign countries, the attitude toward violence and sex in the media creates a society that doesn't promote the same behavior in children. The same cannot be said for the United States.

I am sure hard-core social conservatives find the violence and sex itself horrible; but, for practical purposes, what is actually portrayed in the media isn't the problem. It is what a few children choose to do that is the problem. For these children, the fantasy they see on television and games has a more tangible importance in real life. This is what social conservatives also believe. The attempts to perpetuate America's conservative moral facade instill the stupidity that causes American youth to seemingly emulate what they see in the media. Thus, the cycle emerges: stupid politicians create stupid laws that create stupid youth who do stupid things. If the IDSA, Lieberman and Gore want to stop sex and violence in American youth, then they need to stop giving the fantasy portrayals of it undue importance in real life.

Robert Jaill  
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Happy Grocery Day



John Sico

Getting away from holidays is not easy. As you all know, another holiday has just passed, captivating every aspect of society as it went. This most recent occasion was just one of the many times throughout the year that shapes the behavior of most of the country. Even the most mundane activities are affected by the yearly celebrations. Most obviously are the adornments to our property. People attach all sorts of things to make their homes and businesses look more in tune with what is going on in the world at the moment and more festive by the holidays. One needs to look no further than the neighborhood grocery store to see how things change according to the current festival.

Reacting to the season, these stores change the scenery immensely. As soon as you enter the automatic sliding doors, you're bombarded with imagery dealing with the current obsession. The decorations are the very least of it. Had you strolled into the Harris Teeter this week, for instance, it would have been no problem to find some flowers for your sweetheart. The good people in charge of product placement in this, however, is not all that is affected by the holidays. One needs to look no further than the neighborhood grocery store to see how things change according to the current festival.

their wares. The makers of snack cakes are the most blatant in this ornamentation.

These individually wrapped dessert treats can be clothed in whatever icing garb that would please the public. Among these celebratory enrobed cakes are Creepy Cakes, Be My Valentines, and the ever-so-creative variation on Ho-Ho, Ho-Ho-Ho's. These festive cakes consist of either a spongy yellow cake center, or an equally spongy chocolate one. An element that is absolutely necessary is the "creamy filling." This is always the same nondescript white substance suspiciously similar to whipped cream squirted into the center of the cake. This is then covered with an ornate colored icing that clings precariously to the top of the cake. This is where the creativity comes into play. This icing can be dyed any number of toxic colors corresponding to the holiday that is soonest. Throw some sprinkles on the top, and you've got yourself a party.

Can things like this help one become more in tune with the holiday spirit? Sure they can! I mean, you want a boring old cupcake when you can have a creepy cake? Just the very title conjures up visions of children with sheets on their heads running around wildly collecting candy from neighbors. The more items that can be associated with what is meant to be a carefree happy time, the better.

Holidays are supposed to be times when people can just let go and enjoy themselves. While many have extremely significant reasons for them, the idea is still to have fun. The world is a stressful place, and we are given few times to forget about our worries. Holidays are exactly these times that have been allotted so that we can just relax. So instead of feeling guilty about not celebrating correctly or for the right reasons, just calm down. Have a creepy cake and enjoy the party.

Questions? Comments? Email John at rjseesons@aol.com.

CAMPUS FORUM

NCSU workers 'paid to do nothing'

Editor's note: Because of the nature of the writer and the content, the word limit has been waived.

I am a former employee in the maintenance department at N.C. State. After that degrading experience, I can tell you for a fact that students and taxpayers would be outraged by if they had any idea how misshandled your money is spent at NCSU. With a mix of ignorance, arrogance, complacency, the money you and your parents are spending to attend this university is being washed down the drain in baskets. The public safety fiasco is a drop in the bucket in comparison to this boondoggle. I cannot begin to tell you how day after day I went to work with the idea that maybe they would find something — anything — to do. A little work maybe? Some training? Some paperwork? Not Day after day we would be sent out to "inspect" this, or "look at" that. After you work at NCSU for a while, you come to realize that these are all code words for "Get lost, and don't come back until it's time to go home." You see, if they were to find you some work to do, then that would take some work on their part. Also, if they give you some work to do, certain things might happen. Maybe you won't do something right, and your supervisor might get in trouble with his bosses for it. Maybe you will get hurt and then your supervisor will have to answer a lot of questions about how you got hurt. Maybe you will run out of materials to work with and your supervisor will have to answer questions about why he didn't have his shop properly stocked. You see where I am going here? If you do nothing for the day, you stay out of trouble. So there you are. You show up in the morning ready for work, and you are told what to do for the day: Nothing! So you drive down Hillsborough Street a few times, go to the coffee shop three or four times a day, read the newspaper, talk to all the guys, take a nap in a mechanical room, get on the Internet, go to the library. You basically try to do what is asked of you: nothing. Sounds good, eh? Getting paid to do nothing. Well it is at first, but day after day after day, you come in to work to do nothing. After a while, anyone with any get up and go does just that. They get up and go find another job. The ones who stay are the cream of the crop lazy. In the meantime, you have to watch the higher ups waste thousands of dollars needlessly. New bulbs and ballasts were installed in the fluorescent light in the ceiling of the auditorium in Nelson Hall. The bill for this was well over \$5000. Two months later, all the lights were removed and thrown in the trash, as contractors installed a drop ceiling with canister type lighting. The wrong coating was used to coat a roof on top of D.H. Hill Library. If you go up there today, it comes up like a banana peel. That one cost you about \$10,000. For three days straight, I was sent to check the trees around the campus buildings to see if they needed cutting. First off, I don't know a Blue Spruce from a Red Juniper, so my opinion is worthless. But we did

what they asked and made little diagrams of the buildings, our worthless opinion of what trees needed cutting back. After three days of making these diagrams, they never asked us for them. They sat in our mailboxes for months, never asked for and never used. Just another excuse to do nothing. These are only a few of them. So why am I telling you these things? I believe the students and taxpayers in North Carolina have a right to know why your tuition keeps increasing, while the campus is in a terrible state of disrepair. I believe you deserve much better. And now that I have told you, you have a choice. You can demand that Chancellor Fox look into ways of making the facilities operations more efficient and accountable for their expenditures. Make the supervisors report what was accomplished each day. Put a stop to these "inspection" procedures that are so much a part of the waste at NCSU. You can do something about it ... or you can do nothing.

John Frazo  
Former Crew Leader  
Facilities Operations  
Repair and Renovation Services

'Amazed and amused'

I must say that I was rather amazed, and amused, by the letter I saw by Richard Morgan in the Opinion section on Tuesday. He said some very strong things. I've always wondered about the Campus Forum, and why there aren't more letters printed. Reading other people's letters is my favorite part of the paper. But I always wondered why I didn't see more of those letters, why sometimes the section only appears once a week. Now I know the answer: people don't write in. I think Richard is right: people have this forum if they choose to take advantage of it. But I also know plenty of people who say they never read Technician. It's their fault if they don't take advantage of the resource. I at least skim everything, even if I don't read the paper cover to cover. I just wanted to say that Richard is right, that people have a place to post if they want it. I hope to read more people don't take advantage of it.

Tom Green  
Junior  
Meteorology

'Really perturbed' by McVeigh

I was really perturbed by the last paragraph in the Timothy McVeigh editorial ("Eight is enough," 12 Feb.). I am amazed that intelligent people could be so callous and show such little understanding of people's pain. I am lucky; I have never had a family member murdered for any reason. That said, as a person who is enrolled in higher education (and thus, is equipped with the ability to think abstractly), I can only imagine what that pain would be like. Your editorial ends with an extremely obnoxious description of how people seem to be

clawing tooth and nail to get into the actual death chamber. You know what? What's wrong with that? If your spouse, or your mother or father, or a sister, or worse — your little infant — was blown to pieces that day maybe you'd think differently? I think you ought to at least act like you're thinking about that angle. Finally, this statement strikes me as being especially ridiculous: "In doing so, it is a last gift for death, to these people, these 'victims,' become as callous and contemptuous towards the tender blessings of life as the very man they condemn." I don't think so. There is no distinction from guilt or innocence in such a statement. Do people really believe the execution of McVeigh is as morally reprehensible as the 150+ murderers he committed? How, can intelligent people not see a difference?

Frank Paul-Cyrl  
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Brooklyn, NY

Dancers aren't Nazis

When we set out to argue a point, we have been taught to use the strongest and most resonating evidence that we can find to fully explain our stance. We desire not only to make our point but to "drive it home" and leave an impression on our readers. The column ("A piece of the auction," 12 Feb.) written about the dance team's auction was a passage of this type. It aimed to show readers the insensitivity of the dance team through "auctioning" off their members much like slaves of the past. How could one club be so uncaring about those who have been affected by those horrible events?

The fact is that the dance team was not at all uncaring or insensitive. They were looking for places to find funding and found a fun and creative way to do so. They found a business where the auction would serve to increase customers and sales. The members auctioned were bound to a dinner date, not indentured servitude. They were not brought in chained together and crying. The members were fully aware and willing to be auctioned to help their cause. This was a win-win situation for everyone involved. The "buyers" were treated to a nice dinner with a dance team member and funder student.

The problem is not the dance team, but the column. The examples used were far overshooting the goal and not relevant. Comparing the dance team to Nazis or slave owners is hurtful and not necessary. I understand the goal of the author, self-serving to be quite flawed. They were creative and willing to find a way to make money, which, as a Student Senator, let me say is no easy task. With all the problems in the world, let's not make new ones by over analysis of a particular group. The simple insinuation that the members were unfeeling and self-serving to the magnitude suggested is not called for and a waste of time for Technician to print.

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## Mating in color



**Juan Pedraza**  
STAFF COLUMNIST

In the streaming society that we happen to live in, the tendency to generalize and put a label to every person in order to fit them into stereotypes is in part what gives us the idea that racial mixing is "not good, honey."

But why discard somebody that might have all the qualities that you look for in a person just by their race? As long as the important stuff is all right, what does it matter if the skin's pigment does not quite "match"? Of course, how would you even know that if you scratch that person over at first sight.

How come we never see white males with black females? Could it be influence of the media — since television shows and movies seem to be such an important source of knowledge around here — where 99.9 percent of the time couples are composed of black males and females and white males and females, or the other 0.1 percent black

males with white females ... but never white males with black females. Not surprisingly, the rate is about the same on the street. Why is that?

I would like to hear it from you all white boys and black girls.

In the dictionary of common knowledge, one can look up the definitions by race-stereotypes and we get a few as follows:

\*Hispanic: Laid-back, tending to be late.

\*Brother: Is a player (goes only for booty).

\*White dude: Boring and tasteless (can't dance).

\*Blond: (No need to say).

\*Frat-boy: In its regular state of drunkenness will hit on anything that moves.

\*Sorority chick: Number 1 client of tanning parlors; campus; digs dumbasses the Greek kind, please).

\*Indians: Don't even look at them! Their marriage is probably already arranged.

These labels are hard to get rid of and we all have a tendency to give them out carelessly in order to make easier the "identification" of each individual (discrimination in some cases).

Right now, though, I'm not arguing

about the labeling, but the issue of actually paying attention to crap like that when it comes to choosing that "special one." Just think of how many people you have discarded without even knowing them as a person. Or those that you know and feel attracted to, but she/he just wasn't [fill in the race].

I understand there are some things that go beyond the simple race difference. For example, if you were Muslim, even though you really like that hard-core Christian, forget it, it would never work. So, what I write is mainly directed to those of you who the whole race difference is just about skin, maybe language and perhaps some traditions because the language can be learned and it's always interesting to get to know other cultures. Tolerance, open mindedness, understanding, trust and all the love you are capable of are the tools you need build and keep a healthy relationship regardless color or race.

So, if you are not dating, or just getting started, if you are on, put a twist to your romantic life and let another color brighten up your day — or night.

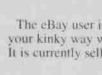
Wendi rocks. Any feedback to [jpedraza@unity.ncsu.edu](mailto:jpedraza@unity.ncsu.edu).

## RULE OF THUMB

### N.C. Central



The university's nursing program is the best in the UNC system (94 percent), according to scores on the 2000 state nursing exam. The other six percent dropped out and lost their life savings in Vegas; but way to go on that other 94 percent!

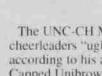


The eBay user is selling his soul with the message "have your kinky way with it. I don't care; just give me money." It is currently selling for \$10.50. No comment.

### Office romance



A jobs.com survey reports over half of workers have a fling with a colleague, and 17 percent have been warned by their boss to stop an office romance. We would have learned more, but then we found out what "jobs.com" does.

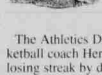


The UNC-CH Men's basketball coach called Duke's cheerleaders "ugly," though he "meant no disrespect" according to his apology. What does Frosty the Snow-Capped Unbrother think he's doing? Insults are part of the game.

### NCSU Parking



University parking now allows warnings for first-time offenders. Second-time offenders get notes requesting the honor of your absence. Third time: "YOU owe ticket." Fourth time: boot.

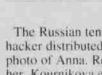


The Athletics Director publicly committed to Men's basketball coach Herb Sendek after Sendek finally broke his losing streak by defeating Virginia. Student protests for deans to guarantee graduation after passing one pop quiz were not met with similar enthusiasm.

### Men's Basketball



With wins against Virginia and Clemson, the Pack is rallying to victory. It helped, though, that Clemson and Virginia have the ugliest cheerleaders in the ACC.

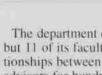


The Russian tennis star's name was sullied when a Dutch hacker distributed a virus under the guise of including a photo of Anna. Retfuring claims the hacker was in love with her, Kournikova explained her inability to be in love outside of tennis.

### Benson Kirkman



The Raleigh Councilman (up for re-election this fall) who represents N.C. State's community will begin holding office hours to hear from the students. Office hours start at around 11 p.m. and end when the keg runs dry.



The department dropped advising from the duties of all but 11 of its faculty members, severing long-standing relationships between many students and their advisors. Eleven advisors for hundreds of students; do the math! Oh, whoops.

## Religious doesn't mean moral



**Kelly Marks**  
STAFF COLUMNIST

Religion is a topic that often seems to grace these pages and it's a topic I tend to avoid. Too often, when one uses this sort of forum to discuss their beliefs, it can come across as dogmatic or preachy. Because it's simply a series of sentences that start off with "I think" and "I feel," it can have the tone of "I'm right."

And though I feel like my beliefs work for me, I don't assume that they're right for everyone else. Despite this, I find myself writing a column that appears to be about religion. But what this is really about is morality — *not* the same thing.

I recognize morality must be based on a system of beliefs. It is, after all, humanity's reaction to the guiding forces in its life, the code by which it expresses ideas, emotions and reactions. It is his social self — his conformity to the ideals of acceptable human conduct. It makes sense that if one is religious, then religion will shape one's morals. Religion is, after all, a belief system and often it comes with its own community, one life with more than just standards for behavior.

But morality can be based on so much more. It's what your parents teach you is right and wrong, it's what the government says is legal or not, heck, it's even in those little feel-good lessons at

the end of a "Full House" episode. Now it's true that many of these lessons and laws have their roots in Judeo-Christian teachings, but just because it's Judeo-Christian doesn't make it moral. It's moral because humanity has accepted it as what is fundamentally right and fair to all people. The fact that it happens to be in the Bible, or any other religious work, is for the purposes of this argument, moot.

Morality doesn't begin and end with Jesus. Though I've heard he was a very moral individual, you had Aesop and his tortoise and hare running around a good five centuries prior. And before then, there was something else — there had to be. There has always been a need to set standards for society. As society changes, these standards shift as well, and different cultures will have different rules to fulfill different needs. We might agree on some of the biggies, like murder and stealing, but really the only moral tenet that most everyone prescribes to is the Golden Rule.

And we can't forget that many amoral actions have been carried out under the banner of religion. You can't tell me that the Crusades were moral, or for that matter, are so many of the battles today which are undertaken in the name of a deity. Throughout history there have been religious figures who have acted anything but. Time has shown us that religion does not make us moral, it only increases our potential for it.

Lawrence Kohlberg tells us there are six levels of morality (I knew those psychology courses would come in handy). In the most basic, we do what's right because of the benefits or penalties. At this level, morality is about

what you can get and what you can get away with.

In later levels, we are moral because we respect the law. Or we respect what other people think of us. We are good because we want to be perceived as good. Someone is keeping track of us and our transgressions — be it mommy, our teachers, God or Santa.

But in the last stages of Kohlberg's levels of morality, we begin to realize that there are some values that are above the law. We can weigh community rights against the individual's and we're lucky, we adhere to a universal ethical principle. We follow our conscience, and not just the regulations that are imposed on us by laws or books. We can look at our belief system and see its faults, see our religious doctrines and filter out the higher truths, and know that just because it's written doesn't make it so.

You can't determine what's right and what's wrong unless you take a good look and consider all of the angles. Often, religion — or even other belief systems, be they economical or political — allow us only one narrow view. This is in no way meant to be an anti-religion diatribe. I think religion's a wonderful thing. It's just not the only thing, nor should it be. Religious does not necessarily equal moral. It should be seen as a guideline and not the only line. Question it, learn from it, aspire to it, but don't just accept it.

Agree? Disagree? Really really disagree? Let Kelly know at [knmarks@unity.ncsu.edu](mailto:knmarks@unity.ncsu.edu).

## FROM THE FOXHOLE



**Editor's Note:** As always, the Chancellor answered every student question Technician received.

Unfortunately, with Herb Sendek as head coach, NCSU has not met that very real goal, nor shown enough positive signs in five years of reaching that goal.

Chancellor Fox, what is the future of Wolfpack basketball? What is the future of Herb Sendek?

On an unrelated note: I've heard that a parking deck adjacent to the Coliseum deck is proposed or already in the planning process. If this is so, when should that deck be complete? Also, why not build a huge parking deck where Riddick lot presently sits?

Mark Anderson  
Senior  
Mathematics Education

**A:**

Although there is frustration with the team's win-loss record this year, we believe in the program Coach Sendek is building at N.C. State. Herb is a good coach, a man of character and a strong leader for our men's basketball program. His teams' performances have improved every year. Coach Sendek is in his first year of having recruited all players on the team, and he understands the importance of better performance next year.

Second question: A designer has been selected for the Coliseum Parking Deck expansion project. The project is scheduled to begin construction in early 2002 and be ready for use in 2003.

Regarding the Riddick Lot location: The Physical Master Plan calls for this site to include additional academic and residential development, as well as parking. The first phase of this development is expected to

begin after 2006 when the recently approved bond referendum projects are substantially complete and the existing Public Safety Building and the West Riddick Stands have been removed. I invite you to study the Physical Master Plan. More information on the plan can be found on the web at [www.ncsu.edu/facilities/masterplan/](http://www.ncsu.edu/facilities/masterplan/).

**Q:**

I was wondering if there were any plans to replace or permanently fix the elevators in Metcalf hall. They've worked off and on all year, and having to walk up eight flights of steps for a whole week last week was no fun.

Jason Kohler  
Freshman  
Computer Science

**A:**

University Housing is working to improve elevator service across campus. Some elevators, including those in Metcalf, will require a complete overhaul. The Metcalf elevators are next to be renovated. This work, which is projected to cost \$445,000, will begin as soon as classes end in May. When you return to campus in August, the work should be complete and the elevators should work flawlessly.

### FORUM

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#### No violation of church and state

I must take exception to the comment made that the charitable choice

Expansion Act violates the "separation of Church and State of the Establishment clause in the First Amendment." If we take a look at the first amendment it says, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

Nowhere in this amendment, and as a matter of fact in the whole Constitution, do the words "separation of church and state" appear. This clause certainly doesn't prohibit anyone from practicing any religion, and neither does it support the building of church buildings or strengthening a church. As far as the government having a long tradition of keeping churches from being "too involved," this seems like discrimination against the Churches. In fact Christians are given commands throughout the Bible to take care of the poor. It is because of a failing of the church to take care of this responsibility that the government takes so much of my money now. However, I do have to agree with the point that government money never comes free. By accepting these funds churches would have accountability to the government, and I don't believe that the churches wants to give them this foothold.

Aaron Firebaugh  
Sophomore  
Chemical Engineering

#### Morgan's arguments 'absolute rubbish'

After reading Richard Morgan's col-

umn about Christian history ("Stained glass: sin in the name of God," 07 Feb.) and the response given by Kelly Duke, I felt compelled to point out several distortions.

Morgan insinuates that Christians did nothing to help Jews during the Holocaust. This is absolute rubbish as Blessed Pope Pius XII ordered all churches to harbor Jews, and did much to clandestinely secure the safe passage of Jews during the Holocaust. He teaches the Spanish for massacring Indians and Duke chastises them for robbing them of their spiritual heritage. Excuse me, but the Aztecs were ruthless, blood thirsty savages who had to be restrained from sacrificing their own children. The Spanish, despite their sometimes brutal and unwarranted oppression, were a blessing to the less fortunate Aztecs victimized by their pagan "religion." The Catholic Church in the South by far ordered its parishes to disallow segregation in the Church, which is why Catholic Churches are full of all races, not separated like many Protestant Churches. The attack on paedophilic priests was especially disingenuous to me. Priests are not paedophilic than married Protestant ministers, or Public Safety officials at NCSU. We are all fallible, and it must be dealt with on a case-by-case basis, not as a slander against the whole priesthood. These men sacrifice a family to help others; they deserve our respect. Finally, Duke shows a real ignorance by exalting paganism as the victim of Christianity. The Roman pagans persecuted Christians for 300 years until the time of St. Constantine the Great. I who am neither Roman Catholic nor Protestant, but an Eastern Christian, also come from a faith tradition that has suffered greatly; the pagan Chinese Han dynasty and the pre-Muslim Mongols almost destroyed our Church in the Middle Ages, and some pagan Indians continue to massacre our faithful to this day. All religions deserve respect, but let's remember that no one is blameless, and that more people have died under atheistic communism than all religious persecutions and religious wars combined.

Dustin Hudson  
Senior  
Political Science

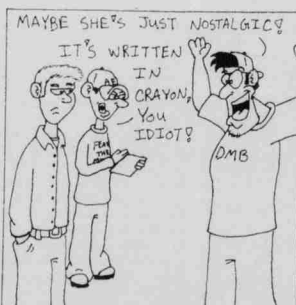
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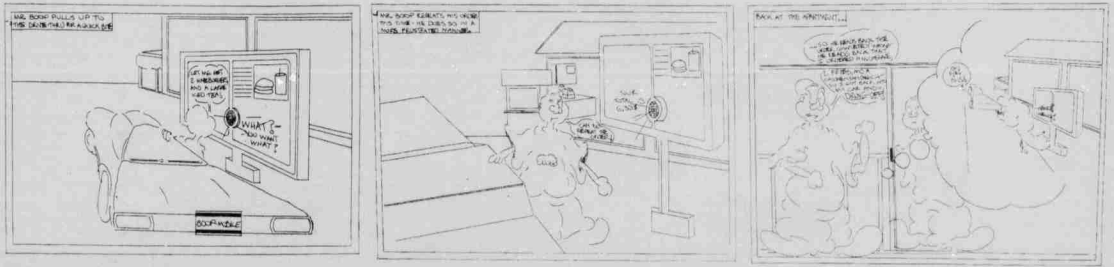
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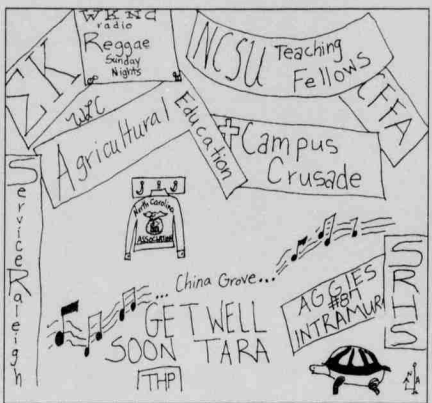
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to just one run on five hits through six innings, while posting a 1.50 ERA. Like last weekend, the Pack will play three games, however, they will all be against different opponents. Being able to play in tournament style competition allows each team to see how it matches up against several different teams. For State, the tournament will allow it to obtain more experience but, more importantly, see how it can handle hitting against mostly left-handed pitchers. "I've wanted us to be in the position during practice this week to work defensively quite a bit," said head coach Elliott Avent. "We were able to do a little of that on Lee Field on yesterday [Tuesday], but obviously with bad footing, and so we will hit a lot in cages due to the weather. We're going up against three left-handed pitchers this weekend, which is always a challenge, so I wanted us to get some ready for that."

First up for the Wolfpack is a Friday game against West Virginia. The Mountaineers will kick off the 2001 season this weekend. Last year, West Virginia was a lousy 25-28, but it has big hopes of changing that outcome this year.

Returning to the lineup for the Mountaineers is senior lefthander Shane Rhodes. Rhodes started 13 games, while sporting a record of 7-4 with a 3.38 ERA.

The talented threesome of Josh Cisneros, Tim McCabe and Mike Frownfelter anchors the offense for the Mountaineers.

Frownfelter led the three with a .348 batting average, while Cisneros batted at .345 and McCabe at .339. Frownfelter proved to be the sneaky one on the team, stealing a total of 16 bases last year. As for Cisneros and McCabe, they combined for 70 RBIs.

The host Bulldogs come into the tournament with some experience under their belt. The Citadel (3-3) has yet to play in a series against one particular school but has wins over Richmond, Old Dominion and Virginia Commonwealth. Of its losses, the one that sticks out was a dismal performance against No. 20 Oklahoma State, which silenced the Bulldogs 6-1.

Senior Philip Hartig, the school's career leader in home runs, has proven



The Wolfpack pitching staff will get a taste of tournament competition.

once again that he has the loudest bark on the team. Hartig leads the team with a .409 batting average and three RBIs. Also making a name for himself early is Dallas McPherson. McPherson has performed well on the mound and at the plate. He has a 6.75 ERA on the mound and is batting .280, with two home runs and seven RBIs so far this season.

The Wolfpack will close out the tournament with a game against George Mason.

Like West Virginia, the Patriots are coming off of a poor 2000 campaign with a record of 21-34-1 and have yet to participate in competition this year.

On George Mason's roster there are 15 letter winners and five starters returning.

highlighted by senior outfielder Eddie Jordan. Jordan batted .340, while adding five home runs and 44 RBIs in 2000.

The Patriots feature some good talent on the mound. Lefthander Travis Hardman led the team last year with a 3.89 ERA, while right-hander Todd Simo appeared 13 times with a 6.02 ERA.

"The Citadel has played six games so far this season, while West Virginia and George Mason haven't played at all," said Avent. "Out of those three, we don't know what to expect from West Virginia and George Mason, but with the Citadel having played some already, we do. I have to say they [The Citadel] look the best on paper."

"We decided to redshirt Katie Sabino this year," Geiger said. "With so many of our top runners out, we just didn't want to use a year of her eligibility this year. We would rather have her back next year when we should have a stronger team overall."

Molly Purser, Janelle Vadnais and Sara Graybill will make up most of the Wolfpack's middle distance team.

"These girls should do well for us in the mile and the distance medley relay," said Geiger. "We might put one or two of them in the 3,000 also, where they should be able to do well."

Renae Robinson will join these three in the distance medley relay by running the 400-meter leg. She is also expected to perform well in the open 400 and the four by 400-meter relay.

Annamarie Clark will join Robinson in the 400-meter dash. Clark finished eighth in the 400 last weekend with a time of 57.23 seconds. She finished ninth at last year's ACC Championships in the pole vault, another event she will compete in this weekend.

Joining Clark in the pole vault will be junior Katie Bolac. Bolac finished seventh in this event at last weekend's meet at Virginia Tech.

"Patricia Watson was been throwing well for us all year," said Geiger, "and we think she might be able to score some points for us this weekend."

All-American high jumper Kristin Pace will not be competing for the Pack this weekend. She finished second in the conference last year.

The ACC Championships is the second to last opportunity these athletes have to obtain a nationally qualifying mark before the NCAA Championships in early March.

The Air Force Academy will make the cross-country trip from Colorado Springs to Raleigh also riding a hot streak. The Falcons are coming off a record-setting weekend in Texas where they posted a new school record of 194.275. Sophomore Kim Broughton also set a school record in the all-around with a score of 39.125.

Rounding out the field is a young Radford team that is looking to shake off some early season struggles. The Highlanders are a young squad that feature 11 freshman and only three upperclassmen. The Pack will look to build on their success at home and hope to score above



## AROUND THE ACC

### Standings:

| Team           | ACC Record | Overall |
|----------------|------------|---------|
| North Carolina | 11-0       | 21-2    |
| Duke           | 10-2       | 22-3    |
| Virginia       | 6-6        | 17-6    |
| Wake Forest    | 6-6        | 17-7    |
| Maryland       | 6-6        | 15-9    |
| Georgia Tech   | 6-6        | 14-9    |
| N.C. State     | 4-7        | 12-11   |
| Florida State  | 2-9        | 7-17    |
| Clemson        | 1-10       | 10-14   |

### Saturday's games:

No. 17 Maryland at No. 23 Wake Forest, 1:30 p.m., ESPN2

The Terrapins are quickly heading south in the ACC standings, and a trip to Winston-Salem to play Wake may not help much. The Demon Deacons have a 13-1 record at Lawrence Joel Coliseum.

No. 12 Virginia at Florida State, 4:00 p.m., RJ Split

Both of these teams are fresh off their biggest wins of the season. The Cavaliers snapped Duke's 24-game ACC road winning streak Wednesday night, while the Seminoles continued Maryland's misery with a 74-71 upset win.

### Sunday's Games

No. 3 Duke at St. John's, noon, CBS

The last team that faced Duke following a loss was Florida State, who took a 42-point beating in Durham three days after the Blue Devils fell to North Carolina. St. John's may not be quite as easy to push over, however, as the Red Storm have given Duke some classic games in recent years.

No. 1 North Carolina at Clemson, 4:00 p.m., RJ

After getting drubbed by 34 points at the hands of N.C. State Wednesday, Clemson probably doesn't want to see the top-ranked Tar Heels in town. UNC hasn't lost since Dec. 2, when the Heels dropped one to Kentucky 93-76.

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in the mile. Chris Dugan should be worth close to 20 points for the team, but he's missed a week of practice," said Geiger. "The thing about distance running is that there are no timeouts. We can't put a runner in for two or three minutes and then let him have a break to recover, so if your lungs and cardiovascular system aren't working right, then it's just not going to happen."

Oglesby has been State's top and most consistent performer this year. He has been named the ACC Athlete of the Week twice. In five meets, he has won the weight throw four times and thrown a provisionally qualifying mark three times. The sophomore's best throw of the season, 63-11, ranks him 20th in the nation.

Oglesby's only loss came last weekend to North Carolina rival Sal Giganter, whose best throw is still 8 inches shorter than Oglesby's. As a freshman last year, Oglesby was the weight throw and placed sixth in the shot put at the ACC Championships.

"Our throwers should be strong this year, even though Oglesby has been sick," said Geiger. "We've got Randy Cass, Ryan Furlough and freshman James Rowell. All of these guys have been performing well this year."

Out of all the All-Americans we have here, I don't think we'll be lining up a single healthy one. Dugan had the flu. Oglesby has the flu. Tyrone Dozier, our 400 m, had surgery in the fall and won't line up. Last year at this meet, he ran the fastest time in the world of the

year." Ryan Woods looks to lead the men's team into this weekend's meet. Woods placed second in the 5,000-meter run last year at the outdoor ACC Championships, and he is looking to win the 3,000 and 5,000 this weekend. He ran 8:19 last weekend for the 3,000, which currently places him third in the ACC.

Abdul Alzindani and David Patterson, who are also recovering from the flu, will join Woods in the 3,000 and 5,000.

Freshman Monterio Adams injured his hamstring early in the season but appears to be coming back strong after an impressive performance last weekend. Adams placed third in the 400-meter dash with a time of 48.84 seconds.

The women's team will also head into the ACC Championships dealing with a great amount of injury and sickness.

Amy Beykirch will lead the women's distance team into the conference championships. Beykirch posted the teams fastest 3,000 time last weekend with a mark of 9:43. She will run the 3,000 and 5,000 this weekend at Virginia Tech.

Other top distance runners Beth Kraft and Diana Henderson will join Beykirch in both of these events. Kraft and Henderson both scored for State at the NCAA Cross Country Championships this fall, and Geiger thinks both of them have good chances of scoring points for the team.

State's top four runners from the cross country season will all be sitting out this meet. All-American Christy Nichols is recovering from Achilles tendinitis. Lindsey Rogers got injured during cross country season and will not run for State this season. Beth Fonner recently became sick and is in jeopardy for this weekend.

Stevenson was also pleased with the team's floor routines this past weekend, considering they included four gymnasts doing double back dismounts. "As far as I know we're the only team in college doing that," said Stevenson. The Pack was also extremely solid on the vault this past weekend, scoring a 48.525. Freshman Alison Bundy (9.8) and Adina Stock (9.825) led the Pack, and all six gymnasts landed their vaults. Making the trip to Reynolds Coliseum for the second consecutive week will be the North Carolina Tar Heels. One week after winning the Governor's Cup, the Heels (5-5) placed fourth last week at the Heels Invitational with a score of 193.025.

## IM/RecNotes

### National Recreational Sports and Fitness Day

Join the Intramural-Recreational Sports Department on Thursday in celebrating 2001 National Recreational Sports and Fitness Day. Visit us on the brickyard from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for demonstrations and information on our programs. That evening, participate in N.C. State's Largest Aerobics Class at 5:15 p.m. on Courts 9 and 10. The first 200 participants will receive a free water bottle. For more information, call 515-3161.

### Intramurals

Registration for softball began Monday and will close next Wednesday for all divisions. Anyone interested in participating in intramural sports can call 515-3161 for more information.

### Club sports — upcoming events

The club ice hockey team will hold a fundraiser tonight at Kelly on Hillsborough Street. The doors open for the event at 10 p.m., and all money collected after the first 60 guests enter will go directly to the club. Members of the triathlon club will

be entering the Inside-Out Sports Off-road Duathlon, held in Raleigh at Umstead Park on Saturday. The race begins at 9 a.m.

The martial arts club announces the Fourth Annual "Masters Seminar" free to all current N.C. State students, faculty and staff (experience required). Martial artists from all around the United States will be coming to State to workout and have a great time. Instruction on Friday night will involve sparring drills and concepts, while Saturday will involve empty hand katas, weapon katas, applications, self-defense and matwork. There will be an all-you-can-eat buffet dinner Saturday night at 8 p.m. at Ten on Western Blvd. Come work out with Cuong Nhu Oriental Martial Arts in a safe, professional atmosphere and learn the cutting edge of martial arts concepts and applications.

The sessions will be held at Carmichael Gymnasium Friday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The men's and women's rugby clubs will host Kutztown College at Miller Field on Saturday. The women's game will begin at noon, and the men's game will start afterwards at around 2 p.m. The men's club lacrosse team will host its second home game in as many weeks on Sunday vs. Winthrop at noon at Miller Field.

a 195 again. With this meet being the second-to-last home meet, State needs to keep scoring well in order to achieve a Regional Qualify Score. By rule, the best team score at home, as well as on the road, is thrown out, meaning one of the 195s the Pack has earned does not count towards Regional qualifying.

"Right now we have two 195s at home and one of those is gone," said Stevenson. "It is really important for us in our next two home meets to do really well and score really high."

## GYM

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"We have had really good beam coaches," said Stevenson. "Colleen came in two years ago and has done an outstanding job. Beam is really a key event, because if you're a good enough team to go up and hit six for six on beam every week, chances are you're going to win more than you're going to lose because that is the event that usually causes trouble."

Senior Monica Berry has been a stal-



# Baseball marches to The Citadel Tournament



N.C. State heads down to The Citadel with a 1-2 record.

◆N.C. State baseball will participate in tournament play in Charleston over the weekend.

**Justin Sellers**  
Staff Writer

The atmosphere surrounding The Citadel's campus this weekend won't be what they would call normal. Instead of guns firing off and drill masters' whistles blowing loudly at new cadets, there will be the more relaxed environment of fans cheering and players competing in what is known as America's pastime. It's baseball season once again, and the annual Citadel Invitational Shootout is in

session with several teams from around the country participating, including the likes of a hungry and energetic N.C. State team.

**WHAT:**  
THE CITADEL TOURNAMENT  
**WHEN:**  
THIS WEEKEND  
**WHERE:**  
CHARLESTON, S.C.

The Wolfpack (1-2) is coming off of a disappointing home-opening series at Doak Field against Cincinnati, which is picked to finish third in Conference USA. State was victorious in its first game of the season with a 4-3 win over the Bearcats. In the final two games of the series, however, the end-

ing was the total opposite. Cincinnati's performance on Saturday allowed it to jump out to an early lead and an eventual 11-9 win. Sunday's game was all Bearcats, as they totally dominated to close out the series with an exclamation point, winning by the score of 12-6.

Junior Brian Wright stepped up during the series for State. Wright, who had surgery on Aug. 15 to get rid of an overlying pain in his elbow, went 7-of-12 with three doubles and six RBIs against the Bearcats. Another name to keep in mind is that of sophomore Daniel Caldwell, who has proven to be one of the Wolfpack's most reliable pitchers. Caldwell held Cincinnati

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# Crucial contest for Pack

◆N.C. State could move a step closer to the contention that is third place in the ACC with a win over Georgia Tech.

**Jack Daly**  
Sports Editor

Clemson turned out to be the perfect Valentine's date for N.C. State Wednesday evening.

The Wolfpack used one of its most complete performances of the year to dominate the Tigers 85-51 at the Entertainment and Sports Arena.

The win was State's most lopsided Atlantic Coast Conference victory since it drubbed Wake Forest 130-89 on March 5, 1983.

Now, the Pack will try and build off the Clemson win as two key road contests loom. State (12-11, 4-7 ACC) has won two of its last three as it prepares to travel to Georgia Tech Saturday and Maryland Tuesday.

**WHAT:**  
MEN'S BASKETBALL AT GA. TECH  
**WHEN:**  
SATURDAY, 4:00 P.M.  
**WHERE/TV:**  
ATLANTA/RJ

"The year isn't over yet," said forward Damien Wilkins. "We have been a little frustrated, a little down on ourselves this year with the success that we haven't had. We haven't really figured out why. But we just have to keep going, pushing ahead. There's a lot of good things that can happen for us."

Suddenly with wins over Virginia and Clemson in the past week, Wilkins' comments aren't far off the mark.

If the Pack were able to pick up victories at Georgia Tech and at Maryland, State would be back in the race for third place in the ACC when it hosts Florida State at home on Feb. 25. How's that possible with a 4-7 ACC record?

Well, with everyone other than Duke and North Carolina beating up on each other, Tech, Maryland, Wake Forest and Virginia are all bunched at 6-6 in the ACC. In other words, the Pack is only one game out of third in the loss column.

Tech (14-9, 6-6) lost to Wake Forest 81-65 Wednesday night, but had won four of its last five ACC games before that setback. With wins over No. 12 Virginia, No. 17 Maryland and No. 23 Wake Forest, the Yellow Jackets are vying for a NCAA tournament appearance in Paul Hewitt's first season as head coach.

"They've got a lot of confidence," Wilkins said. "They have some tough out-of-conference wins and some great conference wins. That's a great team we're going down there to face. They feel like they owe us one."

Alvin Jones leads the Yellow Jackets by averaging a double-double. The senior is ninth in the conference in scoring, with 15.2 points per game, and tied for first in rebounding with 10.3 boards per contest.

State has won eight of the last nine meetings against Tech, including the contest earlier this year at the ESA on Jan. 16. Anthony Grundy scored 17 points as the Pack ran past the Yellow Jackets 72-60.

Grundy didn't start against Clemson



Kenny Inge and the Wolfpack face Georgia Tech Saturday in an important ACC road game.

Wednesday. That marks the first time the junior hadn't started in an ACC game since his freshman season.

Grundy, however, did log 23 minutes of action off the bench, which was the second-highest total on the team.

"Who starts is really most important for girlfriends and moms," said State head coach Herb Sendek.

Sendek is more concerned with the fact State has three games in a six-day stretch (Clemson Wednesday, Georgia Tech Saturday and then

Maryland Tuesday). Since NCAA rules mandated that the team take Thursday off, Sendek will have to cram all his training into this afternoon's practice.

"It's a very small window of preparation," he said. "It's certainly not like football where you have a day to catch your breath, get in the whirlpool and then a week to prepare. You just put the gloves back on and head back out. Especially when you have three games in one week."

# Wolfpack runs past Tech

N.C. State's women's basketball team has now won five games in a row

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Carisse Moody scored 23 points and grabbed nine rebounds to lead 20th-ranked N.C. State to its fifth straight win, a 74-68 Atlantic Coast Conference victory over Georgia Tech.

Tynessa Lewis added 14 points, seven rebounds, five assists, two steals and two blocked shots for State (16-8, 7-6 ACC), which is tied with Clemson for third place in the conference. The win moves the Wolfpack above 500 in conference play for the first time since it beat Tech in its first conference game of the year.

The Pack also got 10 points, five rebounds and five assists from Ivy Gardner and extended its lead in the all-time series to 35-11.

Sonja Mallory had 18 points and 10 rebounds to lead Tech (12-12, 3-10), which could not overcome an 11-point halftime deficit. The Yellow Jackets have now lost eight of their last nine games.

Milli Martinez chipped in 13 points for the Jackets, who committed only seven turnovers but shot under 41 percent (29-for-71) and were out-rebounded 45-39.

The win gives State a sweep of the season series with Tech. The Pack won the first game 77-63 in Raleigh on Dec. 6.

The Pack returns home from its three-game road trip to take on No. 4 Duke Sunday at 2 p.m. in Reynolds Coliseum. The Blue Devils won the first meeting in Durham 62-59 on Jan. 18.



Carisse Moody had 23 points for N.C. State Thursday night as the Wolfpack won its fifth straight game. State is 35-11 all-time against the Yellow Jackets, including both games this season.

# Gymnasts look to stay hot at home Indoor track heads to ACC finals

◆The Pack will host four schools on Saturday night.

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As the temperature outside has fluctuated throughout the winter, the N.C. State gymnastics team has stayed blistering hot here at home.

The past two meets at home, the 28th-ranked Wolfpack (9-8) has twice broken the 195-point barrier. In fact, both scores were their highest marks of the season.

State looks to keep the hot streak alive as they entertain Radford, North Carolina and the Air Force Academy this weekend at Reynolds Coliseum.

The catalyst for the team's success has been the

outstanding beam routines that the entire team has put together. Last weekend at the Hearts Invitational, the Pack posted a season high 49.375 on the beam, a score that ties the fourth highest mark in school history.

The Pack currently ranks sixth in the nation on beam, ahead of many national powers, including future opponent the Georgia Gym Dogs. Head coach Mark Stevenson believes that a majority of the success is the product of this year's outstanding beam coach, assistant coach Colleen Johnson.

**WHAT:**  
GYMNASTICS QUAD MEET  
**WHEN:**  
SATURDAY, 7:00 P.M.  
**WHERE:**  
REYNOLDS COLISEUM

◆N.C. State's indoor track teams have been plagued by injury and illness and will send limited teams to Virginia Tech.

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The ACC Indoor Track Championships are this weekend, and a large number of N.C. State's athletes will not be making the trip to Virginia Tech to compete.

Neither the men's nor the women's team will be lining up a complete, healthy squad. Over the last couple of weeks, these Wolfpack athletes have been hit hard by the flu.

"The sickness on the team has been had all season, but it's worse now than before," said head coach Rollie Geiger. "It's almost like who doesn't

have the flu? In my 22 years of coaching, I've never seen a team in a condition this bad."

The men's team has put forth many strong efforts this year, led by national qualifiers Isaiah Oglesby and Chris Dugan.

Two weekends ago, Dugan ran 8 minutes, 3 seconds for the 3,000-meter run, a provisionally qualifying time that was only three seconds away from an automatic qualifier.

This time is currently the 11th fastest time run in the NCAA this year. At last year's ACC finals, Dugan took second in the 3,000 and fourth

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