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Football player arrested

◆ Linebacker Corey Lyons, charged with domestic violence, is being held without bail until his first court appearance.

News Staff Report

WRAL-TV reported Sunday that Raleigh police have charged N.C. State linebacker Corey Lyons with two misdemeanor counts of domestic violence.

The charges stem from an incident Saturday in which Lyons reportedly grabbed his girlfriend by the arm and verbally threatened her after he followed her to Crabtree Valley Mall from the apartment the two share.

Sources close to the accuser told WRAL that the argument started at the apartment.

Lyons is being held without bond until he makes a first court appearance. He is the third N.C. State athlete to be arrested since October of last year.

One of those athletes, junior basketball player Anthony Grundy, was issued a continuance Friday in his assault case stemming from a Jan. 27 incident with a former girlfriend.

Student reaction Sunday was mixed. "I think it gives the school a bad name," freshman Sarah Stoneman said. "Any time anything about N.C. State athletes is on television, it's about who got arrested, not about who did anything good."

Kathleen Callahan, also a freshman, disagreed. "Athletes just get a bad wrap," she said. "People go after them because they're athletes when, in truth, people are just jealous."

Calls to the Raleigh Police Department for further details were not returned Sunday night.



Freshman Tony Caravano answers questions after his approval by the Student Senate as the head of the student body elections board.

Elections set to begin

◆ After last night's confirmation of members of the elections board, student body election registration begins today.

Jimmy Ryals
News Editor

Election season is open.

In a 90-minute emergency meeting Sunday night, the Student Senate approved the nominations of the first four members of the elections board for the 2001 student body elections, allowing for the elections books to open for elections registration starting today.

Tony Caravano, a freshman in criminal justice, is the chair of the elections board. Also approved to serve on the elections board were Larissa Yasinovskaya and senators Amanda Devore and Michael Ramirez.

Two others, sophomore history major Shonda Tabb and junior business major Ryan Hall, have also expressed interest

in the elections board; Caravano said they were not approved last night because he had not talked to them in the days leading up to Sunday's confirmations.

Caravano and the other appointees were nominated by Student Body President Harold Pettigrew. Caravano told the senate that he had been interested in serving on the elections board before Pettigrew approached him.

Filling the elections board has been a difficult task for Pettigrew's executive branch this year. Caravano addressed those difficulties Sunday night.

"The elections board is tainted," Caravano said. "The title is tainted. No upperclassmen want to be a part of it."

To that end, senators expressed some concerns over Caravano's youth during the debate period on his nomination. Caravano stepped out of the room during debate.

"I think he should be appointed, with the knowledge that he's new and he's a freshman and we need to help him out

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Board passes hikes

◆ N.C. State's Board of Trustees passed tuition increases for graduate students in the College of Management.

Jimmy Ryals
News Editor

In a meeting Friday, N.C. State's Board of Trustees passed tuition increases for students in the College of Management's masters of accounting and masters of science in management degree programs.

Full-time students in the masters of science in management program will pay a pair of \$2,500 increases to be levied in fall 2002 and fall 2003.

Evening students in the masters of science in management program will pay \$3,330 more in tuition during the next two academic years. The increase will be broken down into a pair of \$1,665 increases, also to be levied in fall 2002 and fall 2003.

Full-time students in the masters of accounting program will also pay \$5,000 more in tuition, with the increase broken down into four \$1,250 increases to be levied in fall 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005.

The increases received endorsements from individual students in the two programs, alumni of the programs and NCSU student and faculty groups, including the Masters of Science in Management Student Association and the College of Management Board of Advisors.

The board's finance and planning committee also presented three student-fee increases, all of which the board passed. The increases, which all passed through the Student Senate last semester, include a \$2 annual Student Legal Services fee increase, a \$16 annual increase in the Student Health Services Fee and a \$6 annual increase in the transit operations fee.

UNC System Association of Student Government President Andrew Payne could benefit from the events of Friday's meeting, as could future ASG presidents. The board unanimously passed a resolution from Student Government encouraging the North Carolina General Assembly to allow voting membership on the UNC Board of Governors to the ASG president.

Currently, the ASG president holds a non-voting spot on the Board of Governors. Payne said that one of the purposes of Tuesday's ASG Day at the Capital is to lobby the general assembly to allow the ASG president a vote on the board.

Trustees also approved expansion on Centennial Campus that would incorporate 128 acres transferred from the North Carolina departments of Health and Human Services and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.



Elias Sorokin demos a pressurized G-suit for Aero Russ at the Sanford Airport. Aero Russ imports and assembles used Russian L-29 military jet trainers to sell here in the U.S.

Hunger banquet serves up new perspective

◆ The event gave participants a first-hand view on the statistics and situations of world hunger.

James Gorman
Staff Reporter

Students participating in last Thursday night's Hunger Banquet at the Caldwell Hall lounge received an eye-opening look at the harsh economic disparity that separates the world's richest and poorest people.

The banquet, the final event in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences' "Prospects for Development in Africa" series, randomly separated participants into three distinct economic classes.

A handful of participants, less than 15 percent of the turnout, represented the wealthiest portion of the world's population. They sat at clean tables behind a low fence and had a wait staff serving their meals — chicken croissants with rice, broccoli and sparkling grape juice.

The next group, roughly 30 percent of the people, represented the world's middle class population — families with an annual income between \$765 and \$9,000. While they were allowed chairs, members of the middle class took their meals — from servers across the room.

The rest of the diners —

more than 50 percent of the participants — represented the poorest segment of the world's population and dished up their own rice, poured their own water and sat on the hardwood floor.

As the students ate, Robert Patterson, coordinator of undergraduate programs for N.C. State's crop science department, gave a brief presentation on the severity of world hunger and the extreme differences between the three economic divisions.

"You people over here, at the tables, have everything in life you could ever want," he said. "A home, education — it's yours...you on the floor, though — well, don't get your hopes up. One bad harvest could destroy your family."

According to Patterson, reports show that more than 1.5 billion people in the world live below the poverty level. In the United States, more than 30 million people don't regularly get enough to eat.

"As you sit here tonight," Patterson said, "realize that, over the duration of this hour, over 4,500 people worldwide will die of hunger."

After his presentation, Patterson showed a series of slides that alternately depicted scenes of natural beauty and the destruction caused by human expansion and industrial abuse.

For many, the experience was a shocking look at the realities of world hunger.

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SENATE

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and watch for him," Senator Mike Mineiro said.

Pettigrew sees Caravano and his fellow board members' inexperience with Student Government as assets.

"If it was up to me, it would probably be an all-freshman election board, maybe with one upperclassman," he said.

Caravano will be advised on elections statutes by senators Gary Palm and Eric Fabricius, Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Evelyn Reiman and John Borwick, among others.

Pettigrew guaranteed that all seven elections board positions will be filled by the end of the year.

"We will have a full board by the time the books close, hopefully by Wednesday," Pettigrew said.

In other news from the meeting, the senate approved the inclusion on election ballots of positions on the Student Center Board of

Directors, Student Media Authority and Senior Class Council.

Pettigrew announced that he will seek a second term as student body president. He also received himself from further nominations of elections board members.

"Because of any later conflicts of interest, I have removed myself" from future nominations, Pettigrew said.

Caravano said he feels confident in his ability to present future nominees to the senate.

At the opening of the meeting, Pettigrew and Student Senate President Conen Morgan encouraged senators to take part in Tuesday's Association of Student Governments Day at the Capital.

"We need as many people there as possible," Morgan said.

Pettigrew said that Western Carolina University is planning to bring two busloads of students to the N.C. Capital Tuesday.

Students interested in running for student body offices can pick up intent-to-run forms from the Student Government office in Witherspoon Student Center, or they can apply online at students.ncsu.edu.

HUNGER

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"It was enlightening," said senior Angela Rhex, one of the participants forced to sit on the floor. "When I looked over and saw the people on the other side of the fence, it sort of made me realize just what I take for granted."

"What we wanted to develop in students is an increased sensitivity for the class inequities in the world," Patterson said. "Hunger, you have to realize, is a political, not a biological, problem."

The banquet raised \$270, which will be donated to the Oxford Famine Relief Agency. It was the final event of two weeks of programs and seminars focused on examining development issues in Africa.

"Economic Stability in African Countries," held last Wednesday in Witherspoon Student Center's African American Cultural Center,

gave a panel of seven African students the opportunity to discuss the source of economic problems in their home-lands.

The panel included students from Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, Congo and Burundi.

Most of the panelists agreed that Africa is still recovering economically from centuries of European dominion and colonization.

"The next step we need to take is the de-colonization of our minds," one of the panelists remarked. "We need to educate the people so that we can find our own place in the world system."

Bob Kochersberger, head of CHASS's International Studies Committee, was pleased with the relative success of the Prospects for Development in Africa series.

"Our program these last few weeks has easily been the best we've held in the last two or three years," he said. "Both attendance and interest were outstanding."

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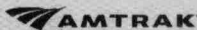
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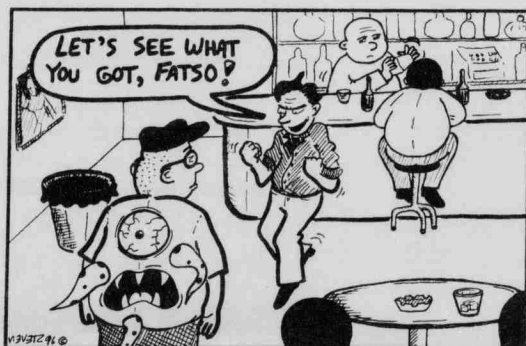
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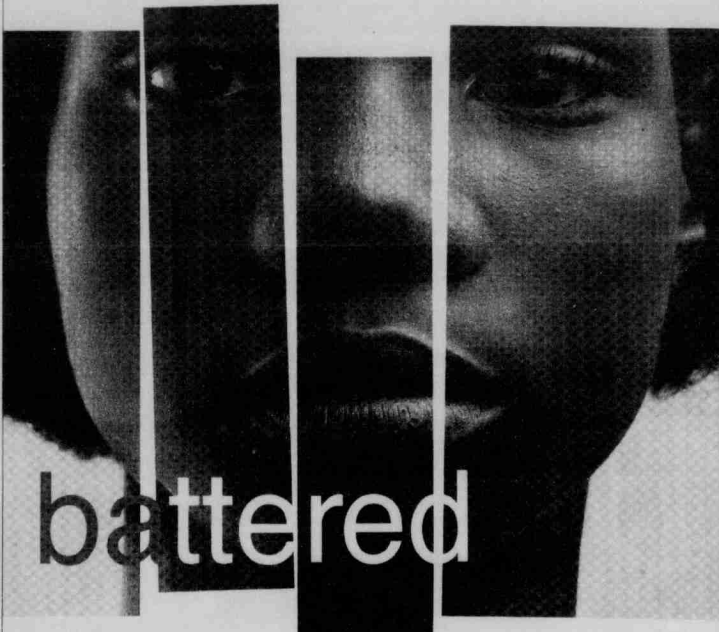
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NCSU Bookstore employees Tracy Stallings, Shaunicko Monroe, Naima Long and Kimberly Terry will be reading poetry throughout the events.

Tuesday, February 20, 2001

<p>12:30 PM - A STEP SHOW by NCSU's Mu Xi Chapter of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.</p> <p>Mu Xi was chartered on the campus of North Carolina State University on May 5, 1990.</p> 	<p>5:00 PM - Marcia Douglas, author of <i>Madam Fate</i>. -Marcia Douglas was born in England and raised on the island of Jamaica. She is currently a professor of Creative Writing at NCSU.</p> <p>"Douglas, a poet, evokes Jamaica's past as well as its present in this work of magical realism. The story is introduced by Bella, a Kin-Out -- a shape shifter -- who was present when God created Jamaica, laughing when she saw what She had done. Through the generations Bella lives on, in one incarnation, then another, always meeting suffering with forbitude, hiding the burden of her strange nature from others."</p> 
<p>4:00 PM - DANCE VISIONS: Members of African American Student Advisory Council.</p> <p>Dance Visions performs works that focus on the African American cultural experience by the company's artistic director, Monique Newton, guest artists, and students.</p> 	<p>Wednesday, February 21</p> <p>11:40 - 12:05 PM - NCSU's New Horizons Gospel Group</p> <p>New Horizons is a mixed chorus specializing in the performance of Negro spirituals and contemporary gospel music. The group also performs other music by black composers. The choir is one of the performance ensembles of the NCSU Music Department.</p> 
<p>Thursday, February 22, 2001</p> <p>12:30 PM - Barry Saunders, News & Observer columnist will be discussing his book <i>Do Unto Others...And Then Run</i>.</p> <p>6:00 PM - 8:00 PM - "Three times a week, Barry blends a scathing acerbic wit with self-deprecating irreverence to serve notice to his readers that he holds these truths to be self-evident... That he acknowledges no sacred cows, that no prisoners will be taken, that freedom of speech means exactly what the first Amendment says... That he will comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable... And that he believes passionately that 'an injustice anywhere is an injustice everywhere' and if a reader can't get justice, Barry's column is available as a court of last resort."</p> 	<p>Wednesday, February 21</p> <p>11:40 - 12:05 PM - NCSU's New Horizons Gospel Group</p> <p>New Horizons is a mixed chorus specializing in the performance of Negro spirituals and contemporary gospel music. The group also performs other music by black composers. The choir is one of the performance ensembles of the NCSU Music Department.</p> 

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Monday Sports



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M. basketball @ Maryland, 2/20, 8:00
 W. basketball vs. UNC, 2/21, 7:00
 Wrestling @ UNC, 2/24
 Gymnastics @ Nebraska, 2/24
 Baseball vs. Rutgers, 2/23, 3:00

Jones, Tech too much for Pack

◆ **The Wolfpack couldn't find its shooting touch at Georgia Tech.**

Matt Middleton
 Staff Writer

ATLANTA — N.C. State journeyed down to Atlanta in search of that ever-elusive breakthrough conference road win. Instead, what unfolded was a sub-par day shooting the basketball for the Wolfpack, which led to a 69-54 win for Georgia Tech in front of a crowd of 8,768 at Alexander Memorial Coliseum.

On a day when the Pack would break a string of 22 games having committed double-digit turnovers

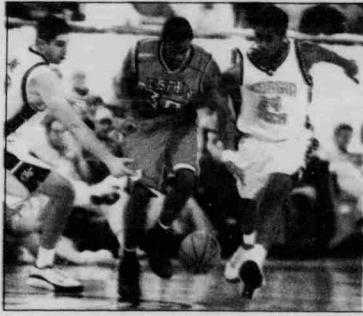
by only committing nine for the game, it was poor shooting, specifically from the foul line (10-for-21), that did it in.

For the game, the Pack (12-12, 4-8 Atlantic Coast Conference) shot a dismal 31.7 percent, while converting just 9-of-36 attempts in the pivotal second half.

While State did miss many open looks, credit for the poor shooting should be given to the defense of the Yellow Jackets (15-9, 7-6), especially senior center Alvin Jones, one of the most improved players in the ACC, finished with five blocked shots and altered countless others.

"He changes the game with the way that he blocks shots," said senior Damon Thornton of Jones.

The presence of Jones, who finished the game with 13 points and 14 rebounds, in the paint caused



Cliff Crawford and N.C. State dropped to 4-8 in the ACC.

the frontcourt trio of Kenny Inge, Damien Wilkins and Ron Kelley to shoot a combined 8-of-29 from the field.

"Alvin Jones is a great shot blocker and presence in the mid-

dle," said head coach Herb Sendek. "Even the shots that he doesn't get a piece of, he has a tendency to change."

Jones was also a big contributor

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Wilkins' family takes case to paper

◆ **Gerald and Dominique Wilkins spoke out on the N.C. State basketball program in The Atlanta Journal-Constitution.**

Jeremy Ashton
 Sports Editor

ATLANTA — Damien Wilkins wasn't the only member of his family making N.C. State-related news Saturday.

Wilkins' father, Gerald, and his uncle, Dominique, took their frustration with the state of the Wolfpack and Wilkins' role on the team to *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, making several scathing comments about the program and head coach Herb Sendek. Damien Wilkins was not made aware of the article until after State's 69-54 loss to Georgia

Tech.

"I don't have anything to say about those comments," Wilkins said. "I wasn't aware of them. I didn't know anything about them. I don't know where they came from. I haven't spoken to my father in about three days."

The main focus of Gerald and Dominique Wilkins' criticism was the Pack's offensive output this season. As a team, State has shot just 42.6 percent from the floor and is averaging 74.2 points per game in Atlantic Coast Conference play.

"They run no kind of offense," Dominique Wilkins said. "They have no ball reversal. They run nothing for [Damien]. It's obvious Sendek is not an offensive coach."

Gerald Wilkins appeared equally as disappointed with State's

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State topples No. 4 Duke

◆ **The women's basketball team notched its sixth consecutive win with a 69-55 upset of the Blue Devils.**

Jerry Moore
 Staff Writer

The streak continues.

No. 21 N.C. State captured its sixth consecutive victory with a 69-55 dismantling of No. 4 Duke Sunday afternoon in front of a raucous crowd of 8,327 in Reynolds Coliseum.

After struggling through a sloppy first half, the Wolfpack erupted in the second State (17-8, 8-6 Atlantic Coast Conference) outscored the Blue Devils (23-3, 11-3) 48-28 in the second half to erase a six-point halftime deficit.

State's leading scorer, Carisse Moody, picked up three first-half fouls and scored only two points in seven minutes of play in the first half. Sixth-time ACC Freshman of the Week Alana Beard, averaging 17.2 points per game for the Devils, scored only three on 1-of-8 shooting.

"We played great help-side defense," Tynesha Lewis said. "If I got beat, there was always someone there to pick it up. We didn't get beat on the first dribble, so we had time to rotate over."

State and Duke both shot a paltry 32 percent from the floor in the first half, but the Devils led 27-21 at the break. Georgia Schweitzer paced

Duke with 16 points. No State player scored more than five.

Moments into the second half, the Pack trailed by as many as eight. A quick 8-0 State run, however, wiped out Duke's cushion.

The teams traded hoops for five minutes, but the Pack could not regain the lead. Finally, the Pack overtook the Devils when Lewis nailed a three-pointer to give State a 47-46 advantage with eight minutes to play.

Lewis' shot ignited a 17-2 run that put the Pack ahead for good. State's half-court offense started to click, and the Pack repeatedly broke the Devils' press to get easy layups.

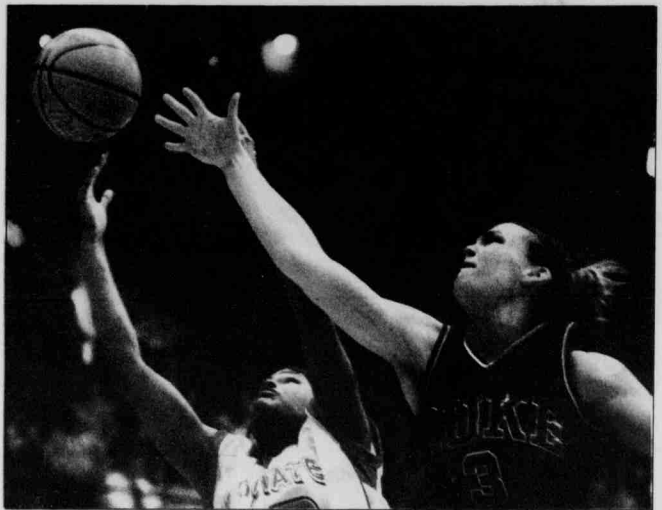
"We did a much better job running the motion offense and moving the ball," State coach Kay Yow said. "Our shot selection was very good, and we played a solid second half."

State committed only two turnovers in the second half and made 12-of-16 free throws down the stretch to hold the Devils at bay.

The Pack connected on 17-of-34 field goals after halftime to raise its shooting percentage to 42.4 for the game. The Devils continued to misfire, making only 11 of their 35 second-half attempts, and shot 31.7 percent for the contest. Duke hit only 3-of-13 shots from three-point range.

"We did a great job trying to get a hand up in their faces every time they took a shot," Yow said. "Sometimes they make more shots and three-pointers than they did against us."

Freshman Adeola Olanrewaju scored a career-high 16 points, 13 in the decisive second half, and pulled down 10 rebounds for her



The Wolfpack moved into a tie for third in the ACC with its 69-55 upset win over No. 4 Duke.

first career double-double.

"I was so excited this morning, and I knew I had to calm down," Olanrewaju said. "In the locker room, I just thought, 'We're not going to lose this game.'"

Lewis made 8-of-10 free throws and led the Pack with 19 points, Moody and Ivy Gardner also reached double figures with 12 and 10, respectively.

State's ACC-leading defense held Duke's high-powered offense 21 points below its average. Beard, the ACC's fourth-leading scorer, finished with 14 on 5-of-17 shooting. Schweitzer led the Devils with 20.

"We picked up some fouls early, but we continued to play really hard defense," Yow said. "I liked the way we contested almost all of their shots, and they didn't get the open looks."

Monica Bates started the game for the Pack, but an injured ankle limited her effectiveness and playing time. As a result, Olanrewaju and Amy Simpson came off the bench

to play more than 30 minutes apiece.

After limping through the first half of the ACC schedule with a 2-6 league record, the Pack has hit its stride.

The Pack's hot spell has coincided with Lewis' shift to the point guard position. Since she has moved to the point, her team has not lost a game and now boasts the ACC's longest winning streak.

Yow told her team that winning at least six of its last eight conference games was a must.

"We had a goal, and we focussed on it," Lewis said. "Our confidence has grown, and even though we've won six in a row, we want more now."

The win propels State into a tie with Clemson for third place in the ACC standings. Duke has already clinched at least a tie for first.

Duke beat State 62-59 in Durham on Jan. 18, and even with Sunday's win, the Pack has prevailed in only two of its last eight meetings with



Carisse Moody scored 12 points.

the Devils. State has, however, posted a 13-7 record against top 10 opponents in the last five years.

State hits season-high score



The Pack won with a 196.15.

◆ **The Wolfpack topped 196 for the first time this season to beat North Carolina and Air Force.**

Ryan Hill
 Staff Writer

The N.C. State gymnastics team has had its ups and downs this year.

Coming into Saturday night's meet against North Carolina and Air Force, the team stood at 9-8, losing to as many teams as it had all last year. In the end, the Pack showed that more ups are in the future as it cruised to an impressive victory against the two visiting teams with the

fourth-highest point total in school history.

"I thought we had a really great meet," senior Monica Berry said. "I think some people had a little doubt and we pulled it all together and did really good. I think we even surprised ourselves a little bit. The people in their places are really stepping up and doing a good job. Everyone is being so positive."

The Wolfpack (11-8) posted a total score of 196.15, crushing the season's previous high of 195.325. UNC (7-6) finished second with a score of 195.075, also a season high. Air Force rounded out the meet with a

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Pack takes two out of three

◆ **N.C. State lost to George Mason Sunday in the conclusion of The Citadel Invitational.**

Sports Staff Report

CHARLESTON, S.C. — Junior left-hander Travis Hardman hurled seven complete innings allowing four runs and struck out three to lead GMU 9-0.

N.C. State 9-4 in The Citadel Invitational.

The loss against George Mason comes after State beat

The Citadel 13-4 Saturday and West Virginia 2-1 Sunday.

George Mason (1-2) took a 4-0 lead in the top of the third inning when Jeff Palumbo laced a single to right-center. Stephen Johnson followed him with a double to right field. Palumbo then scored on at ground ball to the third base man by Scott Yeager. Brad Santmyer then followed with a two-run home run to make the score 4-0. George Mason added one more in the fourth, two in the seventh and two in the ninth to finish the scoring with nine runs. Yeager highlighted the seventh with the two-run home run.

State (3-3) struggled offensively against Hardman. The Wolfpack scored a run in the bottom of the fourth when Daniel Caldwell singled home Brian Wright. The Pack added one more in the sixth and two more in the seventh. Corey Mattison took the loss for the Wolfpack, going three innings and allowing four runs.

Saturday, Matt Butler doubled and tripled and drove in two runs, and Sean Walsh drove in three runs with a pair of singles, as the Pack hammered out 16 hits and routed The Citadel. Left-hander Dan D'Amato was the beneficiary of the

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