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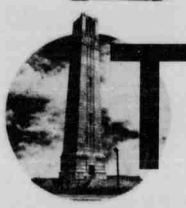


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## NCSU botany research could benefit space travel

◆ A NASA-funded N.C. State research team has made significant discoveries about gravity and the growth of plants.

**Kate Crnich**  
Staff Reporter

In a world propelled by technology and scientific advancement, space exploration is key and NASA is king. So it is no surprise that NSCORT, NASA Specialized Center of Research and Training, has been funding space-related research projects.

Recipients of that funding include an N.C. State-based research team that has studied the effects of gravity on plants, specifically maize and out plants.

Wendy Boss, an NCSU professor of botany, and her research associates Imara Perera and Ingo Heilmann have found something very interesting in the structures of these plants from research completed under NSCORT funding.

The trio focused on inositol triphosphate (InsP<sub>3</sub>), a molecule used in a variety of life forms to transmit chemical signals between an organism's cells. Human brain cells have high levels of InsP<sub>3</sub> and receptors for the chemical.

Boss and her colleagues found the InsP<sub>3</sub> in an area at the base of the maize plants called the pulvinus. The pulvinus, Heilmann explained, is a region very much like an elbow joint. There, specialized cells react to gravity, allowing plants to quickly perceive and "remember" stimuli, reacting accordingly with response times ranging from just minutes to hours.

This information could prove invaluable when

developing sustained space missions that require plants to clean water and provide food and oxygen.

But don't get caught up in the science of it all, warns Boss.

"I think what should really be important to students here at State is the opportunities research like this provides our school," said Boss.

The NSCORT-sponsored research teams on campus are diverse, with professors and post-doctoral assistants hailing from the United States, Australia, Sri Lanka, Germany, Scotland and England. This provided for a dynamic Boss feels was unique to their team.

"When you have so many different learning styles, techniques and areas of expertise, you get so much more out of a project," she said.

The team members have done more than just research on the gravitropic bending response in corn plants. They also taught summer workshops to local K-12 schoolteachers and ran several programs with students themselves.

The project also presented job opportunities for several undergraduate students at NCSU. These students worked in hands-on experiments in the botany labs. One or two have even gone on to publish research papers.

So now that the project has served its purpose, resulting in a significant discovery about plant responses to gravity stimuli, what happens next?

NSCORT has pulled all funding from team projects like the one at NCSU, but that doesn't mean such research will end. Perera and several others have submitted written proposals for individual grants.

As for Boss, she is more interested in how this project has changed her and the other researchers. She feels that having worked with such a wonder-



Ingo Heilmann, Wendy Boss and Imara Perera have been collaborating in plant research.

ful team and having run the educational programs have made her a better scientist and professor, and she is very proud of the things her group has accomplished.

"When you do things like this, it's always giving you new ideas," Boss said. "And we've added a page to the textbooks. Now, when you open them,

there is a page talking about what we discovered."

But Boss believes it was the late Thoyud Melton, former associate dean of The Graduate School, who put it all the most eloquently when he said that the goals of basic science should be to rewrite the books. When you've done that, then you've made an impact.

## ePartner provides even exchange: research for dollars

◆ A new corporate partnership in the computer science department is funding student research.

**Tim Clark**  
Senior Staff Reporter

A new program started by N.C. State's computer science department is benefiting both students and local corporations.

The ePartners program, begun last year, provides corporations access to student resumes, senior design projects and the sponsorship of on-campus events in exchange for membership fees which are spent on improving

student learning.

"The membership fees vary based on the size of the company," said Carmen Brennan, director of ePartners.

Funds collected through the membership fees are placed into a general fund, allowing the computer science department to spend the money as needed. This differs from traditional grant funding, which requires the money to be spent in a specific area.

Already, ePartners fees have paid for students to attend several conferences, money that in the past would have been taken away from other funding.

"A lot of ... students come to

us with things they need," said Brennan. "Before, if the department didn't have the money, it would have to come out of the fee budget. Now, we have this money to use for that."

The funds have also been used to replace the LCD projector in Room 218 of Withers Hall, the classroom in which most introductory computer science lectures are held.

In exchange for the funding, the ePartners sponsor on-campus events, such as meetings of the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM) and programming competitions.

Several ePartners have spoken to ACM; attempts made to reach

ACM officials for information on which ePartners have addressed the group were unsuccessful.

The ePartners program is also used to help students find jobs. Resumes submitted by computer science students are on file at the ePartners office. The resumes are available to the program's corporate members.

Most recently, ePartners helped students file for summer positions with SAS Institute.

A Web site is also in the works to allow computer science students to submit their resumes online.

As a Super ePartner, companies can also sponsor a senior

design project, a project course required of all engineering seniors. In the sponsored projects, students receive course credit for developing software for the sponsoring company.

John Deere's Web Works branch is sponsoring one such design project this semester.

"We're working on a way to display sales data to salesmen and their managers," said Wayne Unruh, a senior in computer science and a member of the project group.

The group is using Java applets to build off of John Deere's existing system to display sales statistics. As a whole, the group seems pleased with

the project so far.

"This was my third choice, but looking back on it," said Ben Tiley, another member of the team, "I'm really happy with the way things turned out. The other two projects were for [work on in-house projects for use by the university] that weren't as interesting."

The students knew that ePartners were sponsoring the project; they did not, however, know exactly what that meant.

"I knew that John Deere was an ePartner, but I have no idea how exactly ePartner works between the company and the department. It's like free labor for credit," Unruh joked.

## NCSU meteorologist implicates volcano in U.S. climate changes

◆ A volcano in the Philippines has effects on U.S. and Chinese climate change, according to an N.C. State professor and his research team.

**Diane Cordova**  
Staff Reporter

In recent years, meteorologists have been baffled by long-term climate trends in the southeastern United States and in eastern China.

N.C. State scientists and scientists from the National Climate Center of China, however, believe that they have found the key to the occurrence of climate change patterns in the two regions.

Vinod Saxena, an NCSU professor of meteorology, and his colleagues, Shaozai Yu, a former student of Saxena's and now a research associate in Duke University's Nicholas College of the Environment, and Zongqi Zhao of China's National Climate Center, conducted research on these climate change patterns.

They found that eruptions of Mount Pinatubo, a volcano in the Philippines, impact those climate changes.

Mount Pinatubo emitted 30 megatonnes of sulfur dioxide into the atmosphere between June 12 and June 16, 1991. The debris released into the atmosphere became sulfate aerosols — man-made air pollutants.

The presence of the aerosols resulted in cooler temperatures worldwide, including in the southeastern United

States and eastern China. The cooling effect lasted through 1992.

In 1993, however, after the dissipation of the volcanic sulfate aerosols, there was an increase in temperatures in China, while in the southeastern United States there was not.

Saxena and his colleagues believe these contrasting climate trends may be a result of the presence of differing types of aerosols in China and the southeastern United States' atmospheres.

The aerosols present over eastern China are mostly carbon soot particles, which tend to produce warmer temperatures by absorbing radiation from the sun, said Saxena. These aerosols come from the burning of coal and wood for cooking and heating, as well as from unregulated industrial emissions.

On the other hand, the aerosols present over the southeastern United States are sulfate aerosols, which are believed to decrease temperatures because they reflect solar radiation back into space rather than absorb it, said Saxena.

As a result of their research, Saxena and his colleagues found that during the latter half of the century, the quantity of carbon soot pollution over China increased as the average annual temperatures increased.

Corresponding to that hypothesis, China has seen a slight warming trend over the past 50 years, whereas the southeastern United States has experienced a mild cooling trend.

NASA's Mission to Planet Earth, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Office of Global

Programs and the Georgia Institute of Technology supported the Saxena group's research.

The group's findings point toward the need to decrease emissions.

"To reduce or mitigate the global warming trend, we need to control the emissions of chemical compounds that have been proved to have warming effects on the climate during our activ-

ity [especially industrial activity]," said Yu. "These compounds include greenhouse gases and absorbing aerosols."



Jalil Dozier, 14, takes some video of the competition at the ACC wrestling championships Saturday at UNC-Chapel Hill.

## TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

### Winner takes some

#### A NEW ELECTOR SYSTEM FOR NORTH CAROLINA WOULD REPRESENT A MORE ACCURATE REFLECTION OF VOTER SENTIMENT.

Last week, a state House panel approved a measure (14-to-10) along party lines to change the way North Carolina picks a president. In the new system, a presidential ticket would earn one elector for each congressional district it wins. Two additional at-large electors would be chosen based on statewide totals.

The new policy, an obvious reaction to the extremely close national election debacle of last year, is based on similar voting models already in place in Maine and Nebraska.

In the 2000 election, North Carolina had 13 electoral votes. Pending decisions based on the 2000 census, either North Carolina or Utah will win an additional electoral vote, possibly giving North Carolina 14 votes in 2004. North Carolina has 12 congressional districts.

All House Democrats on the committee supported the bill, with only Republicans opposed. Now, a full House must pass the bill. A similar piece of legislation is also working its way through the state Senate.

Explaining the rationale behind such a proposal, which would more accurately reflect voter sentiment, was explained to the Associated Press by state Rep. Wayne Goodwin, a Democrat and the bill's author. "The winner-takes-all system completely erases a losing candidate's vote even if the candidate lost by only one vote," he said.

In last year's presidential election, George W. Bush won the contested

electoral vote thanks to a Supreme Court decision. He is the only president since 1876, however, to win the electoral vote but lose the popular vote.

In North Carolina, Bush received 56 percent of the popular vote. Vice President Gore would have received three of the state's electoral votes if the proposed system had been in effect at the time.

Those three votes would have been enough to give Gore, who only had 267 electoral votes, the 270 electoral votes a presidential candidate needs to secure the White House.

Because we are stuck with the Electoral College for the time being, the winner-takes-some bill is the best attempt at a true reflection of the vote available. It's difficult to understand why Republicans — or any politicians — would be opposed to such an idea. Opposition can only be inspired through a dependence on elitist government agencies and a fear of popular sentiment, something supposedly unbeknownst to Republicans who claim to be champions of local control of government and trusting people to make their own decisions.

By moving towards a truer popular vote, the bill recognizes what we wrote in another *Technician's View* ("Failing College," Oct. 30, 2000): "Information and communication technologies have made it possible for a direct election to take place. To deny the voting public that ability, despite the possibilities offered it to deny democracy, the rule of the people — not the college."



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## Not just the penis



**Bryan Proffitt**  
STAFF COLUMNIST

They say the pen is mightier than the sword. If that's the case, maybe the word "vagina" is more powerful than the penis. Language is a powerful tool, and with N.C. State's upcoming language-challenging performance of "The Vagina Monologues" Tuesday, the language police are running. Accompanied by everything from snide comments in classrooms, to altered pictures on flyers, to a Christian (yes, Virginia, Christians have vaginas, too) group covering up "Vagina Monologue" flyers with their own Bible study announcements, a serious nerve has been touched. Apparently, it is scary for women to talk about, love and accept their own bodies in the way that society has talked about, loved and accepted the penis.

Quick: think of every word you've ever heard used to describe a vagina. Now, name one that is socially positive or acceptable. "Cunt," though its roots are in the ancient "Kunda" or "Cunt," the Oriental Great Goddess from whom all life came from and to whom all life returned for renewal, is a staple insult in the vile vernacular. A "pussy" is a puny man. Men "hit it" when they have sexual intercourse. These, and countless other choices of diction, betray our phallicentric society's xenophobia regarding the birthplace of all humans and the power it possesses. Likewise, examine the language used to describe a woman's period. Phrases like "on the rag" or "that time of the month" disrespect the most cyclical and physically-connected-to-the-Earth trait in the human repertoire. Consequently, a woman is to be ashamed, toting Tampa's new ultrasmall tampon in the back of her pocket somewhere, so that no one understands the ramifications of this renewing period of her potential to give life. She must keep her body and its processes hidden. Conversely, penises are everywhere. From soda bottles, to Joe Camel's nose, to Darth Vader's helmet, we celebrate the male form and its societal power and unconscious ways every day. Hell, when the Wolfpack guys score that winning touchdown, we light the big penis on Hillsborough St. up in red, calling attention to our glory. And the Washington Monument, in all of its phallic splendor, has come to be a symbol of American power and dominance. Even if an individual male is uncomfortable loving his penis, society is more than willing to love it for him. Unfortunately, many women don't feel comfortable talking about themselves, and society doesn't do so nicely. "Locker room" talk has men talking about the greatness of their penis and its sexual endeavors, while women and girls are left without a word that they feel comfortable using. So men step into the void and define the words for them, connotations and all. That's a power.

In the 1930s, Hitler appointed a propaganda minister to control public opinion and parlay his hateful views. Through language, he was able to vilify a people, and blame them for things out of their control. Because of language, he was able to control, subjugate and destroy. I wonder what Hitler had to say about vaginas. Our culture works in a similar way. By making words like "feminism," "vagina," and other female-centered ideas dirty, control over women is perpetuated in our society in the same ways; hence, a culture plagued with rape and sexual violence. That is the power of language. It's strange, in a culture that pastes the bodies of women (well, unattractively skinny white women) everywhere from the sides of buses to the covers of both men's and women's magazines, there are certain aspects of a woman's body that are off-limits — even to her. What are we afraid of? That's why this play is so powerful. It is a medium through which women define their own realities, their own bodies. There won't be disparaging comments made about men because, contrary to popular belief, self-love does not mean other-hate. And there definitely won't be disparaging comments made about vaginas, because this play is about an important lesson: each part of each of our bodies are beautiful and should be celebrated, not just the penis part.

Boys have a penis; girls have a vagina. email Bryan at [brysup33@yahoo.com](mailto:brysup33@yahoo.com).

## Americanization, part II



**Juan Pedraza**  
STAFF COLUMNIST

This is the continuation of the column I wrote last Monday ("Americanization," part I," Feb. 26). For those who did not read it and would like to check it out, visit [www.technicianonline.com](http://www.technicianonline.com) and search for "Americanization."

As an open-minded Latin American student, you come to the United States and would like to interact more personally with the locals that you feel attracted to. It would be most appropriate to know and attempt to follow the local culture for this situation before approaching a possible candidate, right? So you ask a local to explain you this dating thing; but this only leaves you more confused than before.

In my culture, as in all of Latin America, relationships are pretty straightforward and you are either with somebody or not. Of course, it could not be that simple here because there must be all those ambiguous stages:

- Talking
- Going out
- Seeing each other, etc.

It is just not clear where one stage ends and the other one begins or how do you jump from one stage to the other. The dating terminology does not clarify matters since, in Latin America, whether it's a two-week relationship or a two-year relationship, the proper term would be *noviazgo* (Spanish for: girlfriend/boyfriend), while here one has an array of choices: "hook-up," "significant other," "fiancee," etc.

By now you all might have the idea that this column is about dating rather than "Americanization," but I must

make clear that personal interaction is fundamental in cultural adaptation and that, like many others, I have learned the most about American culture by dating a local. So, what is my point? After being in the United States for a while and having dated, seen, talked to, and hooked up with Americans, the foreigner becomes very familiar with the "American dating process" with all its ambiguity to the point where he/she adopts the local courting ritual as its own. Last week I talked about breaking the language barrier and the benefits of doing so. However, there are things that (as a foreigner) you loose by switching language such as expressing your sense of humor and the ability to compliment. It is really hard to translate a joke from Spanish to English because one cannot find the appropriate words. When you do, the result is a hybrid that involves laughs. Sometimes such a task is just impossible since understanding the joke involves having some regional knowledge. If you tell a woman "Te voy a conquistar," you are telling her that you are going to make the dearest thing in her life. If you translate this to English: "I'm going to conquer you." As you see, it just would not cause the same effect. The "Americanization" process not only affects you by making obsolete those manifestations of your language, but also making you use the local ones. In no time you would be cracking American jokes and watching "Saturday Night Live."

I have only addressed a few manifestations of this "Americanization" process, but I hope they all you locals a better idea what Latin American students pass through in order to feel more comfortable with the American culture.

Think Juan is full of crap? Write him at [japedra@unity.ncsu.edu](mailto:japedra@unity.ncsu.edu).

## The oldest rule



**Jacquelyn Einsel**  
STAFF COLUMNIST

NASA has an almost foolproof test for determining which of their astronauts will eventually be rocketed into space. The test is simple, reliable and completely free. So far, only two employees who have failed this test have gone on to travel aboard NASA's spacecraft. Birth order. In the twentieth century, 21 of the 23 American astronauts launched into space were first-borns.

Birth order is a relatively new concept — a general psychological theory still gaining steam in professional circles. Research on birth order was pioneered by MIT scientist Frank J. Sulloway, who insists the order a child is born in (first born, middle child, last born, etc.) has a heavy determining factor in the way the child will interact with the world. Sulloway insists that this is one of the few factors to transcend class, gender, race and time — making it a reliable indicator of personality traits.

While it's not iron-cast, some researchers believe birth order can be an early gauge of an individual's personality. It can affect a child's friendships, performance in school and, eventually, mating. Theories on birth order — the study of patterns between children in the same "position" in different families — and why it works are widespread. Aside from Sulloway, Clifford Isaacson and Kevin Lehman have each written respected works on the subject. The men detail how the way a child is treated by his parents, at what point the child was born in his parents' lives, and the presence of other children in the family affect a person's adult character

family. Typically friendships, which tend to be formed on the basis of mutual support and common ground, spring up between two people of the same birth order — two younger children, for example, or a youngest and a middle child. The friends sometimes have similar family situations (each friend may have a younger sister, for example) or their family situations may have impressed the same traits on them.

Romantic relationships typically develop between people who complement each other — and for this reason, it is rare to see two people of the same birth order marry. Scientists disagree on the tendencies of birth order marriage: some say an oldest always seeks a youngest, while others insist that a child only looks for a mate with the same birth order as the same-sex parent. Personality traits that each bring to the relationship ideally complement each other; that is to say, while a youngest may come up with problematic ideas, he may lack the implementation an older child can provide. In this way the romantic relationship reflects the relationship between siblings — at first a disturbing factor, but at second glance an indicator of the couple's ability to live together and relate well to each other.

While Sulloway, Lehman and Isaacson disagree on the implications of birth order, they do agree on the basics: a child's environment in early life can have a significant effect on their approach to the world later in life. And although this is a heavy statement to make, all three men mention it is the child's overwhelming personality traits that determine its place in the world. A painfully shy youngest child will never try to hijack the spotlight — but he's a lot more likely than his older sister.

Jacquelyn's an oldest, but she's sick of dating the youngest. Call her. [jeinsel@unity.ncsu.edu](mailto:jeinsel@unity.ncsu.edu).

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## Researchers say ads successful in decreasing teen drug use

◆ Students viewing government PSAs cut marijuana use by up to 38 percent.

Holly Wray

The Maneater (U. Missouri)

(U-WIRE) COLUMBIA, Mo. — A study conducted in part by a University of Missouri professor recently found teenagers exposed to anti-marijuana public service announcements decreased their monthly marijuana use by as much as 38 percent.

"The grant focused on high sensation-seeking teenagers," said Michael Stephenson, the assistant professor of communication at MU who helped conduct the study. "A high sensation-seeking person is someone who needs novelty and engages in a lot of thrill-seeking activities such as fast driving, roller coasters, and bungee jumping."

That group is also more likely to engage health-related behaviors such as risky sexual behavior and drug use.

The anti-drug ads were designed specifically to combat marijuana use, with no intended or observed effects on use of tobacco, alcohol, inhalants, cocaine, crack or hallucinogens.

"This desire for stimulation and novelty also translates to television programming. They need fast-paced, novel programming to retain their attention," Stephenson said.

The ad campaign, which aired in two counties in Kentucky and Tennessee, used teenage actors and "novelty, drama, surprise and strong emotional

appeal," according to the study published last month.

The ads also "depicted several negative consequences of marijuana use such as effects on relationships, loss of motivation or coordination, lung damage (and) impaired judgment."

Philip Palmgreen, a professor of communication and the head of the research team at the University of Kentucky, said the ads were not only aimed at high sensation-seeking teenagers but also those who are light marijuana users or haven't started yet.

"We're not going to be able to reach everybody," Palmgreen said.

"Our campaign was only aimed at prevention. We're not aiming at people who are heavy users or dependent on it. Those are the kinds of people who are difficult to affect with media."

Researchers began the study in the spring of 1996 by surveying high sensation-seeking seventh graders in public schools. One hundred of these students were interviewed each month for 36 months.

The same students weren't interviewed each month, but researchers followed and surveyed the initial age group until they were in 10th grade.

Subjects took the surveys on laptop computers when their parents were not in the room to ensure honesty and privacy.

The grant for that study ended in 1999, Stephenson said, but it was extended for another five years to focus on "teens," children and adolescents ages 11 to 13.

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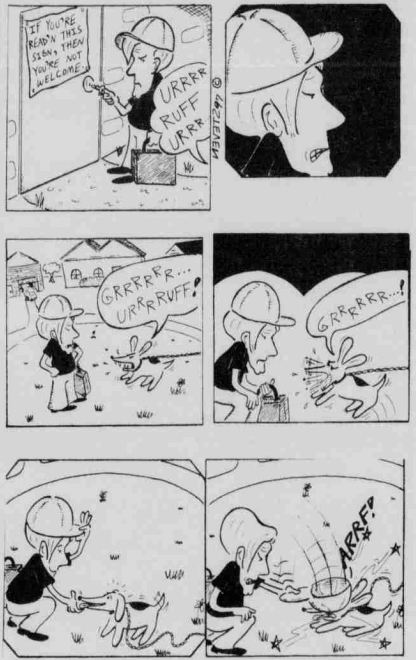
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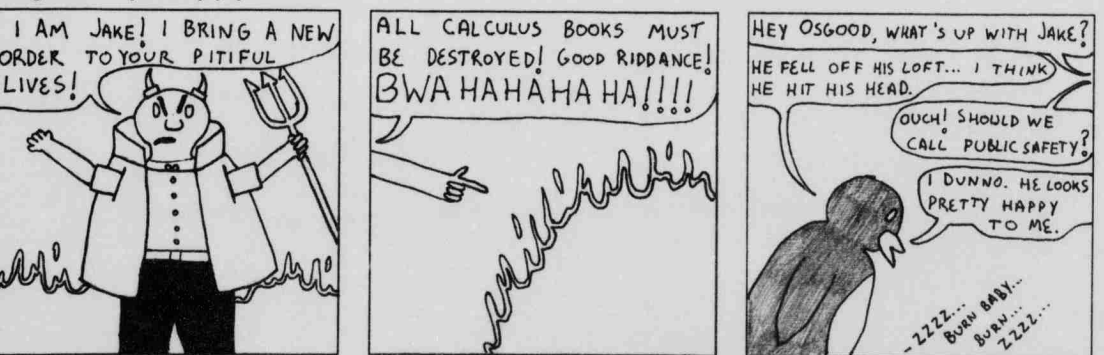
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points in 28 minutes. She also grabbed six rebounds and posted a pair of steals.

"I'm just a part of this team," Gardner said. "We've stayed together, even when we've gotten behind, and it's really paying off for us now."

Simpson also contributed with a solid outing against the Tigers. She scored seven points in the first half to spark a State run after Clemson took an early lead. Simpson finished with 13 points and five rebounds.

"Amy did a great job for us today," Yow said. "She was very aggressive, but at the same time, her shot selection was great. She also made some pass-

es that got us good looks."

The team shot well from the charity stripe again on Sunday, netting 19-of-21 attempts. Gardner made all six of her tries, and Moody went 5-for-6.

The Pack outscored the Terps 53-40 and the Tigers 38-30 in the second half of the weekend's games.

Yow was excited to see her team mesh in time for the ACC Tournament.

"We had been playing hard, but now we're playing together," Yow said. "We're executing as a team."

Moody, Gardner, Simpson and the rest of the Pack are looking forward to Monday night's meeting with No. 4 Duke, the tournament's top seed.

"We're really excited about being in this position," Gardner said. "Really excited."

## FOOTBALL

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"The pictures they've drawn up are just phenomenal," Amato said. "What could a coach ask for better than that than to get a 20-year contract on top of it?"

The hope for Amato and the rest of the football program is that the improvement of the facilities at State will help with recruiting top-notch players for the Wolfpack.

"It can't hurt," Amato said. "Anything you can do to get your foot in the door and impress somebody, it's worth a doubt an advantage. It's to your benefit."

If nothing else, Amato thinks the renovations at Carter-Finley are a show of appreciation to the current players.

"Forget about the recruiting part of it, how about these young men that have been sweating all these years?" Amato said. "They deserve to have a first-class place to dress and shower and lounge around because they put 20 hours a week in during the season to put out a product that makes a lot of universities an awful lot of money."

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second in the all-around (38.925). The two-time reigning East Atlantic Gymnastics League Gymnast of the Week continues to have a brilliant season and will contend for many postseason accolades in EAGL.

The Pack started off on vault and notched a solid 48.15 with Brown and sophomore Adina Stock scoring top-10 finishes. State was without one of its top vaulters for the meet, sophomore Stephanie Southard, who was out for the second straight week with an ankle injury.

After going from one extreme to the other on bars and beam, the Pack closed with an excellent showing on the floor exercise, particularly from sophomore Cara Dougherty and freshman Alison Bundy. Both Dougherty and Bundy set personal bests on the floor while the entire team showed off extremely difficult elements in their routines.

State was tied with Ohio State for first place after two rotations, but the Buckeyes pulled away with an exceptional set of routines on the floor exercise.

"Ohio State is 12th in the country right now, and they're a very good team," said Stevenson.

"My perception [of them] is we're not a whole lot worse than they are; we just didn't hit our routines as well as they did tonight."

In an emotional ceremony held before the meet, seniors Berry, Charles, Dolan, Erin Freyvogel, Amy Langendorf and Courtney Petrovis were honored for their careers here at State. Langendorf, who missed the entire season this year with a torn anterior cruciate ligament, could redshirt and compete next year for the team.

"They all feel strongly that they're going to miss it [competing]," said Stevenson. "They went out there and worked hard, and they always do everything we've asked them to do."

Up next for the Pack is a long road trip, first to Athens, Ga., to take on a powerful Georgia squad that is currently ranked fourth nationally, then to Tucson, Ariz., four days later to compete against the Arizona Wildcats.

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## NIT

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### Darius Songaila.

State kept it close throughout the first half and in the opening moments of the second, but chronic misses from the foul line negated any momentum the Pack gained.

For the game, State was 14-for-30 from the charity stripe.

"It's overwhelming to shoot that poorly from the free-throw line, especially against a good team like Wake Forest," said Pack head coach Herb Sendek. "I don't know who we shot free throws so poorly this afternoon."

Songaila scored 14 second-half points and finished with 21 overall for the Demon Deacons (19-9, 8-8). The junior scored seven of his points in a key second-half run when Wake bulged the lead from 62-54 to 71-54 in a span of 2:32.

Songaila was also able to avoid the foul trouble that has plagued him most of the season. He did pick up two quick fouls early in the contest, but only picked up one the rest of the way.

"If he got two fouls early, I was going to continue to play him," said Wake Forest head coach Dave Odom. "I did sit him down for a minute, but I put him back in right after that. I think that gave him a lot of confidence. Darius was big for us today. I think he grew a little bit as an important member of this team."

With the win, Wake solidified its NCAA chances. The Demon Deacons had an RPI ranking of 26 before the win and finished 8-8 in the conference, a mark that is usually considered the boundary between NIT teams and NCAA squads.

The Deacons could erase any doubt with a win over Maryland in the first round of the ACC Tournament.

"At this point, I have not received a phone call from anybody on the committee saying we're in," Odom said. "Until we get that phone call, or we see it announced publicly, we've got some work to do." Wake's win was a bitter conclusion to the home career of State's four seniors who were honored before the game in a Senior Day ceremony featuring the player's families.

Cornelius Williams, Damon Thornton, Kenny Engle and Ron Kelley were all presented, with their jerseys by Sendek before the game and all four started.

Kelley was the only senior who had an above-average game, as the forward from Emory, Texas, had 11 points and four rebounds. Thornton had five points and four rebounds, while both Engle and Williams were held scoreless.

"It was an emotional time for our four seniors," Sendek said. "It was good to be able to honor them in the way they did." Clifford Crawford led the Pack in scoring with a career-high 18 points. The sophomore was also 3-for-4 for three pointers.

The sophomore knocked down a pair of threes in the first half to keep State in the lead for most of the period. A late run by Wake turned what had been a 27-21 Wolfpack lead into a 28-28 stalemate at halftime.

Crawford gave State its last lead of the game at 36-34 with 16:29 remaining after converting a three-point play in which he was fouled while hitting a runner in the lane.

Wake immediately used baskets from five different players to go on an 11-2 spurt and build a 45-38 lead with 13:54 left. State's inability to knock down free throws the rest of the way prevented it from making a serious run.

The Pack will be the No. 7 seed in the ACC Tournament and will play No. 2 seed Duke in the first round at 7 p.m. Friday evening. Wake will be the No. 6 seed and battles No. 3 Maryland at 9:30 p.m.

If State loses to the Blue Devils, it will be the Pack's final game of the season.

"We have to play like it's the last one," said Archie Miller. "Because it is for us right now."

## Baseball takes both games of doubleheader

◆ N.C. State and Richmond were rained out twice over the weekend, but the Wolfpack was able to sweep a doubleheader Friday.

Sports Staff Report

Brian Wright hit a pair of two-run home runs, and Ryan Combs struck out a career-high 11 as N.C. State defeated Richmond 10-3 to sweep their doubleheader Friday at Duck Field.

The sweep lifted the Wolfpack to 5-7 on the season while Richmond fell to 5-8.

Combs (11-1) worked seven innings and allowed just one unearned run on six hits while walking two. Spiders starter Bobby Bashom (0-4) allowed six runs, five of them earned, on seven hits in six innings. He walked four and struck out nine.

The Wolfpack took a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first on an unearned run. Wright reached on a force play, stole second and went to third when the throw went into center field for an error.

Mike Prochaska grounded to the shortstop for what should have been the third out of the inning, but David Reaver booted the ball for an error, allowing Wright to score the first run of the game.

The Spiders tied the game in the bottom of the fifth on an unearned run. Matt Reid hit a one-out infield single and went all the way to third on an errant pickoff throw. Bryan Pritz then singled to left field, tying the game at 1-1.

The Wolfpack came right back in the bottom of the fifth when Sean Walsh hit a one-out single and Brian Wright blasted a two-run home run to right field.

Walsh and Wright combined to ignite a big inning for the Pack in the bottom of the seventh. Walsh was hit by a pitch, and Wright homered to right-center, giving the Pack a 5-1 lead. Colt Morton was then in the back by Bashom's first pitch.

Nate Kuchta came on in relief, and he promptly gave up a single to Mike Prochaska and back-to-back doubles to David Hicks and Jamey Shearin, increasing the Pack's lead to 8-1. Joe Gaetti

worked Kuchta for a one-out walk to put runners on first and second, and reliever Andy Givens' wild pitch moved the runners to second and third. Walsh, up for the second time in the inning, doubled to left to drive in both runs and make it 10-1.

The Spiders added a pair of meaningless runs in the top of the ninth on a two-run homer by Adam Tidball.

In the first game, Morton homered twice and drove in three runs to lead State to a 7-4 victory. The win snapped a five-game losing streak for the Pack.

State starter Dan D'Amato (2-1) allowed two runs on seven hits in five innings to pick up the win. He walked two and struck out two. Josh Miller retired all four men he faced to pick up his third save of the season.

Richmond starter Mike McGirr (2-1) took the loss after allowing six runs, five of them earned, on five hits in five innings. He walked four and struck out six.



N.C. State's baseball team picked up a pair of wins Friday against Rutgers.

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we got used to. And it hasn't been there for awhile. To be in the championship with this team is so special."

State faces No. 1 Duke, a 72-56 winner over Florida State in the other Sunday game, tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the 24th ACC Tournament championship. The defending conference champion, Duke is undefeated in Greensboro, dating back to the 1999 NCAA East Regional.

Lewis, who rattled Clemson for 10 points, didn't want to play any team besides the Blue Devils in the finals, a destination she knew the Pack could reach.

"We didn't want anyone but Duke," Lewis said. "If you want to be the best, you have to play against the best teams and ference and beat us once, and I want them again. I knew we could get here, and it's great to play them again."

Clemson, the tournament's No. 2 seed, rode a five-game win streak into the semifinals. Led by guard Chrissy Floyd, who scored 17.2 points per game, and Erin Bath, who gears nearly nine rebounds per match, the Tigers game plan included getting Floyd and sticking Bath rebound and hack back misses, according to head coach Jim Davis.

Like the All-ACC, inside-outside, Floyd-Bath combination, the Pack's Lewis and sophomore Carisse Moody hoped to hook up. And hook up they did.

Though she only managed four first-half points and two rebounds, Moody was relentless in taking the ball at Bath. "I was frustrated a little," Moody said, as she thought about the first half. "Coaches got on us at halftime, and we made adjustments."

Adjust Moody did. She went on to score 22 points and collect 13 rebounds and turn the tables on Bath, entic-

ing her and Tiger forward Marci Glenney into foul trouble—four fouls that doomed Clemson.

With 9:05 to go, Glenney reached in on Lewis deep in the backcourt and picked up her fifth personal foul. Dissatisfied with the official's call, Glenney stomped off the court, earning a technical foul.

State sent Lewis to the free-throw line where she made all four free throws, pushing the lead to 12 points at 50-38.

The sequence incensed Davis. When Bath was on the bench with four fouls and another frontcourt starter was in foul trouble, his team had crumbled.

He argued the call and received a technical on Clemson's net possession.

"Good coaches maintain their composure and good players maintain their composure," Davis said. "We certainly have to be a little more careful with what we say."

Lewis made two more free throws. Moody scored on the next State possession and in less

than one minute, the Tiger deficit swelled from eight points to a seemingly insurmountable 15 points.

"On the technicals, Tynasha went up to the line and hit a lot of shots for us to give us a real boost," Yow said.

Bath reentered the game, keying a 13-4 Tiger run that narrowed the score to 55-51.

With the momentum favoring Clemson, Simpson had the ball in her hands with 3:32 to go, the shot clock winding down, her team holding on to a not-encouraging 57-51 advantage.

She shook her defender with a spin move to the right and nailed a jumper near the free-throw line as the shot clock expired. Bath fouled out 28 seconds later; Clemson bowed out of the tournament a game short of the finals for a second consecutive year.

"Any did a great job for us today," Yow said. "Her shot selection was really good. She made important passes and played really well defensively."



## AROUND THE ACC

Standings:	ACC Record	Overall
Team		
North Carolina	13-3	23-5
Duke	13-3	26-4
Maryland	10-6	20-9
Virginia	9-7	20-7
Georgia Tech	8-8	16-11
Wake Forest	8-8	19-9
N.C. State	5-11	13-15
Florida State	4-12	9-20
Clemson	2-14	11-18

### Saturday's Games:

Florida State 75, Clemson 63

FSU will wear the home whites when these two meet in the play-in game of the ACC Tournament thanks to the Seminoles' victory. The Noles used a 30-9 run at the end of the first half to build a comfortable lead.

No. 16 Maryland 102, No. 7 Virginia 67

Wake Forest head coach Dave Odom believes Maryland is the hottest team in the country. The Terrapins backed up that theory with a 35-point trouncing of Virginia for their fifth straight win, four of which have come against ranked opponents.

### Sunday's Game:

No. 2 Duke 95, No. 4 North Carolina 81

No Carlos Boozer meant no problem for Duke. The Blue Devils won't go into the ACC Tournament as the top seed, but they did clinch a share of their fifth consecutive regular-season title by routing Senior Day for the Tar Heels.

## WRESTLING

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the finals. Three of them came out as ACC champions.

Top seeds George Cintron, Pierre Pryor and Zach Breitenbach scored victories in the finals while Oraefo Brown, Tommy Davis and Dustin Kawa placed second in their respective weight classes. Rounding out the scoring for the Pack were third-place finishers Ryan McCallum (133 pounds) and Ricky Fowler (heavyweight).

In the final at 125 pounds, Cintron wrestled a familiar foe, Duke's Tommy Hoang. This match was a thriller, nip and tuck the whole way, as the two lightweighters needed overtime to decide the matter, but it almost didn't go that far.

With 15 seconds left in regulation and the score tied at one, Hoang had Cintron locked up and ready for a takedown. The scrappy Florida native somehow wiggled his way out to force the extra session, where he scored a takedown 30 seconds in to win 3-1.

"I wrestled Hoang once before this year, and he's just a great competitor," Cintron said. "He came at me hard this time."

Pryor won his second ACC title, this time at 157 pounds, by scoring a major decision over Virginia's Don Cariso-Claus 8-0.

Sandwiched between the victories by Cintron and Pryor, were defeats suffered by Brown at 141 and Davis at 149.

Brown, a sophomore, was wrestling in his first ACC final. He faced Maryland's Mark Mansueto for the fourth time in his career and lost 5-1. Mansueto defeated Brown in last year's ACC semifinals.

"I figured that I should just be patient and take my shots because I've noticed that at the end of my matches he gets a little tired," Mansueto said.

Meanwhile, the road run out for Davis, a senior, Saturday. Davis wrestled his old nemesis at 149, UNC's JohnMark Bentley. Bentley won an extremely hard-fought match 4-1 to continue his recent stronghold over Davis.

Not to be overlooked is the fact that Bentley is ranked seventh in his weight class nation-

ally and earned the Most Outstanding Wrestler award for the tournament.

"Tommy Davis wrestled a terrific match against one of the best wrestlers in the country who just has his number right now, but we'll try to fix that before Nationals," Jordan said.

In the 174 final, Kawa, a red-shirt freshman, and UNC's Corey Bell wrote the final chapter in what has been a thrilling trilogy of bouts this year. Bell won the controversial match 6-5, and in doing so, picked up his fourth ACC title.

With the adrenaline flowing early on, Kawa accidentally poked Bell in the eye. Bell screamed at Kawa and went down on the mat, although no injury time was assessed, much to Guzzo's dismay. The drama didn't stop there, however.

Bell appeared to stall late in the third round, ahead 5-4 and armed with the knowledge that he had amassed enough riding time to pick up a point at the end of the match, assuring him the win even though Kawa picked up a late escape.

Kawa declined to be interviewed after the match, but once again Jordan added his comments.

"Dustin wrestled a helluva match, a gutsy match, wrestled a four-ten eventual champion," Jordan said.

With the Pack leading by five going in to Breitenbach's bout at 197, the outcome was still in doubt. Virginia had heavyweight Josh Eiu wrestling after Breitenbach, which could have made things interesting had Breitenbach not won his match. But with Breitenbach's 7-2 victory the Pack clinched and the celebration was on.

"I'm really happy for the guys on the team, I really am," Jordan said. "They have worked so hard. You don't get in the coaching business to win for yourself; you get in it so the kids can win, and that's what it's all about. I am really, really ecstatic with them."

Guzzo echoed those sentiments.

"These kids did a fantastic job, Guzzo said. "It's a real testament to them and how they fought after losing Scotty Garten. We came over here and our kids just wrestled their hearts out. This is very rewarding."

## Outside N.C. State

Stanford avenges only loss

Top-ranked Stanford avenged its only loss of the season, defeating No. 12 UCLA 85-79 on the road.

With the win, the Cardinal (27-1, 15-1 Pac-10) clinched a share of its third straight Pac-10 title.

"We live for games like this," sophomore Casey Jacobsen told The Associated Press. "Sometimes we don't get the national recognition we deserve, and we feel kind of cheated."

Jacobsen was one of four Cardinal players who scored 16 points. Ryan Mendez and Jason and Jarron Collins also reached the mark for Stanford. Jarron Collins also hauled in 10 rebounds for a double-double, while his twin brother pulled down nine.

Matt Barnes scored a career-high 32 for UCLA in the loss. Earl Watson added 19 and passed Tyus Edney as the Bruins' all-time steals leader.

Stanford still hasn't lost on the road this season, winning all 11 of its games away from Maples Pavilion.

UCLA won the first meeting between these two 79-73 at Stanford Feb. 3. Both teams hadn't lost since that game.

Jeremy Ashton

**SCORES**

Wake Forest 76, M. Basketball 58  
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**NIT out of the picture**

◆ N.C. State fell to Wake Forest on Senior Day at the ESA.

**Jack Daly**  
 Sports Editor

There will be no return trip to New York City this postseason for N.C. State.

The Wolfpack's hopes for making the NIT, which has its Final Four in Madison Square Garden, were squelched Sunday when Wake Forest cruised to an easy 76-58 victory at the Entertainment and Sports Arena.

The loss means that the Pack (13-15, 5-11 Atlantic Coast Conference) will finish with a losing record for the season, unless it can win three straight at the ACC Tournament next weekend. Under that scenario, State would earn the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

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WAKE	76



**Damon Thornton had five points as State fell on Senior Day.**

The NIT only extends invitations to teams that don't have a losing record, so barring a miracle run at the ACC Tournament, State won't play in a postseason tournament for the first time since 1996.

"Anything's disappointing when you can't play after your last game in the ACC Tournament," said State guard Anthony Grundy. "We still have the [ACC] tournament left, and a lot of things can happen in the tournament. I think we're a pretty good team, it's just a matter of coming together and trying to make it happen."

Sunday, the Pack was done in by abysmal free-throw shooting and the strong play of Wake's

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**Football construction begins**

◆ The planned renovations for Carter-Finley Stadium began Sunday with a groundbreaking ceremony.

**Jeremy Ashton**  
 Sports Editor

The cold drizzle that blanketed Raleigh early Sunday afternoon couldn't deter a crowd of N.C. State supporters from gathering at Carter-Finley Stadium before the State-Wake Forest basketball game.

The group of fans, Wolfpack Club members and athletics department officials came to break ground for the start of the first renovations at Carter-Finley since it opened. The athletics department hopes to have 5,500 new seats and a new scoreboard installed by the start of the 2001 season.

"It's the start of something that N.C. State's been waiting to do for a long time, and now it's here," head coach Chuck Amato said. "And really we've got to get after it and finish it up."

The seats and scoreboard are just the beginning of a series of planned improvements that should put Carter-Finley on par with other stadiums around the Atlantic Coast Conference. State also has plans to put in a new press box, add practice fields to the area surrounding Carter-Finley and build a new football center.

Athletics director Lee Fowler said the current deadline for all these changes is January 2003. The Pack will eventually move its entire operation out to the area around Carter-Finley. State will be able to practice at the new fields, which should start being prepared this spring, and can then proceed to the football center for dinner, weight lifting and study hall.

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**Wrestlers claim ACC title**

◆ N.C. State earned its 11th conference title under head coach Bob Guzzo.

**Wes Putnam**  
 Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL — What a way to kick off March Madness, wrestling style.

On a cold, dreary, overcast day in Chapel Hill, N.C. State fought, scrapped and battled its way to the 2001 Atlantic Coast Conference wrestling championship inside old, rickety Carmichael Gymnasium.

The Wolfpack finished with 78.5 points, 5.5 ahead of second-place Virginia. North Carolina finished a disappointing third with 68 points, followed by Maryland and Duke.

With the victory, State ends a four-year run at the top by the Tar Heels and gives head coach Bob Guzzo his 11th ACC championship since his arrival at State in 1975.

"It was a team effort; even some of the kids that didn't even score had some of their best matches this year," assistant coach Carter Jordan said. "We won this thing by five points, and we needed every point."  
 The Pack sent a league-high six wrestlers to



Coach Carter Jordan (left, in jacket) and Coach Bob Guzzo (holding trophy) celebrate.

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**Pack reaches ACC finals**

◆ N.C. State could win its first conference crown since 1991 if it beats Duke Monday evening.

**Rob Godfrey**  
 Assistant Sports Editor

GREENSBORO — Smiles abounded on Wolfpack basketball faces this weekend.

For the first time since 1991, N.C. State plays for the Atlantic Coast Conference championship, having dismissed Clemson from the festivities Sunday with a 65-52 win.

After a quarterfinal win Saturday, the first ACC Tournament win for her, senior Tynesha Lewis grinned and reflected on a 74-61 win over Maryland, a team that beat the Pack in two regular-season meetings.

"Third time's a charm," she said, simultaneously conveying joy and relief.

Amy Simpson shared similar feelings Sunday

in an energized N.C. State locker room. Her 13 points, intense defense and clutch shooting helped the Pack conquer Clemson in the tournament semifinals.

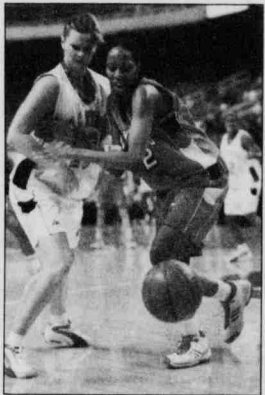
"Coach told me to play tough defense, and I just took the shots I like to take," Simpson said. "It helped us win today, and it makes it all the better."

The ACC Tournament finals were routinely an NCAA tournament tune-up for Key Yow-led N.C. State teams of the 1980s and early 1990s. From 1978 to 1991, the Wolfpack made 11 championship appearances, winning four titles.

It had been 10 years since State last appeared in the finals, a fact that Yow and her players were well aware of heading into a Sunday semifinal game vs. Clemson at the Greensboro Coliseum. That's why the win, sending the Pack back to the finals, was so satisfying for Yow and her team.

"[Making it back to the finals] chokes me up," Yow said, tears welling in her eyes, her voice cracking with sentiment. "It's something

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Monica Bates and the Pack defeated Maryland Saturday evening.

**Trio plays big role for Pack**

◆ Carisse Moody, Ivy Gardner and Amy Simpson are three big reasons N.C. State is in the ACC finals.

**Jerry Moore**  
 Staff Writer

GREENSBORO — Carisse Moody, Ivy Gardner and Amy Simpson have distinct roles on the N.C. State women's basketball team.

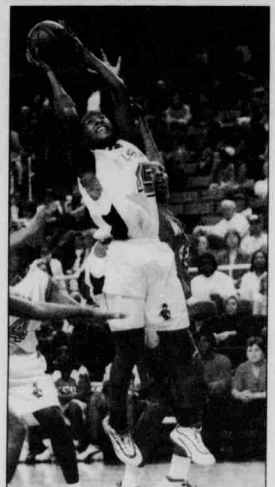
In this year's Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament, each has played her part to rave reviews.

Against both Maryland and Clemson, Moody butted heads with tough opponents in the post and came out victorious.

Saturday, Moody poured in 22 points against Deedee Warley and her Maryland teammates. She also pulled down nine rebounds and blocked a shot.

The Terrapins sent Moody to the foul line 14 times, and the sophomore center connected on 12. As a team, the Wolfpack made 23-of-28 free throws.

Moody, who led the team in scoring during the



Talisha Scates had seven points Sunday for the Wolfpack.

regular season, continued her dominance in the point Sunday against Clemson. She scored 21 points, including 17 in the second half, and led the team with 13 rebounds.

In two previous contests against Clemson this season, center Erin Bath and the Tigers held Moody to a combined eight points. The two tangled again Sunday in a physical contest, but Moody excelled.

"Carisse had really struggled against Clemson in the past," State coach Kay Yow said. "This time, she had a great game. She got inside position and her teammates found her with the ball."

Gardner, recently named to the All-ACC Defensive Team, gave the Pack an unexpected lift on the offensive end of the court.

Averaging 8.2 points per game this season, Gardner scored 14 against Maryland. She hit six of her eight shots from the floor in 28 minutes of play. Gardner's performance was instrumental in the Pack's first win over the Terps in three attempts this season.

Gardner's output in the semifinal round Sunday mirrored that of her previous day — 14

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**N.C. State gymnasts finish third in Wolfpack Invitational**

◆ The gymnastics team closes out the home season by earning a 193.6.

**Matt Middleton**  
 Staff Writer

The balance beam is an apparatus that has been the staple of the N.C. State gymnastics team this year.

Ironically Saturday night at the Wolfpack Invitational, it served as the team's downfall and spoiled an otherwise solid meet for the Pack on Senior

Night in Reynolds Coliseum. Ohio State won the meet with a score of 195.625, more than a full point ahead of the second-place Chippewas of Central Michigan. Finishing behind the Pack were William and Mary (192.85), James Madison (191.775) and Yale (188.975).

State (14-12) came into the meet ranked ninth in the country on beam and ended up posting a 47.325, its lowest mark of the season. The Pack counted three falls on beam, two of which came from a very unlikely source, the senior tandem of Kara Charles and Monica Berry.

"This is the first meet of the year

where we've made mistakes of that caliber on balance beam, and it took us from first to third," said head coach Mark Stevenson. "Those are the kind of things we have to keep working through, and we will because we are good on beam."

Senior Sara Dolan, performing in her final home meet, was outstanding on beam for the Pack. Dolan tied for third on the event with a score of 9.825, an especially difficult task considering Dolan watched several of her teammates fall before performing herself.

As difficult a time as the Pack had on beam, its performance on bars was the complete opposite. State used a

total team effort to tie the second-highest score in team history (49.25), and three gymnasts took home individual honors for the event, while two set personal bests.

Berry and Charles tied Sarah Spring of Ohio State for second with a score of 9.9. Junior Kelli Brown won the event with a 9.975, tying her own team record set last year.

Junior Angie Welch set a personal record on the bars with a score of 9.825, good for a seventh-place finish.

In addition to winning the bars, Brown also tied for first place on the floor exercise (9.925) and finished

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