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NCSU state student aid in danger

◆ N.C. House of Representatives bill 1392 is calling for state-appropriated money for need-based financial aid to be allocated only to nonresearch institutions.

Spaine Stephens

News Editor

While students, faculty and staff members in the UNC System grapple with possible cuts in the state-appropriated budget, one N.C. House bill has been introduced that would cut state-appropriated financial aid to all UNC institutions except N.C. State and UNC-Chapel Hill.

House Bill 1392, which would allow need-based financial aid to be allocated "only to the constituent institutions that are nonresearch constituent institutions," has been referred to the House Appropriations Committee.

If the bill is passed, allocations for need-based financial aid from the General Assembly would bypass NCSU and UNC-Chapel Hill, which are research institutions. It would go into effect July 1.

"My interpretation of House Bill 1392 is that it restricts UNC-Chapel Hill and N.C. State students from all state need-based financial aid," said Association of Student Governments President Andrew Payne.

Payne said students should not be denied the right to attend any of the state's public universities or be forced to discontinue their education because

of a lack of financial resources.

"A student in need is a student in need," he said, "no matter where they go to school. It's irresponsible for the state to give money for financial aid, and then suddenly take away opportunities away."

The bill comes shortly after the UNC System schools were told to trim their state-appropriated budgets by seven percent, which has made many students wary.

"There apparently is a misconception that current financial aid is being targeted," said Representative Paul Miller, a co-sponsor of House Bill 1392, via email. "This is not true. House Bill 1392 will not affect either positively or negatively what research institution students receive."

Miller said that NCSU and UNC-CH receive additional appropriations because they are research institutions, while the other universities do not receive this funding. Because of the lack of funding, some other institutions have experienced a decrease in enrollment.

"I think the intention is to direct more money to students who go to the other 14 institutions," said Payne.

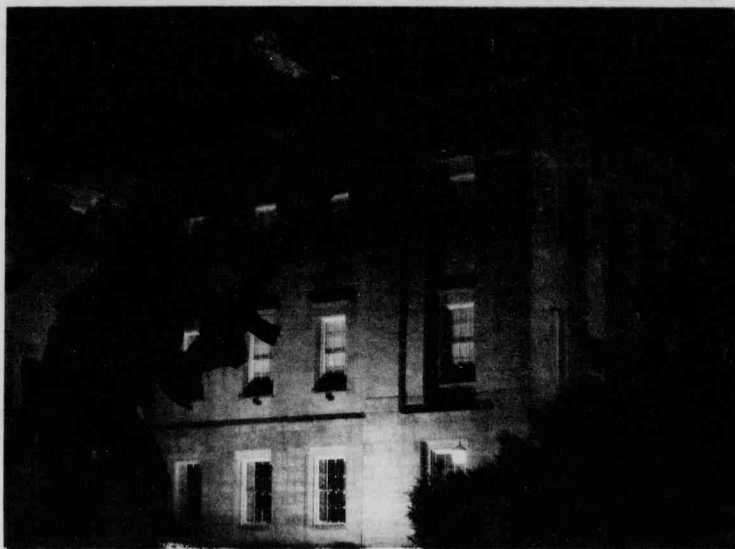
Miller noted that the bill hopefully would have a positive impact on nonresearch institutions.

"I think overall, this is a fair action considering the additional supplement research institutions receive, along with the fact that other institutions in North Carolina have a great deal more funding problems," said Miller.

Vice President of Public Affairs for ASG Natalie Duggins said that while the General Assembly works to balance the state budget, "in their enthusiasm, they have forgotten they have another Constitutional mandate: to keep education as free as far as practical."

NCSU Director of Financial

House bill 1392 looms



The tranquil State Capitol Building will be home to marching students Wednesday.

Aid Julie Rose Mallette said that the UNC Need-Based Grant - a grant that provides money to qualifying students who enroll in a UNC System institution - will not get additional funding from the legislature because of the current state budget crisis.

Currently, 626 freshmen have received \$735,170 from the UNC Need-Based Grants; 896 incoming freshmen are set to receive nearly \$1 million in the fall.

On its own, the state's budget crisis dictates that there will be no increase in funds for the UNC Need-Based Grants. House Bill 1392, however, would withdraw the UNC Need-Based Grants from UNC-CH and NCSU altogether.

The UNC Need-Based Grants are not the only state financial aid NCSU and UNC-CH receive.

"There are some state-appropriated grant funds awarded directly to the institutions which we award to students who apply for financial aid and

demonstrate need," said Mallette. "We have been told that those funds will not be subject to cuts for the upcoming year. However, whether or not that decision holds true depends upon what happens with the state budget shortfall over the next several weeks."

The bill's sponsors are Miller (D-23), Larry Bell (D-97), Howard Hunter, Jr. (D-5), Marvin Lucas (D-17), Paul Luebke (D-23), Henry Michaux Jr. (D-23), Warren Oldham (D-67), William Wainwright (D-79) and Larry Womble (D-66).

House Bill 1392 was referred to the House Appropriations Committee. Since the bill deals with appropriations, there is no deadline for the bill's consideration. Normally, if a bill does not cross over out of a chamber before a deadline, it is automatically killed. This does not apply, however, to bills addressing money issues.

The bill will be discussed in tonight's

Town Hall meeting at 6 p.m. in NCSU's Witherspoon Cinema and will be included in tomorrow's 11 a.m. March on the Capitol, which starts at the Bell Tower.

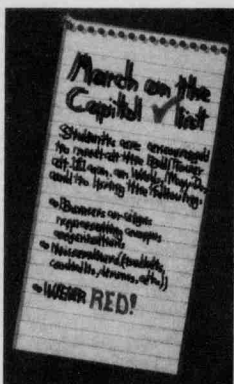
The march was originally planned to protest the budget cuts but has expanded to include House Bill 1392.

"This march is going to have instant impact on students at N.C. State," said Duggins. "Hopefully, [the General Assembly] will be receptive to our message."

Duggins said students from UNC-Wilmington, UNC-Pembroke, Fayetteville State and UNC-Asheville are planning to participate in the march.

"We're really excited about this opportunity to bring students to the Capitol," said Duggins. "We just wish it were under better circumstances."

Duggins said NCSU's Student Government is working with ASG to ensure that the march goes well.



Long lines no longer: UCO to send out refunds

◆ All financial aid refund checks will be mailed or direct deposited beginning in the fall.

Andrew Buchert

News Editor

Beginning in the fall, N.C. State students will no longer have to wait in line at the University Cashier's Office to pick up financial aid refund checks, said UCO Assistant Director Rex Foster.

Foster said that the UCO is implementing a direct deposit system for financial aid refund checks that will begin in the fall 2001 semester. Students who do not register for direct deposit will receive their refund check in the mail at their correspondence address.

an administrative assistant in the UCO.

Oakley said that students who opt to receive their refund check in the mail must be careful of what Registration and Records has listed as their university correspondence address, and they also must be aware that both their university bills and their refund checks will be sent to the same address.

"If you are from Ohio, then your money will be in your mailbox in Ohio," she said.

Foster said that the solution is to set up a bank account into which the UCO can direct deposit the refund checks.

"Direct deposit is so much cleaner, and the money is easily available," he said.

Oakley said that she expects the change will help students more than it will hurt them.

"It will be better in the long run," she said. "Students won't have to stand in line for very long times, and their money will be available much

quicker."

"It's got to be far easier for direct deposit once than to have to wait in line every semester [to pick up their refund check]."

Foster said that the UCO has been working to set up the new system for several years, and "we want to make every effort to let [students] know that this is a major change," he said.

The deadline for students to register for the direct deposit system beginning in the fall semester is July 6, said Foster. He said that the forms can be printed from the UCO Web site at www.fis.ncsu.edu/cashier/fnd.htm and mailed or returned directly to the UCO in Pullen Hall.

UCO Director Bruce Forinash was not available for comment Monday afternoon.

SATs, performance linked

◆ Researchers determined that test scores correlate with students' performance in college.

Melinda Rogers

Minnesota Daily (U. Minnesota)

(U-WIRE) MINNEAPOLIS — University researchers analyzing the validity of the widely used Scholastic Aptitude Test presented their findings to the Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology Saturday in San Diego, Calif.

After comparing SAT scores with a student's first-year grade point average at a variety of two and four year colleges, researchers determined that test scores correlate with a student's performance in college.

"We located more than 1,700 studies, representing over a million students, that had looked at how well SAT scores predicted first-year grade point average," said Sarah Hezlett, manager of the research team and a University of Minnesota graduate student.

"People who do better on the test have higher GPAs in their first year of college," she said.

Hezlett said the SAT predicts GPA for a student's later college years, along with study habits, persistence and degree attainment.

In one portion of their study, researchers compared SAT scores with state nursing board exam scores, finding that the SAT predicts success in entering the nursing profession.

Some have questioned the SAT's validity, citing that not everyone who takes the test attends college, making it more difficult to evaluate the test as a predictor of a person's performance in the future.

Researchers, however, contested this critique.

By using a method of meta-analysis to examine the test, researchers said they were better equipped to understand the test's future performance predictions.

"Since lower-scoring test-takers may not attend college, the validity of the test has often been underestimated," said Nathan Kuncel, a psychology research fellow who served as the project's scientific and technical advisor. "Meta-analysis allowed us to make a better estimate of how well the test predicts."

Researchers also rebuffed other criticisms of the test, including complaints that the SAT is biased and only rewards people who are good at test taking.

"If the SAT reflected test-taking skills, it would not predict college success, except to the extent that test-taking strategies help you in college," Hezlett said.

"We asked, 'Does the test predict at more or less the same level for different genders and races?' The result is yes, it's more or less the same," Kuncel said.

He noted the SAT does predict slightly better for women, which is consistent with what other SAT studies have found.

Deniz Ones, an associate professor of psychology and one of the principal investigators heading the project, said she knows studies are not flawless but added the test is an important measure of skills that should not be eliminated.

"There are no perfect predictors of success," Ones said. "But if the SAT were scrapped for any reason, one should consider the consequences of replacing it."



Sophomores Kassandra Lockhart (left) and Vandaliah Thompson engage in a water gun fight at the Avent Ferry Complex Monday afternoon.

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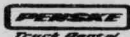


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Economic downturn affects graduates

◆ Some report dropping starting salaries and fewer offers; others, just the opposite.

Andrew Noyes
The Eagle (American U.)

(U-WIRE) WASHINGTON - Consumer spending increased in the fourth quarter of 2000 showing that the public is demonstrating more faith in the economy than most analysts had previously considered.

"Yes, the economic slowdown has taken its toll on all sectors of the economy but who is to say that the economy will not rebound?" wonders S. Prabhudal, a college junior in New York City. Prabhudal doubts that the

nation has sunk into a recession but instead attributes this time of dot.com deaths and technology sector slumps to an "off-peak" season.

Despite the widely reported job drought, the National Association of Colleges and Employers reports that employers project hiring 18.8 percent more new college graduates this year. Still, half the companies surveyed by the NACE said they planned on trimming their workforce.

The lack of jobs also impacts the competitiveness of college students' job hunt. Employers rated competition at 3.9 on a five-point scale with five indicated "very competitive," NACE revealed. "For many employers, there

has been a real war for talent over the last few years," Marilyn Mackes, NACE's executive director, said. "We're becoming accustomed to competition running at a feverish pitch rather than gathering steam over the course of the year and used to the idea that starting salaries for all types of graduates increase by leaps and bounds instead of moving upward at a steady pace."

Of the respondents, 68.2 percent said they are using signing bonuses this year to attract the right candidates. Only 64.7 percent reported offering bonuses last year.

"The stock market has not been behaving its usual bullish self, everyone is losing their mind," she said. "After all, the stock market is just what it is, a sweet gamble."

In New York, Prabhudal says, "although there has been a hit out here, career fairs are still happening."

"It's all about attitude and a big mouth. I firmly believe in networking because who you know goes a long way."

The D.C. job market is difficult too, reports American University senior Arlene Fetizanan.

"This is a tough town for jobs," Fetizanan said. "There's so much competition even for entry level."

Fetizanan says that preparing for graduation has been so taxing, the job search has been put on the backburner and she's "buying time."

She reasons, "I'm a college grad and that's a lot more than what some people have got. I'm relying on faith — but not totally relying on faith."

The situation is not much better on the West Coast. Nadira Hira, a senior at Stanford University, says her campus has noticed a real drop in technology and advertising recruitment.

Basically, since the dot.coms fell off, neither they nor the major i-banking firms, consulting agencies and so on, who used to compete with them, have been a visible presence on campus — as used to be the case in the plaza and the paper," Hira said.

Joy Davia, a senior journalism major at Syracuse University in New York agrees: "on-campus recruiting is pretty dismal."

Hira knows of Stanford graduates and recent "stop-outs" who've now lost their jobs due to cutbacks or their companies folding.

"It's a pretty frightening phenomenon, especially because so many Stanford students and alums were and are so heavily involved in the fields hardest hit of late," Hira said.

Some professionals, like Kerzia Jauron, an advertising and collateral specialist for Los Angeles-based JPR Communications, do not see eye-to-eye with students on this issue.

"A few of us in the office were having this conversation with our intern, a college senior about to graduate, and just the opposite appears to be true — there are plenty of opportunities for young people with entry-level skills who can afford to live on 24K a year," Jauron said.

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TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

Slashing arts and athletics

PROPOSED CUTS IN WAKE COUNTY SCHOOLS WOULD CUT HIGH SCHOOL ARTS AND ELIMINATE ATHLETICS.

The education budget crises of late have not been limited to the UNC system. Yesterday, the News and Observer reported that the Wake County school board is planning on trimming middle and high school drama and music programs by \$1.1 million and eliminating interscholastic athletics to avoid a 5-cent tax increase.

The school system should find some means by which they can avoid these drastic cuts in arts programs and the elimination of competitive athletics even if it is by choosing the lesser of two evils — the 5-cent tax increase. Trimming the so-called "fat" from the funding for the arts is nothing revolutionary, but threatening to eliminate football and basketball is, however, a new concept.

Wake Superior Court Judge Howard Manning Jr. recently justified the cuts in the arts by saying the schools would only be losing "frills and whistles" that are not necessary for students' "sound basic education." This assumption is absurd and only holds if we want our students to be holders of facts, not of knowledge.

Although students may not be called upon to play an instrument or throw a football in their future careers, the artistic and athletic experiences provide tremendously necessary personal growth opportunities for many high school students. In effect, these proposed cuts say to the public that Wake County Schools are not concerned with being competi-

tive on a statewide and national level.

Cutting sports teams would most likely lead to a higher dropout rate. As reported by the Associated Press, one study showed that, in North Carolina, athletes have higher grade point averages, lower absenteeism, lower dropout rates and higher graduation rates than non-athletes. Opponents of the arts cuts suggest that the arts instruction improves students' communication, reasoning and problem solving skills.

The fact that the attack on the arts in public schools is nothing new does not make it right. The ludicrous, proposed cuts for athletics are new, but equally as wrong. The skills that aid students the most in college and careers are skills learned outside the classroom — through the team building, confidence building and discipline the arts and athletics teach students. A student may choose not to take advantage of these resources from time to time, but he should never be denied access to these opportunities.

Wake County must turn to the tax-increase or other methods beyond cutting the arts and athletics so heavily. There must surely be other academic areas that could bear the brunt of the cuts alongside the arts and athletics. The cuts must come from somewhere, but the tax-increase, although not desirable, is the best option if Wake County residents still believe that our students are our future.



Operation sex change



Greg Volk
STAFF COLUMNIST

Ever since the reign of Manifest Destiny, the Monroe Doctrine and our triumphant victories in World War II, the United States has had a sort of "we-the-police-men-of-the-universe-we-will-protect-and-serve-you" other-feeble-nations kind of attitude. Too often we tell other nations how to run their governments, feed their people, squander resources and other important things that nations are supposed to do.

The time has come for us to admit that we are no longer top dog of the free world, that we are no longer the "cream of the crop of the top of the heap." And it hurts even more when all this pertains to our pride and joy — our military. Yes, the same G.I.'s who conquered Hitler have been surpassed in prestige by another military — the British military.

Why is this, you may ask? Well, the answer is simple: Britain subsidizes its soldiers' sex changes. This may seem like old news to some readers, but, surprisingly enough, the U.S. military has yet to pay for the sex changes of any of its troops. Reuters reported Sunday that the British Ministry of Defense has funded "gender reassignment operations" for "a small number, no more than five" soldiers. And this is just the beginning of what is to come.

Remember when women's military roles were restricted to being nurses? And then when they could be sol-

diers, but could not serve on the front line? With "gender reassignment operations," the sky of equality and opportunity is the limit. Now (in the British military of course), women who used to be men can serve on the front line and men who used to be women can serve as nurses ... and vice versa.

Military officials have been racking their confined uni-gendered brains trying to figure out why military recruitment is down. The reason is simple: enlisted men, and women of course, of the twenty-first century are no longer satisfied with just a college education — they want a sex change, and rightfully so.

If I'm going to die for my country, you can be assured it's going to be in the body in which I feel comfortable. The U.S. must get with the program and begin funding "gender reassignment operations" if it wants to again be considered the Big Daddy of all militaries (or Big Momma, respectively).

The newfound benefits of the new and improved British military do not stop here. Approximately ten members of the military have "been given free liposuction" if it wants to again be considered the Big Daddy of all militaries (or Big Momma, respectively). One soldier's waist was liposuctioned after he gained weight. However, the operation was not frivolity; his uniform "started to chafe."

Drawing on my somewhat limited knowledge of psychoanalysis, I would venture to guess that the happier the soldier is, the better he (or she, of course) will be at killing others (who, most likely have been cruelly confined to one sex), which is really what we're concerned about here. Nowadays, it's commonly

known that the human body is ugly, or at least that at times, the big fella screws up we get the wrong one. If we were able to change these things at the drop of a hat, or a gun, then we all could be a little more effective because we'd be a little happier.

As I see it, the U.S. Military has no choice but to begin funding sex changes for its soldiers. I am, however, against paying for liposuctions quite as readily. Could the aforementioned soldier have gotten a larger uniform? This would have been much more cost effective. The U.S. army, in its anti-funding-for-sex-changes stance, may have won the battle but has most definitely lost the war.

The army knows its traditional recruiting tools are no longer applicable. This can be seen in the Army's new "I am a man man" advertising campaign. They are denying that a soldier cannot possibly be expected to be all he can be in the wrong body. The Marines are guilty of head-turning as well. Why are they "the few, the proud"? They will continue to be the "few" until the term "proud" can apply to all those who refuse to settle for the genitalia the stork gave them not the surgeon.

If I were to give the U.S. Armed Forces two bits of advice, they would be these: one, begin funding sex-change operations for soldiers, and two, rig the Army/Navy game to make it exciting for a change (men who were so formerly women could also play).

Greg will probably join the military after college, and will probably have to find his own sex change. Email him with comfort at dixius@hotmail.com.

Fight the war on education



Larisa Yasynovskaya
STAFF COLUMNIST

Some of you may think I'm going crazy (see my column on gnomes from last week), but for the record — I was just joking. Today, however, I'm as serious as I've ever been.

Unless you've been living under a rock for the past couple of years, you know about the March on the Capitol Wednesday. But if you don't know, buckle your seat belt and prepare for a bumpy ride because I'm going to tell you. Make no mistake. This is the big one. The time of reckoning has come, and I am truly not exaggerating.

The legislature has gone too far. They are proposing a \$125 million budget cut of the UNC system (of which we're a part). N.C. State's share is \$25 million. They're also talking about cutting our financial aid. But it's not just the financial aid that's suffering; we would be taking a very hard hit if this went through. All the colleges would pay a huge price.

Here at NCSU, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) would have to eliminate up to 40 faculty members, and the School of Design will have to reduce course offerings, delaying graduations. The College of Engineering will have to do away with about ten faculty positions and will also cut support for teaching assistants, thus limiting class and laboratory space. The College of Management will lose seven teaching assistants and three faculty members who teach 53 course selections. The College of Textiles will lose three faculty positions. The College of Humanities and Social Sciences will lose 27 faculty, amounting to 154 sections and 5,000 students. Also, the graduate school will lose 58 teaching assistant positions.

And this is just the tip of huge iceberg that would sink the school. What all this means is that we will have fewer teachers and bigger classes. And because of the shortage of course selections, we will take even longer to graduate. And

that's not all. You know those late nights you pull at the library? You can say goodbye to those, because the library would be forced to cut its late and weekend hours, not to mention the thousands of journal subscriptions it would be forced to stop.

This impacts every one of us, and the future generations of students in North Carolina. If there is one thing you do for your school, or even for yourself this should be it. I urge everyone to come out to the March on the Capitol on Wednesday at 11 a.m. We're meeting at the Bell tower and marching to the legislature to demand that this budget cut of seven percent be reduced to zero, and we're not settling for any more. Come out, and bring everyone you know. We have to show the legislature that they have been put there to represent us, and this budget cut by no means represents North Carolina voters' wishes. Even if you can't come out to march, you can stop by the brickyard today and sign the petitions to the legislature. Or you can take a few minutes to find your legislator (by zip code) and email or call him or her saying that you don't support this. And get everyone, your parents, friends and neighbors to do the same.

Also, come to the town hall meeting with Chancellor Mary Anne Fox tonight at Witherspoon Student Cinema at six tonight. You can find out more information on the proposed cuts and talk to students and faculty about the Wednesday march. But whatever you do, don't think that we can't stop this. The legislature is just a couple hundred people — there are thousands of us. We elected them to serve our needs; now we must guarantee that they do their job and represent our wishes. In addition to us, here at NCSU, students all over the state are demonstrating and speaking out against this attack on our education. So whatever you do, do something! Come out tonight. Come out tomorrow, and hell, come out Thursday to talk to your legislators. See you there, and remember wear your NCSU shirts and our school colors! Together we can do this!

No gnomes to blame our problems on this week. It's the State Legislature. Contact them, and email Larisa at larisaas_opinion@hotmail.com.



Justin Greene
STAFF COLUMNIST

One of the most dangerous developments in any nation is when the government and the press collaborate to distort the truth or when the mainstream press assumes the responsibility of deciding what we need to hear and what we need to think about it. I'm not referring simply to editing stories for time and trimming less important matters; I'm referring to the blatant ignoring of relevant facts or burying important stories at the bottom of the obituary page; where they are, in effect, dead.

As a lover of politics, I find that I have to expend considerable time and effort to find unvarnished data and unbiased reporting that lets me form my own opinions about what is happening. The Internet has helped greatly in this cause. Certainly, many Internet sites are filled with a bunch of trashy opinions and theories that people try to pass off as fact, but, along with the bad, there is undeniable good. A dedicated researcher can log on and find the AP wire, Reuters and countless other news wires around the world that reporters use to stay up to date.

What bugs me about this, however, is how much the mainstream press twists and selects data to present information that follows their ideals. Often times, I will keep with a story throughout the day on the Internet, only to go home and watch Peter Jennings or Dan Rather skew the facts and mix them in with a dash of cynicism, a handful of arrogance

and a heap of dishonesty.

What the technical have every right to do that as private corporations, most people would admit that they expect journalists to tell the truth, which, in court, means the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Media members can select a fact about a politician that, when taken out of context, sounds contrary to the politician's position.

This can be seen in the recent flack over George W. Bush's reversal of President Clinton's last minute executive order requiring a huge drop in arsenic levels in the nation's water supply. Left-wing ideologues and Bush-haters quickly snatched this up as an example of Bush being a puppet of special interests and corporate polluters. Some Senate Democrats such as Tom Daschle (D-SD) have even accused Bush of not caring if their children are poisoned. While Democrats would love it if people thought Republicans hated children and were out there pouring raw sewage into our water, the facts are quite different and not one major press outlet bothered to check them. Not one.

Actually, the GOP Congress of 1996 set a schedule for an EPA review of arsenic levels in water to be completed in January 1, 2001. The Clinton-Gore EPA informed Congress that they would not be ready to implement new level restrictions until April, and Congress gave them a deadline of June 22nd.

President Clinton, his environmental counselor and his EPA chief, Carol Browner, agreed on this proposal. In addition, 42% of Senate Democrats and 87% of Senate Republicans voted for the extension, including none other than Tom Daschle. The reason was that arsenic was not a pressing prob-

lem and that removing arsenic from water could be very expensive at certain levels. For example, it was estimated that the residents of New Mexico would have to spend an extra \$400 million a year just to lower arsenic levels significantly. Furthermore, the Utah Department of Environmental Quality found that residents of one mobile home park would have to pay \$230 a month for their water. In spite of this, Clinton issued the new controversial regulations two days before he left office, against the advice of many of his own environmental policy makers and Congressional allies.

This leaves us with questions that haven't been asked by any major media outlets. Namely, if arsenic is such a dangerous problem in our water, why wasn't it a bigger issue before Bush decided to maintain the original enforcement instead of Clinton's ill-timed rule? If our children are being poisoned, why did Clinton wait nearly eight years to do anything? Why has no one talked about how prohibitively expensive it is to enforce Clinton's rule?

Once again, the mainstream media has refused to ask the real questions and give the real answers. It is only too easy for journalists like Dan Rather, who recently headlined at a Democratic fundraiser, merely to repeat the spin of party strategists instead of critically analyze what's being said. If the good people of the United States decide they just don't care, our nation runs the risk of being a weightless check against a very powerful media.

Carefully select what you should tell Justin about his column and email it to jgreenejustin@hotmail.com.

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RICHARD MORGAN
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I own seven people. They're fun folks. I own Dr. Rob Weisskirch of Brea, California (No. 29). His hobbies include Internet piracy and hedonistic consumerism and his idea of perfect happiness is "simultaneous chocolate and oral sex."

I'm glad I own Glenda Jones of Anderson, Indiana (No. 44). She wears crazy shirts, "the kind that children like." In the picture I have of her, she's wearing clown makeup.

I'm willing to sell my Jennifer Crouse (No. 74). She's wearing a Sailor Moon costume in the picture I have of her and I'm just not digging it at all. She lives in Nova Scotia and has a birthmark on her butt in the shape of Nova Scotia. If that's not weird enough, she says she likes her sense of humor and her "ability to put her legs behind her head." I'll trade her for a Snickers bar.

Now, before you yell at me for being some neo-slave-master, let me tell you about how I got to own my seven precious people. It's all thanks to PeopleCards, an ingenious company that figures there's no better way to celebrate "the most unique thing on Earth, people," than by selling those people on 2 1/2 by 3 1/2 inch trading cards.

According to the PeopleCards Manifesto, "Celebration of individuals in society should focus on real people as often as possible, rather than relying on a handful of predetermined celebrities. By celebrating the outlooks, perspectives and experiences of real people, society will become more in touch with the source of its power, giving us greater ability to create change and improve our outlook and quality of life." Each pack of PeopleCards comes with seven people and one ArtCard, which celebrates the work of independent artists.

The problem is that I was not content merely with owning my people. I needed to talk with them. I like to think of myself as a hands-on, people-person sort of slave-owner. So, I called up my Jacqueline Jones of Kansas City, Missouri (No. 59). I was intrigued by her motto ("You want the booty, you gotta marry the booty") and by her description of her dearest possession as "my Bible; all else is irrelevant... but I kinda like the robot I have that cuts my grass."

I liked talking with Jackie. She became one with the PeopleCards family in 2000. I asked her why she did it, and she said, "I'm in the Midwest. If you have on more than flannel, you're dressed up. People don't think outside the box. I'm a little person on a big island here; I'm a foreigner... I just thought it'd be fun to be on something like a baseball card. Why not?"

Why not? Maybe because it might be a little invasive - even humiliating - to let the world know that, for Linda Wilkins of Lennon, Michigan, (No. 14) her pronounced habit is overeating. Or that Asim Hussain of Mississauga, Ontario, (No. 89) thinks perfect happiness is "Eternity" and responds to the question of his dearest possession with "myself."

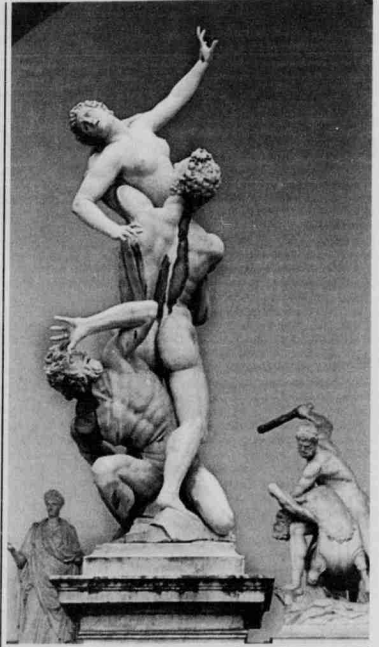
By far, however, the most valued person I own is Erik Berkule of San Francisco (No. 103). First off, he spells his name with a "k," so he's got that going for him. Also, his favorite movie is my favorite movie, "Dead Poets Society." And his most prized possession, "good pens," is something I related to as well - not to mention that I was intrigued by his "Little Legs Dance," which is part of a competition in weirdness he maintains with his girlfriend, Stephanie.

Erik is also currently featured as the PeopleCards Artist. His Artistic Statement explains, "Erik also enjoys drawing sex. It is a topic that has so much relevance to each human being's life because it is so many things. It is pleasure, insecurity, desire, reproduction, pain, humor, love, controversy, religion, advertising, power and so many other things. What he draws is from his head. Scenes of past experiences, fantasies, nightmares and everything in between. Sex is beautiful."

Out of all the people I own, I only feel guilty and slave-masterly about owning Erik. But Erik brought up a good point: "Voyeurism has taken over. 'Big Brother.' 'Millionaire.'"

Survivor? If PeopleCards comes to valuing some over others, that's just America."

So, what have I learned from my stint in slavery? Maybe it's that, in this Information Age, private information is only powerful if we let it be so. Maybe real power isn't necessarily power over others, but possibly power shared with others. Maybe we're ready to start thinking of people as marvels of nuance rather than commodities of nuisance. Maybe. But, if you can give me another Erik, I'd gladly part with my Dr. Rob.

IMAGES FROM VARIOUS PEOPLE CARDS
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THINKINGRachael Rogers
Staff Writer

No one wants to be forced to do anything they don't want to; that includes drugs, drinking and even sex. Rape seems to be almost taboo, something everyone whispers about but no one really addresses openly. Typically, guys don't want to be accused of it and girls don't want to be a victim of it.

Rape is definitely an issue, but where does it fall along the spectrum of importance? Technician got together with a group of girls and opened Pandora's Box. All the females in the group are students here at N.C. State and we discussed things that hit very close to home.

Technician: So, do you think rape is a really big issue here?

Christy: I'm surprised but glad that we haven't had any highly publicized rapes here.

But theoretically a woman is raped every nine seconds...

Karren: But I think rape mostly occurs on the weekend as a result of date rape, but I don't think that girls are alone on campus and just suddenly attacked.

Technician: Well, do you guys feel like it's something you worry about a lot, or is it just something in the back of your mind?

Carol: I am aware of the possibility of being raped, but I don't think about it all the time.

Diane: Yeah, it doesn't consume my mind, but I recognize that it can happen.

Karren: I'm just more concerned about it happening off-campus.

Christy: I feel the same way. I'd be more concerned about it happening off-campus.

Technician: So why are you more concerned about it happening off-campus?

Karren: I think the University does all it can do to assure our safety. It's really just more of a personal thing. Girls need to be aware.

Christy: Yeah, but I think guys should be aware of it as an issue too.

Technician: Why do you think guys need to be aware of it as an issue?

Diane: Well, I don't know what Christy thinks, but I think guys should be aware not because they are very likely to be rape victims, but because rape can affect their girlfriend, mother, sister or any female in their lives.

Karren: I don't think it's really a guy's problem, but they should have some concern.

Technician: So, what role should guys play in this issue?

Karren: Guys should make sure to help female friends out by walking with them. And guys should make it clear to other guys that rape is not something to be tolerated, that it isn't a joke or some game.

Technician: Well, going back to the University and their role in preventing rape, there is a class being offered that would count as a PE credit. What do you guys think about that? Is it going to help? Do you think people would take advantage of the opportunity?

Christy: I think the class would be good. I think people would take it too. I took a self-defense course and it increased my confidence.

Karren: I think some people would take it, but I wouldn't personally.

Technician: Why?

Diane: Well, I think it's a good idea, but I don't know how effective it would be.

Carol: Yeah, if people would actually use the new knowledge at the time of a rape, I just don't know. If something like that were happening to me, I just don't know if I'd remember what I had learned in some class. The best thing anyone can do for themselves is just be conscious of the idea of rape and be careful not to put themselves in any potentially dangerous situations.

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Features Staff Report

11 students will be honored for their winning works of art Tue., May 1 from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Bryan Room of the Gallery of Art and Design on the second floor of the Talley Student Center. N.C. State will honor these students by purchasing their artwork that was submitted in the contest.

An informal ceremony will commence at 4 p.m. and the university community is welcome to view the new campus additions. A committee of faculty, staff and students selected the works for purchase Mon., April 23.

The artworks will be displayed permanently in Peele Hall and Talley Student Center. All students were invited to submit work. Students with a variety of majors participated from mechanical engineering to master's degree candidates in art and design. Arts N.C. State and the Office of Public Affairs launched a student art fund that purchases student works to be displayed within the halls of N.C. State University.

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The Power of Love

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Alejandro Escovedo
A Man Under the Influence
★★★★

All the greatest songs in the world are about love. True, there are great songs of protest and rage, but even those have an underlying message of love in them. If anyone could point out a great album filled with songs of political and economic theory I'd love to hear it, but it's not going to happen because it's all about the love. So, is Alejandro Escovedo's newest album, *A Man Under the Influence*, just another in a long line of lovesick singers? Well, yeah, but that's not such a bad thing when it's as well done as this.

Escovedo has a long musical history that would take nearly this entire article to recount, moving from straight-ahead punk rock to country flavored music as both a solo artist and in various bands. His latest release finds Escovedo surrounding himself with many of the Triangle's own finest musicians, like Ryan Adams and Catlin Cary from the late Whiskeytown, Chip Robinson of Backsliders fame

was even put together with local producer Chris Stamey, whose Chapel Hill studios are starting to build a bit of a following. All of this matters naught to anyone other than shameless trivia buffs though, because Escovedo's power and personality is such on this disc that all else falls to the side.

Hailing from Austin, Escovedo brings tons of tradition to the table as he weaves stories of immigrants and lovers separated by miles together with more everyday tales of lust and music. The album opens with "Wave," building slowly with sparse sounds telling the story of those searching for hope in a new land.

"Wave goodbye," sings Escovedo, "They're headed for the other side/The sun shines bright there/and everyone's got golden hair." Reminiscent of the social commentary of Springsteen, Escovedo brings with him even more powerful ele-

ments of personal experience and with that a love of family, friends and

those who have struggled to make it in the Promised Land.

"Rosalie" and "Rhapsody" both bring with them a wind-swept romanticism like breezes through a hot Texas summer. Adding some spice to the mix, Escovedo gives way to his baser emotions all set to a dirty boogie in "Castanets" ("I love the sun when it silhouettes/I like her better when she walks away").

Escovedo also proves he can write a great pop song, as "Velvet Guitar" pulls out the Elvis Costello deep within. And while Escovedo seems to cover all points on the map musically, throughout the album he seems very focused and determined, always returning to the Tex-Mex Americana flavor of his roots.

More importantly, Escovedo covers all the emotional bases on this album. Love of family, a little bit of lust, and love that hurts more often than it helps are paint-

ed across this album with broad strokes.

In one of the most beautiful moments in the album, of which there are many, Escovedo asks of "What kind of love/can destroy a mother?" as his guitar interplays with the cello, which is a constant instrument throughout the album. And the bittersweet "Wedding Day" looks back with a mix of pleasure and pain at that moment in time when, "You were locked in time/By that ring that binds you." The closing moments of *A Man Under the Influence* hammers this point home as Escovedo's vocals come drifting in with, "It's about this love/It's about this pain."

Inspiration for music and art comes from many places, but undeniably the source for nearly all of this is love. On his latest album, Alejandro Escovedo is, for better or for worse, a man under the influence of love, delivering music well worth being influenced by.

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Remember Memento

Ryan Hill
Features Editor

Every once in a while a film comes along that just knocks you off your feet. You leave the theater in a daze, trying to figure out what you just saw. Once you've figured it out, you run and tell all your friends just how amazing that movie was. "Memento" is one of those films.

Brilliantly written and directed by Christopher Nolan, the film follows Leonard Shelby (Guy Pearce), a man looking for John G., the man who raped and murdered his wife. Leonard was slammed into a mirror head-first, leaving him with no short-term memory and only able to remember things for a few minutes. To compensate, he tattoos clues onto his body so they won't be lost forever. Want more catches? The movie begins with Leonard killing John G. That may seem like a bad idea, but instead of going forward, "Memento" goes backward. The audience only can see what Leonard sees, until the next scene when they realize why everything just happened the way it did.

Leonard is helped by Natalie (Carrie-Anne Moss, proving more and more she's not just a pretty face), who has also lost someone. John G. also killed

her boyfriend, which is the driving force behind her helping Leonard. Also helping out our hero is Terry (Joe Pantoliano), who is constantly portrayed as a liar, thanks to a message of Leonard's photo of him saying he is a liar.

There's no doubt that "Memento" is a difficult film to follow. Nolan has crafted a story so simple and complex at the same time that when you think you know what's happened, you find out you weren't even close to what really happened.

Pearce ("L.A. Confidential") has rescued himself from the pits of "Ravenous" and proves himself to be fully capable of handling the complexities of Leonard, as well as the story. He may not have risen to stardom as quickly as his "Confidential" co-star, Russell Crowe, but he is nonetheless on his way to becoming a star.

Co-stars Moss and Pantoliano (re-united for the first time since "The Matrix") are both excellent. Moss plays Natalie in so many directions it can get confusing, but no worries; it all comes together in the



Memento

★★★★

Director:
Christopher Nolan
Starring:
Guy Pearce
Carrie-Anne Moss

end. Pantoliano is such a great character actor; it's only a matter of time before he stops getting wisecracking supporting roles and gets something Oscar worthy (which he

may have here).

"Memento" is so far the best film of 2001. Granted, the year isn't even half over, but it will take a lot to knock this film off the No. 1 spot. The film is so different and mind-blowing that it is already, for those who've seen it, one of

those films that you just can't forget.

Mysteries are some of the most memorable films ever made. "Chinatown," "Seven," and "Basic Instinct" are a few. "Memento" ranks near the top of the genre, telling the story in such a new and fresh way

that, while you may be a little confused when the credits roll after thinking about what happened, you realize the inevitable: this was far and away one of the best movies of this year or any other year.

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DUTTON

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Conference between the Pack and Duke, Dutton remained strong during all three games, although State only prevailed as a team once.

In the top of the fifth of the initial game of the series, Dutton (2-for-5) knocked a one-out triple to center field. He was driven in by a Wright line drive to give State a 3-2 lead in the only game of the series it would win.

Despite coming up short 11-10 in game two, Dutton played a big role for the team offensively. Leading off, Dutton (3-of-5) connected on his first chance at bat and later scored off of a Sean Walsh double to give the Pack the first lead of the afternoon. In the second inning, he came through once again, connecting on a two-run triple and collected his third run of the afternoon after a double to left center in the seventh.

In game three, Dutton continued his hot streak, batting 2-for-4 and scoring two runs. "In the Duke series, I thought we played really well," said Dutton. "I thought we played really aggressive. We played aggressive all weekend. There were a couple of plays that we could've made that might have changed the game, but overall I think we swung the bats real well."

Now that Dutton has gotten the opportunity to shine, he hasn't forgotten the road he traveled to get there. Dutton



Jeremy Dutton is batting .322 this season, the second-best mark among all Wolfpack hitters.

remains focused for the rest of the season, knowing there are still four meaningful games left in the regular season and then the ACC Tournament.

"I think that if we can keep the intensity that we had this past weekend even though we lost two games, we can go

down to ECU and beat them and I think we can play real good against Clemson to end up in the ACC Tournament playing our best ball," said Dutton. "I'm just going to keep trying to help the team as best I can, trying to keep hitting well and help the team out."

Marly Josephson, a defender, led Charlotte Catholic High School to a 20-1 record in 2000. She was named to the all-conference team three times, all-region twice and received all-state honors from the Charlotte Observer in 2000.

"She's a very tough defender," Kerrigan said of Josephson. "She plays a lot like Erin Bushey. She's good in the air and tackles well too."

Annika Schmidt, who played on the former club team of current State midfielder Carmen Israel, rounds out Kerrigan's recruiting class. Schmidt played on the German National Team at the under-16, under-18 and under-21 levels.

"She's come up through the ranks doing very well for her country," Kerrigan said of Schmidt. "She can play pretty much anywhere."

The Pack's sideline will also sport a new face next fall. Kevin Long, former women's head coach and sports information director at Randolph-Macon, will join Kerrigan's staff as an assistant.

"He's really found his place with this team," Kerrigan said of Long. "The players respect him for the coach that he is, and

designed to teach the members how to give medical aid in case of emergencies.

The course, which ran 80 hours over eight days, was paid for in part by the club. They offered to give half the amount of the \$200 registration costs for the attendees.

CURLE

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active, encouraging and humorous, however. Humor in the classroom seems to be a lost art these days, but Cat makes it look easy.

She elevated my writing from rough and unpolished to only somewhat rough and somewhat unpolished, and you, the reader, are actively reaping the benefits.

3. Fred and Linda Morlock. In June of 1998, the State women's soccer program — and the university as a whole — suffered a great loss in the tragic passing of Robin Morlock, a former member of the team who was killed in a car accident.

Robin was working in the sports information department at the time, assisting area media outlets and myself in the coverage of our soccer program. I didn't get to know her well, but I felt saddened by her loss and wrote a column about her passing.

Over a year later her mother, Linda, wrote me an e-mail, explaining how she had found my article online and wanted to thank me for the kind words. I wrote back, and from there we began a correspondence that has lasted to this day.

She and her husband Fred have shown me that there is an incredible strength to be found in one's family. They have shown incredible resilience through incredible hardship, and to know the Morlocks is to be inspired by them. Despite living in Connecticut, they keep in touch with friends in the Wolfpack community on a regular basis. They were down two weeks ago for a baseball game,

and I was reminded at just how strong their family base is.

I was proud to see that my writing had such a profound effect on them. That column has reaped more benefits than any other piece of my writing by far. I keep a printed copy of her e-mail in my pocket to this day.

2. Linda Holley. I feel incredibly saddened when I hear some of the horror stories coming from my classmates about how lousy their advisors are. Then I smile, because I know what it means to have a quality advisor, as mine was Linda Holley.

She took me in as an engineering convert, got me on the right track and put me in the right courses through the years.

Those in the English department know her well. Some fear her Chaucer classes, but all have a great deal of respect and admiration for her. She is kind and considerate, helpful and hardworking, and she'll talk your ear off about Wolfpack sports.

She's also one of the most hardcore professors I've ever come across. She is an avid horseback rider, and recently she had a spill far out in the country, resulting in a broken ankle, I believe. Having no other recourse, she drug herself nearly a mile on that ankle, recovered the horse and made it back to the stables. Within days, she was back in the classroom, teaching from a wheelchair.

Workman's comp, my ass. She taught me that complaining about how hard or how difficult a task is won't do anybody any good. Put your nose to the grindstone and do it. Do it with a smile on your face and a kind word for your neighbor.

1. Technician. I'm lumping

everyone from 323 Witherspoon in on this one because for five years, Technician, for better or worse, was a majority of my college experience.

I met great friends here and made a few enemies. I wasted time for hours on end. You get the picture.

If it weren't for the nasty, Sharpee-covered walls and foul-smelling darkrooms of third-floor Witherspoon, my life here at State would've taken a dramatically different turn. I likely would graduate as a computer engineer, only to spend my life trapped behind a computer for no good reason.

I became an English major because of Technician. I became a photographer because of Technician. I saw the world (at least the Atlantic Coast Conference schools along the eastern seaboard) because of Technician. And I leave this school having thoroughly enjoyed my college experience because of Technician.

You may think this paper's a rag — that it's toilet paper with ink — but I know better. I've seen our stuff against other school's papers, and our stuff — comprised of engineers, animal scientists and English majors — was the pants off of fully half of the submissions put forth from schools with journalism programs and paid writing coaches.

But it was never a job for me. Technician was N.C. State and N.C. State was Technician, and I leave these hallowed, Sharpee-marked walls with my hands proudly covered in newsprint. Thanks to everyone, You know who you are.

You can bid James Curle farewell at 515-2411 or email him at jcurle@unrty.ncsu.edu.

SOCCER

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exiting to get her."

Lydia Bojeun led The Hun of Princeton High School in Trenton, N.J., with 24 goals and 21 assists over two seasons. She has gained experience on the national level, playing in the under-15 and under-16 U.S. National Pools and the adidas Elite Soccer Program.

Juliana Gomez, a goalkeeper from Miami Springs, Fla., had an impressive 15-0-3 record as a senior last fall at Archbishop Curley-Notre Dame High School. She posted 14 shutouts in her final season, in addition to 12 in her junior campaign.

Gomez was a member of the Olympic Development Program in 1997 and 1998. She was also named first-team all-county in 1999 by the Miami Herald, as well as garnering all-conference honors in 1998 and 1999.

"She should provide depth at the goalkeeper position," Kerrigan said of Gomez. "We're really pleased with the way Gretchen [Lear] has been playing, but you need two strong keepers at this level."

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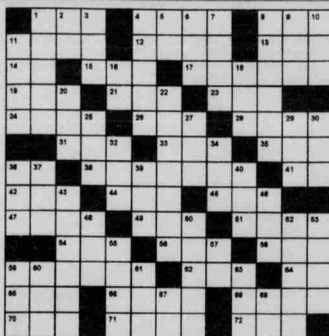
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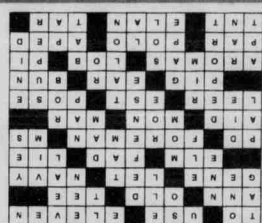
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Women's soccer builds on success

◆ The N.C. State women's soccer team hopes experience and five new recruits will propel it to next year's NCAA Tournament.

Jerry Moore
Assistant Sports Editor

Lost in the frenzy that swirled around the success of N.C. State football last fall, another pleasant surprise emerged on the landscape of Wolfpack athletics.

Buried beneath headlines about Chuck Amato, freshman passing records and a bowl-game victory, Laura Kerrigan quietly led the women's soccer team to its best season since 1995.

The Pack finished its 2000 campaign at 10-7-3 overall and 2-2-2 in the Atlantic Coast

Conference, one of the toughest leagues in the country. State was regionally ranked by Soccer Buzz Magazine for most of the season, finishing at No. 9 in the Southeast. The Pack even made an appearance in Soccer America's national poll, checking in at No. 15 late in the season.

"We accomplished a lot last year," Kerrigan said. "We started out as a mediocre team, but by the second half of the season, we had become a very, very strong team."

The team failed to reach the NCAA Tournament for the fifth straight year, however, which left Kerrigan and her team with a strong desire to put an end to the drought.

"Next year, we're really looking forward to being in the top 20 every week and securing that

berth to the NCAAAs," she said. "We were so close last year, it could have gone either way."

"Now the players have a taste for it, and none of them liked the feeling of sitting in that room watching the television screen and not seeing our name called. We got a taste of success, and now we want more of it."

Katherine Warman, a freshman last year, was named second-team All-ACC. She became the first State player to capture all-conference honors since 1996. She was also named to the first ever ACC All-Freshman team.

Goalkeeper Gretchen Lear had the best save percentage in the ACC (.875) and was named conference Player of the Week for the week of Oct. 24.

Erin Bushey, Laura Scott and Lindsey Underwood also had

strong seasons for the Pack.

"Lindsey has come a long way since her first days here," Kerrigan said. "Katherine has made huge strides, and now she really has a presence on the field."

In the off-season, State added five recruits to bolster its offensive firepower and defense.

Nicole Blume, a midfielder, comes to State from Springfield, Va., where she attended the same high school as Lear. Blume, the 2000 Patriot District Player of the Year, was selected to the regional and state teams in the Olympic Development Program for the last three years.

"Nicole is a feisty midfielder who could also play up front for us," Kerrigan said. "It was

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The women's soccer team looks to improve on last year's 2-2-2 ACC record.

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Curle's farewell

This is a moment that I've been dreading for a long time. I've been dreading it for about two years now, actually.

This is my farewell column, where I graciously bow out of the journalism circle on this beautiful campus, possibly out of journalism altogether.

My name is unfamiliar to most of those who read the sports page on a regular basis.

I don't cover a particular sport, and I'm not a regular columnist.

James Curle

But for those in their fourth or fifth year here at N.C. State, you may remember when my picture graced the back page. I'm a former sports writer and a former assistant sports editor, and though I traded my pen and pad for a camera three years ago, I felt it was only fitting that I leave Technician in the very section where I cut my journalistic teeth in the fall of '96.

I've thought long and hard about what I wanted this final column to encapsulate. Final Columns are typically distillations of four or five years of meaningful growth and school experience boiled down to 3,000 characters. In many ways to the writers, these are the most important 3,000 characters written in their short journalism careers.

But for those not actively involved in journalism or those not graduating, most Final Columns don't hold a great deal of validity in their eyes. Why should we care? Is my name James Curle?

So rather than give a profound dissertation on what conclusions I've come to as a writer as my final column, I've decided to list and give props to the biggest positive influences I've been blessed to come in contact with.

Here they are, in grand Technician Sports style, as my final top five:

5. **Mark Stevenson**, gymnastics coach at State. The first beat I took up as a writer was the gymnastics beat. It was a small beat, lacking the scope and exposure of football or basketball. But I didn't care. I wanted to do a good job.

Mark made that task a surprisingly easy one. He, in essence, took me under his wing and showed uncommon patience as I stumbled through the first few months on the job. He never hesitated to take time to answer a question I had about the sport — essentially foreign to me when I started — and quoted at length even when he knew I had slipped up and asked a yes/no question.

He also showed me that it's important to fight uphill battles. While the men's basketball team was playing grade-school rejects in Maryland-Baltimore County and the such, Mark made a point to schedule at least three or four matches against top 10 opponents like Florida and Alabama — even though gymnastics was not a fully funded non-revenue team.

Mark showed me that the uphill fight in a losing cause is its own reward, that the fight itself holds many valuable lessons. We should all be so wise.

4. **Cat Warren**. There are so few professors that push you to your limits while you're having a good time, and Cat Warren was one of them. As one of the few journalism professors at State, Cat is often called upon to be a jack of all trades, asked to teach news writing, copy editing, etc., during a given semester.

Her classes were highly inter-

Late-blooming Dutton on fire

◆ Jeremy Dutton has stepped up his play of late for the N.C. State baseball team.

Justin Sellers
Staff Writer

Some athletes are an immediate success at what they do. Others, however, have to work a little harder and take a little longer to become stars.

Such is the case for sophomore Jeremy Dutton, the second baseman for the N.C. State baseball team.

Last year, fans would be hard pressed to find Dutton's name in the newspapers, let alone at the top of the team's category leaders list. Much was the same at the beginning of this season, but halfway through the year, things changed dramatically.

With the Wolfpack on a roller-coaster ride through much of the first part of the season, different players have tried to carry the team at different times. Out of all the players who have attempted to lead by example, Dutton has been the most consistent.

"Jeremy has had a great second half for us," said head coach Elliott Avent. "Offensively, he has been the catalyst. I think."

"If you broke down the season for our team into different segments, different players have taken their turn in really carrying the club for the matter of a couple of games or a week or so. Jeremy Dutton has been the most consistent player we've had the second part of the season."

Dutton's performance in games, as well as in practice has greatly improved. With

the improvement came the rise of his name on the Pack season-leader board. Dutton is currently batting .322 and steadily climbing, presently second on the team behind only junior Brian Wright.

"I've just been working with our hitting coach and Coach Avent worked with me a lot hitting," said Dutton. "I try to stay positive. If one game I don't do well, I just keep working so that I can improve my play. Just trying to stay positive overall helps me."

Teamed with a slugging percentage of .471, Dutton has accounted for 26 RBIs and two home runs on the year. He has also scored 36 runs for the Pack.

"He's been outstanding offensively," said Avent. "He looks so confident at the plate, steals bases, is able to hit some doubles and drive runs in."

"He's really been the table setter for us lately. He almost gets on base every time up. He has been a great, great boost to our offense the second half of the season."

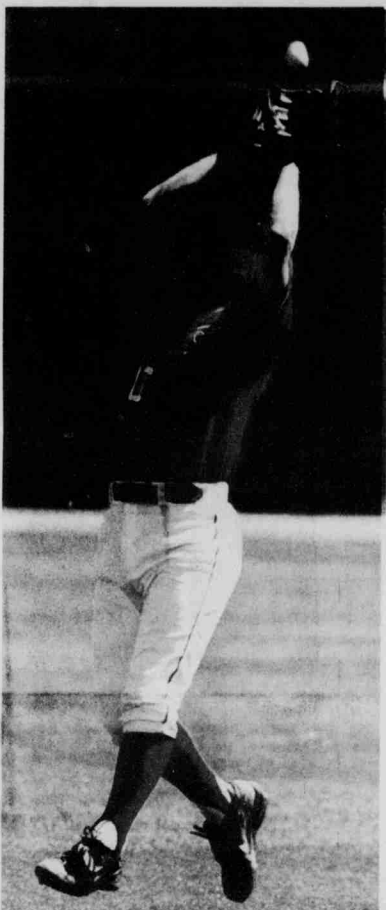
But an offensive weapon isn't the only role Dutton plays on the team. As an infielder, Dutton also has to be on his game defensively, and he has made great strides in improving that part of his game also.

"Defensively, Jeremy has come through and made some great plays as well," said Avent. "He's had some good games but recently had a tough game on Sunday at Duke, defensively, and Saturday."

"We felt that he could have made a couple of plays that could have helped us get a win there, but he's played great the second half of the season."

Most recently, in what might have been a battle for fifth place in the Atlantic Coast

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Jeremy Dutton retreats to catch a fly ball during recent action.

JEREMY DUTTON

RANKS IN THE TOP FIVE AMONG WOLFPACK PLAYERS IN NEARLY EVERY STATISTICAL CATEGORY, TWO-TIME ALL-STATE SELECTION AND FOUR-TIME ALL-CONFERENCE PICK IN HIGH SCHOOL ...LEADS THE ACC IN TRIPLES WITH SIX, MOVED FROM SHORTSTOP TO SECOND BASE ... GRADUATED FROM SOUTHERN DURHAM HIGH SCHOOL

The N.C. State outing club lives for adventure

◆ Activities for the outing club range from camping to skydiving.

Jay Kohler
Staff Writer

Editor's Note: Technician continues its look at N.C. State club teams with the outing club.

The outing club is a club based on the principles that the outdoors has much to offer students here at N.C. State. The club has done everything from canoeing to skydiving and is constantly seeking for more trip opportunities.

Created about 10-12 years ago, the outing club was founded, as club President Tim Goodson put it, "simply because people wanted friends to enjoy the outdoors with. Besides, young people tend

to be pretty outdoor types in the first place."

Similar clubs at Duke and North Carolina were formed prior to State's club, and in a recent brochure on the history of rock climbing in North Carolina, the impact of those two clubs on the sport was noted.

The club here at State is still building its place in history.

"We're really independent from faculty," said Goodson. "But the neatest thing is the people who have joined. You meet people who like to be outside no matter what."

The people who have joined the club have gone on many trips. Events from the past year include whitewater rafting, spelunking, triathlons, rock climbing, camping and more.

One of the more enjoyable aspects of the club for many members of the outing

club is planning their own trips. The members meet every Wednesday to talk about what they'd like to see the club do in the near future.

"It's great," said Goodson. "People of like interests get together to decide what to do for the weekend."

The outing club has gone to the mountains several times, but it also goes to the beach and the Outer Banks in an attempt to traverse the entire state.

Although Goodson acknowledges that club members enjoy fall and spring months the best, events go on all during the school year.

"We have about 50 members, 30 of whom are very active," said Goodson.

Members of the club like to take action themselves, which is why the club keeps itself independent of faculty. There are many events that have become yearly standards, like skydiving and hang-gliding at the Outer Banks.

For the most part, the club is more flexible, however, as many of the activities planned are only brought about when members speak out at meetings for what they'd like to do.

Recently, those active members, along with Goodson, went to the Nantahala area to go camping and rafting along the river over the six days of break.

"It was nice to just take a break," said Goodson. "It was a real relaxing time, and a lot of fun."

Goodson enjoyed the simplicity of going on such a trip, mentioning how fun it was to just wake up in the morning, measure the level of the water in the river and head downstream.

The outing club has also started a new program through which club members can get official training. Several mem-

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