Scholarship honors fallen alum

A scholarship created in the name of an alumnus killed in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks will be made available to students from Burke County.

Spaine Stephens

News Editor

A N.C. State scholarship will honor the memory of a fallen NCSU alumnus and enhance the value of education for future students.

The Cranford scholarship has been established in memory of Lt. Cmdr. Eric Cranford, a 1992 NCSU graduate with bachelor's degrees in political science and economics, who was killed in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks white working at the Pentagon.

The scholarship will be ment-based, for students from Burke County, N.C., the home of Cranford and his wife, Emily Cozort Cranford, who carned a degree in psychology from NCSU in 1991.

"N.C. State has always been the place where people from little towns like Drexel could come and learn and grow and go on to do what they want to do," said Jack Cozort, a 1972 NCSU alumnus, member of the Board of Visitors and the uncle of Emily Cranford. "Eric is

a perfect example of that."

Cozort said the scholarship will ensure that "other people like Fine get a chance to come to N.C. State to get that push and get a chance to fulfill their dreams."

Cozort said when he told Emily Carnford that he had informed the chancellor's office of the tragedy, she said that instead of flowers she would appreciate contributions to a scholarship in Eric's name for NCSU. Cozort consulted Eric Cranford's parents, and they "fully agreed it was a good way to remember him."

The family discussed the criteria of the scholarship, and it was decided that although scholastic performance would be stressed, emphasis would also be placed on community service, since both Eric and Emily were actively involved in such activities.

The Washington, D.C. alumni group with which the couple was involved has also been enthusiastic about the scholarship. Cozort said members of the group were eager to show both appreciation for Cranford and affection for NCSU, Some of the scholarship's first contributions came from the group.

Cozort said Cranford had just begun to become more active in the alumni group in Washington, D.C. because he became more settled with his current Navy duties and assignment.

The establishment of the scholarship also says a lot

about the legacy and unity of the university.

"The university is really a community," said Bob Bryan, associate vice chancellor for alumni relations.

"When the community suffers a loss, there is sorrow,"
Bryan said the scholarship will be meaningful for future students, and sheds a positive light on a tragic

Bryan said the scholarship will be meaningful for future students, and sheds a positive light on a tragic situation.

"That's a nice way to bring some positive meaning, however small, to his tragic death," he said. The scholarship also reflects the important presence of NCSU in the life of Cranford and his family.

"When you become a student at N.C. State, it becomes a part of who you are," said Bryan. "It's a reflection of what an important institution N.C. State is that they want this to be a part of it."

The scholarship establishment may also bring closure to campus-wide grief felt after losing a member of the community.

"That's what a community is for," said Bryan, "to take care of each other, to take care of members of the university community that are grieving."

Cranford was a cadet in Navy ROTC at NCSU, and after graduation he became a helicopter pilot with the U.S. Navy.

Cranford's funeral was held Saturday in Arlington, Va.



◆ Student Senate, with the "highest level of support," passed Resolution 35, which condemns all discrimination at N.C. State.

Rachael Rogers

In the wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the United States, there have been many responses, both negative and positive, within the country, in the state and on the N.C. State campus.

The terrorist attacks have caused great anger, not only toward the terrorists, but also toward some students on campus.

dents on campus. In response to possible discrimina-tion against certain communities, Student Senate has approved Resolution 35, an "Act Condemning Acts of Violence and Discrimination Against Students of N.C. State University."

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The act was passed by acclamation, which is the highest level of support that can be given, by the senate. This act, also known as Resolution 35, has been distributed throughout the entire campus. Resolution 35 states that the entire student body is united in condemning the terrorists who carried out the attacks. In addition, the act states that the entire student body is united in pursuing those responsible for the acts and bringing them to justice.

And finally, the resolution states

And finally, the resolution states that this "entire student body" includes Arab-Americans, Asian-Americans and American Muslim communities.

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Student Senate President Michael
D. Anthony, a senior in business
management, said this resolution with
other communities. If was the student body's voice and written support for those communities."
The Senate Diversity Committee
sponsored the resolution.

"The Diversity Committee wanted to make a formal statement," Anthony said.

Authory said.

The resolution cites Cardinal
Theodore McCarrick and his statement that people should not use
Muslim communities throughout the
United States as scapegoats for the
acts that radical terrorists have committed.

The resolution also makes mention of condemnations of the attacks by leaders of various Arab nations.

Every attempt will be made to phold this resolution, said

"We're going to different college councils to broaden support. We're telling people that we're able to sup-port them in any way possible," said Anthony.

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Senate members recently spoke with members of the Arab Association and the Muslim Association and the Muslim they would do anything possible to keep their time at this university safe, even if it means "walking them to classes," Anthony said.

Corrections

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Jason Van Duyn (front) listens attentively as the drum major gives the next instruction for marching band practice.

Former U. Montana student dies in war on terrorism

 Pfc. Kristofor Stonesifer was one of the first casualties of the war in Afghanistan.

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(U-WIRE) MISSOULA, Mont. - Pfc.
Kristofor Stonesifer came to the
University of Montana in August 1999
because he loved the outdoors, but he
joined UM's Army ROTC program
because it was in his blood.
His grandfather was in the Navy, his
sather is a retired Navy capital and his
brother is an Army chief warrant officer.
Stonesifer once spent two weeks living
in a snow cave, eating squirrefs and surviving off the land — just to see if he
could do it.
Stonesifer realized his dream of
becoming an Army Ranger soon after he
left UM in May 2000, But his dream was
cut short.

cut short.

Stonesifer, 28, died in Pakistan Friday while fighting the war against terrorism when the helicopter he was in crashed due to poor visibility. Officials have not disclosed the role of the Black Hawk helicopter, but it may have been preparing to cross the border into Afghanistan in the event ground troops needed to be rescued.

rescued.

The crash killed Stonesifer, of Doylestown, Pa., and specialist Jonn J. Edmunds, 20, of Cheyenne, Wyo. They

are among the first casualties in Operation Enduring Freedom. Both men served in the 75th Ranger Regiment and were stationed at Fort Benning, Ga. "We're in shock. It's pretty tough," Roberta Diamond, the fiance of Stonesifer's father, told the Kaimin in a phone interview Monday, "It's like it's a dream, like it's not real." Both Stonesifer's father, Ric Stonesifer, and mother, Ruth Stonesifer, and mother, Ruth Stonesifer, declined the Kaimin's requests for comment.

ment. "Fugues to cope." Diamond said of the parents, who divorced 20 years ago. She said they're a close family that isn't ready to talk. Stonesifer wrote in his will that he wanted to be cremated and that his ashes should be spread across a lake in Montana. He also requested cigars and a keg of Guinness beer to be on tap at his funeral, Diamond said. "He loves Montana". He loved the great Western sky." Diamond said. "He was a real mountain man."

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After attending the University of Delaware for two years, Stonesifer moved to Missoula in August 1999 with his girlfriend, Erin Lorch, and his best friend, Luke Stevens, Diamond said. Stevens, who still lives in Missoula, flew back to Pennsylvania Monday to be with Stonesifer's pennts, Diamond said. At UM, Stonesifer was one of the top two ROTC cadets, said LL Col, James Clegg, chair of the military science

department and head of the ROTC at UM.

"He probably did the most push-ups of anybody in the program, He was that strong," Clegg said. "He was an extremely focused young person. Stonessfer was also a good student who could be categorized as an intellectual, Clegg said.

"He was a great reader; he would pick up a book and fimish it, then pick up a book and fimish it, then pick another book," Clegg said, and Stonesifer majored in philosophy with a 3.5 grade point average.

"He grasped things very quickly." Clegg said. "He became skilled in a very short order."

Perhaps his skills and confidence motivated Stonesifer to leave UM one semester shy of graduation to try out for the Army Rangers, where he was one of 20 selected from a pool of 230, Diamond said.
"They're the best-equipped, the best-

selected from a poor of 200, Diamond

"They re the best-equipped, the best-trained and the most lethal elements in the United States Army," Clegg said of the Rangers. "He wanted to be that best soldier, and he knew the only way to do that was to get in a ranger battalion."

Clegg and Stonesifer sat down one day and discussed Stonesifer rarding to become a ranger, Clegg said. Clegg advised Stonesifer rot to leave UM, but admired his persistence.

"There was a time he was reconsidering his decision... but it didn't last long."

Clegg said.

Stonesifer went off to Georgia and became an Army Ranger as quickly as he could. In normally takes two to three years to become a Ranger. Clegg said. Stonesifer did it in less than one.

"He got on the fastest of the fast tracks," Clegg said.

Simon Walbruch, a UM student, knew Stonesifer for more than two years while he attended UM. They were both ROTC cadets, and they spert last summer together while stationed in Fott Benning, Ga.
"He was an excellent friend. He was an "He was an excellent friend. He w

He was an excellent friend. He was an outgoing and friendly guy," Walbruch said of Stonesifer. "He was always willing to help others."

Walbruch and Stonesifer would often go hiking together and talk about the future.

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"We always had good times together,"
Walbruch said. "He was pretty driven in what he wanted to do."

For those who knew him, Stonesifer will probably be remembered as shy and confident. He was quiet, reserved and always gave 100 percent, Clegg said.

Stonesifer's brother, named his son, who was born two weeks ago, Kristofor.

"He's a philosopher, an appreciator of nature and he's a real bonest and sincere guy," Diamend said. "We want him to be remembered as a person who was willing to go to battle and die for this country."

TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

Duke's party monitors a good idea

DUKE UNIVERSITY'S PLAN TO MONITOR STUDENTS' PARTIES IS AN EFFORT TO HANDLE PROBLEMS WITH ALCOHOL INSTEAD OF IGNORING THEM.

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In middle school, being a "monitor" meant you rated on people when they were in the halls without permission. The word "monitor" at Duke University now has a different, more significant meaning. The Associated Press reported yesterday that Duke has instated a program that uses trained student "Party Monitors." This is a school liberal enough on alcohol to have housed an on-campus har, to protect the safety of students while allowing them to consume alcohol on campus in a safe environment.

Duke's alcohol policy may have led to some serious alcohol-related emergencies in recent years; a committee formed to examine the university alcohol policy after a student ded of asphysiation pneumonia in November of 1909 developed the student monitor plan.

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plan. There are two different types of stu-dent monitors: "Party Monitors" and medical assistants. The medical assis-tants have received training in emer-gency medical service. The job of both kinds of monitors is to identify alco-hol-policy violations and situations that might endanger fellow students' lives.

lives.

Essentially, the efficacy of this program boils down to the integrity and courage of the student monitors themselves. Evidently, the program has significant student support. The AP quotient student support. The AP quotient of the program of the three past, it's been everyone for themselves. Now everybody kind of looks after each other." There are 358 students who have been trained for party detail. So, if this program sounds so great, why doesn't N.C. State implement something similar?

For starters, almost 90 percent of Duke's undergraduate student body resides on campus. This means there are plenty of people who are 21 and can consume alcohol legally on campus. Conversely, at NCSU, only a third of the roughly 22.418 undergraduate students live on campus. Then, out of that third, there are even fewer who are of legal age, as many upperclassmen of legal age, as many upperclassmen of legal age live off campus.

Duke has recognized that many of its students on campus of legal age will drink, regardless of their alcohol policy, so they chose to regulate it in a safe manner instead of prohibiting it. The NCSU alcohol policy does not prohibition-campus drinking for those of age, with restrictions. Drinking is legal in

it on-campus drinking for those of age, with restrictions. Drinking is legal in on-campus housing only behind closed doors and with no one under the legal age present. Parties involving alcohol are allowed on Frateriny Court, but they must "be conducted in a way that demonstrates sensitivity to the issues relevant to alcohol consumption" (N.C. State's alcohol policy), Otherwise, holding am on-campus social event with alcohol is virtually impossible, given the hoops one must go through to organize and gain a site for such an event. Therefore, while Duke's student Therefore, while Duke's student

tor such an event.

Therefore, while Duke's student monitor plan is a wise and fair way to allow — and at the same time regulate — on-campus parties involving alcohol, the days of on-campus parties of any scale with alcohol at NCSU are long gone. Duke's new program is second for Duke but would never fix are second for Duke but would never fix are

Halloween scary in many senses

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appearance to anthrax.

The troubling thing is it takes a national tragedy to make people, particularly parents, aware that the world is dangerous and that maybe, just maybe, their kids shouldn't randomly eat candy they've received from strangers.

strangers.

Why in the 21st century would anyone allow their children to eat candy

given to them by some didn't know and trust?

given to them by someone the parent didn't know and trust?

Like most college-aged people, I stopped trick or treating a long time ago. I can, however, remember back in the 1980's, going to designated houses where my parents personally knew the owners and getting candy for Hallowen. Before any candy was eaten my mom discarded any unwrapped candy then carefully looked over each remaining item (slyly stashing anything with peanuts for herself). She checked for pins, needles and other foreign objects poking from the candy and for inconspicuous wrapper disturbances. This was in the 80's, back when the top news stories consisted of Donald Trump and mega mergers that made people richer than rich. It should not require a news report to advise parents to be parents and to take responsibility for the safety of their children. Parents should always be on alert when it comes to what their children are doing. People on the whole should be more aware of what goes on around them.

Whether or not traditional trick or

treating goes on next week, people can still have fun. More organized activi-ties can be exciting for children. Going to a party with friends is a lot more fun then walking around in the cold, dark streets begging for a handout.

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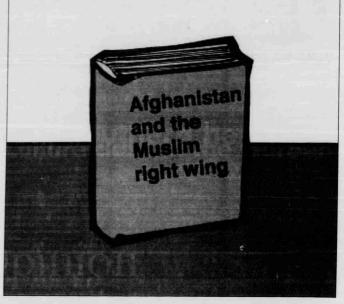
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April 14, 1861
Dearest Mother & Pa.
... Do y'all remember when you discouraged me from enlisting? And then going on to say that if I did enlist it should be on the Yankee side, just to help out the Confederacy. I remember because those words hurt.
But now it appears that your son is not as slow as you thought. Sgt. Wiles has already made me a private. In fact, Sergeant has said that I am worth of the frontlines. Did you hear that Pa. the production of the provided of the provided

our doubts — in your April 18 Dearest Mother & Pa,

carry their backpacks as well as my own. Army food is not a sgood as yours mother, and I find he latrines disgraceful. April 23
Dearest Mother & Pa.

... Last night there was an interesting discussion about the Confederate flag. Some of the men argued that it was a symbol of heritage. Others argued that it was a symbol of racism, hate and intolerance. But we were all in agreement that either way was fine with us. When I think about it, my fighting on the side of slave holders is very ironic, especially when you think back to that time I got lost in the woods, and when y all found me three duys later you had to buy me back from that black man. Also, please send more sooks. I find that I can trade them for candy.

April 25
Dearest Mother & Pa.

... Saw first combat today. I am beginning to think kits was a bad idea. I am writing from the field hospital, as my injuries are quite serious. I was promoted from private to company decoy, My role now is to run out into the middle of the hatlefield in a bright red and white striped suit before the fighting begins. I jump up and down and make a lot of noise while the other troops ry to sneak around and attack the Yanks from behind. mp up and down and make a lot of size while the other troops try to sneak ound and attack the Yanks from

turning green — not sure why).

May 13: from Felipe's Motel and Resort in Cancun, Mexico Dearest Mother & Pa.

— Army life did not fit me well. I quit without notice last Wednesday, I came back the following week to get my final paycheck. Boy was I surprised when they tried to hang me! I was shunned by my fellow troops for deserting them. I tried to cry worker's rights, but then I was reminded that we were fighting agadinst the Union. I barely escaped from jail by hiding in the bottom of a load of dead soliders. (I found \$7 in one of the solder's pockets!)

Anyway, I will be residing here until at least 1920. Send my brothers the best, and wish them luck on the battlefield. They're going to need it.

Love, Thaddeus.

P.S. Enclosed is an authentic sombrero. (I had to cut it into pieces so it would fit in the envelope.)

After reading the letters, my grand-

After reading the letters, my grand-mother relayed the story of how Thaddeus struck it rich in Mexico after the emergence of the first film, Nickelodeons. Thaddeus marketed his home videos entitled "When Girls Go Wild From Cancun, Mexico" and "Sexy Soronity Girls Bare All in Cancun."

Culture clash in the Garden

Jonathan With all eyes focused on New Smith York Goused on New York and Tarl'COLVENT York Wishington, D.C. after the terrorist attacks and the continuing threat of anthrax, politicians are discovering that the country is the most of robust, straightforwa is in the most of robust, straightforwa is in the most of robust, straightforwa is in the most with the country is and the country is and in the country is the ment and expense workers as the interest of the country is and the more than the country is and the workers are more ensured to the country is and the workless ramblings of ignorant, self-important celebrities. This heightened sensitivity to false compassion and irrelevant blabbering has drawn a fine line for politicians and celebrities to avoid. While many Americans may have listened to a famous actor or actress take on political issues before Sept. 11, the country is growing increasingly impatient with the radical leftis ramblings of people who have no qualifications other than an acting school education and a few forgetable movies on their resume. Unfortunately, many celebrities still just don't get it. Maybe it's the product of being constantly surrounded by people telling you how great you are. Maybe it's all the money and the press' interest in every move you make. Maybe it's the effect of living in the hedomistic, surgically enhanced confines of Hollywood. Whatever it is, this is the time for the American people to send a loud message to Hollywood.

The contrast between the values of the rescue workers, who are making a difference at ground zero, and the stars, who attach themselves to the latest popular cause, was made evident last Saturday at the Concert for New York in Madison Square Garden, While many performers such as Paul McCartney, Mick Jagger and James Taylor received warm welcomes from firefighters, policemen and their families, others were nearly boosed off the stage in what amounted to a very visible clash of cultures.

The worst incidents occurred with the presence of former President Bill Clinton, New York Senator Hillary Clinton and actor Richard Gere, President Clinton received scattered boos during his presentation, but the audience seemed to rightfully respect his job in the Oval Office overall and the service he gave to our country. Richard Gere, however, upped the ante when he used his time at the podium to patronize the workers, the crowd and the country with pacifistic condemnations of any military reprisal and the suggestion that compassion and not revenge would solve our problems. While time at face value, Gere's endorsement of pacifism and overly general moral exhortations amounted to nothing more than an egotistical attack on the current administration's policy and the over 90 percent of Americans who support it. As soon as the crowd realized what Gere was saying, he was boosed to the point of having to stop his speech.

The most interesting incident, however, occurred when New York Senator Hillary Clinton took the stage unannounced. Walking across the stage with

the perfunctory smile and head nodding, it was a few seconds before she realized that instead of the love and cheers of her dutifully adoning public, she was hearing an incredibly loud chorus of boos that filled the entire arena. Some of the very firefighters and policemen she had come to thank were booing to the point that she had to shout over them. The visibly shaken Clinton left the stage after only twenty seconds.

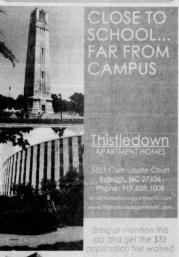
In response to Clinton's public relations nightmare, a Clinton confidante stated, "How could we not know this would be the wrong forum for Hillary? These are cops and firemen who listen to right wing talk radio. They still think she killed Vince Foster."

So there you have it, in a matter of minutes the Clinton camp shifted from an attitude of thanks and support toward New York's finest to a pathetic, stereotypical assessment of the men and woman who have lost so much in service to our country.

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woman who have lost so much in service to our country. An attendee of the event explained if like this, "the Firemen sitting near me said she shows up for photo session events but was not to be seen when a fireman or policeman were killed pre Sept. II." It is clear that those who are doing the work of America now have little patience for Hanoi Janes or double-talking politicians. My advice to both would be that if you aren't involved now, show your support quietly. Showing up for the cameras may signal the end of your career. (Source: Drudge Report)

in the past,





Which history will be the history?

Greg Volk

As I look back on

Greg Volk back on my preJEAFT COLUMNIST

I history education, especially that of North Carolina and the United States, I cannot help but recall an overly romanticized view of the past that was presented to young, impressionable minds. The lessons I received would be more accurately described as propaganda than an objective account of history. About the worst message I got about American history was that Ulysses S. Grant was a great got about American history was that ulysses S. Grant was a great unique to the school system I was in, coming from a textile mill town. I remember having several school assemblies dedicated to the school assemblies dedicated to the school of celebrating the importance of textiles in our community. It could have been the teachers I had, or growing up in North Carolina, but there are many similarities in our community and the treatment of the teachers I had, or growing up in North Carolina, but there are many similarities in primary history education that hold true across the board. Most significantly is that, despite all efforts to remain unbiased, primary social studies textbooks will always reflect the

were written. The national sentiment is just that, a collective opinion. not a historical account.

Many people my age and older tremember when we studied the Soviet Union almost as in-depth as even our own country as we were going through grade school at the end of the Cold War. I used to he in bed worrying about why the Bolsbesis insisted on assassinating even the family dog in their violent lake over My stith-grade social studies book, which was published before the fall of the Berlin Wall and the end of the Cold War, was titled something like "The Soviet Union and its Neighbors."

I must clarify what I mean by propaganda" here. I'm referring to "soft propaganda", it mean focus of our studies of the U.S.S.R was to show us how much better out market economy was working than the sorry excuse for an infrastructure that was the defunct socialist engine of the Soviet Union. To our young minds, Soviets weren't necessarily bad people, they were just stupid. Our rewardsystem-influenced psyches couldn't comprehend why any-

one would work without the chance of gaining more money or more stuff as a result. I found the fact that we were studying a book written to convince us of the validity of the Cold War fade ended and our relationships with the former Societ Union had become rather amicable, slightly ironic, The reason for this was, of course, economic, it's always cheaper to study older, inore irrelevant information than its more expensive, current counterpart. With the dawn of another "war" or "age" possibly beginning, I wonder if we are about to begin another era of social studies propaganda. The Associated Press reported Monday that McGraw-Hill has rushed to update their history textbooks, which were ready for printing before Sept. It. These books will reach classrooms in 2003 and must be relevant even then this is virtually impossible. Perhaps sixth-grade elementary books in five years from now will be called "Afghanistan and the Muslim right wing." I wonder if we will be told about the evil take over by the Taliban party and their inhumane, totalistarian rule. We probably will.

the truth and pro-American per-spectives in its answer.

I do not want to suggest that the United States' handling of the current 'wan' is inappropri-ate. I'm just curious about if 10 or 15 years from now, school children have any worthwhile knowledge of the background behind this significant piece of history Will they know that our-dated U.S. foreign policy may have formented that not justified in any sense) the attacks? Probably not. But that's what college is for, right?





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Bringin' the fu

Some people are born to work in business. Others to be police officers. A few become doctors. Arielle Menges was meant to be in radio.

Menges, 21, is the general manager at WKNC, N.C. State's campus radio station. The station focuses on loud rock during the day, and at night it expands into rap and electronica, with specialized shows on the weekend.

Standing at 5-foot-2, Menges has short, fire red hair with blood red horns in the front — today. She initially looks more like a demon than the general manager of a radio station does. Her orange shirt reads "Rehab: Crazy Motherf——" on it.

tion does. Her orange shirt reads "Rehab: Crazy Motherf——" on it.

The devil horns are mostly for training monkeys or new WKNC employees.

"It leaves a good first impression," she said, "If your general manager has devil horns and offensive T-shirts, then that means that we're having fun.

It's not corporate.
"I could be really strange, but that's not me."

"I think it's funny," Assistant Promotions Director Eric Blanchone said. "We went to a concert, and she was all dressed up wearing a KNC T-shirt. I like the way she does it. It's more self-expression."

"Do I still look weird?" she asked. "I just got back from my hip-hop class."

hip-hop class ip-hop class."
It's not a real class, but just something for fun that you can arm at NCSU, and this week she learned how to dance to ennifer Lopez. So much for that heavy metal facade.
Since taking over April 1, Menges has continued moving the station in the direction taken by her predecessor, Joe Ovies, who graduated

the station in the predecessor, Joe Ovies, who graduated in May.

Ovies took the station in a more fun direction, letting people know that KNC is a radio station worth listening

KNC is a radio station worth listening to.

"We've been more out there in the public. Ovies got people back to enjoy hanging out at KNC, and now I want to make sure that everybody knows hogod KNC is." Menges said.

One of the main things Menges had done so far is organize the WKNC Back to School Bash, a Sept. 8 event that attracted 1,500-2,000 NC. State students. This was WKNC's first oncampus event in several years.

Majoring in English and psychology, Menges was born in New York but has lived in Raleigh for the past nine years. She became aware of WKNC in high school.

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"I had been listening to KN dl through high school, and when I found out it was at N.C. State, I was like, 'I want to hang out there,' so I scoped it out,' she said.

She applied to work there, but it took come persistence and dedication.

some persistence and dedication.

"As the story goes for everyone else here. I had to apply many, many times because it takes so long for them to get back to you," she said.

because it takes so long for them to get back to you," she said. She finally did get in and actually



started working, before graduating from high school, on the morning

from high school, on the morning show.

"A couple of people knew me outside of the station and somebody got in trouble for cursing on the air, and I got to sit in and be the designated female on the morning show." Menges said. "It was sexist, and all they wanted was somebody to giggle, but I had an in. People started to be like, "Oh yeah, you're that kid that's always here."

Soon after starting at the station, she joined the Board of Directors as assistant promotions director. She did mostly basic promotional things like daily giveaways. Once former Promotions Director Alessa Geboff graduated, Menges was promoted.

Then new management came in. Alan Watkins, the general manager at the time, graduated, and Chris Overby took

over, with Duke Rogers serving as program director. This caused a problem for Menges and the station. "I didn't get along with them for a couple of reasons, and they fired me for illegitimate reasons," she said.

After a few months, Overby and Rogers were replaced and Ovies took over and asked Menges back. She returned and became operations manger and restocked the staff after firings under Overby and Rogers. After Ovies' graduation, she was elected to be general manager. "We went back to being what KNC is known for, which is loud rock." Morale of the station was up. "It's very different from two or three years ago," she said.

Most people are happy with the way Menges has run the station, including

Menges 5▶

This poem is so great

I have something to say I think you people are so lame I'm so much better than you I deserve all the fame

You just don't get me Because my poems are so deep The best you could write I can write in my sleep

I'm not being arrogant And I don't want to seem callow But you can't understand me Your lives are too shallow

My poems reflect a harrowed man Racked with intense guilt They're packed with good stuff Knitted as carefully as a quilt

I make cryptic references and I've got similes and metaphors I use so many literary devices People call me a literary whore

This poem is so great And so am I My greatness is so great That it makes me cry

And I'm so deep I'm deeper than any well Your shallowness makes me think That I'm already in hell

Oh and I'm modest too My ego is so very small And did I say I am deep? That's why I'm better than you all

OK, this is the end I hope that made things clearer Now, if you'll please excuse me I have a date with my hand and a mirror

Insane interview tackles some freshmen

Staff Writer Chad Butterwor

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This week, Technician interviewed Tim Kerchmar, a freshman in computer science, and Joe Crumpler, a freshman in computer science, and Joe Crumpler, a freshman in computer engineering.

Tech: Wednesday will be the 400th anniversary of the death of Astronomer Tycho Brahe. His death was allegedly caused by a unnary infection, which he developed at the Baron's Banquet. As the story goes, he had been doing some heavy drinking and developed the infection because he believed that table etiquette prevented him from leaving the table to relieve himself. Are there some instances where it's OK to wet your pants?

some instances where it's OK to wet your pants?

TK: Yeah, like when you win the lottery. It's not OK though, if you do it when you're trying to hit on a hot girl because then you're trying to hit on a hot girl because then you're got to explain the wet pants. It's also bad if you are asleep and then you pee your pants as the phone wakes you up.

JG: The only situation I could think of is if a teacher won't let you go to the hashroom.

is if a teacher won't let you go to the bathroom.

TK: I'd just go on the floor. I guess it would be acceptable to pee your pants in a car accident.

Tech: When was the last time you wet your pants?

TK: Do you mean just a little dribble or going full out?

Tech: Anything substantial, even if it's No. 2.

No. 2. I haven't done that since I was a kid. The last time I peed my pants was in a car on a road trip; my dad is really bitchy about stopping at rest stops. I was I0 and my brother was 8. We both had to go, but my dad wouldn't stop, so we both just let it go

JC: For me it was probably when I was a real little kid. I don't remember how

a real tittle kid. I don't remember how old.

TK: Just this past week I peed in my friend's Porsche that he'd gotten that day. He wouldn't stop talking about is, so I peed in his trunk.

My brother had a pretty funny experience a couple of years ago. He was just 15 and couldn't hold his liquor yet. He got really drunk and then turned on the TV to the country music station, even mough be hates country. Eventually he walked over to the wall and started peening on this picture. Then when he was done he pushed down on the top comer of the picture like he was Rushing a toilet. I had to look again in the morning on make sure that I hadn't just dreamt it, but he'd really peed on the picture and tried to flush it. He didn't remember any of it.

Tech: Last week, the band Cursive played in Chapel Hill and stayed a played in Chapel Hill and stayed at some other peoples' house there in Chapel Hill. In the middle of the night, one of the members, who was half-asleep and completely drunk, walked into one guy's bedroom and started peeing on the floor. One of the guys who lived there asked what he was doing, to which he replied. "Tim selling T-shirts." Would you be more likely to buy a Cursive T-shirt because of that incident? JG. No. I'm not really that into house.

JC: No, I'm not really that into buying band's T-shirts.

TK: You're asking if a band's antics would make me more likely to buy their T-shirt? Yeah. I think that's pretty funny.

Tech: Brahe allegedly challenged a fel-low student to a duel to settle a dispute they were having over who was the bet-ter mathematician. What do you have to say to any math student who feels that swordplay is the answer?

that swordplay is the answer?

TK: Gary says no swordplay. [He points to Gary, the brickyard preacher, who has been on a tirade about sexual deviance for the past 20 minutes.]

JC: I'd say if you do that, you've got no life. Math is stupid to fight over.

TK: Thet's explicaceate.

JG: I'd say! you ou bina; you re ground iffe. Math is stupid to fight over.

Tk: That's really gecky.

Tech: Are there better ways to settle disputes about math?

Tk: Butter knives would keep more mathematicians alive. They should have just had a contest to see who could mamble to 100 faster.

JG: They should just work out problems to settle to 100 faster, so was cut off in the duel, and he started wearing a replacement nose made out of gold and silver, which he would constantly polish. Can you look me in the eyes, and tell me that you wouldn't rather have a nose made of gold and silver?

Tk: I would. It would start a conversa-

gold and silver?

TK: I would. It would start a conversation. It would probably help in meeting
women. I could see myself walking up
to some hot girl while polishing my

JC: I'd rather keep the one I have

JC: I'd rather keep the one I have.
Tech: Is there any physical feature you
would like to replace with a silver and
gold duplicate?
TK: I would like to have a flashing red
face for Christmas. That reminds me of
this time when I was sticking my brother's laser, pointer up my nose. After I
Interview 5▶

Tech it to the limit **Travelina** at the speed of light

In the past month, cases of anthras infection have risen greatly. Last year, no one was infected with anthras. This year, at least four people have been My calculator tells me that the percentage increase of anthras over the past year is ERR DIV BY 0.

anutrax over the past year is ERR DIV BY 0.

I assume that is a lot, what with all those letters in it. Stephen Hawking, professor, futurist and possible robot, agrees. The man who brought you "A Brief History of Time" speaks of a grim future for the planet Earth.

"I don't think the human race will survive the next thousand years unless we spread into space. There are too many accidents that can befall life on a single planet," Hawking said in an interview on the AP wire.

The possibilities of

The possibilities of nuclear war, biological terrorism or a second season of "Emeril" could wipe out the human race in one fell swoop. Biological warfare is Hawking's greatest concern.
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greatest concern.

"Nuclear weapons need large facilities, but genetic engineering can be done in a small lab," he said. "You can't regulate every lab in the world."

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This is sadly true. While nuclear warfare requires a global attack with numerous strikes. a biological weapon could, with the right conditions, spread itself all over the planet after being introduced a single time. Hawking's solution? Don't put all your eggs in one basket, and don't put all your humans in one planet. The only way the human race can survive. he posits, is by existing on several different planets or even several different star systems.

Of course, there is no way of traveling to other stars in the near future. As all you physics majors know, going the speed of light is fairly difficult, especially with all of those backwoods sheriffs around Neptune. "I don't care if you're having a baby, the posted speed limit is 298,000.000 meters per second," they say.

They never listen. And, even if you 'They never listen.

baby, the posted speed limit is 298,000,000 meters per second," they say.

They never listen. And, even if you could go at the speed of light, it would still take you four years to reach the nearest star system (although that is a damn sight faster than how long it would take us now). Hawking suggests that in the next few centures, we'll have come up with something to alleviate the situation, like "Star Trek"-style warp engines or really fast bicycles.

As hard as it is to believe these wacky concepts — especially the warp engines, whose secret died with "Star Trek" creator Gene Roddenberry.—Hawking says it is possible.

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When you exceed the speed of
light, you begin to travel in imaginary
refers to the square root of negative
one rather than unicorns. How, exactly, does imaginary time work? Beats
me. Turns out, it baffles most people.
But that's how the mathematics of
the situation work out.
By doing a little math, the reverse
can also be shown: If you travel in
imaginary time, you must be going
faster than the speed of light. So,
unless some of the equations we find
to be fundamental to physics are
wrong, this would work.
The problem is that nobody has the
slightest clue how this imaginary
time thing would come about. It may
prove that imaginary time is just as
impossible as exceeding the speed of
light.
The only reason scientists are trying to find ways around the speed of
light. The doing the speed of
light, in fact, is that going slower
than the speed of light really sucks.
That doesn't sound like a valid scientific reason, and maybe it isn't.
The fact of the matter is that we only look
for ways around the speed of
light because we really, really want to.
All of our physicists' Greams of
visiting the Mos Eisley Cantina and
making sweet, sweet love to Seven of
Nine mean first and foremost that we
have to travel to other star systems.
And if we could never do that, as the
scientific community has put it, that
would, indeed, suck.

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did that, he shocked me with a
100,000-volt tazer that he had gotten
for efkay. I fell down flat and then
got back up and tried to beat him up,
but he had a hockey stick. I finally got
away in my truck, but he took out my
back window with his hockey stick.
None of my friends stopped him
though; they all just watched and
laughed. Friends should interfere with
fights.

Inguis.

JC: I don't see how there would be much of an advantage in having a body part replaced with silver and gold. I guess it would be kind of cool to have silver teeth.

TK: Or a tooth-nose

Tech: Tycho Brahe's biggest contribu-tion to astronomy was that he observed that Mars moves in an elliptical orbit, rather than a circular orbit. Which do you prefer, ellipses or circles?

TK: I think an ellipse turned diagonally inside of a square is really cool, like

on the explorer browser where the fire-ball is moving in an ellipse around the

head.

Tech: What do you think would be some appropriate ways to celebrate Tycho Brahe's memory this ednesday'

Wednesday?

TK: Let's see, he was an egotistical freak who wore a metal nose, but he was really polite and died because he wouldn't leave the table to go to the bathroom. I really like astronomy, so I feel had shout not knowing the differences between what he did and what Kepler did. I don't know. There are so many people who have made so many contributions to science, but I don't feel like Tycho Brahe has affected my life as personally as other people like George Washington.

Tech: Maybe we should all just celebrate our freedom to go to the bathroom.

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Minerio.

T like her positive attitude that she brings as a general manager." Mineiro said. "For example, it's common in a workplace environment for there to be a lot of stress between people, and stoes a good job motivating people and getting them to do their job.

"She's donig a good job continuing to steer KNC to greater things. Artielle has picked up the batton and carried it to another level."

"She helped get me trained and has

"She helped get me trained and has been fun to work with," DJ Doug Chaos said.

Under Menges, the station won two awards in Spectator's "Best in the Triangle" series, which annually hon-

ors the best the Triangle has to offer. The station won Best Locally Run Web Site in the Readers poll and was chosen Best Local Station by Spectator critics. "It was an honor because that's what we're working for," she said. "We don't just want to please the critics, we also want to please the critics, we also want to please the listeners. It lets us all know that we're not all floundering around."

For the most part, Menges enjoys being general manager, but there are some drawbacks.

"My roommates tease me because they both work here, and they say I'm power tripping," she said. "I'm not fond of telling people what to do. I like overseeing. I like picking people for jobs and watching them do really well."

The job also takes up a lot of time on

top of school. Other general managers may have had it easier, but she spends a lot of time at the office, so everyone will know where to find her. But it's well worth it. "I just wish there were more than 24 hours in a day so I could sleep more," she said.

Menges is alway a root if you. D.L. "Menges is alway a root if you. D.L."

she said.

Menges is also a part-time DJ on G105. On Sunday nights she hosts her
own show, "The Rock Farm."

"I get to play my favorite stuff, which
is a mix of KNC music and louder rock
that isn't usually on G-105," she said.
In the future, Menges wants do some
voice work in animated films, as well
as working in radio.

"I love the management side of
things," Menges said. "I'd love to be a
program director or head music director at a radio station,"

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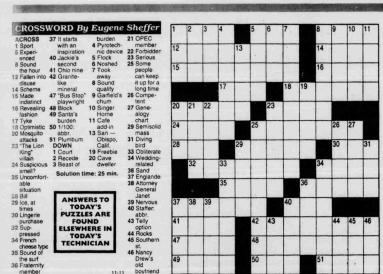
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ClubNotes

Club sports upcoming

The second competition of the season for the Equestrian Club's dressage team will be Saturday at St. Andrews College in Laurinburg. The Equestrian Club's hunt-seat team will also be traveling this weekend, heading to UNC-Greenshoro for a show on Sunday.

Members of the Racquerball Club will travel to Chapel Hill this weekend for a tournament on North Carolina's campus Saturday. Schools from around the region will be in attendance. The tournament is set to start at 9 a.m. at the UNC Recreation Center.

The Men's Club Rugby team will go to Asheville on Saturday to compete against UNC.
Asheville. The Wolfpack will be in search of another win heading into the NC. Rugby Union State Tournament held on Saturday. Nov. 3, in Fayetteville. With a current record of 6-1, NC. State will enter the tourney as the favorite to win the North Carolina Championship.

The Women's Club Soccer

Carolina Championship.

The Women's Club Soccer team will travel to Burlington on Saturday to take on Elon. On Sunday, the Wolfpack will host North Carolina at Upper Miller Field. Game time is set for 12:30 p.m.

Members of the Fencing Club will journey to Chapel Hill this weekend for a tournament. This

highly anticipated and challeng-ing tourney will feature fencers from around the state and region competing in open foil, saber and epec matches.

and epec matches.

The Club Ice Hockey team will host a very talented Virginia Tech squad on Friday. The game is home at the Rec Zone, formerly Mars Dance Club, at 9 p.m. The young Wolfpack will try to bounce back from early season struggles.

"I'm predicting the turn in our season will begin against Tech," Club President Chuck Burch

said.

The Women's Club Lacrosse team will travel to Winston-Salem on Sunday to play Wake Forest. Game time is set for 2 p.m. on the Wake Forest campus.

travels to College Park, Md., the weekend of Nov. 3-4 for the Collegiate Water Polo Association's Atlantic Division

Tournament.

The Women's Club Rugby team will take a break from competition this weekend to rest injuries and beef up its preparation for the N.C. Rugby Union State Tournament in Fayetteville on the weekend of Nov. 3-4. The Wolfpack will be seeded in the top five and will try to bring home its first state title.

Club sports results

The Club Water Polo team traveled to Villanova, Pa., this past weekend to compete in the second of two regular season tournaments in the Collegiate Water Polo Association's Atlantic Division. The Wolfpack fell to Richmond in a close same with several lead of the property of the control of the property of the control of the property of the property

close game with several lead changes by the score of 9-7.

After Duke failed to show up and forfeited its game. N.C. State faced Virginia Tech. State pulled away in the fourth quarter for a solid 15-7 victory.

In the final game of the week-end, the Pack squad faced Virginia. Despite losing the team's leading scorer for the game at the beginning of the third quarter due to three exclusion fouls, the Pack came from behind to tie the game 10-10 at the end of regulation play. In overtime, State continued to score goals, but defensive mistakes resulting in easy goals with the state of UVa proved costly, and State lost by a single point 15-14.

The Club Field Hockey team hosted a tri-match with East Carolina and Elon on Sunday at Miller Field. The Wolfpack squad was not a gracious host, shutting out both ECU and Elon 2-0. ECU beat Elon 1-0 in a well-played game.

The Women's Club Ultimate team, "Disco," traveled to

The Women's Club Ultimate team, "Disco," traveled to

Durham this weekend to take or the Blue Devils. Duke split its squad into two equally experi-

the Blue Devils, Duke split us, squad into two equally experienced teams to get everyone involved. The Wolfpack won the first game 11-9 and then played even better against the fresh-legged Blue Devils, beating them 11-7. MVPs for "Disco" were Kelly Fowler and Jenn Coon.

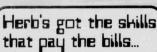
Charles Ouko, Paul Bonner and Nate Cox scored tries this past weekend against Mary Washington College to help the Men's Club Rugby team win 26-18 at Miller Field on Saturday. The win brings the team's record to 6-1 for the semester.

The Women's Club Soccer team win 2-0 against UNC-Greensboro. The goals were some of the semester.

The Women's Club Soccer team win 2-0 against UNC-Greensboro. The goals were socred by Katey Smith and Greensboro. The goals were socred by Katey Smith and Megan Auckland, and goathe Jill Lineberger recorded the shutout.

The Women's Club Rugby team continued its dominant play by beating Elon 41-0 on Saturday to push its record to 8-1. The latest shutout, the team's sixth of the year, was especially graftfying due to Elon's record to Saturday to push its record to 8-1. The latest shutout, the team's sixth of the year, was especially and the socred tries, and Anna Garwood and Genevieve Lawrence both scored twice. Lawrence for her aggressive play in her second rugby match.





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The Pack took a thrilling 3-1
upset victory over the 11thranked Devils last season for its
biggest victory of the year.
Sophomore forward Lindsey
Underwood led the charge,
scoring two goals in the win.
Kerrigan believes the rest of
the ACC games are "must-win"
for her squad if it wants to land
a ticket to the NCAA
Tournament, something it just
missed a year ago.
"All of the ACC games are
must-win" games at this
point," said Kerrigan. "One of

the good things about the league is that even if your record isn't the greatest in the league, you can still get into the NCAA Tournament."

NCAA Tournament."
The last two weeks of the season will be key for the Pack as it prepares for the ACC
Tournament, which begins Nov.
8. With top-ranked North
Carolina still remaining, along with Maryland, the surprise of the ACC, it will be a tough stretch run for State.

"I think it's all going to come down to what we do in the last couple weeks of the season," said Kerrigan. "We still could get a birth in the NCAA [Tournament], so it's all on the line right now."

JERRY

everyone cares about going to games because that would make it extremely difficult to get a ticket).

Step 4. Keep a proper per-spective on what is important.

This is as much a reminder for myself as anyone else.

Sports are a diversion. They have become a business to many, and they have consumed the lives of others, but they're still relatively meaningless escapes from reality.

I'm disappointed when my favorite teams lose, but I do my best not to let it ruin my day, although you might be led to believe otherwise by some coaches, there are much more important things than the outcome of a sporting event.

So if you have a chance this weekend, take some friends (or family) to the State-Virginia football game, and even if the Wolfpack loses, be glad that you're there with the people that matter to you, whether they know what a punt is or not.

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WOMEN

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Championships. Virginia's
Jennifer Owens placed fifth at
Pre-Nationals in the Silver
race. Georgia Tech's Renee
Metivier should also pose a
threat to the title after finishing second in the PreNationals Purple race.
"I think Kristin and Katie
can run better races than they
did at Pre-Nationals," said
Henes. "They can make the
difference between our No. 1, very
small.
"Kristin has run 2:10 [for

and anybody's No. 1, very small.

"Kristin has run 2:10 [for 800 meters] and 15:55 [for 5:000 meters]. Even though she doesn't have a lot of experience in cross country, I don't think you can ever say that she doesn't have a shot at the individual title. Katie is really rounding into shape right now, so I don't think there are very many people in the conference capable of beating her, either." The women will Irun a 6-kilometer race for the conference championship. During the regular season, many meets are skilometer races, but the post-skilometer races, but the post-season races are allways ix. Henes sees this as an advantage for some of the State women.

"I think this will be very."

women.
"I think this will be very good for people like Josie and Beth Fonner, who are both good 10k runners on the track," said Henes. "Clemson's course is very flat; it's basically like a track."

Campus Spotlight





Cyclists to compete at Nationals

Christy Scherger and Charlie Pendry, members of the Cycling/Mountain Biking Club at N.C. State, recently won several titles at the 2001 Atlantic Coast Cycling Conference Championships.

Championships.

Because of their accomplishments there, the two have advanced to the National Collegiate Cycling Association's National Championships in Ski Plattekill, NY, which will be held Saturday. Despite placing in several events each, the pair will more than likely compete in the cross country event to showcase their well-rounded talents.

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"But I also think we may have four runners who could take it on any given day." Chad Pearson and Chris Seaton have consistently run very close to Dugan through the season. They finished 11th and 12th at Pre-Nationals, less than 20 seconds behind Dusan.

than 20 seconds behind Dugan. Last year's top runner, Andy Smith, attained All-America status as a freshman and could also threaten his teammate for the victors.

also threaten is teammate for the victory.
"More important than the individual championship is the team title," said Geiger. "I'd like to win both, but right now, we're not even talking about the individual title. We are looking at the team title."

Ryan Woods returns from a slight injury that kept him out of racing at Pre-Nationals. Woods narrowly missed the All-America cut off last fall and is the defending ACC indoor 5,000-meter run cham-

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SCHEDULE

Football vs. Virginia, 10/27, 1:30 W. Soccer vs. Duke, 10/24, 7:00 M. Soccer vs. Charlotte, 10/26 Volleyball vs. Wake, 10/26, 7:00 Cross Country @ ACCs, 10/27

Women's soccer dances with Devils

◆ After having its five-game winning streak snapped by Clemson, the Pack will attempt to rebound against Duke.

Matt Middleton

ne Duke Blue Devils ride into eigh today for an important ACC nen's soccer showdown with N.C.

State.

While both teams have been competitive in virtually every conference match, both the Wolfpack and the Blue Devils are in search of their first conference win.

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"It's a big match for us and for them," said State head coach Laura Kerrigan.
"We're both fighting for our first ACC win, and I think both teams feel that we're better than our ACC records

indicate."
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Playing in the nation's toughest conference, league wins come at a premium, and both squads have been on the unfortunate end of numerous close occuests.

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State (7-4, 0-4)

has lost to nationally ranked conference foes Florida State, Wake Forest and Virginia by a combined four goals, Duke (5-8, 0-49)

State (8-8, 0-49)

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COMPLEX son as a consensus member of the Top 20 but has been equally as unfortunate as the Pack, dropping one-goal deci-sions to Virginia, Clemson and Florida State.

"Both teams are strong and have a lot of talent," said Kerrigan. "It's going to come down to a battle of wills. We'll see who wants it more and who is able to execute in a pressure situation."

With backup keeper Juliana Gomez seeing her first ACC action, the Pack most recently dropped a 3-1 match against Clemson. Gomez has started the past three games in place of the injured Gretchen Lear.

Putting the Clemson match behind them and looking ahead to Duke will be no problem for the Pack, according to junior forward Jordan Allison. "I know we're going to put (the Clemson match) behind us and concentrate on Duke," said Allison. "It's a really big game for us in terms of where we stand in the ACC. We really want to take this game."

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Women's soccer will face Duke tonight at the WRAL Soccer Complex.

Women seek

a repeat

N.C. State's women's cross country team shoots for its 19th conference champi-onship this weekend at Clemson.

Todd Lion

The most dominant team in ACC cross country history will try to add to its impressive tally of team championships this Saturday at the ACC Women's Cross Country Championships.

N.C. State has won the women's team championship 18 times out of the 23 years the conference meet has existed.

The fourth-ranked Wolfpack will face its toughest competition from the ninth-ranked North Carolina team. Virginia and Duke are also Top 25 teams, pulling down the 15th and 20th positions.

"Carolina is a good team, I think a lot better than they are ranked," said assistant coach Laurie Henes. "The ACC has the potential to put out two of the top five teams in the nation this year. I think it will be a really tough race at ACCs."

The runners from State will be led by an experienced top five: All-Americans Katie shino. Christy Nichols were both All-Americans in cross country two years ago, while Price attained All-America status as a freshman last year in both indoor and out-door track.

Sabino, Coombs and Price have run as

ATHLETICS Sports in perspective

Yet without him, the page you're reading right now wouldn't exist. Matt, the chief layout editor at Technician, frequently volunteers his services to design the Sports

I sincerely appre-ciate his willingness to work on this page, and we enjoy working together. Unlike Matt. how-ever, I am fascinat-ed by sports.



Moore

I don't really know why I like them so much, but I do. It would be difficult for me to name an athletic event that I wouldn't enjoy watching for an entire afternoon.

Working with Matt has made me realize a little something about both the importance and worthlessness of sports. I'm not saying I've got it all figured out, but here's an easy fourstep plan for both dealing with your friends who don't like sports and keeping sports in perspective in your life.

Step 1. Invite a friend to an athlet-ic event.

I was shocked to discover that Matt had never attended an N.C. State foot-ball game before this season. After a little cajoling, he gave in and agreed to attend the State-Indiana game with me

I think Matt was pleasantly surprised by the events at Carter-Finley Stadium on that Thursday night in September. The game itself wasn't the highlight of his experience, but the fireworks, jet fly-over and crazy college-student atmosphere appealed to him enough that he went back for another game later in the season.

Your anti-sports friends might not react to the experience the same way, but it couldn't hurt to invite them. I suppose they could turn you down, but that's not all bad because then you won't have to explain everything to them, which brings us to

Step 2. Be helpful and patient, but don't try to explain everything.

If you attend an event with someone who's not an avid fan, questions are inevitable. The concept of a "first down" was very foreign to Matt, and I had a tough time trying to explain it clearly enough for him to grasp. Eventually, however, Matt made a breakthrough and was able to better understand what was happening on the field.

Nasty problems arose when I tried to explain complicated terms like "illegal man downfield," "illegal defense" or "the infield-fly rule," so stay away from those. They only serve to confuse the casual observer, and understanding them isn't necessary to enjoy the

It would be tantamount to Matt If would be tantamount to Matt attempting to fell me about "chiaroscuro," which he says is a technique in art that creates the illusion of three dimensions through the use of light and dark parts on an object. I don't really need to know about that to be able to appreciate a painting on the most basic level.

Step 3. Accept the fact that some people just aren't going to like sports.

Sports are entertainment just like movies, music and books. It sounds sappy, but we all like different things, and that's what makes the world inter-

It is truly wonderful that we live in a country where individuals can choose which forms of entertainment on which to spend time. It's cool that Matt likes art, and I like sports.

If you invite friends to an athletic event and they don't like it, don't force them to go again. (I'm glad that not

FOR THE TITLE

Men hope to regain crown

♦ The Wolfpack men's cross country team is looking for revenge against last year's champion Duke at the ACC Championships.

Todd Lion

Sauf Writer

Last year, the unthinkable happened at the ACC Men's Cross Country Championships — N.C. State lost.

For the first time in six years, a team other than the Wolfpack walked off with the championship trophy. Duke snaked in its only victory of the year against the State team who went on to finish 11th at the NCAA Championships.

The State men are looking to take back the title this weckend at the ACC Championships at Clemson. State will pit its No. 6 ranking against a Duke team currently ranked 17th in the nation. Wake Forest also poses a threat to the title as the 21st-ranked team.

"I think it's going to be a three-way battle this year," said State head coach Rollie Geiger. "In the last few years, there have usually only been two teams fighting up front, but this year, it should be more of a

Two weeks ago at the NCAA Pre-Nationals meet, State finished second in the Black race, behind No. 2 Stanford. In the Gold race, Duke and Wake Forest finished eighth and 10th behind many of the nation's best teams.

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All-American Chris Dugan will lead the Pack as he takes his shot at an individual championship. He finished fourth at the Pre-Nationals meet behind the NCAA cross country champion of two years ago, Alabama's David Kimani.

Dugan's chances at an individual title could be threatened by several of his own teammates, though

"[Duke's] Sean Kelly and [Wake Forest's] Nathan Sisco were both faster in their race at Pre-Nats than any of our guys and have a shot at the individual title," said Geiger.



The women's cross country team has won 18-of-23 ACC titles and goes into this year's event as the defending champing.





freshman last year to be don't rack. Sabino, Coombs and Price have run as State's top three runners in both meets so far this year. At the Pre-Nationals meet two weekends ago, they finished 13th, 14th and 17th, respectively. Beth Kraft, Josie Lauber and Janelle Vadnais will round out State's eight competring runners. The race for the individual title should be a very competitive one. UNC's Shalane Flanagan won last year's title as a freshman and went on to place fourth at the NCAA The men's and women's cross country teams will travel to Clemson Saturday for the 2001 ACC Championships.

See MEN, Page 7 East Carolina spikes N.C. State volleyball

East Carolina needed four games to down the Wolfpack in Greenville Tuesday night, extend-ing N.C. State's losing streak to 10 matches.

The N.C. State volleyball team continued its struggles Tuesday night with a 3-1 loss to East Carolina.

The Pirates (6-15) used 20 kills and 15 digs from senior Amanda Randolph to lead ECU to the 30-22, 30-27, 28-30, 30-26 win over the 3 Wolfpack (5-14).

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The win was the third straight for the Pirates. The Pack, however, have now lost 10 straight matches since a 3-1 win over Maryland on Sept. 22.

While the Pirates were able to post the victory, the Pack made things difficult. Most every

ame was closer. The Pack was the only team post a lead of over 6 points, which they did a route to winning the third game.

State struggled with a low killing percentage nd many errors. The Wolfpack committed 21 rrors during the match, while hitting for only

errors during the match, while nitting for only a .255 kill percentage.

The Pirates also has 21 errors, but their hitting percentage was .324. In the decisive fourth game, the Pirates killed for a sterling .471. ECU also had more digs than State, winning that battle 64-40.

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State was led by 15 kills from Charece Williams and 12 from Allison Kreager. Setter Crystal Shannon assisted on 23 kills and added 4-of-7 kills for a 571 percentage.

Up next for State is Wake Forest, who will venture to Reynolds Collseum on Friday at 7



The N.C. State volleyball team was unable to dig itself to a win Tuesday night against East Carolina.