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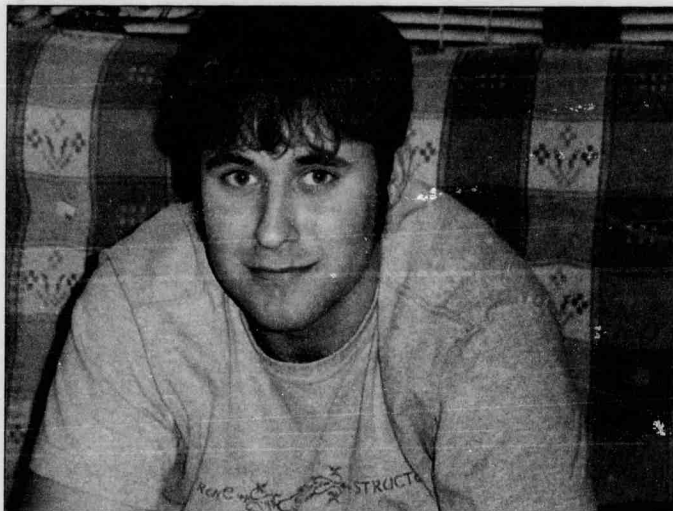
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Engineering student dies in car wreck



Jon Massey, an NC State student, died in a car wreck over the winter break.

◆ **Jonathan Bennett Massey, a senior in engineering, is remembered by friends and family as a generous student who focused on his studies and on his career.**

Trey Godwin
Senior Staff Writer

From the moment Heather Aycock first walked into her volleyball class back in the fall of 1999, the then freshman knew there was something special about the tall, scraggly haired guy that she sat down beside.

"It was love at first sight, a true N.C. State love story," Aycock recalled. His neatly trimmed sideburns resembled a young Elvis, Aycock thought. But it was his baby blue eyes that truly made him stick out.

Before long, a romance blossomed, and as the couple became better acquainted with each other, Aycock, 20, remembers thinking she was the luckiest girl on the planet. After all, not only was her boyfriend, Jonathan Massey, in tune with his studies, as he hoped to land a job with the State Department of Transportation after graduation in May 2003, but he also was a kid at heart, especially when it came to Mustangs.

"Oh yeah, he loved Mustangs," said Aycock, a junior in chemical engineering.

But on Dec. 30, during the university's winter break, Massey's passion for Mustangs turned into an ironic twist of fate.

Massey, 23, called Aycock in the early evening and told her that he was going out for a ride in a friend's 1991 Ford Mustang later that night. "It was nothing unusual," Aycock said. "He was part of a Mustang club type of thing, so it really didn't surprise me."

Massey's brother, Michael, 18, a freshman in First Year College, agrees with Aycock, adding that Jonathan Massey probably was heading out for a quick spin, noting that he left his television and computer on. "If he was away for any long length of time, he would turn them off," Michael Massey said.

Ryan McMahan, a senior in mechanical engineering, said that he and Jonathan Massey had been hanging out at Massey's Marcom Street apartment for a couple of hours when they decided to leave around 10 p.m. "We were just two guys going out for a drive," he said.

However, details about the men's destination are unknown. Aycock said she didn't know where the friends were going, adding that she thought they were simply going out for a ride, which coincides with McMahan's description of the evening. But as the next few hours unfolded, a simple drive turned into a horrific wreck, leaving McMahan, Aycock and others to ponder exactly what went wrong.

With McMahan behind the wheel and Jonathan Massey in the passenger seat, the 5.0 Mustang veered off Western Boulevard and onto the on-ramp leading to Interstate 440, heading south toward Melbourne Road. According to a police report, McMahan picked up

speed as he neared the actual merging point, going 65 mph in a 55-mph zone. At this time, McMahan says, the car "kicked out very strange, but honestly, it was almost like I hit a slick spot." He then lost control of the car due to what the report cited as "excessive speed," which then caused the vehicle to spin off the road.

As McMahan tried to overcorrect his steering, the Mustang overturned and slid on its hood into a nearby DOT highway signpost, the impact causing the car to flip back on its right side, where it skidded 9 feet before finally coming to a stop in a gully on the side of the interstate.

Emergency personnel were at the scene within five minutes and found the two men with contrasting injuries. McMahan suffered relatively minor injuries, including an injured wrist — although not a fracture — along with several abrasions and bruises along his extremities and, in particular, his face.

But on the other side of the demolished car, Jonathan Massey lay unconscious, fighting for his life. According to Michael Massey, his brother's neck got caught in his seat belt, and as a result of repeated whiplash, Jonathan Massey suffered severe internal bleeding in his upper-respiratory system. Moreover, the passenger-side door was torn off the car, leaving him with even less protection as the car spun in the grass.

In order to alleviate the blood clotting in Jonathan Massey's chest, EMS workers performed a tracheotomy so he could breathe. They then proceeded to rush him to WakeMed. At the hospital, Michael Massey said the clotting worsened, and medical workers were forced to put Jonathan Massey on a breathing machine.

At approximately 3 a.m. on New Year's Eve, Jonathan Massey was pronounced dead. Due to the psychological distress caused by the crash, McMahan said he couldn't point to a specific factor that caused the wreck, although he was sure that he wasn't going at a dangerous speed.

"I was going 65, which really wasn't unsafe, considering that most drivers are already going at least that speed. So in order to merge over, I had to go above the posted limit," McMahan said. In fact, McMahan believes the reason the term "excessive speed" is cited in the report is because of a legality issue. Neither drugs nor alcohol played a role in the crash.

And while it's tough for all parties close to the Jonathan Massey to admit that he is gone, they remain steadfast in their mission to not forget his positive

Limited-resource landowners get aid from research project

◆ **N.C. State University and North Carolina A&T State University have combined resources in hopes of helping North Carolina landowners.**

News Report

As North Carolina continues to grow and develop, the remaining forests and farm woodlands across the state are becoming major targets for developers.

N.C. State University in cooperation with North Carolina A&T State University are aiming a recent project at educating and helping owners of this targeted land to better utilize their resources.

Funded through a \$180,000 grant from the USDA Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program, the two universities along with local organizations are looking to help limited-resource landowners in rural eastern North Carolina and Virginia by use more productive managers of their forests and farm woodlands.

Duplin, Halifax, Northampton, Robeson, Sampson and Warren counties in North Carolina and Brunswick County in Virginia are the counties that the project, dubbed as Sustainable Woodlands, will focus on. These counties have been found to have high numbers of limited-resource landowners and a large amount of woodlands on

farms. And thus, this research would prove beneficial to them.

Limited-resource landowners have smaller than average holdings. Many do not have off-farm income. In addition, some may have been underrepresented by credit, farm service and forestry institutions. Minority farmers and new farmers make up a large percentage of limited-resource landowners.

According to the most recent Census of Agriculture, the number of all minority farms has fallen from 950,000 in 1920 to around 60,000 in 1992. For African Americans, the number fell from 925,000, 14 percent of all farms in 1920, to only 18,000, 1 percent of all farms in 1992.

Researchers at both universities will conduct research to include surveys and interviews of limited-resource landowners. This research will then identify some of the constraints and concerns that influence landowners when they make forest management decisions.

The results of the three-year study will help the project team identify quality options for woodland management that are appropriate for limited-resource landowners. And these findings will be promoted to landowners through outreach and education programs. On-farm demonstrations and field days are just a couple of the outreach opportunities that are planned.

Nerve cells may set body clock

◆ **Although researchers have known about the genes and proteins that cause certain circadian changes, the recent discovery brings to light the actual machinery of the nerve cells.**

Audrey J. Boguchwal
Harvard Crimson (Harvard U.)

(U-WIRE) CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Harvard University Medical School researchers have discovered a cluster of nerve cells behind the eyes that are believed to control the body's circadian rhythms. Down the road, the discovery could result in new therapies for circadian disturbances like certain sleep disorders.

The findings were reported in the Dec. 21 issue of "Science."

A circadian rhythm is the cycle of daily activity observed in most organisms. The circadian clock itself is an internal mechanism that controls these 24-hour programs, such as the sleep-wake cycle.

"Once we know how it is built, we can follow the pathways out of the brain and investigate how it drives the body's internal processes, such as the sleep-wake cycle. We've only just gotten our foot in the door," said Associate Professor of neurobiology Charles J. Weitz, head of the research team.

Although researchers have known about the genes and proteins that cause certain circadian changes, the recent

discovery brings to light the actual machinery of the nerve cells, where certain molecular factors are switched on and off to control the daily rhythms.

The chemical factors that control the circadian rhythms work through a receptor known as TGF alpha that then communicates with the nerve cells. The factors regulate daily physical activity as well as the sleep-wake cycle.

The TGF alpha molecule is not a new discovery — it's long been known to scientists. But the molecule's circadian function comes as something of a surprise.

Another surprise: The brain's pathway to the retina also controls daily activity.

"There was no reason to think that they would converge on the same molecular pathway, but in retrospect, it makes perfect sense. It turns out that certain aspects of the brain are simpler than we thought," Weitz said.

These findings indicate the body's circadian clock can be influenced by outside factors as well as its internal mechanisms.

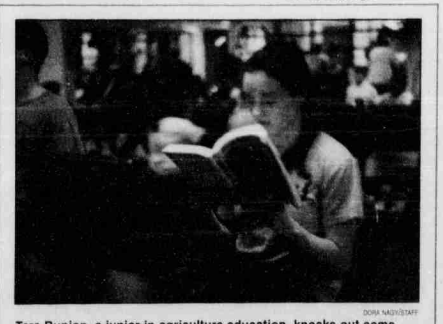
While there are no immediate applications for the research, new therapies for sleep disturbances probably lie far in the future — there are certainly more directions for the research to take. Weitz plans to look into the other factors by which the clock cells control behaviors.

The circadian factors found by the

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Jon Massey, pictured here with his girlfriend Heather Aycock, was an N.C. State Engineering student that died over winter break.



Tara Runion, a junior in agriculture education, knocks out some homework while exercising on the bicycle at Carmichael Gymnasium.

Study suggests achievement gap between sexes in college years

◆ The authors of the study used college grades, ACT scores and race as a statistical control on their data.

Elaine Helm

Daily Northwestern (Northwestern U)

(U-WIRE) EVANSTON, Ill. — Maybe it's something in the water.

Or maybe, as a recent study suggests, men and women might truly be from different planets when it comes to soaking up knowledge in a college setting.

A study in the fall 2001 edition of "The Journal of Higher Education" used data from yearly tests given to both genders to infer that men learn more during their college years than women. The findings in "How Much Do Students Learn in College?" detailed the results of the

College Basic Academic Subjects Examination, a test measuring knowledge gained in four subject areas throughout the college years.

In all subject areas, women's scores from the time they entered college until graduation increased about one-third less than men's totals. The test was administered to 19,000 students at 56 public and private colleges and universities in 13 states after each year of college.

In a society fascinated with any data furthering the divide between men and women, observers and commentators instantly looked at the numbers as evidence of a true gender gap — to the disdain of the study's authors.

Ernest Pascarella, the study's co-author and an education professor at the University of Iowa, expressed surprise at the reaction to the findings.

Pascarella said people shouldn't concentrate only on the dif-

ference in gender scores and ignore the rest of the study.

"People have interpreted the findings as substantive (only if they fit their ideas about education," Pascarella said. "I'm a bit skeptical of that finding."

Northwestern University psychology Prof. Alice Eagly found Pascarella's comment unexpected.

"The authors can't have been completely surprised by the public's interest," she said. "There is nothing more interesting than gender."

The authors of the study used college grades, ACT scores and race as a statistical control on their data, Eagly said the control lowered the women's test scores as it accounted for women having higher grade point averages.

Overall, women earn higher grade point averages than men in college, with 61 percent of women earning above 3.0 as opposed to 49 percent of men, according to a study in

"Education Statistics Quarterly."

"The control on grades may have biased the data against the women," said Eagly, after examining the statistical methods involved.

"What I would like to see is the comparison of the uncontrolled scores, especially without the control on grade point averages," she said. "Women and men in general may have learned the same amount in college if the researchers had examined simple averages."

While some women may feel more pressure to achieve in the classroom, Eagly also pointed to a difference in priorities to explain the study's findings.

A survey of Northwestern's class of 2004 indicates differences in the educational and personal goals of men and women.

Conducted by the University of California-Los Angeles' Cooperative Institutional Research Program, the survey shows men are more likely to anticipate careers as engineers, doctors and businessmen while women are more likely to aspire to be educators and artists.

Because men are more interested in careers requiring graduate work in highly competitive settings, they may be more focused on high test scores, Eagly reasoned, accounting for the difference in the study.

But other students said the study's gender gap may not come from scientific reasoning alone.

Physics major Jessie Cassada said testing variations among her peers are based on the tendency of men to rely more on simple common sense.

"I definitely think guys and girls think and approach tests differently," said Cassada, a Weinberg junior. "Obviously, some of it is what you learn, but a lot of it has to do with common sense."



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HMS researchers were identified in a hamster. The findings are strengthened by a separate study that shows mice with deficient quantities of the receptor do not have normal circadian patterns.

Weitz collaborated with Fred Davis of Northeastern University and Tom Scammell at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center on the research. Neither Davis nor Scammell returned calls for comment.

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demeanor. Seth Denney, a senior in civil engineering, said he first met Jonathan Massey three years ago in a sociology class. "He was real easygoing, yet worked real hard." Although not as much of a Mustang enthusiast as his best friend, Denney said that you were swayed to like Mustangs if you hung around Jonathan Massey, who drove a '95 Mustang Cobra.

"He actually was going to move in with me in the next few weeks, so it's kind of strange," Denney said.

It's even stranger for Aycock, who had a bright future with her boyfriend. "We were going to get married," Aycock said, "although after school of course." While the couple wasn't engaged yet, they lived in the same apartment complex, spending what little idle time they had by doing their favorite things, such as watching movies and cooking.

"I think he liked it 'cause he didn't have to do laundry," Aycock joked. She says that her boyfriend was working part time as a transportation technician with the DOT in Raleigh, and that he hoped to work there full time after graduating in 2003.

Aycock said she would miss Jonathan Massey's outlook on life most. "He was just the nicest guy you could ever meet. I mean, he was always helping people ... he'd be there, you know."

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Considered a pillar of the music industry, Chuck D is among the most informed lecturers on the current state of the hip hop nation and its evolution. He is the author of "Fight the Power: Rap, Race and Reality" and recently composed Spike Lee's "He Got Game" soundtrack. Political analyst and cultural critic, he is spokesperson for Public Enemy. Chuck D has lectured extensively throughout the world and is now the rap industry's voice to confront harsh realities and deal with hard questions.

Chuck D will speak at N.C. State on Tuesday, Jan. 15 at 8p.m. in the Talley Student Center Ballroom. He will speak on issues of racism in society and institutions, rap music and the hip hop nation, and the image and role of blacks in music, sports and film.

This event is presented by the Society of African American Culture.

This event is cosponsored by the Black Students Board, N.C. State Student Senate, "The Nubian Message," Student Media Authority, the Office of Diversity and African American Affairs, the African American Cultural Center, African American Student Affairs, the University Scholars Program and the UAB Issues and Ideas Committee.

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Kids the losers in 'hockey dad' case

THE CHILDREN CLOSELY INVOLVED WITH THE INVOLUNTARY SLAUGHTER OF A HOCKEY COACH SUFFER THE GREATEST BLOW

In the supposed attempt to eradicate unnecessary violence in a hockey scrimmage, Thomas Junta killed a person, while his son, 12, and numerous other teammates observed. Last Friday, Junta was convicted of the involuntary manslaughter of his son's hockey coach, Michael Costin. Although the greatest tragedy is the loss of a human life, very close behind is that these children have been exposed to such a flagrant display of violence and irresponsibility.

Junta testified that his beating of Costin was an act of self-defense prompted by Costin's supposed violent reaction when Junta refused the violence involved in his son's hockey scrimmage. Already there is a dangerous and inconsistent message for children: Violence (in the hockey scrimmage in this case) can be solved with more violence.

Although the testimony of Junta and his son points to a simple scuffle gone wrong, Junta must be held accountable for his actions. Most likely, Junta did

not know that he was going to kill Costin and may or may not have been aware that he was capable of this; however, one must be responsible and aware of one's actions and their consequences.

Junta, at 6'1" and 270 pounds, beat the 6-foot 156-pound Costin to death. This is a fact for which Junta must be held legally responsible. He faces a maximum of 20 years in prison but will most likely receive between three and five.

Junta's two sons will be without him for at least three years; Costin's three sons and his daughter will be without him for life. All six children watched the trial, during which Junta broke down crying several times.

Perhaps the children present at the ill-fated hockey scrimmage and in the courtroom during this trial have learned the lesson that violence solves nothing. And this will be a lesson for all students who are set upon an adult — an example gone terribly wrong.

Education is not a right



Darren O'Connor
STAFF COLUMNIST

My wife suggested I write about tuition increases for this column. A good subject, I thought, but let's broaden that a little. Attending a UNC System school, we as students often feel we are entitled to the incredibly low tuition that we are used to paying.

We somehow feel that not only education, but also a cheap education, is our right. Wrong on both counts. The Bill of Rights does not list education among the rights guaranteed by the government. While education is becoming more and more necessary to succeed in life, we are not entitled to it.

There are those who believe that the socialist rhetoric known as the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights applies to them. This document is full of positive rights like the right to a certain wage, the right to a certain level of health care and housing and the right to an education.

The problem with positive rights is that the government must use its power of coercion to take from some in order to give to others. As I see it, there can be no moral justification for this, just as there is no moral justification for the excessive taxation we currently suffer in the United States in order to fund welfare programs and low income housing and hurricane relief and any number of programs that forcibly transfer wealth from one person to another.

Those who pay more in taxes (including those who don't want to pay so much) are subsidizing those who choose not to work, those who want to live near hurricane-prone coastal areas (usually the wealthy), those who want a cheap education, etc.

It all boils down to a group of people using the power of the government to take from one group to give to another, even if the money is being spent on programs and activities of which the first group disapproves. There is a common saying among those of us on the right: if you feel so strongly that these programs be funded, there is nothing stopping you from sending the IRS more than your required taxes.

This is why I refused to take part in the march on the NC General Assembly last year and spoke out

against the mindless protesting of the tuition hike. Last I checked, N.C. State students pay less than any other school in the southeast and most other schools in the country. The taxpayer subsidizes the rest of it.

Some people use the argument that there is a net benefit because enough skilled state school students will enter the North Carolina workforce to create a net economic gain. However, what if they all (or most of them) went elsewhere? Then that argument is meaningless. Even if their assumption is correct, subsidizing education is wrong from a purely philosophical standpoint, as I explained above.

All those means would be much better spent on maintaining our roads and paying the members of the National Guard and state Highway Patrol. Aside from common infrastructure, defense and law enforcement, there are few other legitimate or efficient uses of state government power. It still amazes me that legislators and citizens seemed shocked at the budget deficit. What's even more amazing is that they couldn't immediately fix it. It seems politicians, interest groups and even the general public have their hands in the wallet of their fellow, less politically powerful citizens.

Only the market can efficiently and (more importantly) fairly determine the flow of resources for education, healthcare, wages, Internet access, housing and just about anything else. Free markets constantly striving for equilibrium of supply and demand, not special interests and "social justice" (that favorite, yet ambiguous, catch-phrase of the left), are the only neutral way to allocate resources.

What's great about this country is that everyone has a fair chance at striving for success (or pursuing happiness, if you will). However, there is no excuse for robbing Peter to pay Paul in the name of some high-minded movement or ideal. The spending of money should be no one's choice but he who earned it. Although in order to keep individuals' money from being taken and spent in ways of which they disapprove. It is essential that we restrict the government's reach to basic necessities like law enforcement and minimal common infrastructure.

Darren is asking for a good debate. E-mail him at djconno@univ.ncsu.edu.

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The science of streaking



Kate Lingerfelt
STAFF COLUMNIST

It's the middle of January, and there is still snow on the ground from two weeks ago. The beach, sunny days and bathing suits are probably the farthest thing from your mind. The idea I am about to put forth, however, has nothing to do with bikinis or swim shorts. It is not about the beautiful partying at the MTV beach house, but regular, everyday people having a cause for celebration.

What is this cause? A good grade on a test, a basketball victory over UNC or something just as simple as a good day can all be the cause. When something good happens that you think the whole campus should know about, what can you do? You can streak.

Streaking is a lost art these days. It isn't very commonplace and only seems to pop up in the occasional Blink 182 video. A few decades ago, though, streaking was in, and people were running wild in the streets, naked. Why this carefree abandonment of the clothes? Well, it was the 60s, but this fad was more than sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll. At that time, streaking was about letting loose and giving the finger to society — appropriate for those times — but streaking can also be suited for today's generation.

People could use a little more streak in their daily lives, a little something to break up the monotony of their daily routine. A typical, uneventful day can be made more exciting by running naked through the brickyard. Also, think of the stories that can be told. You are walking down the street, minding your own business, when — all of a sudden — a group of ten people fly by you in their birthday suits. It makes for interesting dinner conversation.

I am not a nudist. I don't go to colonies or nude beaches, although I might one day. Most of my life is pretty normal, but every once in a while I feel the need to break free. A need, especially when something great happens, to do an action out of the ordinary and celebrate life. I hope, one day, to round up a group of people (age, looks, shoe size are unimportant) and streak through the brickyard at luncheon. What an interesting day that will be.

Streaking is not about how people look naked nor is it a sexual act. Naked people running are not attractive, no matter what you have seen on the Playboy channel. When a person runs naked, except for shoes and socks, every part of that person jiggles and bounces — it's a fact. A true streaker, however, does not care about how she looks while running and does not do it to attract members of the opposite sex (or same sex if you prefer). It is not like stripping where the objective is to turn people on; streaking gets people

involved and having fun.

Maybe streaking is a bit outdated for the year 2002. Perhaps it is politically incorrect for those times when people are over sensitive to anything that might possibly offend them or anyone else. Someone could potentially sue a streaker for being forced to look at the streaker's genitals without that crowd member's consent. One of the streakers could fall and injure their, um, ankle. That, however, is a risk one must take. Life is not without risk, and neither is streaking.

Now, I'm not saying that everyone should be naked at all times. That would make those moments when we are nude less exciting and daring. Also, I know not everyone feels comfortable enough with their body to streak, but that's ok. We need those people to stand in the crowd and cheer on the streakers.

So my charge to you is to have fun in life, not to take it too seriously. One day, take five or ten minutes (depending on what kind of shape you are in) and take your clothes off and run naked down Hillsborough Street. If you don't feel comfortable doing it on your own, ask your friends and make it a group event. Get out of those clothes and celebrate!

Kate will be getting a group together to streak after our next big basketball win. To join, email her at klinger@univ.ncsu.edu

Reclaiming Christianity's voice

Staff Editorial (U - WIRE) GRAND CALVIN COLLEGE RAPIDS, Mich.

— Charles Colson said something remarkably offensive in his January series address that was probably missed by most in attendance, because it was in response to the last question of his address as the crowd was already getting up to leave.

Colson's remark was that, "Islam plays on people's worst intuitions." Such a statement from a leading Christian thinker is deplorable, though not altogether surprising. It is becoming unfortunately more the case that Christianity is polarizing over the issue of how to treat Islam, which is not entirely unexpected. Two factors have bred this issue: First, the horrific yet vivid reality of the Sept. 11th events, propagated in the name of Islam; and second, a fundamental misunderstanding in Christendom of what Islam is and what it believes.

The issue of misunderstanding Islam is merely microcosmic of a larger and more pressing problem facing Christianity, being that Christianity becomes more and more alienated to the world around it as time progresses. This problem has been intensely magnified in the past hundred years, as sweeping progress has brought such a fundamental change that not even politics and economics can properly catch up, to say nothing of our quaint and pious theology.

Yes, it is an overused assertion, but Christianity exists in the post-modern world. We assert this quite readily, but we really fail to actually understand what it means. The assertion is not merely some pithy one-liner in an introductory theological text that is crammed between Beowulf and the Boston Tea Party in

our academic understanding, however. The assertion that Christianity exists but flounders in the post-modern world is a real and troubling concept.

The chief problem and the sad, sad truth is that Christianity has yet to assert an apologetic defense against postmodernism. To be sure, Christian scholars and theologians have written a great many books and many great books about the post-modern world. Yet one authoritative final apologetic has never been formulated. It is as if the Christian faith approaches the microphone of world opinion but is never able to adequately collect its thoughts to speak.

Worse yet, the more important Christians waste, the less interested the intellectual world becomes in our poor attempts to explain ourselves. For every decent systematized theology we produce, three left behind books are published that outsell and out-muscle serious academic endeavors. It is also important to understand that this problem is not a highly intellectual one, though it certainly must take on that component at various stages. The post-modern problem, the identity problem of Christianity, has very important ramifications for all aspects of our religious life. Liturgy, prayer and communism are all anathematized by Christianity's silent voice to philosophical and historical inquiry.

None of this is new, of course. Theological adaptation, as it were, to the post-modern world takes on every silly mask from the Jesus Seminar to Jerry Falwell and Pat Robertson's make-up plastered faces condemning liberalism for inviting God's wrath in the form of four planes. While plenty of intelligent, pious thought is sunk into the issue by concerned Christians who are

really searching for an answer, Christians have so far come up empty handed.

Interestingly, Christian theology is finally beginning to plateau out a century that brought some of the greatest changes ever to each branch of the faith. The students that are learning to do theology now — that is, every single person at this institution — are being taught from an impressive eclectic background.

But eclecticism is dangerous, especially in theology. What separates this generation's eclecticism from all others throughout two millennia is that this generation has no preconceived notion of what is right and what is wrong, due to none other than the phenomenon of post-modernism.

Theology is, for the first time, being learned and systematized from the ground up. John Calvin could never have imagined (nor, I suspect, wanted) such a clean slate upon which to draw history, Reagis Kuypers alongside Barth or Aquinas, alongside Molinism forces the reader to either take sides or formulate a new mixture. The hope is that in doing the latter, unparalleled theological advances will be the result.

Few people in the current generation are able to listen to an assertion like Colson's without cringing at the sharpness of defiance that such a statement contains. Pluralism has made us both suspect to traditional orthodoxy and yet more able to conduct ourselves in the light of world scrutiny. While it may not be the most well-structured system under which to learn, it leaves the door open to possibility, and that is something, if we are honest with ourselves, Christianity has been lacking for far too long.

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Jack Black muses on all things D

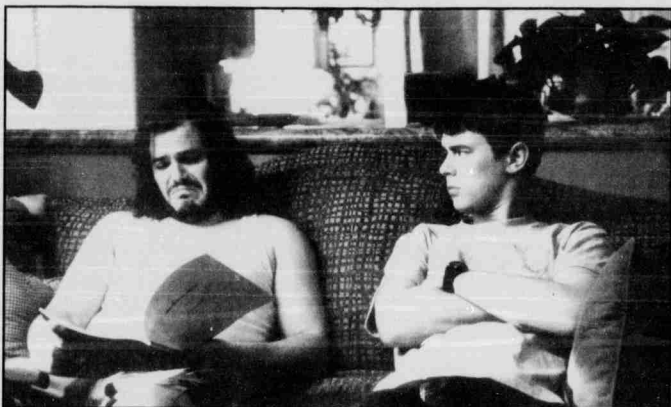


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Jack Black sat down with Technician to talk about his new film "Orange County" and his career thus far.

Joel Isaac Frady
Assistant Features Editor

A friend once noted when we were talking to a guy who was an engineer/aspiring musician that two out of every three people want to be either an

actor or a rock star. Those numbers are obviously an exaggeration, but the point is still there: They're both very crowded fields that are very hard to get into. Success in either of these fields signifies a fairly big accomplishment.

Despite how difficult it looks, Jack Black has not only been both a rock star and an actor in the last few years, but he's also made it look downright easy. As a musician, he's part of the two-man band Tenacious D along with Kyle Gass ("KG"). They've had their own HBO show, released an album, had a music video on MTV and are currently touring with Weezer.

As if this isn't enough, he jumped into the public eye as an actor two years ago with his performances in "Jesus' Son" and "High Fidelity," and he has since then played the romantic lead opposite Gwyneth Paltrow in the Farrelly Brothers' comedy "Shallow Hal." Now, only two months later, he's back in theatres with the MTV comedy

"Orange County."

All of this is coming from someone who didn't get off to a very good start. "My college experience was brief," Black stated. "I went to UCLA for 2 years and I was probably the worst student in the history of the school. I wouldn't make it to a class if it was before noon ... and would fall asleep immediately — as soon as the class started."

He also spent several years doing odd jobs, appearing in movies like "Demolition Man" and "Mars Attacks," frequently playing roles like "DJ at Party," "Pilot," or my personal favorite: "Wasteland Scrap."

All of this started turning around once Tenacious D, which Black and friends all refer to as "The D," started making its name known.

"Tenacious D did get my career going," Black said. "Before that, there are some sinkers out there ... then I

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Fans add heart to Sunday's game



Jason Ivettier/staff

Brian Schuch
Staff Writer

It was a minute before tip-off and an exuberant crowd had filled the Entertainment and Sports Arena. A few stragglers wandered in to find their seats, but they were also wrapped up in the unanimous feeling encompassing the arena, one that said, "We can do this."

Unfortunately, we couldn't, as an eight-minute non-scoring drought in the first half destroyed any hope of victory over Duke for the N.C. State.

Without a doubt, N.C. State students cheered for their team all the way to the

end, long after the vast majority of the alumni and paying fans had abandoned both their seats and hope. Yet even in the beginning those fans were part of one of the greatest crowds I've ever been a part of.

Upon arrival - while still moping about the terrible nosebleed seats - it was thrilling to see the ground-floor student section filled with red and white balloons. It wasn't the first time for balloons, but they were still a wonderful new addition to our tired old cheer.

The first five minutes of the game were the most outstanding, both on the court and in the stands, with the entire arena on

its feet chanting and cheering for the exciting game we had all hoped for. We used every cheer in our repertoire and the band played songs as the ESA vibrated with the joy of the crowd.

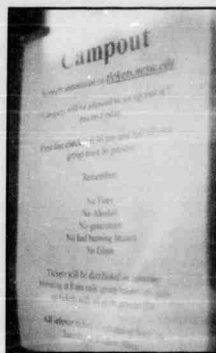
Then NCSU went on an eight minute drought and Duke had mounted a 20-point lead, tearing into the heart of the crowd. Sad faces filled the seats around me and the deafening cheers dissipated. Yet the spirit of the crowd refused to be broken, and every so often the crowd would join together and cheer the Wolfpack on, hoping for the miracle that wouldn't come.

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What does it take to be No. 1?

One reporter's journey to prove she is the ultimate fan.

Carie Windham
Staff Writer



Chris Ragone/staff

As N.C. State fans go, I have to admit that I'm probably in the upper percentile. I've waited from the wee hours of the morning into the dark of night, constructed a float for the HyParade, painted creative messages on the chests of friends, traveled on the road to see the volleyball team and even joined the Student Wolfpack Club. So when my group was awarded the No. 1 position for campout, I must admit, it felt deserving. After all, camping out was the only notch left to conquer in my ultimate-fan belt.

Now, I must admit that camping out for tickets didn't seem that difficult. You could chalk it up to freshmen naiveté or simply to the fact that I'd never witnessed the old campouts, but spending a night hanging out with my friends in a bunch of tents really didn't seem that difficult.

So with a heart full of Wolfpack pride and a bag full of warm clothes, I set out to endure the final test to secure my place as an ultimate NCSU fan.

5 p.m.

Making camp: Armed with two tents from the NCSU storehouse, a few folding chairs and bundles of sleeping bags, we begin to make camp at our No. 1 position. All down the sidewalk, tents are beginning to emerge in every color and size. As the boys begin tossing footballs and talking to the event coordinators, the girls in our group struggle over assembling the tents and setting up the campsite. There's some sort of sick irony in that one.

5:30 p.m.

I take a trip down the line to "scout out" the other tents. They range from minimal lean-tos to tents that were honestly bigger than my dorm room. Some people brought couches or folding chairs, while some of the chairs looked remarkably similar to those I'd seen in a few of the lobbies around campus. Red seems to be the color of choice, but some sites chose to make their pride more apparent. A NCSU flag hangs from one tent while a red foam finger rests atop a pole at another.

6 p.m.

Reminiscing: With our camp in order, the boys return from playing football to comment us on our good work. I decide to go in search of veteran campers to get an idea of what campout used to be like. I meet Rob Cowan, a senior in mechanical engineering, and Daniel Gomez, a sophomore in chemistry, who tell me about the wild parties of past campouts. Giant fires, alcohol, blazing trash cans and stolen furniture were just a few of the necessities. They describe the ultimate party scene. Looking around the new campsite, I realize that we won't have alcohol, fires or any sort of electric devices to keep us warm.

6:30 p.m.

Disaster: The first official line check and we realize that we're short an ID. The owner of the ID is conveniently on the way to Boone and we all start to see our dreams of premium seats going down the drain. We quickly send out people to recover the ID while the rest of us head to the Wolfe's Den for dinner.

8 p.m.

Surprise: The temperature keeps dropping and my extensive supply of gloves and scarves doesn't seem to be doing the trick. Then, a beautiful sight: coming up the stairs from Talley is a mob of people carrying pizzas, courtesy of men's Head Basketball Coach Herb Sendek. I can't decide what's better: free food or the warmth of pizza grease rising in the cold night air.

9 p.m.

Getting pumped: An announcement over the loudspeaker and people begin running towards Reynolds. Curious, I follow their lead, hoping,

perhaps, for a rebel fire to warm up by. Instead, we're greeted by Coach Sendek and the basketball team, who speak to us and work on getting the crowd pumped. As the excitement mounts, I resist the urge to throw some article of clothing at the team, reminding myself that, despite the noise, this is no rock concert, and it's a bit too chilly to be sacrificing clothing. Exciting, I must admit, although senior guard Brian Keeter managed to evade me before I could grab an autograph.

10:30 p.m.

Another surprise: With the excitement from the players' visit fading and temperatures dropping, we are starting to run out of things to do. Then an announcement on the loudspeaker alerts us to free basketballs, Frisbees and glow sticks provided by The Big Event. I missed the glow sticks but managed to grab a ball and a Frisbee, which entertained us for a bit longer. I quickly learned, however, that several layers of clothing are not the most suitable attire for playing Frisbee. (Think Ralphie's brother in "A Christmas Story.")

11:30 p.m.

Bathroom: Realizing that Talley is beginning to close in half an hour, we all make a run to the bathrooms. It was either that or the port-a-johns. You decide.

12 a.m.

Numbness: The numbness has set in and has made physical activity a bit more difficult. Part of the group decides to engage in a game of cards while a few of us entertain ourselves by throwing objects at our friend who was already asleep in the tent. Another person decides to prove his manliness by sleeping, uncovered, on the ground.

12:30 a.m.

Defeat: The aforementioned friend now emerges from his crumpled position on the ground with only this exclamation: "We're in North Carolina! It can't be this frickin' cold!"

1:30 a.m.

Fears: All other activities abandoned, we begin to talk about the worst things that could happen as the night goes on. Our group consensus is that rats are probably our biggest fear, although a neighboring camper, Jim Warren, tells us a delightful story about "sqrats," which, according to him, are the result of breeding between squirrels and rats. Apparently, this occurs in the deepest, darkest trash vats where it's too dark to differentiate between the species. I resolve to zip up my tent before going to sleep.

2:30 a.m.

Freezing: Can't ... feel ... my ... toes. Convinced that severe frostbite is setting in, I huddle further into my sleeping bag and toss another hat.

3:30 a.m.

More freezing: Drifting in and out of consciousness now. Realize, out, I can't remember anything that happened in the last few hours. My toes are starting to have a blackish tint.

4:30 a.m.

Sleep: Only about five people are actually in the tent; the rest are sprawled out on the ground fast asleep. I realize that the nicest thing would be to make room for them in my tent. With that thought in mind, I zip up my tent to prevent a "squat" invasion and burrow deeper into my

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sleeping bag.

5:30 a.m.

Still Spirited: Off in the distance, I hear cheers of "N.C. State, N.C. State" drifting down the line. I can't help but be amazed at their resilient spirit. But, then again, hypothermia does make you hallucinate.

6:30 a.m.

Back to civilization: I have to be at a scorching 8 a.m., so I sneak back to my dorm for a shower. The man at the front desk stares me down although I can't imagine why. Perhaps it was the multiple layers of mix-matched clothing or the leaves stuck in my hair. I hit the showers and realize that.

6:45 a.m.

OHMYGOD! Hot water plus cold body equals OHMYGOD.

7:30 a.m.

Cleaning up: I return to camp — scorching but clean — to begin packing up the remains of our night in the wilderness. Afterwards, we all just stand around, still paralyzed by the cold. I expect to feel some sort of sense of accomplishment, some sort of a renewed sense of school spirit. Instead, I feel cold and impatient.

8 a.m.

Tickets: Row A Section 105! The coveted tickets arrive, although I must admit that I am fairly disappointed that they looked like every other set of tickets I'd ever gotten. I'd almost expected, after a night of freezing cold camping, that they should be glowing at least.

Nonetheless, I feel a surge of accomplishment as I finally clutch them in my hand, realizing what I had just endured. Despite the hypothermia and the lack of sleep, I feel a greater sense of school spirit and a stronger camaraderie with the other fans. My loyalty is that much stronger and I am officially one step closer to proving that I am the ultimate fan.



Jason Ivester / staff

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At the half, Mike Dunleavy alone had outscored NCSU 22-21 and Duke had more than doubled the Wolfpack's score, leading 45-21. Disheartened as they were, the crowd stayed to see if they could cut down Duke's lead in the second half.

People milled about during half-time; the feeling at the beginning of the game had been long gone — but there was still a twinkle of hope in the eyes of many of the fans.

As the second half started, all hopes of a comeback faded. NCSU kept Duke from pulling further away but did little to draw the crowd back into the game. To the crowd's credit, they continued to support their team and no gripes about their play were heard.

Throughout the second half, the fans in the second level slowly trickled out, and with five minutes left, they began to flow out, leaving the level almost empty. The ground-floor students, however, remained on their feet. Impressively enough, quite a few in the upper deck even remained standing during the entire game.

Josh Powell single-handedly breathed life back into the crowd in the second half with three very impressive dunks. This got the remaining fans to cheer on the team just for the sake of cheering. Powell received a handy round of applause as he went out for the half and the students stayed with their team, cheering them on in face of the obvious trouncing Duke was handing out.

The crowd also had enough life left to taunt Jason Williams the rest of the game after he air-balled an easy three. The fans happily cheered "Air ball!" every time Williams was in possession of the ball, giving a light-hearted spark of fun to an otherwise depressing situation.

Throughout all this, chants could be heard from the small Duke section in the upper level. Chants like "You're in trouble" and "We want Maryland" filled their part of the ESA, adding fuel to the fire for State fans.

In all, it was thrilling to see the student support shown in the face of the horrible loss they were watching. Even in the end, when the less dedicated alumni slinked out of the stadium, the students rallied on their team, turning an otherwise horrendous game into a rather enjoyable one.

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Tenacious D and got hooked up with some better stuff."

Now that he has gotten that "better stuff," there's still one question that everyone seems to have on their mind: Where does he find the time to do so much? When asked this, Black just chuckled and shrugged it off, noting that "there's no real conflict. I just do 'The D' when I'm not doing anything else. Then I do it very hard, hard as I can I do it."

About success in both fields, he attributes his success to the way he takes on the two.

"Most actors/singers are doing it as like a vanity project, and it's all just straight up singing, trying to be a regular, legit band," he said. "In our band, there's more theatrical elements; we use some of our acting chops to make up for a lack of musical talent."

Anyone who has seen any of their live performances know exactly what he's talking about: they get more laughs than most comedy movies. Success has proved to be a bit bumpy recently, however, as many organizations began bashing "Shallow Hal" even before it's release.

"It bothers me now to hear that people are upset, but when I read it, I wasn't offended, and I've struggled with my weight my whole life," he says. "It's just a sweet little story about whatever. I don't think there's anything real offensive there."

The controversy was also just insult added to injury, for the film was cut down to get the PG-13 at the last minute.

"I think the restrictions have gotten a little tighter lately, it's gotten a little more conservative," Black says. "That PG-13 is really important, I guess... and sometimes they say we're going R, we're going R all the way... and then they change their minds later and then they cut out all the funny stuff."

Now he has to brace and see what



image from Paramount Pictures

happens with "Orange County," which, judging by a version shown in early December, also needed a little editing to earn it the important PG-13. Either way, Black didn't seem too worried.

"I'm really proud of this one; I think it came out great," he said.

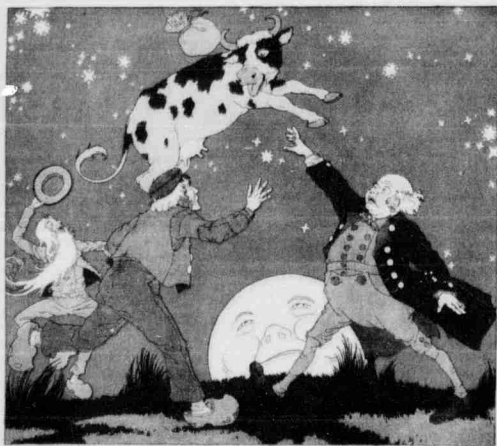
This says a lot, especially seeing as how he's jumped back into the supporting actor position after the starring role in "Hal" to play a writer's quirky drug-addicted brother who proves to be more trouble than help.

As for what the immediate future holds, Black is looking forward to a break.

"I've been reading a bunch of scripts that I'm not really into," he stated, then said that he plans to "go out to the desert and recharge, because I'm kind of burnt creatively. I wanna take a break, then come back like the phoenix from the ashes."

"Orange County" is in theatres everywhere.

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State looks to bounce back

◆ N.C. State travels to Clemson with hopes of rebounding from Sunday's loss to Duke.

Jerry Moore
 Assistant Sports Editor

N.C. State will have to deal with one type of quick turnaround. Another type of quick turnaround is exactly what Wolfpack wants.

Less than 48 hours after falling to Duke Sunday, State (12-4, 2-2 ACC) will face Clemson (11-6, 2-2) at 7 p.m. tonight in Littlejohn Coliseum. State hasn't played two games within such a short timeframe since playing on three consecutive days to open the season in mid-November.

"It's going to be a quick turnaround," said State coach Herb Sendek. "That's something that we, quite frankly, haven't experienced since the BCA Tournament. Obviously, now we're in ACC play, so it will be a good challenge for us."

Although State's players will have to deal with the abbreviated recovery period, they're also ready to get back on the floor and put a 76-57 loss to Duke behind them.

"It's quick, but we've got to prepare for it," said freshman Josh Powell, who led the Pack with 12 points against the Blue Devils. "It's a big game because we've got to show that we can bounce back from a loss."

And while Clemson doesn't seem to present as tough a challenge as the Pack's last opponent, returning players remember what happened last season. In an eerily similar scenario, State faced Duke at home in the second weekend of January, and then traveled to Clemson for a midweek matchup.

The results were less than pretty. The Tigers held the Pack to a season-low 29.9 percent shooting from the floor and handed the visitors a humbling 72-69 setback.

Despite Sunday's loss to Duke and knowing what transpired in Littlejohn last season, State remains upbeat and is determined not to let history repeat itself tonight.

"We're still a very confident team," said guard Scooter Sherrill. "We know if we go down there and play well, we can win. It's a totally different team than last year. Clemson played off of us, but this year we've got a lot of guys that can really shoot."

State came back to crush the Tigers 85-51 on Valentine's Day in Raleigh but has had its share of problems with

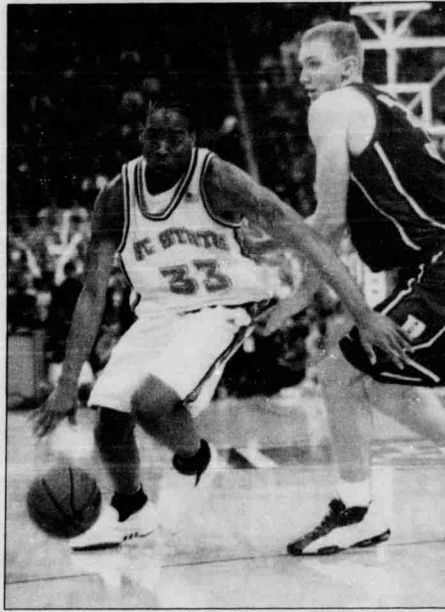
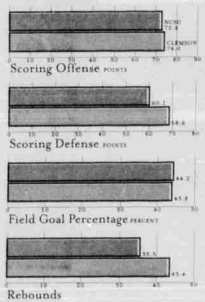
Clemson in recent years. The Pack has emerged with victories in only two of its last six meetings in the series and hasn't won at Clemson since the 1997-98 season.

"They play well at home, and they'll be ready for us," Archie Miller said. "I'm sure they will look at [the game against Duke] and make adjustments for us. We're glad it's a quick turnaround so we can get out there and play again."

After an early-season loss at Ohio State, the Pack has played well away from the Entertainment and Sports Arena. The team has won three of its

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Josh Powell, who led the Pack with 12 points against Duke, will look for another big game vs. Clemson.

BASKETBALL

Missing Reynolds

Sunday night promised a little bit of everything for N.C. State basketball fans.

At 6 p.m., the women's team, coming off an emotional win at North Carolina, hosted conference leader Duke in Reynolds Coliseum. Two hours later, the men, on the cusp of entering the top 25, welcomed the other version of the Blue Devils to the Entertainment and Sports Arena. And for those fans who couldn't make either game, Fox Sports Net was gracious enough to show both games nationally as a doubleheader.



Jeremy Ashton

Since I had no way into the men's game, I opted to do something I should have done a long time ago and went to Reynolds to watch the women play. As it turned out, I probably got the better end of the deal.

Kay Yow's squad went down to the final seconds against the Devils before finally falling 73-68. The Wolfpack is missing several key players at the moment, most notably leading scorer Carisse Moody, but over the last two games, the team has begun to find its stride.

By the time I got to a TV to flip on the men's game, Mike Dunleavy had just finished burying State in the first half. Despite its earlier loss to Florida State, Duke is still a notch above everyone else in the conference, so there shouldn't be too much read into this game for State. Assuming the Pack players can put the loss behind them quickly, it should be just a bump in the road for a group that has spent the last month playing like an NCAA Tournament team.

In a perfect world, the games would have been scheduled as a doubleheader at the ESA to allow fans to easily attend both. Then again, the women would have been giving up their home-court advantage.

The men's team is in its third season at the ESA, which means fewer students have any idea what games in Reynolds were like. For those who do remember, however, Reynolds was, and for the women's team still is, the ideal place for a college basketball game.

Most ACC fans rate Duke's Cameron Indoor Stadium as the most intimidating place to play in the conference, maybe even the country. But after watching State play in Cameron the last two seasons, I'd say that Reynolds was every bit as imposing.

The building just radiates tradition. When fans walked into Reynolds for a men's game, they instantly saw the two national championship banners and David Thompson's jersey hanging from the rafters. They could feel the spirit of the great teams of the past: Jim Valvano, Everett Case and Norm Sloan. And they could almost envision the classic games of State's history.

The ESA just doesn't convey that same feeling. Maybe it's just the newness of the arena. Maybe it's just something that will take time to show up. Maybe it's the currently uninspiring name attached to the building. But that almost-palpable sense of history isn't there.

Something Reynolds does have working in its favor is something that the ESA never will: its design. Oh, sure, the ESA is a palace, carefully designed and built with modern amenities. The arena, however, can't offer the same intimacy that Reynolds did.

Opposing teams dreaded playing in Reynolds because they knew when they stepped on the court they'd have 12,500 rabid State fans screaming at them for 40 solid minutes. Those fans sounded every bit as loud as the approximately 20,000 that can load up the ESA. That doesn't mean that people cheered harder in Reynolds than they do in the ESA, but they were more noticeable because they were so much closer to the court. If that many people showed up for a game at the arena, it would look and sound empty.

For anyone who's never been to a basketball game at Reynolds, check out a women's game sometime to see what I mean. Sunday's matchup drew about 5,500 fans to Reynolds, but it was louder than any of the men's games this season. Of course, any time high-quality teams play, the atmosphere does tend to crank up a notch.

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Grundy emerges from Pack

◆ The N.C. State men's basketball team is off to a hot start to the season, and much of the credit can be attributed to an improved all-around game by Anthony Grundy.

Steve Thompson
 Assistant Sports Editor

When the 2001-02 N.C. State men's basketball season began, little was said of Anthony Grundy.

Despite being the team's leading returning scorer and rebounder, he was widely overlooked as the focus was placed on the incoming freshman class.

No one is overlooking Grundy now, however.

"I did feel that a lot of people didn't really [focus on] the guys that were on the team in the past — such as me, Archie [Miller] and Cliff [Crawford]," said Grundy. "It was not a level of disrespect, but we kind of felt like we should be the cornerstones of the team."

And the cornerstones they have become. Grundy has silenced his critics, becoming a more consistent player while increasing his production for the Wolfpack.

Grundy is currently ninth in the ACC in scoring (14.6 points

per game) and third in steals (2.4). He is also among the top 20 in rebounds (5.1), assists (3.4), three point field goals (1.2), free throw percentage (.763) and assist-to-turnover ratio (1.7).

"Anthony's really having a good senior year. I think he's much improved over even last year," said head coach Herb Sendek after the Florida State game. "He knows that, as a team, we sometimes lean on him. What he's been able to do is balance that responsibility of leading the team with working inside the framework of our offense."

"I think the past few years I have allowed myself to fade away and to be inconsistent," said Grundy. "When [the coaching staff] came to me, they're expecting me to do things. When you have those expectations, you always want to meet them and show people you can do them."

In one of his biggest games of the season, Grundy scored 26 points on 10-of-16 shooting to lead State to victory at Syracuse. The win put State on the college basketball map and has propelled Grundy into the second half of the season.

"I don't know," said Grundy. "A lot of people would pick that game to be my best game. The Syracuse game was a great game for me, but I think I've also had other games."

"It really helped our team by showing that we were able to play with other teams in the country. You never know how good you are until you compare yourself with other teams. Once we did well in that game, I think a lot of guys really got to see where our talent level was."

While this year is going smoothly, past years have not always been so for Grundy.

During his freshman season, Grundy was ineligible during the fall semester. He emerged at the end of that season as one of State's promising young players, but he remained

inconsistent throughout his sophomore and junior seasons.

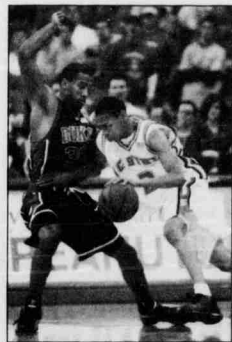
Last year, while the team was struggling on the court, Grundy was suddenly faced with criminal assault charges off the court. While he was acquitted on the charges, the off-the-court drama certainly impacted his play.

"When you have things like that that are within your program, it is a distraction," said Grundy. "This year it's been different. The guys have just been worried about going out there and playing on the court. It's been fun."

With the fun atmosphere surrounding the team, State has exceeded many pundits' expectations. Midway through the season, State is primed for an NCAA tournament run, something Grundy has never experienced.

"Waiting this long to make the

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Anthony Grundy is in the midst of his most solid season with the Pack.



Anthony Grundy is leading State in scoring this year, averaging 14.6 points per game.

Athlete's Diary: Life as a wrestler

Clarence Davis Jr.
 Wrestling

Clarence Davis grew up in Rock Hill, S.C., and originally went to the Citadel. During his two years there, he compiled a 19-11 mark, including a runner-up finish at the Old Dominion Tournament. He then transferred to N.C. State, and after sitting out a year, he now competes for the Wolfpack in the 125- and 133-pound weight classes.

I am a part of the N.C. State wrestling

team, and I am enjoying every minute of it. But one of the problems of being an athlete is the strains and stresses that go with it.

My day starts at 6:30 a.m. when I get up to go for a run. Then after my run, I head to the training room for treatment on my knee. Our morning practice starts at 8 a.m.

After the morning practice, I take a shower and head straight to my 9:10 class. This semester, I am taking 18 credit hours. I have classes from about 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

When I am done with my last class, I head straight for the gym and run again. After the run, I have to get ready for the next practice, which starts at 4 p.m.

Practice is no joke. I am there working my butt off from beginning to end. When practice is over (about 6 or 6:30 p.m.), I go take a shower and then go to the training room for treatment.

At 7:30, my teammates and I go to Fountain Dining Hall to eat dinner. When 9 rolls around, it's time for me to start my homework. I have a lot of studying to do every day. I usually finish

my homework around midnight.

When midnight comes, it's time to watch BET or ESPN's SportsCenter for an hour. Then it's time for bed, and I get ready for the same routine the next day. I am too tired to go out, but working your rear off 24/7 comes along with being a wrestler.

Most people don't understand how hard we train and how little free time we have. If playing sports were easy, then everyone would do it. Sports prepare athletes for teamwork, dedication and hard work in life.