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FBI issues new terror warning

♦The latest terror warning names a Yemeni man possibly planning an attack today.

Eric Lichtblau

WASHINGTON - The FBI warned

WASHINGTON — The FBI warned thousands of police agencies around the country Monday evening that a suspected terrorist from Yemen and more than a dozen associates could be planning an attack against Americans as early as Tuesday.

The FBI warning identified one possible attacker as Fawaz Yahya al-Rabeei, a Yemeni national born in Saudia Arabia in 1979.

The nationwide alert, only the fourth of its kind that the FBI has issued since the Sept. It hijackings, grew out of information originated at Guantiamon Bay, Cuba, where U.S. authorities have been interviewing detained al-Quida operatives, and in Afghanistan, where U.S. military have been sifting through material left in

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Scientist reveals secrets behind "The X-Files"



Anne Simon, gives a presentation in Witherspoon Auditorium Monday

♦ The event, organized by University Scholars, featured a biochemistry professor turned "The X-Files" chief

Brigid Ransome

The Witherspoon Student Center was packed with students yesterday as Anne Simon, a virologist, delved into the secrets and mysteries behind the hit television series "The X-Files." Simon presently serves as an informal science advisor for the show. In addition, she is knowledgeable in the field of molecular biology and is a professor of biochemistry at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. From little and somewhat peculiar details as the "Erlenmeyer flask" to more significant details such as the creation of the "fluke man" and the source of Agent Scully's paranormal cancer, Simon was eager to share her experiences with "The X-Files" with eaudlence.

So, how does a biochemistry profes-sor end up being one of the show's key scientific advisors?

scientific advisors?
Simon recounted the series of events that led to her position.
She began with her childhood residency — Malibu County, Calif. — followed by a series of unrelated

ASG kicks off 'Keep N.C. Educated'

In an effort to educate citizens about the tuition situation at UNC System schools, ASG has mobilized itself to go out into various communities.

Ayren Jackson

The ninth article, ninth section of the North Carolina Constitution states, "The General Assembly shall provide that the benefits of The University of North Carolina and other public institutions of higher education, as far as practicable, be extended to the people of the State free of expense." But according to the University of North Carolina Association of Student Governments (UNCASG) President Andrew Payre, with the discussions of campus-based tuition increases for all

UNC system sensors, un-periodic beautiful procession of the N.C. Constitution has begun to "crode."

"The General Assembly is not meeting its constitutional responsibilities when it comes to providing inexpensive higher education," said Payne.

Payne has recently announced that ASG will kick off its "Keep N.C. Educated" public awareness campaign this Wednesday, Feb. 13, at 5 p.m.

The campaign's main purpose is to inform the public about the "failure of the North Carolina General Assembly to fulfill its constitutional responsibility by providing the benefits of The University of North Carolina to ALL people." In addition, students will participate in a "fulfion revival by reaching out into other communities in N.C. and informing them of the rising costs of informing them of the rising costs of higher education at N.C. public institu-

"This will be a four- or all soal," said ASG Treasurer Jonathon Ducote. "We hope to better educate citizens of North Carolina about their rights of fair access to a neducation."

Payne and Ducote emphasize that this is a statewide effort, and they and other ASG members encourage all students to get involved by joining the Association of Student Governments, building campus coalitions or mobilizing legislatively.

Through "Keep N.C. Educated," Payne says that ASG wants to not only help ensure that tuition stays low, but they also want to remind the citizens and the state legislatures that higher education in North Carolina is supposed to be affordable for everyone. "Eleven to twelve thousand dollars a year for an education does not meet the constitutional mandate," said Payne." "Led this is the kind of information we

teer recruitment and media collabora-tions.

The kickoff, to be held outside the George Watts Hill Alumni Center on the campus of UNC-Chapel Hill, is in conjunction with the UNC-TV Town Hall Forum at UNC-CH. Over 200 stu-dents from the 16 UNC System cam-puses are expected to attend.

For anyone interested in attending the kickoff and/or the town hall forum, transportation to the UNC-TV Town Hall Forum at UNC-CH will be leaving from Witherspoon Student Center at 3.45 on Wednesday. For additional information about this event, call 515-2797.

Faces in the pack



◆Being an athletic trainer for the N.C. State football team gave one student the opportunity to travel to Florida for the Tangerine Bowl.

Editor's Note: With over 28,000 stu-dents attending N.C. State University, there are more than 28,000 different names, faces and stories. This semes-ter, the news staff will rendomly pick students from the NCSU directory and tell their story, Who knows? You could be our next story.

Blair Parker

Suzanne Robbins is not a morning person. Yet for the N.C. State football team, she has changed her usual lifestyle to one less desirable.

Two days a week Robbins wakes up at 5 a.m. and walks to the NCSU training fields where the football

Suzanne Robbins gets a kiss from C.J. the dolphin on a recent trip to Discovery Cove in Florida.

team practices so she can assist with their minor injuries. Oftentimes, her work consists of laping their ankles or knee braces and providing small treatments when needed.

Robbins also has the opportunity to travel because she works with the team on the field during games, towever, Robbins said, 'during games, I am mostly handing out water and providing towels."

Robbins attended the Florida Tangerine Bowl this past December with the players and was on the field along with the rest of the athletic trainers.

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The trip to Florida also delivered Robbins with a surprise Christmas present. For Christmas, Robbins' par-ents gave her the opportunity to be a trainer for the day to animals at Discovery Cove. In addition to other

jobs, she gave signals to performing dolphins and trained exotic tropical

The athletic training program at NCSU is organized through the sports medicine department, and students who participate gain various scholarships.

Robbins.

Part of the reason Robbins does not mind rearranging her sleep schedule is because she admits she is the ultimate NCSU fan. Robbins gains excitement from being locked closely with the creation.

"I love the feeling and the rush you get when you are at a game; I always go all out."

N.C. State's mobile vet hospital helps animals in need

♦Organized by the College of Veterinary Medicine, a traveling clinic performs surgeries and assists overworked shelters.

Kara Rowland

Sometimes working more than 12-hour days, the staff of N.C. State's mobile veterinary hospital has traveled to 21 different counties across the state, providing treatment to needy ani-

The destinations have been concentrated in the central and eastern regions of North Carolina, where large collections of animals often arrive at shelters tions of administ offer a recent and a steries of other resources. So far, over 3,000 surgeries have been performed in the clinic's 18-month history.

Although the most common services offered by the 30-foot mobile unit include spaying and neutering, the hospital is also camble of teening free.

include spaying and neutering, the hos-tured legs, respiratory and skin infec-tions and administering vaccines. The patients consist of kittens and puppies as well as older animals.

"We haven't had to do much in the way of advertising," said Kelli Ferris, assistant professor of veterinary medi-cine at NCSU and director of the mobile veterinary hospital. Shelters call for assistance after receiving a large collection of animals, and the mobile hospital will usually stay in one location anywhere from one to three location anywhere from one to three days. There is also the option for indi-vidual or smaller amounts of animals to be taken to the hospital for treat-The benefits extend not only to ani-

mals but also to students

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divorces, which ultimately led her family to develop their close ties with "The X-Files" creator Chris Carter.
When asked, "What advice do you give to those who want to pursue acareer path resembling yours?" Simon jokingly replied, "It's always good to have your mother be best friends with the creator of the show."
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Simon's love for "The X-Files," science and teaching allows all three facets to benefit from each other. "My students love when I draw teaching examples from "The X-Files," said Simon. "About 99 percent of them are receptive and favorable to it; they love those prosaic examples."

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those prosaic examples.

Simon commented that one of the reasons that "The X-Files" is not only different and successful is their deviation from the norm in portraying scientists to be psychotic and 'dorky,' the stereotype that Agent Scully demolishes. "In 'The X-Files,' scientists are

Air Force ROTC teams compete

♦Color Guard, Squad Basic and Individual Drill were three of the graded events at one of the competitions.

News Staff Report

This past weekend, N.C. State's Air Force ROTC sent 28 of its cadets to compete in two national competitions.

A total of 17 cadets competed against 44 universities and military academies from across the nation in the 30th Annual Tulane University ROTC Drill

Meet, which coincides with Mardi Gras celebrations.

Commanded by Cadet Captain Nick Carden, the drill team participated in three different graded events, which included Color Guard, Squad Basic and Individual Drill.

The Color Guard and Squad Basic, which were commanded by cadets Rick Rodriguez and Jason Short, each finished in third place.

Further north, nine cadets traveled to Indiana to compete against about 50 universities in the 16th Annual Flyin' Irish Basketball Tournament held at

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GIVE BLOOD!



The Golden Key International Honor Society will be hosting a blood drive on the Brickyard today from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. The American Red Cross blood mobile will be on hand to collect blood donations.

WARNING

the rubble by al-Qaida forces, law enforcement officials said.

"The information we're getting from Guantanamo and Afghanistan produced some information about a possible attack on Feb. 12," said a law enforcement official who asked not to be identified.

The FBI's warning, issued to 18,000 law enforcement agencies and the public at large, read. "Recent information indicates a planned attack may occur in the United States or against U.S. Interests on or around Feb. 12, 2002. One or more operatives may be involved in the attack."

This is the most specific of any of the four mationwide alerts that the FBI has issued, the alert said.
"The credibility of the threat on this one appears a little stronger than the previous alerts," another law enforce-

ment official said. "But we don't have information on any specific targets."
Al-Rabeei's whereabouts are unknown, and law enforcement officials said he is not believed to have shown up on any of the watch lists that the FBI and other law enforcement agencies have been using to track terrorist suspects since Sept. 11.
Al-Rabeei and as many as 13 associates, whose photos the FBI was planning to release late Monday, are considered "extremely dangerous," and the FBI urged local police to be on the lookout for the group.
The FBI, which drew criticism from some police for putting out past alerts to the public before sharing them with law enforcement officials, made a point of sending Monday's warning to law enforcement officials, made a point of sending Monday's warning to law enforcement officials, made a point of sending Monday's warning to law enforcement agencies first.

While authorities are still seeking to corroborate the intelligence pointing to the prospect of a Feb. 12 attack, "we wanted to get as much information out as quickly as we could," an official said.

FACES

NCSU was the only college Robbins applied to, and so far she confirms that he is not disappointed with her decision. Besides the wonderful faculty and staff she has come in contact with, NCSU has helped Robbins gain a friendship that she has kept alive since her freshman year.

her freshman year.

Robbins is from Spring Pines, N.C., and is in her second year at NCSU, although she is a junior according the number of credit hours she has com-Robbins entered pothes.

pleted.

Robbins entered potluck on her housing application and was placed with Christie Shelby, who has become her

VET

"Our department recognized that there was a need to get more service opportunity for our students," said Ferris, explaining the force behind the initial development of the mobile clin-ic. "We have some third-year students that have done between 30 and 100 surgeries."

Ferris said the experience "makes hem really desirable" in the job mar-

them rearly destraine in the job mar-ket, because students often graduate with as much surgery know-how as first-year veterinarians. She added that students from other schools have even come to work with the hospital.

Volunteers from the community also

"It was random, but it worked out so well, and we are planning to move off campus this spring together," said Robbins.

Robbins.

Shelby and Robbins did not connect well over the phone the summer before their freshman year, but when they met in person everything seemed to click. At the time, they were both Jefferson Scholars, and they found more and more things in common as time progressed.

gressed.

Robbins was asked what she values most in a friendship, and she responded, "A true friend is someone wiges without expecting anything in return. Shelby is this friend," according to Robbins.

Likewise, Shelby feels the same

only veterinarian on the team, but a part-time veterinary technician aids

Typically, the hours vary depending on what needs to be done. Last Saturday, the hospital worked with a rescue group in Winston-Salem from 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

during more serious procedures. during more serious procedures.

According to Ferris, the hospital tries to limit various services to 25 a day for dogs and 40 a day for cats. "The only time we see hundreds of animals in one day are at rabies clinics," she said. about Robbins. Shelby confesses that she is the entertainer, and Robbins is a perfect audience for her jokes because she is easily amused and has a toxic and contagious laugh. "Suzame has a great

and contagious laugh
"Suzame has a great perspective on life; I really do not think that she knows how to go through life without giving 100 percent," says Shelby.
Robbins is a constant attendee of Christ Our Comfort, a church located off Oberlin Rd. Robbins describes it as a modern service that is really relaxed and comforting.
"They have a great worship, and it has made me feel at home when I am unable to attend my church from home."
Currently, Robbins is working on a personal goal to read the Bible in a year.

The mobile clinic is also prepared to espond to emergencies. "We're hoping respond to emergencies. we never have to use it that way, but it's available if we need it," said Ferris, who pointed out the advantage in being able to take the hospital to a disaster site. "[The animals] can stay closer to

Subsisting on donated labor and char itable contributions, Ferris character-ized the mobile clinic as "not anything that has an end in sight."

The NC State University Computer Training Unit is now offering any one day class for \$75, or cost of materials, to all faculty, staff and students of NCSU. The CTU offers a wide ariety of classes from basics to specialty

workshops to ertification classes. Please call 515-8163 to request a class schedule or visit our website at www.ncsu.edu/ctu

X-FILES

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Her contributions to "The X-Files" have placed her in the spettight on numerous occasions, with guest appearances on "Goed Morniag America" and also in People Magazine.

However, despite the excitement involved in her position, she has her work cut out for her. Simon said that many of the original scripts are burdened with scientific errors that she enjoyably adjusts.

Simon reminisced on one specific episode, in which the original script read that a vitus got into a person, and, as a result, the virus mutated and the person turned into a creature. What disturbed Simon the most was not how the scientific discrepancies that it entailed. Simon agitatedly remarked

that "it's more likely for this overhead projector to mutate into a creature than it is for a virus." She added, "A virus a piece of DNA, and DNA cannot mutate into a creature." However, she did offer a somewhat-comforting resolution: "A virus can be inside the cell, which can activate a resident program which will cause the cell to divide, which can result in a creature." After many puzzled looks, she jokingly sild, "Guys, this is not beyond the realm of extreme possibility."

extreme possibility."
Simon's excitement during the presentation was a measurement of her love for the field of science, and moreover, it showed how she really enjoys the work that she does with "The X-Files."
She said if given the opportunity, she would definitely do it again. The only 'hiccup' she claimed to have in her heavy involvement with "The X-Files" is that she must maintain her reputation to her colleagues in her field as a 'serious' scientist. As expected, Simon says, many will have doubts between the defining line of appearance and reality.

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participate as staff, though students do most of the work. Ferris serves as the ROTC

Notre Dame University The "Wolfpack Warriors," who fin-ished 2-2 in the tournament, were led by Cadet Lt. Col. David Myrick

ing and held fundraisers to cover the cost of the trips.

6:30 am. to 10:30 pm.

As a result of the services offered by the hospital, Ferris said that adoption rates have increased anywhere from twice as many to six times as many adoptions. She explained that because more animals can be spayed and neutered, they are easier for people to adopt, and the population of stray animals can be controlled.

In spite of all the hard work and energy spent, all are looking forward to gy spent, all are looking forward to competing again next year. As Cadet Captain Jacob Corbett said, "This trip is what makes ROTC a rewarding experience — seeing new places and that you have a unique bond due to your future as officers."

UCE WILLIS

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Broken Lizard breaks the mold

The road to success has been long and hard for Broken Lizard, the The road to success has been long and hard for Broken Lizard, the five-man comedic team (consisting of Jay Chandrasekhar, Kevin Heffernen, Steve Lemme, Paul Soter and Erik Stolhanske) responsible for the upcoming screwball comedy "Super Troopers," Currently touring the country to promote the film, they be making stops in 30 different cities to screen the film. While in Chapel Hill, Technician got a chance to talk with them about comedy, their friendships, the Sept. 11 tragedy and the thrill of success after years of rejection.

"Troopers" premiered at last year's Sundance film festival and was bought by Fox Searchlight, 20th Century Fox's independent division, but the Troopers themselves have been "on ice" since then, and they still don't really feel like they've become successful yet.

"It seems unreal to some extent. After this many years of false starts and things that looked good and ended up being disappointing, everyone is still holding on to this idea of "it can't really go through." But everyday things happen: We see the TV ads and the posters, and it makes us feel a little more comfortable, a little more



excited."

The disappointments have been many along the way, for the group had been around for almost eight years before "Troopers" even opened at Sundance. Sure, they made another movie, "Puddle Cruiser," back in 1996 ... but it failed to sell. They even tried taking the script for "Troopers" to the studios before they made it, but after getting 'laughed under the rug,' they decided to do it independently. All of this sounds like it'd be an almost impossible task, but they had a surprisingly good sense of humor about it.

"Being best friends, it's easy to keep doing it. It's always a blast ... It's good because we can get into fights over things and know that you're not gonna quit, we'll be friends again the next day. You can be brutally honest, and in a lot of work situations, it's hard to do that."

that."
With the film's release only months away, they saw another big obstacle appear with the recent terrorist attacks, for they had written many Taliban jokes into the film a long, long time

Breaking Shells

Welcome your scattered and frighten-ing thoughts, And ride your stallion ravenous until

dry.

Barren ideas from the empty mind rot,
So fill up on pleasure or welcome the
Why?

Those idle minds stop looking for a

sign. These truths untold hide in fear of

failure. Stop! Unveil your soul and throw out

your rhine. Continue to change and your mind shall act as a tailor.

Invert the disguise of abstract as unspent talents It's never been your chosen path before. Charlatans pledge freedom, there's your consent.

your consent.

Now step inside your light, glare is nothing to ignore.

before the attacks.

"We were trying to find something that rhyned with Japanimation, and we thought of a bunch of countries: Germanimation, Pakistanimation and Afghanistanimation just had this rhyme to it. Then we wrote all these Taliban jokes that we thought would be these obscure, tunny things that few people would get ... There was talk about cutting all that stuff, but we decided to leave it in there. [The jokes] aren't bad, but we don't want people to think we made the jokes afterward."

Despite these setbacks, they're feeling confident about the picture and have already prinned the script for their next film, a comedy named "Club Dredd" that takes place at a resort hotel on a tropical island where bodies start dropping. The members of Lizard will play resort instructors that have to keep the appearance of having a good time so the guests (well, the live ones) can enjoy themselves.

"Super Troopers" opens nationwide

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Rap-rock redeemed

Saul Williams

Face it; rap-rock (i.e. "crap-rock") has been the boil on the ass of good music for a while now. Limp Bizkit? Linkin Park? Kid Rock? All

failures.
But you can't really blame them too much; genre-splicing is a challenge that not many can undertake.
Nonetheless, there has been some success in this field of science. From Rage Against the Machine to the more extreme Mr. Bungle, the chosen few who pull off genre-splicing pull it off very well, and Saul Williams is no exception.

who pull off genre-splicing pull it off very well, and Saul Williams is no exception.

To be honest, when I first saw this album, I set it aside, with no intention of ever touching it again. Lucky for me, a good friend of mine told me it was something worth checking out. Ever since that time, this album has been one of the most frequently played albums I own.

You may know Saul Williams from



his work in "Slam," a film he not only acted in but also co-wrote. The film won many awards, including the Grand Jury Prize at the Sundance film festival in 1998. This award-winning writing ability is not limited to film; it's the most enticing aspect of his newest album "Amethyst Rock Star." Williams' mastery of poetry and language also shine through in his music. This is not to say that the music that complements it should take a back seat. The beats on this album are simply great. "Lal.a.a.," the album's first track, and "Penny For a Thought" are backed with drums and violin that one would find more characteristic of a hiphop artist, while tracks like "Fearless" and "Om Nia Merican" have back-ground beats more characteristic of rock tracks; in fact, "Om Nia Merican" features a sample from Rage Against the Machine. At the same time, tracks like "1987" bring hip-hop beats and rock guitar together in a fashion that can only be described as brilliams. Through all of this, Williams" poetry grabs the listener in a way that few artists can. Take "Tao of Now" for instance: "My purpose is to make my soul rhyme with my mind/Mind over matter/Mind creates matter/Minds create fiction as a matter of fact/So spirit must be fiction/Science fiction/Art fiction/Meta fiction."

Williams' use of alliteration gives the words a strong sense of flow, a flow that is rare not only in music, but in literature as well.

There is no way to explain just how brilliant this album is. Lyrically and musically, this album sets a standard for music that is going to be hard to beat. Though this album was released quite some time ago, May 2001 to be precise, the message of its brilliance deserves to be spread. So if you decide to check it out, tell your friends about it, because music like this is hard to come by.

come by.
You can read more about Saul Williams on his Web site: www.saulwilliams.com. There you will find the standard tour information, recent news, a message board and links to merchandise. Less standard are the links to some of Williams' writings and an "ask Saul" link that allows you toe-mail Williams himself if you are curious about any of his writing.

Math-rock hits **Chapel Hill**

The Letter E. Malt Swagger, Maserati Thursday, Feb. 7, 2002 Go! Room Four (Chapel Hill)

"Math-rock," as far as I undermain-rock," as far as I under-stand it, is characterized by songs where the focus is weighed more in the rhythnic complexities, repetition and quick changes than your standard rock fare. On Feb. 7 at Go!, the 20 or so in attendance were treated to three bands who are all (to varying degrees) "mathy."

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The headlining act, The Letter E, is formed with remnants of the math-rock legends June of '44, the drummer from the Blue Man Group, the guitarist from Rex and bassist Eris Sefersah. You would think with such a diverse and interesting lineup that this band would have incredibly interesting music to offer up. But, unfortunately, this band didn't live up to its potential. They did show a great deal of skill, especially with the bass work of Sefersah.

One thing I wasn't expecting from this show was a lot of singing. The music pretty much speaks for itself. And, as a consequence, when The Letter E sang on a good number of their songs, it served more to draw me out of the music. I don't expect much from singers of indie-rock, but these mediocre singers (at least live) ddn't even meet those low requirements.

On the other hand, the band Malt Swagger didn't sing a word, but that didn't necessarily make them better. This band suffered from another problem: instrumentation that at times just didn't work. The lineup was very odd to begin with: a guitar, bass, synthesizer, vibes, drums and electric violin. These instruments were implemented in every song, for better or worse (except for one song where the drummer played clarinet).

At many points, the band seemed to try to experiment more for the sake of experimentation without any real direction in the song itself. The vibes The headlining act, The Letter E, is

seemed like more of a gimmick in many songs than a genuine musical contribution.

Also, whoever invented the electric violin deserves to sit in a room listening to the empty awfulness that he created for all of eternity. The electric violin tries to adapt the violin, an instrument that isn't all that well suited for rock, by sucking all the life out of it to make it sound entirely fake and tinny.

A couple of the experiments were interesting, such as when the guitarist held a cell phone up to his pickups and played an odd (presumably self-programmed) ring, or when he held up what looked like a small massager close to the guitar to produce a vibration on the strings. Also intriguing was when the vibraphone player used a violin bow on the bars (though it probably could have been miked better).

But, the highlight of the show was by far the first opening band, Mascrati. These guys didn't need to rely on flare or vocals to make their music interesting. They used their standard lineup of two guitars, a bass and a drummer to its rullest. I like innovation as much as the next guy, but if the innovation isn't aesthetically pleasing, then what good is it?

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These guys may have been lacking slightly in the innovation areas but certainly made up for it with their powerful and deceivingly complex songs. One very telling aspect of their show was that instead of being hidden away in the back, their drummer, Phil Horan, was front and center with the other members of the band around him. Horan was definitely the leader, or at least the coordinator, of this group.

With meter changes as frequent as they were in a show like this, you need a strong drummer to provide much-needed cohesion. As far as lyrics went, a few times right before a loud climax in a song, one of the guitarists would scream at the top of his lungs in anticipation of what was to come instrumentally. This lack of vocals helped the audience concentrate on the music and the complex rhythms. Because, if anything, this is thinking man's music. And who can do math well when they're singing along to a song?

Opinion

Hey, JC, man... you wanna beer's

TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

Fair compensation not possible

SATISFYING THE VICTIMS AND FAMILIES OF THE SEPT. 11 ATTACKS IS IMPOSSIBLE; THAT KENNETH DOESNT MEAN FEINBERG SHOULD QUIT TRYING

FEINBERG SHOULD

Kenneth Feinberg has the hardest job in the world, and nobody's making it any easier for him.

Feinberg is the special master of the multibillion-dollar Sept. II compensation fund, set up by the government to financially offset the loss suffered by families of victims of the Sept. II terrorist attack. His job' Compensate the families of attack victims. Essentially, satisfactorily value human life, put a value on human life.

These are the fund's ground rules, although the official rules haven't been announced: Families submitting claims to receive fund money waive their right to sue; they receive \$250,000 for "pain and mental anguish," \$50,000 for each surviving spouse and dependent child and an economic loss payment ranging from \$300,000 to \$3.8 million based on the victim's income.

The economic loss payment also factors in life insurance, pension and death benefits held by the victims in determining the aumount each rifler is to receive. So far, roughly 180 people have filed for benefits from the fund.

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Feinberg asked for public comment on the fund during a one-month period after its announcement. Boy, has be gotten it, with more than 1,700 comments coning in.

Feinberg has been under fire from all sides: Gay and lesbian lobbyists have criticized the fund's failure to specifically provide for non-traditional families, claimants with small-tional families, claimants with small-tional families, claimants are allocations because of big life insurance or death benefits are crying foul; victims and families of victims of the 1995 Oklahoma City

bombing who benefited from no such plan are asking why; and still more critics are questioning whether value can be attached to human life and why the government is attempting to do so. There was even a rally in New York City Jan. 17 for families and New York City Jan. 17 for families and New York politicians. New York Gov. George Pataki called Feinberg's guidelines "horrible."

The final rules for the fund should be released any day now. Our advice to Feinberg (should he ever pick up Technician and read this) in drafting and finalizing those rules? Listen to your critics carefully, pull out the recommendations that work (include non-traditional families), and move quickly. The essence of disaster relief is speed.

Our advice to the critics: Realize that the Sept. 11 attacks were unique in the history of this nation, that the compensation fund is a concept with no precedent and that Feinberg and the Department of Justice are operating it as well as possible. The federal government has no experience in the business of compensating for acts of war committed on civilians. "Just because my husband had a good pension and took care of his family, does that mean I should be punished?" asked Arlene Beyer, wife of a New York City firefighter killed at the World Trade Center, at a New York City rally.

The answer to Beyer's question:

at the World Trade Center, at a New York City rally.

The answer to Beyer's question:
no. The punishment in this tragedy came from the henchmen of Osama bin Laden. The compensation fund is the closest the federal government can come to a salve; it is imperfect and should be treated as such.

Loaded guns should never enter school

Staff Editorial (U-WIRE) PITTSBURGH — Why does a police officer need to bring a loaded weapon into a need to bring a loaded weapon into a classroom for a demonstration? That happened in Philadelphia on Tuesday, with disastrous results, According to an article in Thursday's Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, 10-year-old James Reeves, of Imani Education Circle Charter School in the city's Oak Lane neighborhood, was grazed on the cheek by a bullet as a result of an officer showing a loaded weapon to a class. Apparently, Philadelphia police

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Apparently, Philadelphia police officer Vanessa Carter-Morange was showing her weapon to Reeves' fourth-grade class when she put the clip back into the gun and dropped it. The gun fired and the bullet rico-cheted off the floor and grazed Reeves' cheek.

He was released from Temple University Medical Center after treatment. He — and everyone else in that room — was fortunate that Reeves' slight wounding was all that happened. Someone could easily have been killed, or at least severely wounded, if the bullet had gone at even a slightly different angle. This incident begs the question of what a police officer was doing with a loaded weapon in a fourth-grade classroom in the first place. Oak Lane is known for being a dangerous section of Philadelphia. In an area

where police officers are on constant patrol. having one come into a school to speak to students is a wise idea. The students should be taught not to fear police officers, and one speaking to the class about her job certainly follows that idea. Carter-Morange's own child was in the class. Surely many of us remember when we were young and our friends' parents came in to talk about their jobs.

Perhaps there was even a legitimate

riends' parents came in to talk about their jobs.

Perhaps there was even a legitimate purpose for having the weapon in the class. According to the Post-Gazette, this was part of a demonstration. In a society where guns are prevalent, teaching children about weapon safety is important. Too often we hear news reports about accidental shootings involving children finding a gun and not knowing anything about it.

But there is no reason that gun should have been loaded. Carter-Morange could have demonstrated the gun just as effectively unloaded. If she wanted to show the class what a bullet looked like, she could have done that without a loaded weapon in a class of fourth graders.

She is currently reassigned to desk duty while the police department investigates. Whatever her fate is, this should be a warning to all police officers who speak to classes: If you have to bring your weapon — which is not preferable in the first place — please, please be sure it is not loaded.



Did Christ go to college?



Last week a couple of my neighbors came down to invite my roommates and me to dinner at their apart-ment. We were flattered of

Kate Lingerfelt come by to visit this is a some what antisocial building). My roommates and I were intrigued and excited to get a chance to hang out with our neighbors, and we were hoping to get to know more people in our building better. The guys told us dinner would consist of lasaigna and would be followed by singing praise songs. This last part brought down my excitement about dinner. Praise songs? I had assumed that dinner on Friday night included socializing and drinking but not praise songs. My roommates and I glanced a teach other, told our neighbors thank you, and said we would let them know later if we could make it. After I closed the door, I realized that an anjority of our neighbors were refligious and that many of them participated in Christian campus organizations.

It's because I have a problem with religion, not the spiritual side, but more religion as an organization. I grew up in a Presbyterian church where every Sunday consisted of wearing a seratehy dress for an hour of sunday school followed by an hour of a minister's droning sermon. As soon as church was over, my sister and I would race upstairs, kicking shoes off and taking the bows out of our hair. After fifth grade, I dropped out of church and spent my Sunday mornings sleeping late, but when I started high school, for some reason, I made church a part of my weekly life again.

started high school, for some reason, I made church a part of my weekly life again.

This time, however, I went on my own terms by going to Sunday school but never going to the sermons. I wanted to take an active role in my spiritual development instead of having someone preach at me about how sinful the world is. Every summer, the high school students went to Montreat for a huge Christian retreat, and that is the only time I have ever felt omfortable worshipping in front of complete strangers. Since college, however, I have become more jaded and cynical about Christianity.

To me, Christianity is a hypocritical faith. I went to some Christian organizations on campus my freshman year, but I only felt disgust in place of joy. Many of the self-proclaimed straight-edged Christians would pray to Jesus Christ to wash them of their

sins and then would proceed to drink and sleep around after the meeting was over. They wanted me to judge them for what they said, not for how they acted. Christianity is a lifestyle, not something that you do to fit in or do on occasion to pretend you are something you are not.

Do I consider myself a Christian? No, because I do not live the lifestyle of one. I like to drink. I swear like a sailor. I also enjoy telling dirty jokes. There are too many things in my life that I am not ready to give up, even though it means. I face eternal damnation. Right now, I am a young college student who is not ashamed college student who is not ashamed to be who I am.

to be who I am.
Are all Christians hypocrities? Of course. Many are good people who try to live their lives according to the Bible but, like everyone else, they make mistakes. These people, however, do not misrepresent themselves or their faith. For those people who call themselves Christians but act in one. Christian was your set main non-Christian ways, you are the main reason so many people are turned off

As for my neighbors, they are the real deal. I am sorry I chickened out on their dinner, but I hope to hang out with them as people regardless of

Kate will probably be driving the bus to hell. To reserve your seat, e-mail her at jklinger@unity.ncsu.edu.

Arguments defending racial preferences don't hold water



I knew that many people would be upset by my claim last week that the practice of racial practice of racial preferences, commonly called Affirm ative Action, is racist. However, it seems that the nature of this issue requires that follow up controversial column, it still seems strange to me.

on that controversial column.
(Although it still seems strange to me that an affirmation of American ideals has become so controversial.) must first address some aspects of my argument that apparently caused some confusion or were misunderstood. Then I will refute as many of the arguments people have sent me defending racial preferences as I have room for.

First, when I say "affirmative action" (uncapitalized) I am using it the way most people do, referring to caical preferences in general, not to a specific law (but those are important, too). While some people have claimed that racial preferences are designed to help all minorities, that is often not the case, especially at N.C. State at the time of the study, as you will see below.

N.C. State at the time of the study, as you will see below. Second, I most certainly was not claiming that all, or even most, black students here at NCSU were accepted as a result of facial preferences. What I said was "the significant percentage" of blacks admitted over better-qualified whites. Apparently, I

should have been clearer by saying "not insignificant." It just means the percentage was measurable.

There was also confusion as to what I meant by "ractist." Racial preferences are racist in two ways. They perpetuate the idea that people of a particular skin color are fundamentally different from (and, by implication, inferior or superior to) people of other skin colors, and they presuppose that minorities are somethow unable to make it on their own and compete without a legal advantage. So, yes, racial preferences are racist—a gainst blacks and other minorities.

racist — against blacks and other minorities.

I also was not saying that there were no other characteristics worth looking at when considering someone for admission to college. Things like sports, involvement in clubs, volunteer work, recommendations and personal essays often play a role in determining admission. I simply argue that the color of someone, skin is not a trait worthy of being taken into account. Finally, many people misunder-Finally, many people misunder-

taken into account. Finally, many people misunder-stood the acceptance odds ratio of 177 to 1, blacks to whites. This means, as I interpret the 1995 CEO study, that, on average, a black student's probability of being accepted was 177 times greater than that of a white student of equal academic qualifications. When you break it down, the higher the qualifications of the student, the less race factors into acceptance.

into acceptance.

At lower levels, though, race becomes a huge determinant. For instance, a black student with a ver-

bal SAT score, math SAT score and GPA of \$50, \$50 and 2.5, respectively, had a 99-percent chance of being accepted. A white student had a 45-percent chance, while Asians and Hispanics had no chance at all. The black student's probability of being accepted was twice that of a white student of the same academic credentials. A black student with a verbal SAT score, math SAT score and GPA of 450, 450 and 2.0, respectively, had a 46-percent chance of being accepted. A white, Asian or Hispanic student each had about a 0.4 percent chance. The odds ratio here is 115. As you can now see, blacks are the only group that greatly benefits from the school's acceptance procedures regarding racial preferences.
Well, it seems I do not have room today for my rebuttals, so look for a supplemental column this week in which I will address that. I would like to point out that over the past few days. I have been called ignorant, racist, bigoted and some other things I cannot repeat here. I have also been told that I should not be allowed to write such things, and people have advocated complaining to the Technician for running my column. This is coming from the liberals who are constantly calling for open-mindedness and a diversity of ideas. That is hardly the way to foster debate and learning in an institution of higher education. Let's all try to be a little more mature in this ongoing dialogue.

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TENNIS

Greenville, S.C., to face Furmar on Saturday.

State couldn't keep pace with the Paladins at the Minor Mickel Tennis Center, losing 6-1.

After Gildemeister and Nicholls defeated Furman's Megan Dunigam and Natalie The at No. 1 doubles, Furman bounced back with wins at No. 2 and 3 to cap-

BASEBALL

that drew the ire of Avent.

With that said, the coach expects a more complete effort from his team today.

"I expect our team to show an improvement defensively over the way we played on opening day," he said. "[We need] to show an improvement in that area, and we need to bring more

Derek McKee, a 6-foot-7 jun-ior, will take the hill for State, which travels to Charleston this weekend to play four games in three days. McKee, who emerged as one of the Pack's best pitchers midway through last season, will face a Gardner-Webb squad that dropped a 6-5 heartbreaker to Anderson College its last time out. The Diamond Dogs did, however, win their opener over Southern Wesleyan 9-8. While its defense may have

While its defense may have struggled in the opener, State's bats were alive and well in

e the doubles point. filldemeister failed to win a ne in the No. I singles match Dunigan soundly defeated her as Du 6-0. 6 , 6-0.

6-0, 6-0. In No. 6 singles, Jassawalla tal-lied the only point of the day for the Wolfpack in a tough match against Caroline Bentley, Jassawalla squeaked by Bentley 7-5, 6-4.

7-5, 6-4.
State will face Coastal Carolina at noon Saturday and Charlotte at 1 p.m. Sunday in its first matches of the season at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex.

pounding out 17 runs. Four State players had more than two hits, and the team combined for 16 hits. Senior Brian Wright, newcomer Chad Orvella and redshirt sophomore Mike Prochaska, who was playing in his first vame after undergoing his first game after undergoing shoulder surgery, each went 3-for-4 and combined for 9 RBIs.

Though the offense carried more than its load on opening day, Avent realizes that his defense must begin to stabilize, especially on the especially as the season pro-gresses when the Pack will play tougher opponents. For now however, Gardner-Webb i another early opportunity to improve in all aspects.

"I don't think [this game] is big from the standpoint of building momentum; it's big from the standpoint of progress," Avent said. "We need progress, Avenisad. We need to make progress every day. We need to see that we've learned something from our last game, that we've gotten better from our last game. We have to get better every day in practice."

ADAMS

"I'm really excited about this relay team," Adams said. "I've got a great group of teammates in Troy [Graham], Derrick and Tyrone, and I really think we can

get this team to the NCAA Championships this year."
Adams anchored the State relay team to a third-place finish at the Blue Heaven Track and Field Rumble on Jan. 26, and he will play a vital role in its success at this weekend's ACC Championships.
"Monterrio is a real competitor," Reese said. "He is going to go out there and give it everything he has."

Associated Press Top 25 Men's Basketball Poll

The Associated Press Top 25 college basketball poll, with number of first-place votes and record in parentheses, total points and previous ranking: (Records through February 10, 2002)

TEAM		PTS	PVS
1. Duke (71)	(22-1)	1,775	1
2. Kansas	(21-2)	1,702	2
3. Maryland	(19-3)	1,626	3
4. Oklahoma	(19-3)	1,536	4
5. Cincinnati	(22-2)	1,503	6
6. Florida	(18-4)	1,396	6 8
7. Alabama	(20-4)	1,243	5
8. Gonzaga	(22-3)	1,226	9
9. Arizona	(17-6)	1,188	11
10. Kentucky	(16-6)	1,149	7
11. Marquette	(21-3)	924	18
12. Stanford	(15-6)	815	20
13. Miami, Fla.	(20-4)	728	12
14. Pittsburgh	(21-4)	691	NR
15. Virginia	(15-6)	601	10
16. Oklahoma State	(18-6)	540	14
17. Oregon	(17-7)	516	13
18. Illinois	(17-7)	491	21
19. Wake Forest	(17-7)	489	19
20. UCLA	(16-7)	470	15
21. Georgia	(18-6)	436	17
22. Indiana	(16-7)	370	NR
23. Ohio State	(17-5)	316	16
24. N.C. State	(18-6)	153	NR
25. USC	(16-6)	131	25

Others Receiving Votes: Western Kentucky 120, Memphis 112, Missouri 109, California 107, Syracuse 105, Notre Dame 85, Xavier 63, Texas Tech 49, Pepperdine 45, Utah 43, Connecticut 41, Buller 37, Texas 25, Mississippi State 20, Hawaii 16, Mississippi 15, Fresno State 14, Minnesott 14, Tulsa 12, Southern Illinois 11, Kent State 6, Wyoming 6, Boston College 3, Utah State 2

naments, including a career-best fourth-place finish at The Nelson Invitational. With All-Americans David Sanchez and Chris Mundorf both gone, Moon will have to help pick up the slack in the spring.

Kristin Price, Women's Cross Country and Track

No list of top State athletes would be complete without Price, a member of the national runner-up women's cross country team. In her first year with the Wolfpack, Price, a sophomore transfer from Virginia Tech, led the charge across the finish line at Nationals, placing fourth overall

to earn All-America honors. She has also made an immediate impact with the indoor track team, automatically qualifying for NCAAs in the 3,000 Saturday at Virginia Tech.

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Brian Wright, Baseball

Over his first two years at State, Wright simply hit 3.65, drove in 87 runs, was named a Freshman All-American in 1999 and a first-team All-ACC player in 2000, Not bad for a guy who was play-ing with pain in his right elbow due to bone chips. Wright had successful surgery to correct the problem in the sum-

to correct the problem in the sum mer of 2000 and returned last sea

Others Receiving Votes: Iowa 45, Mississippi State 43, TCU 42, Washington 29, New Mexico 27, Arizona Sta 25, Florida International 23, Cincinnati 18, George Washington 18, LSU 15, Arkansas 13, Penn State 11, UNLV 10, Ball State 8, Tulane 4, Drake 2, Binghamtor DePaul 1, Wisconsin-Green Bay 1 son to lead State in nine offensive categories and make the All-ACC first team again. He's already off to a hot start in 2002, going 3-for-4 in the opener with a home run and six RBIs.

and six RBIs.
Wright, who seems to have a knack for coming through with clutch hits, will end his collegiate career following this season as one of the best hitters in school history. Entering the season, he stood 10th on State's all-time list with a .359 batting average.

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Jason Moon, Men's Golf

The men's golf team has quietly become one of the most successful programs at State, and during the fall season. Moon was the team's most successful golfer. Moon, a junior from Australia, was on the Pack's five-man competitive squad at NCAAs last year. This fall, he finished in the top 20 in each of State's four tour-

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SCHEDULE

Baseball moves into improving state

The baseball team is focusing on early season improvement as it hosts Gardner-Webb.

Andrew B. Carter

The pitchers and catchers had long since gone home, and most of the out-fielders had, too.

fielders had, too.

Practice was winding down for the
N.C. State hashall team Monday afternoon, the sun setting on another hard
day on the diamond. Many of the players had afready left, seemingly prepared for today's game at 3 against visting Gardner-Webb (1-1).

But one group remained fielding

But one group remained fielding ground balls, diving left and right, hop-Pack cracks

into AP poll

♦ The N.C. State basketball team entered the national rankings for the first time this season at No. 24.

The N.C. State men's basketball team, which improved to 18-6 with a 76-67 victory at Florida State Sunday, is ranked 24th in this week's Associated Press college basketball poll.

poll.

It is the Wolfpack's first appearance in the major national polls this season. State was last ranked in 1999-2000, appearing in the Top 25 on two separate occasions. The Pack couldn't stay in the poll for more than one week at time, however, losing to Tulane in December and Clemson in January.

The last time State finished a season in the Top 25 was in 1988-89.

in the Top 25 was in 1988-89.

The Pack beat ACC foes Virginia and FSU on the road last week and now has seven wins in the league, two more than last season and the most regular-season ACC wins ever by a Herb Sendek team.

Sendek team.

With Sunday's victory over FSU,
State moved just two wins away from
the 20-win plateau, and the 18 wins are
also a high-water mark for regular-season wins by Sendek's teams at the

State joins ACC counterparts Duke, Maryland, Virginia and Wake Forest in the Top 25. The ACC and Pac-10 lead all conferences with five representa-tives apiece.

Duke, Kansas and Maryland retained Buke, Raisas and Maryland retained the top three spots in the polls for the fourth week in a row. The Blue Devils were the unanimous No. 1, receiving all 71 votes for the fourth consecutive week and ninth week overall.

Top-ranked Duke will square off against State Thursday and No. 3 Maryland Sunday.

Maryland Sunday.
Virginia slid to No. 15 following four straight losses. The Cavaliers finally righted the ship with a victory over Clemson Sunday.
Along with the Pack, Pittsburgh and Indiana joined the Top 25 this week. Pittsburgh jumped to No. 14 by winning six of its last seven games. Big Ten-leading Hoosiers have won 10 straight home games.
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Missouri, Syracuse and Texas Tech dropped out of the poll after losses.

Missouri had been ranked as high as No. 2 earlier in the season, and Syracuse, a team State defeated on Dec. 8, had been in the top 10.

ping back to their feet, ready to throw to first. The Wolfpack infielders stayed a bit later and practiced, practiced and practiced some more under the watch-ful eye of coach Elliot Avent, and all of the practice was focused toward one VS. GARDNER-common goal

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DOAK FIELD and as he attempted to how, he
made sure to get it right on the next try.
"Come on," Avent would yell. "Get it
right. Do it again, let's go."

The word of the day around the Pack's practice was simply "defense."
Although State (1-0) walloped Delaware State 17-8 in its opening game Feb. 3. Avent and his coaching staff see much room for improvement, especially defensively.
"We didn't play very good defense," Avent said of his team's performance against Delaware State. "It's nice to get a win opening day, but it's also nice to be prepared every day to get better. We have a lot of work to do to improve."
The Pack committed five errors against the Hornets, which led directly to two unearned runs and indirectly to several other Delaware State runs. On a day when offense came easy for the Pack, it was the team's suspect fielding.

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"That came as a little bit of a surprise to me." said Adams. "I didn't run all that well in the prelims. I went out too easy for the first 200, but in the finals. I went out a little too hard but still ended up in fourth."

During the indoor season his freshman year, Adams brought home a minth-place finish at the ACC Finals in the 400.

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"I'm looking forward to seeing the seed of those individuals challenging to get up on the podium after the 400 at conference," and Reese. "I can see that he is making the big improvements that the needs to be making to compete with the top athletes in the conference."

Adams has already shown significant improvement in his times this season. Ad Virginia Tech last weekend, he bested his indoor personal record in the 400 by 0.6 seconds, lowering it to 48.23. His best time from his freshman season was 48.48 seconds.

"I've only really been practicing with the track team for a couple of months," said Adams. "Last year," I started in September or October, so I am really far ahead of where I was last year."

Adams has been practicing with the track team for a short time because his fall was spent with the State football team.

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"I was told I was going redshirt from the beginning, but I still wanted to get some good work out of football season." Adams said. "I did a lot of lifting and got a lot stronger during the fall."

After football, however, Adams faced an odd transition to get back into shape for the 400.

"Monterrio is first and foremost a track runner." said Reese. "That's his priority, and we need to treat it as such. It's two different energy systems that you use in football and track, so Monterrio is taking a little time coming around. In football, you usually don't run for more than four or five seconds at a time. The quarter mile is one of the most difficult events to get in shape for after practicing with the football team all fall."

As a result of football practice. Adams missed a lot of the base training that is necessary for a successful quar-

that is necessary for a successful quar-ter-miler. "To make up for this, he would go on distance runs in the mornings every now and then to supplement for the training he was missing," said Rees;" "I think that helped him a lot to round into the kind of shape he is in this quickly."

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In high school, Adams was the North Carolina 3-A state champion in the 400 his sophomore and senior years. He was beaten his junior year by

ATHLETICS Names you should know

which the men's basketball team enjoying its most successful season in more than a decade and football coming off its second consecutive bowl appearance, N.C. State fans are understandably excited. Unfortunately, many of State's finest athletes get

Some of the university's best often go unnoticed because their games aren't televised or covered by the mainstream media. With that in mind, here is a small sampling of some of the athletes that every true Wolfpack fan should know about. Some of them have already completed heir seasons, while others are just getting started. They are all, however, talented athletes who represent State well.

Adrienne Barnes, Women's Soccer

Coming out of high school, Barnes could have gone to a Division I school on scholarship to play women's soccer. Instead, she opted to come to State and focus on classes. This summer, Barnes decided to give soccer another shot. Her change of heart became the Pack's gain. During her first season with State, Barnes, a junior, quickly worked ther way into the lineup. By the end of the year, she was a second-team All-ACC selection and the team's leading socrer with six goals, including three game-winners.

Kelli Brown, Gymnastics

Through her first two seasons at State, Brown was a solid gymnast, but last year she clearly established herself as one of the top all-arounders in the East Atlantic Gymnastics League. While injuries plagued many members of the team, Brown took the spotlight. For the first time in her collegiate career, she competed in the all-around at every meet. She was a unanimous first-team All-EAGL selection on vault, the uneven bars and all-around and took first-team honors on floor.

Kaayla Chones, Women's Basketball

After making the ACC All-Freshman team at the end of the 1999-2000 season, Chones figured to be a major cog in the lineup of the women's baseketball team, which was expected to make an NCAA ann. The Pack made the Sweet 16 before bowing out to Connecticut, but Chones ato ut the season with a torn quadriceps tendon in her left knee. While State has struggled this year, Chones is back and playing as well as she did two years ago. Through Sunday's game with North Carolina, she is averaging 12-4 points and 7.1 rebounds per game, both team highs.

Tyrone Dozier, Men's Track

Dozier won the 2000 ACC championships in the indoor and outdoor 400-meter dash. He never got the opportunity to defend those titles last year, however, sitting out the season after having leg-surgery.

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Dozier has returned for one final season with the Pack and has picked up right where he left off. He provisionally qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championships in the 400 over the weekend at Virginia Tech, and he will be moe of the key components in State's 4 x 400 relay team at the ACCs in Chapel Hill this weekend.

Chris Dugan, Men's Cross Country and Track

and back

For the past five years, Dugan has been at the heart of one of the best distance programs in the country. In 1999, Dugan was an integral part of a team that finished third in the country, taking All-ACC and All-America honors; puts as he did the year before. After redshirting last season in cross country, he returned in 2001 for his senior year to lead State back to Nationals. Although he sat out the cross country season last year, Dugan did compete for State's brack team. In the 3,000 steeple-chase, he won the ACC title, took seventh at NCAAs and 11th at the VLSA Indoor Championships in the 3,000, an event has already provisionally qualified for See_JEREMY Page 5.

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ADAMS READY TO TAKE LEAD

Sophomore sprinter Monterrio Adams is preparing to fill big shoes next year.

Todd Lion

All eyes on the N.C. State track and field team will be looking at sophomore Monterio Adams to take the role as the lead sprinter after current national-caliber 400-meter runner Tyrone Dozier graduates later this year. "Tm looking for Monterio to step into Tyrone's place as the top quarter-

miler on the team next year," said assistant coach Terry Reese. "That was my projection when I was recruiting him, and I'm glad to see that he is ready to step into that role."

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**Dof the was State's top 200 and 400 sprinter in outdoor track, capping off his successful season with a fourth-place finish at the ACC Championships with a personal best time of 46.98 in the 400.



Monterrio Adams will be part of the Pack's 4 x 400-meter relay team at the ACC Indoor Championships this weekend.

Women's tennis breaks even on road over weekend ♦ The Wolfpack's swing through South Carolina resulted in a win over Wofford and a loss to

Furman.

Sports Staff Report

GREENVILLE, S.C. — The N.C. State women's tennis team picked up its second win and suffered its second loss of the season last weekend.

The Wolfpack (2-2) traveled to Wofford and Furman as it stayed away from home for the fourth consecutive match to open the 2002 spring season. State will host its first matches of the season this weekend against Coastal Carolina and Charlotte at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex.

The Pack posted a convincing 6-1 victory Friday over Wofford (0-1), beating the Terriers 6-1 in Spartanburg, S.C. The Pack grabbed wins in five singles matches and gain. dthe doubles point. Kartina Gildemeister defeated Wendy Rohr in a tough three-set match at the No. 1 singles spot.

The senior fell short in the second set by one point but bounced back to win the third 7-5.
Kristen Nicholls, Loni Worsley and Myrna Bawono tabbed wins at No. 3, 4 and 5, respectively. Freshman Danielle

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The women's tennis team split its two weekend matches in South Carolina.