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Using knowledge to defeat prejudice

◆ A talk by former prime minister of Pakistan Benazir Bhutto will highlight "Exploring Islam and the Muslim World."

Lauren Deere
Senior Staff Reporter

Benazir Bhutto, former prime minister of Pakistan, will speak on Monday, March 4, at 7:30 p.m. in Stewart Theatre. Presented by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Bhutto's talk is part of a weeklong series called "Exploring Islam and the Muslim World."

"Bhutto's speech is the high point of the program," said Robert Kochersberger, assistant to the dean for international programs and associate professor of English. "She is a spokesperson for women's rights and human rights. While she has been very controversial, she is appropriate for helping to put the Middle East in perspective."

Bhutto served as prime minister of Pakistan from 1988 to 1990 and again from 1993 to 1996, the first woman to hold this office in any modern Islamic state. She was twice elected and twice dismissed.

Bhutto's government, the Pakistan Peoples Party, is part of a coalition to bring democratic elections to Pakistan. While in office, Bhutto is known for beginning an impressive program for social and economic reform. She was dismissed from office for alleged corruption.

Raised in politics, Bhutto's father, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, also served as a prime minister of Pakistan.

Kochersberger noted that to have speakers like Bhutto "really puts us in the major leagues."

She is visiting N.C. State largely due to the persistence of Afroz Taj, assistant professor of foreign languages and literatures, who was instrumental in negotiating with her agent.

Titled "Terrorism, Islam, Democracy and the West," tickets for Bhutto's address are free, but attendees must

The calendar for "Exploring Islam and the Muslim World" is as follows:

Feb. 28 Thursday

Muslim Student Association panel discussion, "Student Perspectives on Islam," 12:40 p.m., Talley Student Center Blue Room. Co-sponsored by the university chaplains' Peace Lunch Forum series.

March 1 Friday

Women's and Gender Studies panel, "Myth and Reality: Women in Islam," 5 p.m., Caldwell Lounge.

March 5 Tuesday

Presentation by N.C. State Libraries, "Researching Islam and the Muslim World: Library Strategies and Collections," 4 p.m., D.H. Hill Library Assembly Room, East Wing.

March 6 Wednesday

Askiya Muhammad, White House correspondent for The Final Call, the official publication of the Nation of Islam, "Ihlah, Jinqisim and Jive: Post-September 11 Reflections on Muslims, Americans and Homeboys," 7 p.m., Poe 216. Co-sponsored by the Africana Studies program.

March 7 Thursday

Dr. George Saliba of Columbia University, "Arabic Science and Its Influence on Europe," 4:30 p.m., Caldwell C-107. Co-sponsored by the Kenan Institute for Engineering, Technology and Science.

make reservations through NCSU's Ticket Central. They will be available to the public starting Feb. 22.

"It was our goal after Sept. 11 to help the university and the community understand the Middle East better," said Kochersberger. "Knowledge is the best way to defeat prejudice."

Bhutto will answer questions after the talk. Throughout the week, other events will focus on the Middle East.

For more information on "Exploring Islam and the Muslim World," visit www.ncsu.edu/chass/institut/islam.html.

Journal says that kidnapped reporter is dead

◆ Pearl's murder was videotaped, according to U.S. Officials.

Peter Baker
and Kamran Khan
Washington Post

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl, who was abducted last month by Islamic extremists while reporting a story in Pakistan, has been killed by his captors, authorities and the newspaper said tonight.

U.S. officials and executives of the newspaper announced the development after a videotape was delivered to the U.S. consulate in Karachi tonight with gruesome footage showing Pearl being killed with a knife, according to a source close to the investigation. His body has not been found but authorities considered the videotape authentic.

"We now believe, based on reports from the U.S. State Department and police officials of the Pakistani province of Sind, that Danny Pearl was killed by his captors," Journal Publisher Peter Kamm said. "We are heartbroken at his death. Danny was an outstanding colleague, a great reporter, and a dear friend of many at the Journal. His murder is an act of barbarism that makes a mockery of everything Danny's kidnappers claimed to believe in. They claimed to be Pakistani nationalists, but their actions must surely bring shame to all true Pakistani patriots."

The State Department decried Pearl's murder but credited the Pakistani government for making "every effort" to save the Journal correspondent. "The murder of Mr. Pearl is an outrage and we condemn it," the department said in a statement. "Both the United States and Pakistan are committed to identifying all the perpetrators of this crime and bringing them to justice."

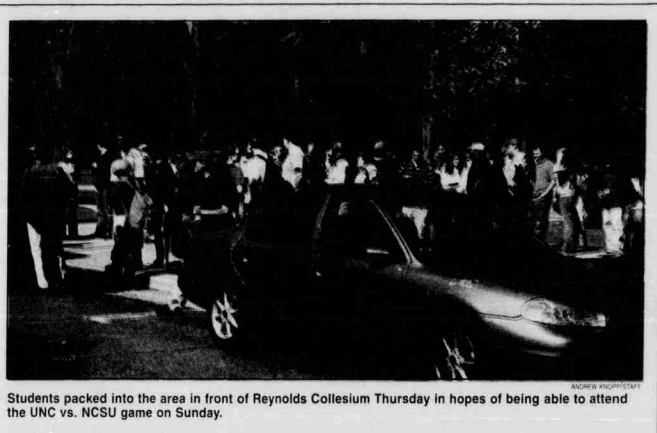
Pearl, 38, the Journal's South Asia

bureau chief, disappeared Jan. 23 after going to a restaurant in the southern Pakistani port city of Karachi to meet with intermediaries he hoped would arrange an interview with an Islamic cleric. Pearl was investigating links between Pakistani extremists and Richard C. Reid, the British citizen accused of trying to blow up a commercial airliner over the Atlantic Ocean with explosives hidden in his sneakers.

His kidnappers sent a pair of e-mail messages to news organizations claiming to have taken Pearl because he was a CIA agent and including photographs of him with a handgun held to his head. The e-mail messages issued a series of demands, including the release of Pakistani prisoners being held by U.S. military at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The Journal and the CIA denied that Pearl worked for the government, the second e-mail message from the kidnappers said they now understood he did not work for the CIA but now linked him to Israeli intelligence, an allegation likewise denied by the Journal.

Police arrested a prominent radical Islamic militant, Sheikh Omar Saeed, who spent five years in an Indian prison for kidnapping four Westerners before being released in a trade with airplane hijackers in 1999. Saeed admitted involvement in the kidnapping, saying he wanted to show that Pakistan should not cater to American needs.

In an open court, Saeed said last week that he believed Pearl to be dead, how- ever Pakistani officials from the president, Gen. Pervez Musharraf, on down publicly cast doubt on his statement. Sources said last week that Saeed told interrogators privately that he believed Pearl was killed Jan. 31 during a failed escape attempt. He said he learned of the deaths on Feb. 5 when he called accomplices who had been holding him. The videotape delivered to the U.S.



Students packed into the area in front of Reynolds Coliseum Thursday in hopes of being able to attend the UNC vs. NCSU game on Sunday.

Lamba Pi Eta to hold CommUnion

◆ The National Communication Honor Society will host an interdisciplinary exploration of ideology and invention.

Brigid Ransome
Staff Reporter

The National Communication Honor Society, Lamba Pi Eta, will be hosting, under the financial umbrella of the CHASS department, "CommUnion: An Interdisciplinary Exploration of Ideology and Invention." The event will be on April 1, at Talley Student Center from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"This conference is geared to encourage a new agenda for knowledge acquisition and diffusion by promoting and encouraging the ability to build community through cooperative scholarship," said conference coordinator, Cindy Spurlock.

Although the format and setting for this conference entail some degree of professionalism, Spurlock was quick to note that it will be a comfortable environment in which both participants and attendees will not only familiarize themselves with the structure and of an academic conference, but it will also be a mutual learning experience and sharing of ideas.

"It is not going to be a hippie love fest or anything like that, rather a relaxed cooperative interaction of ideas," she added.

These "interactions of ideas" will take the form of presentations by the student body. Presentations include research papers, panel discussions, short performances, posters, multimedia projects, honors projects/theses, portfolio selections, film/video/audio productions and consulting projects. Students can present on virtually any topic from a department discipline.

Past Lamba Pi Eta honor conferences were exclusive to members only and did not incorporate varied disciplines. CommUnion, however, is very inclusive, incorporating both undergraduate and graduate students, part time or full time, from select departments and disciplines.

The renovation of this conference also paved the way for the introduction of new ideas and facets to occur. This does not only range from varied presentation types but also the attendance of sister schools such as Duke, UNC-Chapel Hill, Appalachian State, ECU, Meredith College, UNC-Greensboro,

consulate in Karachi left no doubt that Pearl was indeed killed, according to the source. The videotape showed Pearl speaking with someone, almost as if he were conducting an interview, when suddenly an unseen assailant grabbed him and slit his throat, the source said. The videotape included no date, no audio and no faces other than Pearl's, the source said.

Pearl's wife, Mariane, who is pregnant with their first child, had remained in Karachi issuing several public pleas with kidnappers to release her husband unharmed.

His death could prove to be a major international embarrassment to Musharraf and his government. The case has been the top issue in Pakistan

Peace, Shaw and others.

The keynote speaker for this event will be Larry Grossberg, who presently serves as the Morris Davis professor of communication studies at the UNC-CH and is chair of the Executive Committee of the University Program in cultural studies.

This academic conference may appear similar to the many others that are hosted. However, what sets this one apart from the norm of conferences is the way it openly embraces participation and not only welcomes, but applauds originality in presentation. Additionally, this originality is rewarded.

CommUnion also provides the opportunity to display a portfolio or research to professors outside NCSU in a non-competitive yet effective manner. "Participating and/or attending CommUnion is beneficial on both an idealistic and pragmatic level. Whether you're planning to enter the workforce, go to graduate school or finish your undergraduate degree, CommUnion will have something for you," said Spurlock.

Participating departments and disciplines include: anthropology, mass communication, foreign languages and literatures, interpersonal communication, speech disorders, English/literature, multimedia production, cultural studies, philosophy and psychology.

Other include: political science, history, performance studies, public policy, organizational communication, linguistics, health communication, ethnography, virtual identities and rhetoric.

Lastly, the following departments will also be participating: virtual embodiment, media ecology, media production, virtual reality, communication ethics, public relations, design theory, communication theory, film studies, multidisciplinary studies, sociology and political science.

Interested participants should submit a title and abstract or project description, before March 15th 2002 to:

CommUnion 2002
C/O Department of Communication
NC State University
201 Winston Hall
Campus Box 8104
Raleigh, NC 27695-8104.

Questions or concerns pertaining to this event can be addressed to the conference coordinator, Cindy Spurlock, at csurlock@ncr.com.

Musharraf has found conflicting interpretations of the roots of the abduction case. In an interview before heading to Washington, he blamed the crime on agents working with arch-rival India, even though Saeed has been one of the leading fighters against Indian rule in the disputed province of Kashmir.

Then while in Washington, Musharraf suggested the kidnapping was part of a backlash against his recent campaign against Islamic extremism in Pakistan.

The winning Carolina vouchers are from 1 to 537 and 2981 to 4061. Winning voucher holders may pick up tickets in front of Reynolds between 9AM-12PM Saturday, February 23, 2002. Only 2 ID's per person. Any extra tickets will be given out at noon.

T-shirts to be sold at campout

◆ T-shirts supporting Herb Sendek will be sold at Friday night's campout.

News Staff Report

Premium tickets aren't the only perk to participating in this year's campout for tickets to the men's basketball game versus UNC-Chapel Hill Sunday night.

In addition, students will have the opportunity to buy T-shirts that show support for N.C. State coach Herb Sendek.

The shirts will cost \$8 and all proceeds will go to the Student Wolfpack Initiative, a student based scholarship endowment.

There is a limited supply, however, so students should buy early. Sales begin Friday at 5:00 p.m. directly in front of Reynolds Coliseum.

The shirts are sponsored by The Athletics Task Force and by Student Government.

Attention: off-campus residents

The Outer Residence Council is currently seeking student input to determine where most students off campus. If you are currently living off campus, email your area or apartment complex to ncsu_orc@hotmail.com. This information will help them determine where the most students are to help better serve them. Residents of University Towers are included.

TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

No to tuition increase

A POOR ECONOMIC CLIMATE NOTWITHSTANDING, N.C. STATE'S TRUSTEES SHOULD REJECT A \$400 TUITION INCREASE.

Technician squarely opposes N.C. State Chancellor Marjorie Anne Fox's proposed tuition increase. That position does not, however, exist without some reservation.

There are some incontrovertible facts supporting tuition increase proponents. A taxed state budget holds no extra money for higher education and likely will not for the foreseeable future. In the absence of a solid revenue generator, like a lottery, a tax increase for higher education is also unlikely. According to statistics presented by Natalie Duggins at Tuesday's tuition town hall, NCSU students pay only about 20 percent of the total costs of their college education, with taxpayers footing the rest of the bill. Higher education at a UNC System school is still a relative bargain, though it may, by necessity cease to be for NCSU to reach the level of quality of peer institutions like Duke University.

Further, the causes Fox wants to fund — financial aid, faculty salary increases and faculty recruiting — are all worthy ones. It's admirable that, when the increase passes (and it will), financial aid will benefit.

But the arguments against the increase are simply more compelling.

Discarding the archaic N.C. Constitutional dictate that higher education at public schools be offered "as far as practicable... free of expense" to North Carolina residents — because,

frankly, free of expense is no longer practicable — the long line of tuition increases NCSU students have had to face has reached the point of ridiculousness. The \$400 increase will follow three consecutive semesters with \$300 increases, along with inflationary N.C. budget-mandated increases. It could also be accompanied by another UNC Board of Governors increase.

This is simply too much, too soon. Show the exhausting trend of making revenue by raising tuition continue, the UNC and NCSU powers-that-be will find themselves with an elite student body — financially, if not academically.

Further, according to information published in The News & Observer Tuesday, poor-mouthed pleas from the administration regarding faculty salaries may not be as true as they have appeared.

In this space Wednesday, Technician bestowed student apathy regarding the tuition increase. But, it's entirely possible that a long string of tuition increases has left students not apathetic resigned to the fact that, until their tax-paying, bloo-voting parents begin raising their voices, we are stuck with these increases.

Fox is currently working a five-year plan for tuition. It is Technician's sincere hope that she will create it carefully and find some sort of tuition ceiling — and adhere to it.

Bush's Asia trip produces mixed results

PRESIDENT BUSH AVOIDED MAKING ANY MAJOR MISTAKES IN HIS ASIAN TRIP, BUT ATTEMPTS TO BUILD "AXIS OF EVIL" FOREIGN POLICY FALTER.

In a whirlwind trip this week, President Bush visited Japan, South Korea and China to address major U.S. foreign relation concerns in Asia. The trip, postponed by the Sept. 11 attacks, allowed Bush to speak with Asian leaders about economic relations and recovery from a global recession, as well as to explain how Bush's recent "axis of evil" rhetoric applies to U.S. policy in the region.

The headline issue of Bush's Japan leg of the trip involved support for Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi's reform-oriented agenda. Japan has been plagued by recession throughout the last decade, and world observers have repeatedly expressed annoyance with Japan's lethargic implementation of real reforms.

The Bush administration also floated desires to execute a "diplomatic trade" of sorts, where the U.S. would pressure Russia to give up northern Japanese islands captured in World War II while Japan would pressure Iran to stop the proliferation of weapons to questionable groups. The administration also sought Japanese support for any action the U.S. takes on Iraq, but considerable opposition from Japanese groups who cite constitutional conflicts and lack of justification as reasons to not support such actions.

Support for Koizumi's reform agenda is essential for reasserting Japan's influence over the region as China emerges in the world economic market. It's not particularly clear whether the Japan trip was meant as anything more than a public relations visit, but the effect on Japan currently seems minimal.

South Korea: President Bush's trip to South Korea was almost exclusively dom-

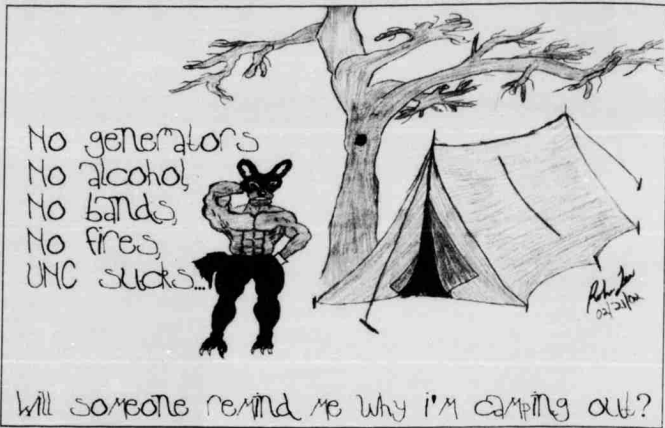
nated by discussion of North Korea. Here, Bush elaborated on comments made a month ago that classify North Korea as part of an "axis of evil" with Iran and Iraq. Leftist groups and politicians in South Korea have voiced concerns and protests over Bush's statement, saying that such comments will only cause a worsening of North-South relations. Seemingly to assuage fears of potential division caused by his "axis of evil" comments, Bush said that the U.S. was open to diplomatic talks and that resistance by the North was the only thing preventing dialogue.

However, Bush's statements stand in contrast to Bush's unilateral withdrawal from talks with North Korea early in his presidency and refusal to sign a Clinton-brokered deal that would have stopped the North's missile and nuclear development programs.

Bush finally pushed the "evil button" during his visit to the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ), which separates North and South Korea. With regards to a "peace museum" display of a pair of axes used 25 years ago, Bush said, "The axes that were used to slaughter two American soldiers are in the peace museum. No wonder I think they are evil."

Bush's attempts to build a Korean foreign relations policy on his "axis of evil" rhetoric are awkward at best and, more likely, counterproductive. Bush's approach has only polarized the North into further isolation, and, as a result, stymied the "Sunshine policy" that is intended to unite families from the North and the South and open up economic and cultural ties.

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Will someone remind me why I'm camping out?

Gun training and licensing a must



Karl Smith STAFF COLUMNIST

I have been a competitive fighter since I was seven years old. The training and practice that I have received in Goju Ryu, Judo and freestyle, Greco and school style wrestling enable me to inflict a great deal of damage on a would-be opponent. However, that same training has taught me respect for violence. It has taught me that in a fight, everyone loses.

To be clear, I love violence. I love the aching in my hands and the taste of blood in my mouth after a fight. Yet, I also know first hand the pain of being hurt and, more importantly, the pain of hurting others. This is something that young people are so sorely missing in a society that teaches them that fighting is evil.

It is also why it is important that every person receive training not only in safety, but also in the art of violence itself before they are allowed to wield a weapon as powerful and as mobile as a handgun.

Violent situations move very, very quickly. Two minutes is an eternity in most fights. One has very little time to think, much less to react in a careful, calculated way. Many inexperienced fighters believe that they can predict the sequence of events that will occur once they are inside fight. "If someone attacked me, I would..." they

will say. The rush of adrenaline, the speed of the action and the sheer number of options your opponent has make this virtually impossible even for well-experienced fighters. Inside of a fight, the only thing you can rely on is extensive training. Unfortunately, many gun owners do not have this.

An obvious consequence of this is that your gun may be turned against you. However, far worse and more likely is that you will raise the attacker's level of conflict from the threat of violence to deadly force. Most attackers do not want to kill you. If they did, you would already be dead.

Pulling a gun dramatically changes the nature of the fight. Now, the attacker must not only escape, but also neutralize you as a threat. The easiest way to do that is to kill you. Once they have killed you, they now might as well kill the people you may have been trying to protect.

Yet, even if you escape with your life, you face the prospect of taking the violence too far and killing or permanently injuring someone you didn't want to have been in a situation where someone threatened me in a way I felt warranted killing him.

However, killing someone with your bare hands is a relatively slow process and half way through I realized I didn't actually want this person to die, so I let him go. If I had a hot him rather than closed off his carotid artery, I wouldn't have been able to do that. I may or may not have faced jail time, but he certainly would have been seriously injured and I would have had to live with that.

I realize that requiring so much training and licensing for law-abiding citizens does not prevent criminals from using handguns. However, putting restrictions on the free flow of guns and makes the street price of guns and raises them less attractive for the petty, inexperienced criminals who are most likely to panic and shoot someone.

If an experienced criminal wanted to kill you, you would never have a chance. That's because no matter what, he has the most powerful weapon of all — the element of surprise. No matter how well armed you are, the only thing that will help you in that situation is sheer ineptitude on the part of your assailant. He can hide, wait until you pass by and then shoot you in the back.

Unlike Hollywood villains, it will not be in his best interest to talk it out with you before he does you in, thus giving you time to pull your gun and win the day. Therefore, your best course of action is not to somehow try to out-gun potential criminals, but to avoid dangerous situations and, if you are in one, to be as non-threatening as possible and get to safety as soon as you can.

Very few things are worth not risking your life, but the life of those traveling with you. If you feel that you absolutely must carry a weapon, then you should be required to have training not only in gun operation, but violent situations themselves or else risk doing more harm than good.

Karl will show you how to kill some with your bare hands, but only if you learn to meditate first. E-mail him at kwsmith2@unity.ncsu.edu.

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Thankful for teachers



Shelly Lea STAFF COLUMNIST

In their lifetimes, most people have the opportunity of meeting someone who has greatly influenced them; if they are fortunate, they have more than one. Likewise, I have had this experience more than once with my family and friends.

However, until I came to N.C. State, I was never able to say that about a teacher. After being at this school for three semesters, I can honestly say that NCSU has one of the hardest-working faculty dedicated to the students here. Yet last semester, I was privileged to have another outstanding teacher.

At the beginning of last semester, I ultimately had to finish my English requirement by taking English 112. After registering, I found out I had Professor Clovis as an English teacher. I thought I was going to have a difficult semester, and my motto actually became "Just make a 'C,' Shelly." Taking the

class soon became more than a grade — it became a beginning. When I first entered the classroom door of pure agony, all I thought about was the five papers I had to do before the semester ended. I was sure that I was going to spend half of my days writing and rewriting every paper just as I did my first semester, without understanding the reason why I had to write them.

When Professor Clovis handed out her expectations and assignments on the first day, I was sure that I was going to end up spending those countless hours in the lab again.

Then, in the middle of the semester, I received my grade after I had my first writing assignment returned. To my dismay, I learned that it was poorly written, and I had missed one quiz. I immediately asked her for a conference in order to discuss whether or not I was going to pass her class. I did not need the conference in the end, because she simply told me that I needed to be more responsible for my work.

After that, I realized that she was right. I had to stop trying to get by just because I didn't like English, and I had to actually grasp the knowledge of it and make it my life, at least for one semester. The last four papers I wrote became a journey into my own knowledge and feeling

about whatever material was assigned. My papers became meaningful to me, and I enjoyed writing them and accenting every word with my heart and soul. It became more than a grade; it became an avenue to better writing.

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Merci pour un aide et votre effort dans ma vie. Muchas gracias por todas las veces que me ayudaron y me hicieron ser un mejor persona. Danke schon fur seinen Hilfen. Shukran.

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CAMPUS FORUM

Benzant's data amazing

On Friday (Feb. 15), I was amazed to read in Holly Benzant's article that there were over 4 billion births in 2000. 400 million I would believe, but 4 billion? I can only assume this was a typo, or that I am misinterpreting the data. Both highly plausible given the alternative: assume that the earth's population was 6 billion in 2000. Furthermore, assume that 50% of that population is made up of women. This leaves 3 billion women. One can

assume that it is possible for a woman to give birth twice in one year (giving birth in say, March, followed by December). So according to the numbers quoted, EVERY SINGLE female on earth gave birth once in 2000. Plus, one third of them gave birth twice. I must have been really focused on my schoolwork not to notice...

Thomas Caldwell Senior Computer Engineering

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R U L E O F T H U M B

N.C. State, UNC-CH payment plans



In order to help students cope with ever-increasing tuition, NCSU and UNC-Chapel Hill unveiled a new installment payment plan this week. Signing up will give students a low introductory rate of 17.2 percent interest, which will be accompanied by a complimentary stress-reliever ball.

Drinking and cancer



Italian researchers released a study this week that suggests frequently consuming high volumes of alcohol could contribute to higher risks of liver cancer. The researchers also remarked about how much they liked "The Macarena" and how much it sucked when Kurt Cobain died.

Liberty Bell in jeopardy



The FBI increased security around the Liberty Bell this week after receiving "unspecified information" that suggested it might be attacked. And this is a good thing. For if anything were to happen to it, say, like it got broken or something, it would be such a tragedy.

Popular Presidents



An ABC News poll this week revealed that Lincoln is Americans' favorite President, followed by a tie between JFK and George W. Bush. Interestingly enough, all three presidents underwent attacks on their lives: Lincoln and JFK from gunmen, and Bush from a jagged Rold Gold.

Helms and AIDS



Sen. Jesse Helms announced this week that he has new-found support for the fight against the AIDS crisis. This announcement came after Helms realized that sometimes even bad things happen to good conservatives.

Spanish debate canceled



Two candidates for a gubernatorial nomination in Texas canceled a debate this week that was to be held in Spanish. One candidate blamed the other, who backed out after realizing "Spanish" was a whole other language, not just a dialect of Texan.

District of Columbia



Washington, D.C. granted Mike Tyson a boxing license this week, allowing plans to take place that could have Tyson in the ring as early as June. D.C. doesn't seem to be concerned about what worried Las Vegas: Tyson (de)fac[ing] Lennox Lewis.

Cumberland County EMS



Revolutionaries in Cumberland County unveiled their new bicycle EMS program. The plan, the only one of its kind, has many unique aspects, including the recipients of the service being billed via Pony Express.

American gold



Apolo Ohno won the Olympic gold medal in the men's 1500-meter short track speed skating championship after first place finisher Kim Dong-sung was disqualified. After hearing the news, Dong-sung shouted the American's last name in a fit of disappointment.

Internet drug dealers



A couple was convicted this week for selling Propecia, Celebrex and Viagra illegally over the Internet. Prosecutors had a leg up from the start when the man — badly in need of a haircut — seemed so happy to see them as he walked into the courtroom.

BUSH

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China: The last leg of Bush's six-day trip brought him to China, where Bush was much less critical of the communist leadership. Bush voiced concerns over human rights violation and religious persecution, but Chinese President Jiang Zemin deflected such criticism with typical rhetoric, saying, "As long as the two sides act in a spirit of mutual respect ... we will be able to gradually narrow our differences."

In addition, the Bush administration had hoped to ink a deal that would curb weapons and sensitive technology exports to the "axis of evil" countries, among others, but negotiations to do so did not succeed. The administration expressed continued support for the 30-year-old Taiwan Relations Act, which says that the U.S. will continue to supply weapons to Taiwan to defend from any aggression. Likewise, Jiang

Zemin reiterated China's "one-China" policy that claims Taiwan as part of China.

Bush's China policy demonstrates acute awareness of China's economic potential. China's growth, as well as American private sector interest in China, is forcing the administration to warm relations with the Communist country. Economic development and the sheer size of China seems to account for the relatively favorable treatment of China, even though the same charges leveled against North Korea can be leveled against China.

Overall, the results of Bush's Asia trip can be described as mixed. Bush did all one could expect to do with regards to affirming support for Japanese reform. Bush's approach to North Korea did very little to improve North-South relations, while giving the North good reason to pull out of unification talks without any real penalty. Lastly, Bush did what any president visiting China should do: condemning human rights abuses while securing amicable trade relations for the future.

Sammy's Tap & Grill

Every Thursday Live Reggae

**TONIGHT - win a trip to Atlanta
Bud Light/ESPN-Quarter Bouncers
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TONIGHT - John Dupree 10pm

**Sunday Night - John Dupree 8pm
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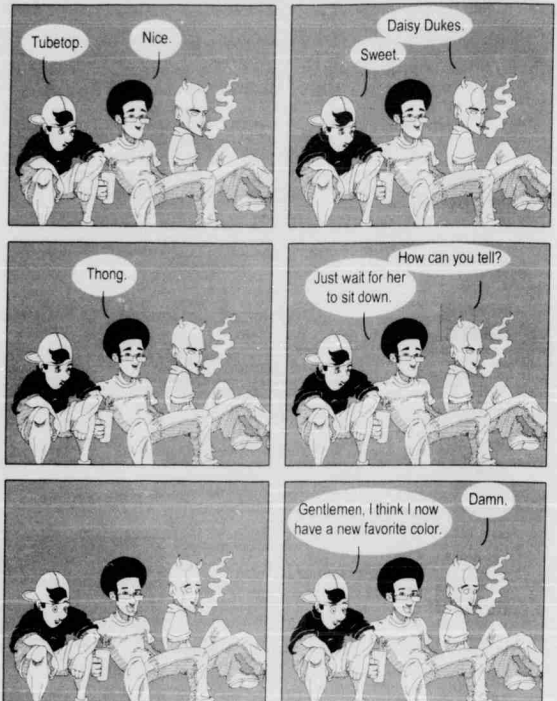
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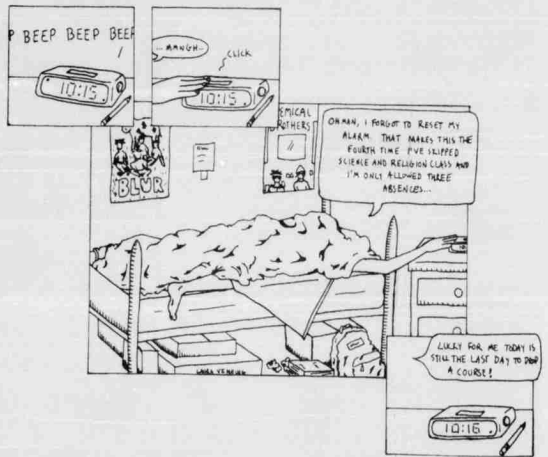
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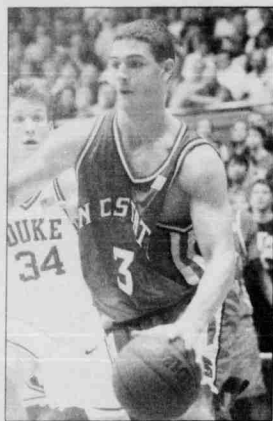
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Men's Basketball Standings:

Team	ACC Record	Overall
Maryland	12-1	22-3
Duke	12-2	24-2
Wake Forest	8-5	18-9
N.C. State	8-6	19-8
Virginia	6-7	16-8
Florida State	4-9	11-13
Georgia Tech	4-9	12-15
North Carolina	3-10	7-17
Clemson	3-11	12-15

Individual Statistical Leaders:

Points

Player, Team	PPG
1. Jason Williams, Duke	21.3
2. Juan Dixon, Maryland	19.2
3. Roger Mason Jr., Virginia	18.8
4. Carlos Boozer, Duke	18.3
5. Mike Dunleavy, Duke	17.8
6. Darius Songaila, Wake Forest	17.5
7. Anthony Grundy, N.C. State	17.0
8. Tony Akins, Georgia Tech	16.1
9. Monte Cummings, Florida State	15.3
10. Lonny Baxter, Maryland	15.0

Rebounds

Player, Team	PPG
1. Travis Watson, Virginia	10.2
2. Ray Henderson, Clemson	8.9
3. Jason Capel, North Carolina	8.6
4. Lonny Baxter, Maryland	8.5
5. Carlos Boozer, Duke	8.4
6. Darius Songaila, Wake Forest	8.2
7. Josh Howard, Wake Forest	7.7
7. Chris Wilcox, Maryland	7.7
9. Mike Dunleavy, Duke	7.3
10. Ed Nelson, Georgia Tech	6.9

Assist/Turnover Ratio

Player, Team	Ratio
1. Archie Miller, N.C. State	2.51
2. Steve Blake, Maryland	2.38
3. Edward Scott, Clemson	2.26
4. Chris Duhon, Duke	2.21
5. Tony Akins, Georgia Tech	1.69
6. Delvon Arrington, Florida State	1.66
7. Anthony Grundy, N.C. State	1.62
8. Roger Mason Jr., Virginia	1.46
9. Jason Williams, Duke	1.40
10. Broderick Hicks, Wake Forest	1.33

Team Statistical Leaders:

Scoring

Team	PPG
1. Duke	91.1
2. Maryland	83.8
3. Wake Forest	82.8
4. Virginia	79.6
5. Georgia Tech	75.1
6. N.C. State	74.6
7. Clemson	74.4
8. North Carolina	72.2
8. Florida State	71.4

Field-Goal Percentage

Team	Pct.
1. Duke	48.9
2. Wake Forest	47.9
3. Maryland	47.2
4. Virginia	45.7
5. N.C. State	44.9
6. Clemson	44.0
7. Florida State	43.9
8. North Carolina	43.1
9. Georgia Tech	42.1

Rebounding Margin

Team	Margin
1. Clemson	+5.8
2. Virginia	+5.3
3. Maryland	+4.2
4. Florida State	+4.0
5. Wake Forest	+3.9
6. Georgia Tech	+2.0
7. Duke	+1.4
8. N.C. State	+1.0
9. North Carolina	-3.3

Stats through games played on Feb. 20

Carolina on Jan. 23 in Chapel Hill. Grundy, enjoying the best season of his career, has become much more than the answer to the trivia question: "Who made the last shot in Reynolds Coliseum?" He's poised to become the first Pack guard to land a spot on the All-ACC first team since Rodney Monroe, State's all-time leading scorer, in 1991.

"I think Anthony's having his career-best season," said Sendek. "He's been consistent on both ends of the floor. The thing that's made Anthony so special is that he's done that with such a young surrounding cast." Miller was the prized recruit of Sendek's first full State recruiting class. Five years later, he has the opportunity to end an injury-plagued career in the grandest fashion — with a ticket to the "Big Dance."

While it was Grundy who sank the last shot in historic Reynolds, a meaningless jumper from the top of the key in a NIT loss to Princeton, it was Miller who christened the ESA by clinching the first ever Pack win with a timely 3-pointer to defeat Georgia.

Against the Heels, Miller and the Pack find

themselves embarking on a new, unfamiliar role that many teams are enjoying this year against Carolina — that of the favorite.

To defeat the Heels and complete a season sweep for the first time since 1992, the Pack won't need to call upon the ghosts of Mark Davis, Lakista McCuller or even C.C. Harrison, all former Pack guards who led the team to gigantic upsets of the Heels in the last 10 years. Numerous turnovers, the lack of a true leader and inept ball handling have been the recipe for Carolina's worst season ever. A capable go-to

scorer has not emerged out of coach Matt Doherty's club, and the result has been a turnover-prone team that has failed to turn the corner.

Case in point: Wednesday night against Ohio. The Heels were coming off a home ACC win over Florida State and were seemingly building momentum for the showdown with their neighbor down the road. However, a victory was not in store for the Heels, as they looked lethargic and played carelessly in an uninspiring loss to the Bobcats.

One of the few bright spots for the Heels is the

improving play of Adam Boone. The Minnesota native appeared lost at times earlier this season, but recently seems to be coming around as exemplified by a 28-point performance in Sunday's win over the Seminoles.

"It's no secret that you have to have good guard play to be successful, and when he plays well, we play well," said Doherty. "I think he's gotten better each and every week, and hopefully, he will continue to develop that way."

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BASKETBALL

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Redshirt sophomore Kaayla Chones was the only other State player to hit double figures in scoring. Chones, who only played 20 minutes due to foul trouble, scored 14 on 5-of-7 shooting.

State surged out to a quick 14-4 lead in the first six minutes and never trailed. Maryland pulled as close as 33-32 early in the second half and had a chance to take the lead. The Pack, however, answered with eight quick points, including a pair of 3-pointers by walk-on freshman Liz Bailey, to push

the margin back to nine. The Terrapins would never threaten again.

Maryland was led by junior Renneika Razor and senior Deedee Warley, who each scored 13. Senior Jamecca Harrell hauled in 10 rebounds, but the Pack held an overall 37-28 edge on the glass.

"I thought it was a great team effort tonight, particularly on the boards," Yow said. "Everybody was really good on the boards and got good rebounds."

The Pack's game with Clemson is scheduled to tip-off at 7 p.m. Monday in Reynolds Coliseum. It will be the final home appearance for Talisha Scates, the team's lone senior.

BASEBALL

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when we had guys on the bases. I think had we had a couple of key hits here and there, then the outcome over the weekend would've been different."

In its most recent performance against Elon Tuesday afternoon, the Pack seemed to have its offense and defense clicking. Despite falling behind midway through the ballgame, State never gave up, and with strong

pitching by left-hander Mike Prochaska from the end of the fifth inning on, the Pack was quickly presented with the opportunity to come back.

State did just that, scoring four runs in the bottom of the eighth to tie the game at 13, while Prochaska quickly retired the Phoenix in the top of the ninth. Then, the Pack took the 14-13 win with a high bouncer by Coli Morton that drove in Brian Wright for the winning run in the bottom of the ninth.

Despite Elon's high run output, the improved play on the mound has been a welcome

addition for State lately.

"When we brought in Bill Kernan as our pitching coach, we knew that we were getting one of the best," Avent said. "I think he's done a fabulous job of training our pitchers so far."

"Last weekend, we played four games in three days, which can make any coach a little nervous. But we only used six of our pitchers. Our four starters gave us great performances and went deep into each game. As the season goes along, that is going to only help us."

Coppin State is coached by former Baltimore Orioles center

fielder Paul Blair, who holds an 18-148 record with the Eagles. They feature two solid offensive producers in Bobby Otero and Kevin Solano, who are batting .500 and .429 respectively.

"They played VMI last weekend and didn't do as well as they had hoped, losing 6-2 in one and 10-0 in the other," said Avent. "But they are well-coached, and we've got to be ready at all phases of the game. We're constantly trying to improve every time we step out on the field and we need to continue what we've been working on to do well this weekend."

on the road for five straight meets. To compete in front of a large crowd is a big lift for the gymnasts, and one they experienced last week in the Heats Invitational.

"It was really fun to come back where people are yelling and cheering and appreciate the sport," said Stevenson of last week's crowd. "It was enjoyable for the kids because it makes it a lot more fun to have people that are cheering for them."

GYMNASTICS

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one of the top teams in the nation.

"We're definitely up there," Brown said. "We just need to hit a few more nice and consistently. Once we believe in ourselves in every event, we can go as far as any other team out there."

Sunday will be the second time State and Towson will have competed against one

another this season. At the Governor's Cup, which was held in College Park, Md. on Feb. 3, the Pack placed second with a score of 194.825 to Towson's fourth-place finish (190.975). Overall, the Pack and North Carolina won the Governor's Cup over Towson and Maryland.

Despite Towson's showing in that meet, Stevenson knows that Towson is solid.

"Towson's a good team that's just having some problems this year," Stevenson said. "They've had several kids out with

injuries, small ones, that have just kept people out of the lineup."

Stevenson knows all about what injuries can do, especially after State was decimated with that problem last season.

"I relate very well to that," he said. "And I can empathize with what they're going through. It's very frustrating to be a very good team and not have the people able to get up there and go for you."

The Towson meet on Sunday will be the Pack's second home meet of the year after competing

TENNIS

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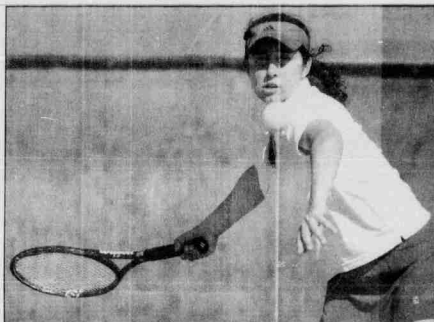
should prove a tough match for the Pack.

The Tigers defeated No. 52 Penn State 5-2 and narrowly beat No. 43 Virginia 4-3 to begin the season. The Pack might have an advantage playing outdoors because Princeton has yet to travel away from Jadwin Gym this season.

"They've just been playing at Princeton, indoors," Olsen said. "They are used to the shorter points and matches. We are used to playing outdoors with longer points and matches, so our endurance may help us."

For Olsen, these challenges will give his team a chance to learn, something it has done each match.

"This will help us take a step forward with our focus," said Olsen. "With each match, we've learned more about ourselves."



Jennifer Jassawalla and the women's tennis team have matches this weekend against South Carolina and Princeton.

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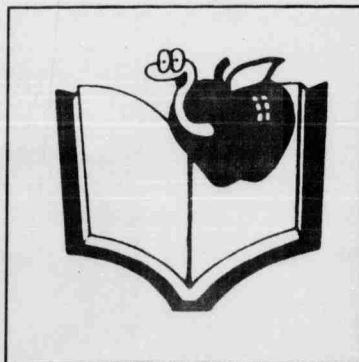
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Friday Sports



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 M. Tennis vs. High Pt., 2/23, 9:30 a.m.
 W. Tennis vs. S. Carolina, 2/23, 1:30

Improving Pack hosts Eagles

◆ The baseball team will take on Coppin State this weekend in its first three-game series of the 2002 season.

Justin Sellers

Senior Staff Writer

The beginning of a season allows a team to see where it is after a long off-season and then, if needed, make the adjustments to its play that will yield its best performance in a game.

Beginning Friday afternoon at 3 p.m., the N.C. State baseball team (4-3) will try to continue making strides when it hosts Coppin State (0-2) in its first weekend series this season at Doak

Field. This series continues a 19-game homestand for the Pack, which opened the stretch Tuesday with a 14-13 win over Elon.

WHAT: BASEBALL VS. COPPIN STATE

WHEN: FRIDAY, 3 P.M.; SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, 1:30 P.M.

WHERE: DOAK FIELD

and showed much improvement while at the Crab House Invitational in Charleston, S.C., over the weekend, with solid pitching and a more aware defense.

What it lacked, however, was offensive production. In the three losses to The Citadel, Richmond and James Madison, State combined for seven total runs, far less than its average of 20 per game in its first two wins of the year.

"We've swung the bats pretty consistently all season thus far," said Avent. "What happened in Charleston was that we saw better pitching than we had previously. But we weren't able to get hits; we just couldn't drive in the runs



Coppin State makes a visit to Doak Field for a series with the Pack.

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Women close out Cole



Kaayla Chones finished with 14 points in the Pack's 66-54 win.

◆ N.C. State shot a season-high 59.5 percent to win the final women's basketball game at Cole Field House.

Sports Staff Report

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — In the final women's basketball game at Cole Field House, N.C. State ruined the farewell party.

On Senior Night and with more than 50 former Maryland players in attendance, the Wolfpack (13-13, 7-8 ACC) beat Maryland (12-15, 4-11) 66-54. The Terrapins will begin playing in the new state-of-the-art Comcast Center next season.

With the win, State kept its chances for an NCAA Tournament berth alive. The Pack needs to add a win Monday in its regular-season finale against Clemson to ensure itself at least a .500 record for the year.

State shot a season-high 59.5 percent from the floor in the victory while holding Maryland to 35.1 percent.

"Our defense was really solid tonight, in both man and zone," State head coach Kay Yow said in the post-game press conference. "We did a really good job mixing our defenses up and playing well."

Junior Carisse Moody led the Pack, picking up 16 points in just 21 minutes off the bench. Moody was 7-of-10 from the floor on the night.

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	1	2	Final
N.C. State	33	33	66
Maryland	27	27	54

Statistical Leaders

N.C. State		
Points	Moody	16
Rebounds	Scates/Olanrewaju	6
Assists	Rivers	5

Maryland		
Points	Warley/Razor	13
Rebounds	Harrell	10
Assists	Smith	3

Player of the Game

Junior Carisse Moody came off the bench to score a game-high 16 points on 7-of-10 shooting in just 21 minutes of action.

Swan song for seniors



Anthony Grundy (2) will play his final home game with the Wolfpack on Sunday when the Tar Heels visit the ESA.

◆ Seniors Archie Miller and Anthony Grundy will try to cement an NCAA Tournament bid for the Wolfpack.

Matt Middleton

Senior Staff Writer

When Anthony Grundy and Archie Miller step on the hardwood of the Entertainment and Sports Arena for the last time Sunday, their names

INSIDE announced one final time, the two guards, who came to Raleigh as members of different recruiting classes, will have some unfinished business to attend to.

With a win over a struggling North Carolina team (7-17, 3-10 ACC), the Wolfpack (19-8, 8-6) would pick up its 20th win overall and secure a winning conference record for the first time since 1991 — a resume that has NCAA Tournament written all over it.

Since the NCAA Tournament expanded its field to 64 teams in 1985, only one 20-win team from the six major conferences has been left out — Alabama in 2001.

UNC vs. NCSU

Sunday, 6:30 p.m. • ESA

UNC leads 128-71

Probable Starters	Point Guard	Probable Starters
Adam Boone	Archie Miller	
6.7 PPG	9.3 PPG	3.3 PPG
Melvin Scott	Shooting Guard	Anthony Grundy
6.5 PPG	2.0 PPG	5.6 PPG
Jawad Williams	Small Forward	Julius Hodge
9.7 PPG	4.1 PPG	10.1 PPG
Jason Capel	Power Forward	Ilan Evtimov
14.7 PPG	8.6 PPG	6.7 PPG
Kris Lang	Center	Marcus Melvin
14.6 PPG	6.2 PPG	9.3 PPG

"I think our team has built a resume that will allow us to be in the NCAA Tournament," N.C. State head coach Herb Sendek said prior to Wednesday's loss at Georgia Tech.

To further bolster its NCAA

Tournament credentials, the Pack hopes to get a repeat performance from the senior duo of Miller and Grundy, who combined for 41 points in State's 77-59 victory over

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Women's tennis prepares for weekend

◆ The Wolfpack will face two quality nonconference opponents.

Billy Freeman

Staff Writer

The N.C. State women's tennis team will have its hands full this weekend.

The Wolfpack (3-3) will start the weekend against 22nd-ranked South Carolina Saturday at 1:30 p.m. and finish with Princeton on Sunday at 1 p.m.

State will look to leadership from Katrina Gildemeister and Kristen Nichols, both seniors and the No. 1 and 2 singles players, respectively.

They also form the No. 1 doubles team. The Wolfpack will compete in the friendly confines of the Wolfpack Tennis Complex for the second weekend in a row after opening the season with four road matches.

WHAT: W. TENNIS VS. S. CAROLINA, PRINCETON

WHEN: SATURDAY, 1:30 P.M.; SUNDAY, 1 P.M.

WHERE: TENNIS COMPLEX

"I think each of these teams is talented," said State head coach Hans Olsen. "I like the chal-

enge."

The Gamecocks (5-1) have started this season well, beating two top-40 opponents, most recently Harvard.

USC poses a serious threat with two players, Courtney Bergman, ranked No. 21, and Jennifer Radman, ranked 71st.

Radman also teams up with Kathy Boyanovich to give the Gamecocks a formidable doubles team, ranked 26th in the nation.

Princeton will be playing only its fourth match of the season when it visits Raleigh. Nevertheless, the Tigers

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Gymnasts turn to Towson

◆ The gymnastics team, coming off a strong showing at the Hearts Invitational, hosts Towson Sunday.

Andrew B. Carter

Senior Staff Writer

The N.C. State gymnastics team had, by most standards, a strong meet last weekend in the Hearts Invitational.

With a third-place finish, the Wolfpack gymnasts (9-4) scored more than 194 for the third consecutive meet, and they held their own with Nebraska, the No. 5 team in the country, and Auburn, a top-20 caliber team.

WHAT: GYMNASTICS VS. TOWSON

WHEN: SUNDAY, 1 P.M.

WHERE: REYNOLDS COLISEUM

But don't hold it against them if they're not completely satisfied because, despite the strong performance, the Pack believes it can do better.

The team struggled on the balance beam last weekend, counting two falls in its score. Had the Pack put together its normal performance on the beam, a second-place finish to Nebraska could have been had.

"The kids were not happy with themselves after the competition on beam," said coach Mark Stevenson. "They've come in this week and worked really hard on making themselves focus harder. They're doing a really nice job."

State, anxious to compete again, will face Eastern Atlantic Gymnastics League rival Towson at Reynolds Coliseum on Sunday at 1 p.m. After facing some of the top competition in the country last weekend and practicing hard all week, the Pack is eager to show its improvement this weekend.

"We spent a lot more time on beam this week," said senior Kelli Brown. "Every routine we did, we did it the way we wanted to compete, and if it didn't come out that way, we did another one. That's the plan for the rest of the season, and, hopefully, it will work out for us Sunday."

Brown, who has been one of the team's most consistent gymnasts throughout the season, and the rest of the team learned that despite struggling with beam, State has the potential to be

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Mariyn Madey is coming off her first career event win as the gymnastics team hosts Towson.