

# Friday CHNICIAN



A soft night

of 'Ushairi'

♦ Part of the Pan-Afrikan Festival, "Ushairi" was held on Sunday night.

Angelena Thomas

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What's the Swahili word for poetry, beauty of the mind and high skill? Ushairi.

On Sunday night, as a part of the Pan-Afrikan Festival, the Union Activities Board Leisure and Entertainment Committee presented "Ushairi," an evening of poetry and jazz.

Participants in the event included N.C. State students as well as local artists from the community and surrounding areas.

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# Symposium lends insight to future

 The fourth annual Parks Scholars Symposium addressed the future of the Internet age.

Avren Jackson

News ballers

Predicting the future is a virtue that many people dream of possessing. We want to know where we will be and what our lives will be like in the next 10, 20 or 30 years. We specifically want to know, among other things, if we will be married or not. if we will be right or not or if we will be happy or not compared to the predict the future in the aforementioned cases, Jim Levitt, the director of the Internet and Conservation Project at Harvard University, says that there are some things about the future that are predictable.

On Wednesday in the Witherspoon Student Center Cinema, Levitt presented a lecture for the fourth annual Parks Scholars Symposium. The focus of the

lecture was "Networks and Nature: Unforeseen Advances and Drawbacks of the Internet Age."

"The things that we can predict," said Levitt, "is that the population will continue to be created and networks will continue to proliferate."

During the discussion, Levitt explained the purpose of the Internet and Conservation Project, Ultimately, the project is focused on the "constructive and disruptive impacts of new networks on the landscape and biodiversity, as well as on the conservation community."

Through field research and discussions across the country, such as the Parks Scholars Symposium, the project is attempting to send a message.

Levitt, a conservationist, says that many other conservationists, entrepreneurs and politicians alike are concerned about the direct and indirect effects of newly emerging networks. In addition, the project, to date, has caught the attention of a diverse cross-

section of public, private, non-profit and educational institute leaders. Many individuals and organizations have become involved in this project specifically to "better understand the changing demographics and network usage patterns of American households" in an economy that is greatly influenced by the Internet.

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"The impact of the Internet and FedEx-style logistics systems on land use and biodiversity over the next Syears may be comparable to the impact of the Interstate Highway System, passeger avaition and broadcast media over the last 50 years," said Levitt. "New networks are likely to have a mix of both disruptive and constructive impacts."

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Amanda Parodi, co-chair of the symposium planning committee, said that though the student-led committee spent many late nights deciding on who to bring to lecture at the symposium, "Lewitt's research is pertinent to our diverse audience."

"how new communications and trans-portation networks impact demogra-phy, land use, the natural environment and the conservation agenda in North America."

In addition to his work with the proj-ect, Levit it's also a proprietor of a tree farm in Maine and a contributor to the creation of several steam and electric-ity projects in New England and the southeastern United States.

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ty projects in New England and the southeastern United States. During the lecture, Levitt, who holds a B.A. in anthropology from Yale College and a master's in public and private management, discussed his ideas on conservation issues and the ideas of other innovators.

"As a group, the innovations must be comprehensive in scope and bold in conception," said Levitt.

Levitt's innovative ideas have already been the topic of many circles of discussion. His notion that the Intermet and the environment are intervined is a unique one that many proponents agree will be crucial to the society in 10, 20 or 30 years from now.

areas. When asked if she had any pre-per-formance jitters, Colleen Parker, a senior in Spanish language and literature, quickly replied. 'No, I'm not nervous.' Parker performed a poem entitled 'Temporarily Mine.' The host for the event was poet E.A. The sounds of the band can be attributed to four North Carolina Central University students as well as a singer from Greensboro, N.C. Hors d'oeuvers and beverages were

form Greensboro, N.C.
Hors of oeuvres and beverages were served as guests enjoyed poetry, spoken word and smooth jazz music.
Candleighst ethe mood along with cultured art from around the area. To add to the eloquence of the evening, each table was presented with a long-stem rose.
The goal of this year's Pan-Afrikan Festival is to "illuminate, celebrate and educate" the African-American culture and heritage, and Ushairi was also sponsored by The Cypher, Poetic Collections and Yancey's Jazz and Blues

# 2002 Harrelson Lecture will tap into terrorism

♦ Gen. Barry McCaffrey will give a free lecture Monday about the "War on Terrorism."

N.C. State will welcome one of America's most distinguished veterans to address the current challenges facing the United States during a time when terrorism is till a threat

terrorism is still a threat. Gen. Barry McCaffrey will give the 2002 Harrelson Lecture on Monday at 3:00 p.m. in Witherspoon Student

Center. His lecture, "The War on Terrorism," is free, open to the public and will be followed by a reception. The lecture will explore the repercussions of Sept. 11 and various ways that the United States can deal with those terrorist organizations responsible and those that still threaten national security. McCaffrey will also explain the effective counter-terrorism defense tactics in the country that are currently being used by law-enforcement agencies.

as intelligence coliection, the formation of multinational coalitions, global military operations and military, economic and political strategies.

McCaffrey is currently the Olin Distinguished Professor of National Security Studies at the U.S. Military Academy. At his retirement, he was the most highly decorated and youngest four-star general in the U.S. Army.

During his service, the twice received the Distinguished Service Cross for valor and was awarded three Purple Heart medals. The Purple Heart is given for wounds received in combat.

He served as commander-in-chief of the U.S. Armed Forces Southern Command, coordinating national secu-ity operations in Latin America. Afterwards, he became director of the White House Office of Drug Control Policy and currently serves as a nation-al security and terrorism analyst for NBC News.

The Harrelson Lecture was created in 1961 to bring outstanding leaders to speak on campus. It was established by a bequest from the late Col. John W.

### **Public Relations Day** a first at NCSU

♦ N.C. State will host Public Relations Day on April 26.

Heidi J. Collins

Success in the business world depends on more than just previous experience, know-how and a college degree — knowing proper etiquette, having a great resume and making contacts before get-ting out of college can also have a sig-nificant impact on the prosperity of a fotuto genue.

inficant impact on the prosperity of a future career.

To help students polish a professional appearance, the N.C. State chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America is hosting Public Relations (PR) Day on April 26 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Talley Student Center.

This is the first time NCSU has been chosen as one of eight schools in the nation to host PR Day Twenty-nine universities from North Carrolina, Virginia and West Virginia were invited to participate in the conference, which includes speakers from all aspects of the public relations field. Resume critiques, a career expo and an etiquette lunch are also being organized for this event.

In addition, there will be enrichment

and networking opportunities available to all participants and all majors are

to all participants and all majors are welcome. For non-PRSSA members, the conference is \$15 without the etiquette lunch or \$20 with the lunch. For PRSSA members, the fee is \$12 without the lunch or \$17 with the lunch. For anyone who registers on the day of the event, the conference is \$14.

The fee includes: a choice of three out of six speakers presenting on topics such as Health Care PR, Sports PR (event planning). Crisis Communication, Integrated Marketing, Non-profit and Life after College; two resume critique sessions (the second critique will be during the career expo); an etiquette taught by business manners professional Carol Schroeder; a free raffle ticket for the raffle that will be held during lunch; and a welcome packet for those that register on Friday.

To register, stop by the PRSSA bulletin board on the second floor of Winston Hall and pick up a form. After filling out the form and including a check (made out to NCSU PRSSA),

### NCSU and Meredith College host psychology conference

Undergraduate students will present approximately 113 research papers at the conference.

This weekend, undergraduate students from all over the Southeast will flock to N.C. State and Meredith College to take part in the 26th annual Carolinas Psychology Conference. This conference, the largest of its kind, will be an opportunity for students to present their research in various fields of psychology. A total of 113 research papers based on original experiments will be presented. Research will not be the only thing on the agenda, however. Reid Lyon, a neuropsychologist and chief of the Child

Development and Behavior Branch within the National Institute of Health and Human Development, will address participants, as well.

The conference will also host a Friday night social, a panel discussion entitled "What to do with a B.A. in Psychology" and an intercollegiate "Jeopardy"-style competition spon-sored by the American Psychological Association.

Association.

The conference is open to all students and staff and begins with the social at 7 p.m. on Meredith's campus. The research paper session will begin at 8 a.m. on Saturday in Ledford Hall at Meredith. Onsite registration is \$15.

For more information, see www2.ncsu.edu/ncsu/cep/Psychology/ car\_conf/index.htm.



The cookers begin to arrive at Tucker Beach for the annual event. A free cookout was sponsored by the First Year College.

### Wolfpack and Tar Heels to walk for fundraiser

♦ A fundraiser will bring N.C. State and UNC-Chapel Hill together to help an important cause.

N.C. State students will join students from UNC-Chapel Hill tomorrow for a 27-mile walkathon to raise funds for Operation Sunnse Africa and the AIDS Foundation of South Africa. Walkers will convene at the UNC bell tower at 7:30 a.m. and are expected to arrive at the NCSU Bell Tower at 4:30

p.m. The walkathon theme "Bell Tower to Bell Tower, Hand in Hand" signifies the impact the fundraiser has by unifying two rival schools, in addition to other Triangle campuses and volunteers. The walkathon is aimed at building aware-ness and raising funds needed to help in

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Melody Gardner, associate director of
the Impact Movement in the Triangle,
said in a press statement, "AfricanAmerican college and high school students, as well as business and professional leaders, are being challenged to join in
an immense project called Operation
Sunrise Africa."

Operation Sunrise Africa is one of the largest mission efforts in history. The mission began in Africa in an effort to unite Christians from all denominations. The aim of Operation Sunrise Africa is to deliver the message of Jesus Christ to 50 million people. The campagn lasts 50 days in 50 crites of eastern and southern Africa. Operation Sunrise Africa is one of the

The Impact Movement, a ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ, acted on the mission to bring the spiritual needs of African-Americans within the distinction

of the olick culture.

According to Gardner, after taking into account the coordination of logistics, funds received from the walkathon will be evenly split between Operation Sunrise Africa and the AIDS Foundation of South Africa.

"We want to demonstrate as Christians our concern for meeting the spiritual and physical needs of the South Africans we'll be meeting this summer," Gardner

The goal of the walkathon is to raise \$100,000. More than 20 students and volunteers are expected to participate this Saturday to obtain this goal.

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Campus Crusade for Christ is now the largest evangelical organization in the United States, according to USA Today. The organization is active in more than 191 countries and ministers on more than 1,000 campuses nationwide.

# Alcohol study data daunting for colleges

Michelle Rothman

COLLEGE PARK, Md. - The first comprehensive study on drinking's impact on college campuses, released Tuesday, found alcohol has been a factor in more than 1,000 student deaths a year. The study draws more attention to an issue many university students became waver of after the recent death of a university student from alcohol intoxication.

versity student from the first transfer of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Task Force on College Drinking, found drinking by college stacks ages 18 to 24 contributed to about 1,400 student deaths, 500,000 injuries and 70,000 cases of sexual assault or date rape each year. The data was gathered by using a number of national data-

bases with information about drinking and its consequences.

"The harm that college students do to themselves and other as a result of excessive drinking exceeds what many would have expected." Ralph W. Hingson, professor of social and behavioral science at Boston University and lead author of the study, sad in a statement.

Many university officials and students agreed with Hingson, citing the study as a cause to increase educational efforts. "It's starding when you hear that such a large number of deaths occur in each year," Student Government Association President Angela Lagdameo said. "This study should be a catalyst for us to educate others more, especially woman who are in danger of sexual abuse."

The Feb. 14 death of freshman Daniel Reardon, 19, warned many students about the dangers of alcohol, Lagdameo said. Reardon was found unconscious in a fraternity house Feb. 8 and placed on life support. Acute alcohol intoxication with complication was later ruled as his cause of death.

"Daniel Reardon's death instigated us

to take [alcohol abuse] more seriously, six said. "Statistics are nothing unless a person takes them seriously but once you have a death on campus you can't refuse that. It's a reality."

The study also examined the amount of heavy drinking on campuses, finding that about 40 percent of students binge drink. Also, in a recent survey, about 20 percent of students reported binge drinking more than three times in a period of two weeks. Binge drinking is defined as five or more drinks in a row for a man and four or more drinks in a row for a woman.

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"I would think that the study is fairly accurate to this campus," Leah McGrath, coordinator for substance abuse prevention at the University Health Center said. We might be a little bit under that. With that 20 percent there can be people that 'de into trouble. I think it's important to remember that most students do choose to drink responsibly."

Some find contention with the statistics because of the study's definition of binge drinking, claiming alcohol affects people on an individual basis.

"I do question their definition of binge drinking," Lagdaime said.
"I'm curious to know why they choose that definition because in my mind that should be an individual definition."
Officials said the study is relevant to the campus but they think the university is ahead of many others. Several recommendations made by the task force to combat alcohol abuse have been implemented by the university, such as fortiding keg parties, said university spokesman George Cathear.
"We need to look at I'm y first impressions are the recommendations," Cathearn said. "My first impressions are the recommendation or a little bit thin."

Shift thin:

One of the study's suggestions, the addition of Saturday classes and more Friday classes, would likely be ineffective. Catheart said.

'I'm not sure that that would be cost-effective or effective at all.'The said. I'm not sure that would be solution at all in terms of addressing the culture. We have Friday classes now and yet Thursday night is one of the biggest party nights in College Park.''

The health center may begin to increase efforts to educate students abour fights and other injuries caused by alcohol, in addition to continuing to educate students about drinking and driving and other issues. McGrafts said. The study found that more than one-fourth of college students drove under the influence of alcohol in the past year.

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"I think it's definitely leading us to look at different focus areas where we do our education," McGrath said.

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The health center offers a state-certified treatment program for alcohol abuse, which students who receive alcohol citations are referred to. It also has counselors that visit classes educating students, in what McGrath calls a, "non-biased, nonjudgmental way."

McGrath said she thinks educational efforts impact students and create awareness about issues surrounding alcohol.

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"We get a lot of positive feedback," she said. "Students come up to us and say, "I didn't know that about alcohol" ... Feedback that we get leads me to believe

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tion form.

Last day for pre-registration is
Friday, Students can register the
actual day of the event but will
not receive a welcome packet or
be eligible to attend the etiquette

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lunch. On April 26, registration will begin at 8 a.m., and the activities will run from 9 a.m. to

5 p.m. Dress for the day is business

casual.
Visit the PSSRA's Web site to find a complete schedule of the day, as well as descriptions of the day's activities at www.ncsu.edu/stud\_orgs/prssa/index.htm. For other questions or concerns, contact Megan Rounds

concerns, contact Megar Rounds ar rounds917@netscape.net or Donna Nalevanko at danale-va@unity.ncsu.edu.

from as far as Greensboro and Charlotte, N.C., to attend this

Charione, Sec. to mean event.

The diversity of the audience, the poets and the jazz artists confirmed the event's success.

Ushairi was also recorded and will be sent to Russell Simmons's Def Poetry Jam.

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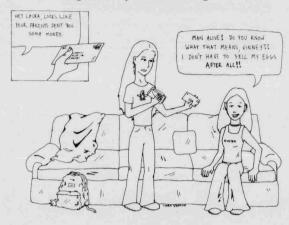


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was as confused and depicesed as ever. Seems though, Zathael lost his shadow, so they hopped into their bug-shaped space critard and sent hooking for it.

They found the shadow in the hands of Maxine, who had taken it to be a demon spirt. Zathael and the shadow ran at each other and a finge explosion followed, resulting in the shadow crattaching. Just when everything seemed back to normal cas normal as normal can fe/s the Archangel Gabriel showed up.







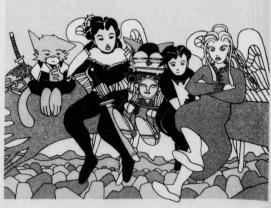


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ECHNICIAN'S VIEW

### **Bush call for cloning** ban justified

BUSH'S PUSH PRESIDENT HUMAN CLONING WOULD ESTABLISH CONTROLS ON RESEARCH **NECESSARY** THAT HAS THE POTENTIAL TO BECOME UNWIELDY.

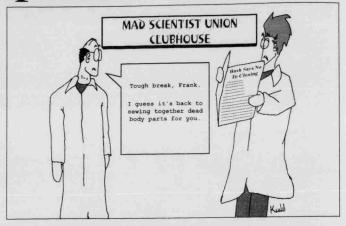
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President Bush's request that the Senate pass a total ban on the cloring of humans and human enthyros establishes an appropriate stance on the issue. In recent years, generic science has advanced ahead of the governin-off a shifty to oversee that such the chronlogy is first used improperly or uncthreally. Bush's call for a ban on human cloring is necessary because the government needs to prevent this new research from getting out of control.

An immediate ban on human cloring is needed for his more than the fact that scientists are far from perfecting the cloning process. Currently, scientists produce a lot of failures before they can produce all of the fact that scientists are failured to the fact that scientists are failured to the fact that scientists are failured to the failure would be an unacceptable amount for any cloning process. Additionally, evidence from carrent exhanges age prematurely. Even a recent batch of cloned mice exhibited the control of the failure would be an unacceptable amount for any cloning process had been considered from carrent exhaust age prematurely. Even a recent batch of cloned mice exhibited had been considered to the control of the failure would be an extended to be control of the failure would be an extended to the control of the failure would be a failure

Full human cloning remains quite objectionable because research thus far has provided little foresight as to what consequences could be incurred from full human cloning. It is conceivable that someone with bad intentions could utilize cloning in some unforessen way to harm others. Since research provides no direction as to how the technology will be used, a ban is needed to prevent the science from being misused. With regards to cloning, the government needs to actively take responsibility to ensure that reasonable standards of ethics are upheld. The reasons for cloning a full human which ultimately amount to because it can be done," are dismissible in the face of previously listed reservations and ethical concerns. It's not compelling to approve human cloning to saits of the wishes of eccentrics who want to refer to approve human cloning to compelling to approve human cloning to saits of the compelling to approve human cloning to saits of the control of the case of the compelling to approve human cloning.

Ultimately, the majority of Americans still subscribe to some set of morals—often religious — that says that human cloning is wrong. In the least, most still subscribe to some set of morals—often religious — that says that human cloning is wrong. In the least, most affect it is perfectly acceptable for President Bush and legislators to acknowledge prevalent ethical and moral concerns over human cloning. Thus, legislators' efforts to enact a han on human cloning are welcome, needed and justified.



### Charges of racism are baseless



By now, every-one is aware of the allegedly "racist" com-"racist" com-ments made to Najja Baptist by two other stu-dents in Dr. Philip Munoz's PS 205 class and

PS 205 class and the ensuing mess. That includes charges by Baptist against for creating a racist, hostile environment and charges by Baptist and charges by Baptist and savisor. Floyd Hayes, that Munoz and CHASS administrators did not act to eliminate racial discrimination and are, therefore, complicit in it.

administrators did not act to eliminate racial discrimination and are, therefore, complicit in it.

I almost didn't write this column because I didn't want to add to the publicity that Baptist and Hayes apparently crave. Of course, instead of fame, all they've managed to achieve is infamy and notoriety.

Hayes has been described by an anonymous colleague as "an old, '60s radical looking for a cause." I would only modify that by saying that he has found a cause: attempting to convince everyone that America is a racist society in which slavery was never actually abolished, only transformed. What he's looking for are targets. Like something out of Jesse Jackson's playbook. Hayes is exploiting the campus administration's fear of the all-powerful race card to further his agenda. That is exactly why Hayes has been speaking about details of the case with complete impunity despite a

gag order from the dean.

He has been quoted in Technician and Nubian Message articles and has spoken on WKNC; in each instance, he attempted to push his bizarre version of things on the public. Munoz, however, being respectful of the due process to which Haves only pays lip service, has not been able to defend himself against these blatantly baseless accusations. And his accusers talk about getting screwed by the system!

less accusations. And his accusers talk about getting screwed by the system!

So what it comes down to is this: Munoz and the two accused students are completely innocent. First, neither incident actually occurred during class, so it's questionable as to whether Munoz should even have been expected to do anything. Nevertheless, he did address the situation and ask the students to remain civil. Furthermore, the charge that the students created a rarisst environment is absurd. The female student made a comment that Baptist apparently took to mean "go back to Africa."

Let's try to put this in some sort of context since no comment is ever made in a vacuum. It turns out that the female and Baptist were in a heated debate that had turned personal. Baptist was apparently railing about America being the most racist country in the world and what an awful place it is. Now, if a white student had been whining about being oppressed by blacks through use of the ever-present race card and was then told by a black student that if he didn't like it, he could go back to Europe, would that be considered racist? Probably not. So, it was probably an inappropriate and tactless thing to say but hardly

racist. The second incident, from what I know, involved a student using foul language in a conversation with Baptist. It had nothing to do with racism or discrimination at all.

Being a student in a class taught by Hayes, I have repeatedly heard him call for a "civil society," by which he means a society in which we treat one another in a civil manner. It strikes me as curious, then, that he is passionately working against that very principle. He and Baptist are attempting to create a racial issue where one does not actually exist. In true Jacksonian (Jesse, that is, fashion, they are using the extreme sensitivity of administrators to anything involving the possibility of a black person being offended to get what they want.

For Baptist, that appears to be fame. It is unclear what Hayes' ultimate goal is (Although, it has been said that he is using this to get back at faculty and administrators with whom he does not get along,), but he certainly seems to enjoy being at the center of a white-on-black racism controversy. The only problem is that this one was manufactured.

While the First Amendment protects the two students, Munoz is at the mercy of a fear-stricken CHASS administration that has yet to muster the courage to defend him. I once again find myself calling on the students and faculty of this university to reject the divisive, hateful tactics of those who would invent racial problems to serve their own interests.

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### Rats ruined my date



I come from the suburbs of Greensboro, N.C. (not Winston-Salern). Therefore, my knowledge of rat habitats and diet were limited. My first time seeing rats, actually, was when I came to school here my freshman year. Now, I see them all the time and have become accustomed to their presence. I do not know too many places where I see everyone stop when a rat is present. I believe that this school is too heavily populated with rats. I know that on a big campus, such as N.C. State, having rats is a natural thing (They eat the drining hall food, after all,), but I am beginning to think that the rat population is becoming a bit of a problem and should be solved expeditiously before there are more rats on campus than there are students.

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One of my friends jokingly says that there needs to be more cats on campus. To some extent, largeet. The cats will eat the rais and that will control the rat popularion from growing rampus there on campus. Also, the addition of cats will eat the rais and that will control the rat popularion from growing rampus there on campus. Also, the addition of cats will be control to the control of the control

#### Administration failing to enforce policies

As a community member vitally interested in North Carolina's university system. I am more than a little distressed by the evasive response of Vice Chancellor Stafford (April 8) to the racial harassment of Najja Baptist in PS 205.

The fact is, a white student intervened in a conversation that was not hers to shout at Najja Baptist that he should "go back to Africa." In response to this "exercise of free expression," Professor Munoz turned not to the young woman who had violated explicit NCSU policy, but to Najja Baptist, cautioning him to remain "civilized." a freighted term if ever there was one. Baptist was subsequently subjected to more threatening and offensive remarks by another student, and when a number of African-American students quietly protested by standing in the back of a classroom, yet another white student ran off to report "50 of them, about to start a riot."

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ran off to report "50 of mem, atosus to start a riot."

Now Stafford proposes to have experts" conduct a "racial climate survey" next fall to determine how to better be "inclusive and diverse." This is bureaucratic Orwellian mush, attempting to hypnotize us with the monotonus repetition of key phrases and the Valium of a survey, which translates to "just caim down until school's out, and it will go away." This incident makes clear what the racial climate is at NCSU.

clear what the racial climate is a NCSU. This is not an issue of "discourse, "free expression," "civility" of "debate." Debate!? This is a clear-cu

case of a racist insult hurled at a black student, an inappropriate and ineffec-tive response by the authority on the scene and an administration that refus-es to acknowledge that white suprema-cy is not about lack of "olerance" or lack of "olversity," but an exercise of systemic power by one group over another.

### Stafford employs doublespeak

The open letter from Dr. Thomas Stafford to Technician was a non-response in the face of mounting protest to the racist assault of an African-American student on NCSU's campus. Stafford's "appeal" basically

U contained the same bureaucratic doublespeak that most of us have come to expect from this university's administration with respect to serious racial sissues. I don't know how Dr. Stafford can say with a straight face that he is simultaneously committed both to racist free speech ("civil discourse") and to opposing all forms of racial harassment on campus. Plus, he has the enve to credit the Office of the Provost with initiating the Racial Climate Survey when it was, in fact, proposed by a student over a year ago. The racial survey really is beside the point, however. The issue at hand is that a student was verbally attacked because of his race in the middle of class, and this incident seems to be indicative of larger racial problems on this campus. That is what Dr. Stafford should be focusing on, and only then would he be displaying his stated commitment to diversity that he and the rest of the university's administration are so fond of pontificating to the public. contained the same bureaucratic dou-

Yolanda M. Carrington Raleigh

#### **Baptist incident** blown out of proportion

The ongoing controversy that has arisen from Dr. Munoz's PS 205 class has become ridiculous. I am in the PS 205 with Najia Baptist and was present on February 19. Dr. Munoz immediately addressed the racist comment that was made. He condemned the remark, expressed his displeasure in such arcist remark being made and asked the class to please keep the conversations

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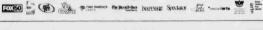
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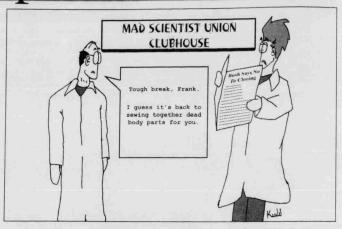
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Full human cloning remains quite objectionable because research thus far has provided little foresight as to what consequences could be incurred from full human cloning. It is conceivable that someone with bad intentions could utilize choning in some unforeseen way to harm others. Since research provides no direction as to how the technology will be used, a ban is needed to prevent the science from being missted. With regards to cloning, the government needs to actively take responsibility to ensure that reasonable standards of ethics are upfield.

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### Charges of racism are baseless



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ments made to Najia Baptist by two other students in Dr. Philip Munoz's PS 205 class and the ensuing mess. That includes charges by O'Connor Baptist against the two students for creating a racist, hostile environment and charges by Baptist and his advisor. Floyd Hayes, that Munoz and CHASS administrators did not act to eliminate racial discrimination and are, therefore, complicit in it.

I almost didn't write this column because I didn't want to add to the publicity that Baptist and Hayes apparently crave. Of course, instead of fame, all they've managed to achieve is infamy and notoriety. Hayes has been described by an anonymous colleague as 'an old, '60s radical looking for a cuse.' It would only modify that by saying that he has found a cause: attempting to convince everyone that America is a racist society in which slavery was never actually abolished, only transformed, What he's looking for are targets. Like something out of Jesse Jackson's playbook. Hayes is exploiting the campus administration's fear of the all-powerful race card to further his agenda. That is exactly why Hayes has been speaking about details of the case with complete impunity despite a

gag order from the dean.

He has been quoted in Technician and Nubian Message articles and has spoken on WKNC: in each instance, he attempted to push his bizarre version of things on the public. Munoz, however, being respectful of the due process to which Hayes only pays lip service, has not been able to defend himself against these blatantly baseless accusations. And his accusers talk about getting screwed by the system!

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So what it comes down to is this;
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Munoz and the two accused students are completely innocent. First, neither incident actually occurred during class, so it's questionable as to whether Munoz should even have been expected to do anything. Nevertheless, he did address the situation and ask the students to remain civil. Furthermore, the charge that the students created a racist environment is absurd. The female student made a comment that Baptist apparently took to mean "go back to Africa."

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racist. The second incident, from what I know, involved a student using foul language in a conversation with Baptist. It had nothing to do with racism or discrimination at all.

Being a student in a class taught by Hayes, I have repeatedly heard him call for a "civil society," by which he means a society in which we treat one another in a civil manner. It strikes me as curious, then, that he is passionately working against that very principle. He and Baptist are attempting to create a racial issue where one does not actually exist. In true Jacksonian (Jesse, that is) fashion, they are using the extreme sensitivity of administrators to anything involving the possibility of a black person being offended to get what they want.

For Baptist, that appears to be fame. It is unclear what Hayes' ultimate goal is (Although, it has been said that he is using this to get back at faculty and administrators with whom he does not get along,) but he certainly seems to enjoy being at the center of a white-on-black racism controversy. The only problem is that this one was manufactured.

While the First Amendment protects the two students, Munoz is at the mercy of a fear-stricken CHASS administration that has yet to muster the courage to defend him. I once again find myself calling on the students and faculty of this university to reject the divisive, hateful facilies of those who would invent racial problems to serve their own interests.

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### Rats ruined my date



One Saturday night, I spent the evening with the evening with the wonderful man of my dreams, or so I thought. We walked through the campus so I could show him how big it is since he does not go to this school. Needless to say, he was very

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I come from the suburbs of Greensboro, N.C. (not Winston-Salem). Therefore, my knowledge of rat habitats and diet were limited. My first time seeing rats, actually, was when I came to school here my freshman year. Now, I see them all the time and have become accustomed to their presence. I do not know too many places where I see everyone stop when a rat is present. I believe that this school is too heavily populated with rats. I know that on a big campus, such as N.C. State, having rats is a natural thing (They eat the dining hall food, after all.), but I am beginning to think that the rat population is becoming a bit of a problem and should be solved expeditiously before there are more rats on campus in hin there are students.

One of my friends jokingly says that there needs to be more cast on campus. To some extent, I agree. The cats will eat the rats and that will control the rat population from growing rampant here on campus. Also, the addition of cats will not affect the school's budget, and they do not attack people.

On a serious note, I cannot figure out why the rat population is so enormous here on campus. Surely, none of the food here is that wonderful, I think some attention needs to be put into why there is an influx of rats here on campus. Surely, none of the food here is that wonderful, I think some attention needs to be put into why there is an influx of rats here on campus. Surely, none of the food here is that wonderful, I think some attention needs to control the population so one can eliminate the students can do about it. Of course, no one can eliminate the students can do about it. Of course, no one can eliminate like, will not be affected by it. I am sorry I had to part ways from an usual control manyway.

Have suggestions? E-mail them to Shelly at silee@unity.ncsu.edu.

### Administration failing to enforce policies

As a community member vitally interested in North Carolina's university system, I am more than a little distressed by the evasive response of Vice Chancellor Stafford (April 8) to the racial harassment of Najja Baptist in

The fact is, a white student intervened in a conversation that was not hers to shout at Naija Baptist that he should "go back to Africa." In response to this "exercise of free expression," Professor Munoz turned not to the young woman who had violated explicit NCSU policy, but to Najja Baptist, cautioning him to remain "civilized," a freighted term if ever there was one. Baptist was subsequently subjected to more threatening and offensive remarks by another student, and when a number of African-American students quietly protested by standing in the back of a classroom, yet another white student and for report "50 of them, about to start a riot." The fact is, a white student intervened

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Now Stafford proposes to have "experts" conduct a "racial climate survey" next fall to determine how to better be "inclusive and diverse." This is bureaucratic Orwellian mush, attempting to hypnotize us with the monotonous repetition of key phrases and the Valium of a survey, which translates to "just calm down until school's out, and it will go away." This incident makes clear what the racial climate is at NCSU.

This is not an issue of "free expression," "civility" or "debate." Debate!? This is a clear-cut case of a racist insult hurled at a black student, an inappropriate and ineffec-tive response by the authority on the scene and an administration that refus-es to acknowledge that white suprema-cy is not about lack of "tolerance" or lack of "diversity," but an exercise of systemic power by one group over another.

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Stafford's response is essentially saying that NCSU's response to the offended student is to protect racist "free speech" and cherish something called "diversity."

Diversity is not and never has been the issue. "Diversity" is a feel-good phrase invented by guilt-ridden white liberals to evade the real issue of economic, political and social power exercised by a rich, white establishment over an oppressed and exploited African-American people and the system of white supremacy through which non-rich whites can reap a "social wage." In short, it's not diversity but power that is the issue.

And the problem is that NCSU's, administration is now failing to aggressively and effectively enforce its own stated policies on behalf of the offended student.

Stan Goff

#### Stafford employs doublespeak

The open letter from Dr. Thomas Stafford to Technician was a non-response in the face of mounting protest to the racist assault of an African-American student on NCSU's campus. Stafford's "appeal" basically

contained the same bureaucratic doublespeak that most of us have come to expect from this university's administration with respect to serious racial issues. I don't know how Dr. Stafford can say with a straight face that he is simultaneously committed both to racist free speech ("civil discourse") and to opposing all forms of racial barassment on campus, Plus, he has the nerve to credit the Office of the Provost with initiating the Racial Climate Survey went it was, in fact, proposed by a student over a year ago. The racial survey really is beside the point, however. The issue at hand is that a student was verbally attacked because of his racie in the middle of class, and this incident seems to be indicative of larger racial problems on this campus. That is what Dr. Stafford should be focusing on, and only then would he be displaying his stated commitment to diversity that he and the rest of the university's administration are so fond of pontificating to the public.

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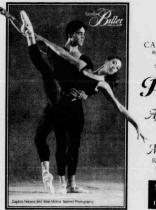
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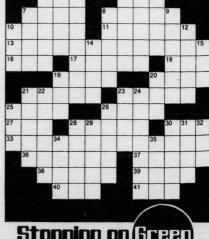
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#### WolfpackNotes

Prochaska honored as ACC Baseball Player of the Week

N.C. State's Mike Prochaska earned this week's Atlantic Coast Conference Baseball Player of the Week honor after eading the Wolfpack to a 3-0 victory over No. 1 Clemson on the road, Saturday.

the road, Saturday,
Prochaska, a sophomore left-handed pitcher, shut out the No,
I team in the nation by scatter-ing four hits, allowing four walks and striking out six of the
31 batters he faced. More specifically, he allowed just one base runner to reach scoring position and limited the Tigers to all singles.

to all singles.
With the win, the Raleigh native improved his record to 4-0 with a 2.27 ERA for the season. He was the second Wolfpack player to win the award this season, after Tim Coffield won the award for the week of February 25.

Holt on Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List

Senior safety Terrence Holt has been named to the 2002 Bronko Nagurski Trophy watch list, annually given to the nation's top defensive college football player. Holt was one of 33 athletes named and only one of four from the ACC.

Last season, Holt was a first-team All-ACC performer after finishing third on the team with 104 tackles. He also blocked four field goals last year, tying him for most in the nation. Within his career, he has seven career field goal blocks and two punt blocks. Holt also played more snaps than any other Wolfpack player in 2001 — 795 plays from scrimmage and numerous plays on special teams.

As a sophomore in his first

teams.

As a sophomore in his first season as a starter in 2000, Holt earned second-team All-ACC accolades after recording 89

for,"

The matches start today with Daniel Caldwell (5-4) taking the mound at 7 p.m. for State on Friday. Mike Prochaska (4-0) pitches Saturday, and Derek McKee (2-3) will wrap up the series Sunday.

**WALTERS** 

confidence.
"I started thinking (that) I actually might be able to play this game," he said. "From then, I always wanted to go to the States, but I never really did anything about it because I thought it would be too expensive."
But then, when a friend who had contacts to Huntingdon College in Alabama suggested that he come to the United States to play. Walters found the opportunity too good to resist.
"I managed to get over there [to

the Pack.

But still, despite the success on the course. Walters misses his life at home. He misses his parents, his friends and the familiar courses that he once played on. And it took time to adapt to America, expecially, when gentines, a late. especially when getting a late start in his first year in the United States.

The Pack also has a plethora of wide receivers who are trying to separate themselves from each other and earn more playing time.

"There's a lot of them out there, which is good," Amato said. "You can keep them fresh — they're going to do a lot of running."

The spring usually offers some

**GOLF** 

Walters and Mulroy will team up with Fernando Mechereffe,

**FOOTBALL** 

time.

surprises, and Amato said a few have popped up this year.

Sophomore Andre Maddox, whom Amato calls "a natural football player," is giving senior Julius Patterson a run at the rover position. Amato said sophomore linebacker Corrie Dawson, who spent last season on special teams, has stepped up his play in the spring. Sophomore wide received Dovonte Edwards has also impressed since returning from the basketball team. In addition to working on the

"I arrived a week late for school. I showed up, didn't have any classes or anything," Walters remembers. "I got into whatever classes I could, and I just teed it up and started playing. It was quite hard at the beginning, and I'm glad it's over."

quite hard at the beginning, and I'm glad it's over."

Being thousands of miles away from his homeland is, by far, more difficult than any hole on a golf course that Walters might necounter. His parents, Jeremy and Angela Walters Meyer and angela Walters with sparents, Jeremy and off the course "Iff] it wasn't for [my Dad], I wouldn't be here right now," said Walters. "He never really pushed me, but he always would give me opportunities to play golf if that's what I wanted. He would do whatever it took to support of me whatever it took to suppo

opportunities to play go'nt that is what I wanted. He would do whatever it took to support me and teach me. He helped me learn all the techniques and the mechanics, and I was pretty fortunate to have a dad like that." Walters says he talks to his parents once or twice a week and sends them the write-ups of his tournaments through the mail, because, according to the golfer, "They're not the most computer-literate people ever." Walters credits his success this season to a change in attitude. After having a solid yet unspectacular beginning to his State carreer. Walters focused his energies on taking the course with a

gies on taking the course with a positive attitude each and every

In addition to working on the finer points of the game and examining the talent he has on

The top four scores each round count toward the team's score.

Count toward the team's score.

Last year at the Intercollegiate,
State led Wake by one stroke
heading into the final round of
play, but a nine-over par Sunday
doomed the Pack to a fourth
place finish. Duke is the defending champion.

"In the fall, I didn't do anything, and I struggled with the transition," said Walters. "I finally found my game at the Nelson. I was just a different person that week and went out there and managed to win. Unfortunately, I had to sit down for four months because there were no tournaments, and I felt like I was starting over again.

"I worked hard on my game, then J came the spring, and the whole spring I've hit the ball great. But at first, I just wanting scoring well. I was beating preat But at first, I just wanting scoring well. I was beating lost of pressure on myself, and a few teammates said a few words. Coach Sykes said, "You can't do this; you're not going to get the results you want. The last round of Vegas, I made a promise to myself to keep a positive attitude and keep my head up. Since then. I haven't shot over par. I think that's the main reason I've played there."

And for Walters, the results have been spectacular. He won

better."
And for Walters, the results have been spectacular. He won the Chris Schenkel E-Z-GO tournament in late March and helped the Pack to a fourth-place finish in the Cleveland Golf/ASU Invitational last weekend by placing tenth.
The only thing that is missing for Walters so far this season is a team first-place finish. State will have two more opportunities,

have two more opportunities, starting with The Intercollegiate in Chapel Hill this weekend. That

hand, Amato is looking for some of his seniors to step for-ward as team leaders. The Pack lost several important players from last season's team to grad-uation, including All-America linebacker Levar Fisher, one of State's more vocal leaders.

State's more vocal leaders.

"We've got to get better leadership." Amnto said. "Itell them
... about the leadership about
this basketball team here at NC.
State, the leadership of those
three seniors at the University
of Maryland that led them to a
national championship.
Leadership. leadership — it's so very important."

"This tournament's big for us," said Sykes. "We're going against some good national competition. It's the last tune up before the ACC Tournament."

In terms of head-to-head rank-ings, the Wolfpack stand even higher than ranked by the Golfweek/Sagarin poll.

Championship in beginning April 19

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Before Walters begins a summer chock full of individual tournaments, such as the Western Open and — Walters hopes — the U.S. Amateur, he would like to help the Wolfpack place first. "The thing I'd like to see happen is to put in four good scores for three days," Walters said. "If we can manage to do that, I don't think there's many teams that can beat us. We've had some good days, but in tournaments, we've always had a day that's hurt us. Yeve never won a team event, and I've never won a team event, and I'd love to win one this year. I think we're good, and I think we haven't lived up to our potential."

Walters certainly has, however, And he's still getting better. Perhaps his coach described Walters best, and even his description may have been an understatement. understatement.

understatement.

"He's really a first-class young
man," Sykes said. "He has goals,
and it's easy to get close with
someone who has goals and is
willing to work for them. I think
he's become a leader since he's
been here, and sometimes that's
difficult to do when there's
already a bunch of guys who
have been here awhile. He's done
a good job."

One of the slowers.

a good job."

One of the players who should step into that position this season is Holt, a first-team All-ACC selection last year. Holt already can get his teammates fired up with big hits like the one that separated wide receiver Jerricho Cotchery from the ground during Saturday's scrimmage. Now, he's trying to adopt a more vocal role.

a more vocal role.
"I'm just getting used to that role of leading and trying to help the guys," Holt said, "I'm just trying to better myself so I can lead on and off the field."

According to Golfstat.com, State has a record of 276-10 while playing the 12th hardest schedule in the nation - good enough for a No. 9 ranking in the nation. The Pack has an average adjusted score of 72.92 and is 10-8 vs. the

### BASEBALL

game yet. I think they're very hungry because they haven't had a win. but I hink there's also reasons why they haven't had a win. Think we need to maintain what we know we need to do, and that's increased the intensity and the focus of how we play from inning to inning. It brink there's a variance about how we play from inning to inning. We really need to increase the intensity and reajure the importance of what we regoing about and let things take care of themselves."

The State team, now 35 games into the season, needs to start pulling together as one cohesive unit on order to advance further in the conference. The team has been on the losing end of a few thing the start of themselves, and in order to win those games, the team needs to focus on concentrate more on working together.

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end, and I think there are times we've played very, very poor," said Avent. "I don't think we've put it together yet. I don't think we've put it together yet. I don't think we're very consistent. Until we become more focused and more consistent. Until we become more focused and more "That's something we must avoid in a conference like this, "That's something we must avoid in a conference schedule is as tough as it is from here on out. We need to learn how to be more consistent, and to accomplish that, I think we're going to have to learn how to focus better on everything that happens throughout the course of the game. Once we get that, I think we have the chance to be an outstanding team, but I haven't seen that happen yet. So obviously, that's something I'm looking for."

tunity too good to resist.

"I managed to get over there [to Huntingdon]." said Walters. "I started winning and showing that I could actually play. Then I real-tyhought. Now I can do this."

And Walters has been doing it ever since. He won the NAIA National Championship last seanou while at Huntingdon, and after taking some time to adjust to the big-college environment, he has done exceedingly well for the Pack.

But still deserted.

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# Lessons of spring on display

Jeremy Ashton

The start of the college football season is still a few months away, but N.C. State is very much focused on it.

Like every other Division I team across the country, the Wolfpack has spent the last month working on fundamentals and getting in shape for the season opener against New Mexico on Aug. 24. The State players will get a chance to show off what they've learned this spring at Carter-Finley Stadhum Satunday

at 1 p.m. when they participate in the Red-White Game.
The annual spring scrimmage will open with special teams drills. The offense and defense will split into separate teams for the duration of the event and run a series of situ-

attraint of the event and to the season," State head coach Chuck Amato said Saturday following a scrimmage at Carter-Finley. "This is where the team starts coming together." For the younger players who didn't see much game action last season, the spring is a chance to improve and show what they can do in game situations. "A lot of the guys are young, especially some of the freshmen that are getting a

chance to mature and getting most of the reps," senior Terrence Holt said. "The best get to play against the best, and that's when you get better. That's what you do in the spring — you get physical."
Although none of the players from this year's recruiting class are participating with the team, the spring also gives players an opportunity to fill holes or move up the depth chart. One of the key positions State has to fill is linebacker, where senior Dantonio Burnette is the only returning starter.

'I think they're doing fairly well, and that's.

"I think they're doing fairly well, and that's why were keeping it simple so they can get a little bit of confidence in what they're doing."

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Sterling Hicks will be one of many N.C. State receivers fight-ing for a job. WHAT:

RED AND WHITE SCRIMMAGE SATURDAY 1 P.M.

WHERE: CARTER-FINLEY



The Carolina Hurricanes were faced with an all-or-nothing proposition tis week.

Carolina could either win the Southeast Division title and take the No. 3 seed in the NHL's Eastern Conference, or it could find itself sitting at home during the Stanley Cup playoffs. The Canes apparently liked the first option.

the first option.

Carolina secured its second
Southeast Division title in four years
Wednesday night at the
Entertainment and Sports Arena,
defeating Tampa Bay 4-2. Ron
Francis and Rod Brind Amour each
scored first-period goals, and goalie
Arturs Irbe stopped 28 of the 30 shots
he faced to lead the Canes to the win.

The Connes will enter the playoffs.

The Canes will enter the playoffs seeded third in the East despite having just 88 points, the seventh-best mark in the conference. While all eight playoff spots have been decided, Carolina is the only team that knows its seed.

knows its sed the only team that knows its season. There teams — Ottawa, New Jersey and the New York Islanders — are in contention for the sixth spot in the East and a chance to face Carolina in the first round. Ottawa took three out of four regular-season meetings with Carolina and tied the fourth. New Jersey, which knocked the Canes out of the playoffs last season in a heated series that went six games, went 2-1-1 against Carolina this season. The Islanders also won three out of four against Carolina this season. Dut two of those wins came in overtime, and the Canes picked up their lone victory in the series Monday at New York 2-1.

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2-1. With Wednesday's win, Carolina also eliminated the Washington Capitals from playoff contention. The Caps, the defending division champs, spent most of the season trying to catch the Canes and pulled within three points of the division leaders Friday after winning four in a row and tying Ottawa at home.

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Carolina got a point back Sunday at home with a 1-1 tie against the lowly Atlanta Thrashers. The Canes went New York the next night and defeated the Islanders, on Brind' Amour's goal early in the thirst to put themselves in position for Wednesday's division-clinching win.

The Canes have two remaining games in the regular season, which they can now use to tune up for the playoffs.

— Jeremy Ashton

- Jeremy Ashton

### Walters the winner

Andrew B. Carter

Assistant sports Editor
Who knows how old Justin Walters
was at the time; surely, he doesn't. It is,
of course, tough to remember such
things that happened near infancy.
What Walters does know, however, is
that it was about the time he took his
first steps that he first picked up a set of
golf clubs.
"As far as I can remember, II've been
playing golf] since I was about five,"
Walters said. "But my mom says [that]
as soon as I could walk. I had clubs in
ny hands."
That extra practice as a toddler mus
be paying its dividends.
Walters, a junior-college transfer to
he N.C. State golf team, is in the midst

Walters, a junior-college transfer to the N.C. State golf team, is in the midst

of putting together quite a season in his first year of major-collegiate competition. The South Africa native has placed first in two tournaments, was recently named National College Player of the Week by Golfworld Magazine and has emerged as the Wolfpack's top player in the spring season.

son. "Justin came here because he wanted to play at a higher level, and he thought be could play at a higher level," said longtime. State golf coach Richard Sykes. "Well, guess what? He can play at a higher level. He's become our No. 1 player. I know where Justin came from, and I hope they got some more just like him that they can send over here."

Though Walters has been playing golf since early childhood, it wasn't until high school that the soft-spoken, polite business major began taking the sport

Walters indulged himself with soccer, tennis, field hockey, rugby and cricket when not playing the sport he now excels in. Thanks to a shoulder injury that halted his cricket days, Walters was able to find his gift and discovered that he had the talent to go along with his passion for gold.

As opposed to the United States, where many high schools field gold teams, Walters' school in South Africa did not. Many tournaments were held during the school year, which meant getting excused absences was essential. "My senior vear. I went to the princi-

getting excused absences was essential.
"My senior year, I went to the principal," Walters said, "and I handed him [a list of] 10 or 15 days that I just wangoing to be in school. I said, 'I'm sorry, I'm going to be playing golf.' Fortunately, he liked me and he gave me full permission to go.

And the rest is history.

Walters used the opportunities that he could find and played as much as he could in South Africa. After making the



Justin Walters has moved into the No. 1 spot on the N.C. State team.

state's team, Walters and his teammates wound up winning nationals. As he played well and defeated numerous good players. Walters began to gain

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### Men's golf hosts Intercollegiate



The N.C. State men's golf team enters the weekend ranked No. 19.

◆ The N.C. State men's golf team will look to continue its strong play as it returns to North Carolina.

Steve Thompson

After months spent playing abroad, the N.C. State men's golf team finally gets to return home for a match. The Wolfpack will be the co-hosts this week at the 13th annual Intercollegista Golf Tournament. North

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Minnesota, No. 29 SMU, No. 36
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No. 43 North Florida and No 50 East

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The Pack is trying to peak at the right time, as the Intercollegiate is the last tournament before the ACC Championships. State has finished in

the top five of its last three tourna-ments. Overall, the Pack has finished in the top five in six of nine tournaments. "The season's going really well for us," said State head coach Richard Sykes, "We've been playing really well. We hope to have another strong finish this weekend."

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Last week, Justin Walters, a week
removed from being named Golf World
Magazine's Men's College Player of
the Week, led the Pack to a fourth-place
finish at the Cleveland Golf/ASU
Invitational in Augusta. Ga. Walters
innished 10th individually after carding
a 209 (71-67-71) for the three-round
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"The whole spring I hit the ball great," said Walters. "But at first, I just wanting scoring well. I was beating storing well. I was beating lots of pressure on myself, and a few teamstes said a few words. Coach Sykes said, 'You can't do this; you're not ogoing to get the results you want."

Walters has overcome the slow start to move to No. 56 in the individual Giolfweek/Sagarin rankings.

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Senior Garth Mulroy, currently
ranked No. 41 in the individual rankings, finished just behind Walters, cardings, finished just behind Walters, carding a 210 for the event. He also shot
under par every round.
Mulroy has performed well at the
Intercollegiate. Last year, his fourthplace was a career best up to that point.
After two days he stood five strokes
under par, but a 73 on Sunday knocked
him back to a four-under 212.

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### Blue Devils come to visit Doak

N.C. State looks to improve its ACC record this weekend at home against winless Duke.

Last weekend, the Wolfpack went to South Carolina for an ACC matchup against first-place Clemson. The Pack fought hard and managed to hand the Tigers their first ACC loss. State, how-ever, still dropped two, which put their record at 2-7 in the ACC and 22-13

overall.

Today marks the beginning of a three game series between the Pack and the Blue Devils (17-17, 0-6 ACC). The series is a chance for the seventh-place State to pick of some more ACC wins against the ninth-place Devils.

"It's a big conference weekend," said head coach Elliott Avent. "We've started out the conference 2-7; we're at home, and we've put ourselves into position where we need to start taking series that we play. Somewhere along the way, if you can get a sweep, than's going to help too.

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The Devils are coming off a 12-10 loss to No. 20 East Carolina and were sweep! by No. 6

Georgia Tech. 15-7, 8-7 and 4-2, in the prior series. Duke's last victory came in March against Brown.

In the Pack's match with Clemson, State dropped the first and last games, 6-4 and 10-2, but put 11 together in the second for a 3-0 gem pitched by Mike Prochaska. A team like Duke, though, can be very dangerous since it is looking for it's first ACC victory. Coach Avent, however, doesn't feel that a hungry team is more dangerous then a team like the first-place Tigers.

"Clemson is one of the best teams we're going to play all year," said Avent. "They're a great baseball team. I think they play very well, and I think they play very well, and I think they play very well and think they play very well and thor home field. "I don't think there's any danger in playing a team that hasn't won [an ACC]

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Mike Prochaska was named ACC Baseball Player of the Week after shutting out No. 1 Clemson last weekend.