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Student body president-elect finds motivation in service

Michael D. Anthony was selected as the student body president last Wednesday after a runoff election.

Tommy Ozbolt

The last traces of the chalk campaign messages etched on the bricks around campus were washed away with Tuesday night's rain, signaling the end of voting for the 2002-2003 student body presidential election.

On Wednesday evening, Michael David Anthony, who finds that his strongest motivation lies in his knowing that he is doing things to benefit others through service, was appointed as the

"It's the feeling that I get knowing that I have done something that will help or have an influence on someone," said

Authony, 21, was born and raised in Charlotte where he attended Olympic High School. He is currently a junior in business management who plans to enroll in graduate school at the University of Kentucky upon graduating from N.C. State. Serving in Student Government as both treasurer and student senate president, membership in the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, along with the networks and connections acquired are the achievements that Mike feels are his most significant while at NCSU.

Anthony cites several individuals that have had an influence upon him as a person. He credits his inner strength to the direction of his mother and God. In addition, he looks up to civil rights activists such as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Rosa Parks, Gandhi and, according to him, other unsung heroes who have received no recognition for their sacrifices for civil rights.

"It takes a stranger."

Antitony.

Antitony also listed several poems, including "It" by Rudyard Kipling and "Invictus" by William Ernest Henley, as words of wisdom that he considers the most helpful and motivational in his personal life.

The following quote by Henry Blackaby: "True leaders focus on that which is right and on what gives hope not on what is wrong," is what Anthony tries to model his leadership methods

after. "Experience within the three main offices of Student Government gives me perspective on what the big picture sis," said Anthony. "I have been under some great leaders, and I can use the knowledge acquired from watching and working with them."

Anthony considers his experiences in the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity to have helped him a great deal. He says that he has benefited from the emotional and



Michael D. Anthony was recently elected student body president.



Over the weekend, American Eagle came to N.C. State to film a national commercial for MTV. In addition to hiring over 100 extras from the student population, the company brought in their own models for the shoot. Their work will continue next Saturday as they shoot the photographic part of the ad campaign.





TAs honored at banquet

Twenty TAs were awarded a cash prize for their work in the classroom.

News Staff Report

To "teach" requires at least four years of study, hard work and dedication. But for teaching assistants, undergraduate or graduate students who directly aid professors in classroom instruction and oftentimes teach lab portions of a class by themselves, the opportunity to educate others comes much sooner.

On Friday, N.C. State's University Graduate Student Association (UGSA) honored seventy-four TAS from departments around campus at its annual Outstanding TA Awards Banquet.

Each TA honored received a certificate for their outstanding work inside the classroom. In addition, twenty TAs were chosen to receive a \$100 cash award for their extraordinary work.

"Teaching assistants are overworked, underpaid and their hard work often goes unappreciated," said Esther

Wilcox, president of the UGSA. "The TA Awards is one of the best events the UGSA holds. It is a small way of thanking our fellow graduate students for their hard work and dedication towards teaching. Without them, this university would not be able to provide the high quality of education that it does, and that we expect."

Margaret King, associate dean of the Graduate School, congratulated the TAs for "doing some of the most difficult teaching in the university and doing it well. I admire you for your serious engagement with the teaching you're doing."

The TAs were nominated by professors in their department.

The 20 winners were selected by the UGSAs. Teaching Effectiveness Committee members, which included Mark Allen, Josh Payne, Lisa Sands, Kelly Ponce and Kaite Mohney. This committee is made up of graduate students, most of whom have been TAs in

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ASG visits ECU for forum

 In the forum, three committee meetings were scheduled to address issues on academics, legislation and student affairs.

Brigid Ransome

This past weekend, 10 Student Government officials and eight student delegates went to Eastern Carolina University for one of the many Association of Student Governments (ASG) forums that are held during the course of the semester.

Out of the 16 UNC System campuses, 13 schools were present at this event. ASG President Andrew Payne was particularly pleased. "When I was running for the position of president, the average attendance during these meetings was eight. The fact that the average attendance bar sien to 13 or 14 is an example of how we are making strides in reestablishing the credibility of the ASG," he said.

The event as a whole carried a spirit of cheerful productivity and rededication to better the state of all 16 UNC System campuses as all of the Student Government officials from the repre-

affairs.

The Legislative Committee sought to achieve more dialogue and an increased awareness of ASG across all

increased awareness of ASG across all the campuses. "A direct link should exist between all the Student Government offices and its officers," said Dion Winchester, stu-dent body president of Fayetteville State University. The legislative committee also tack-led tuttion issues and differences in the cost of living and learning within each UNC institution.

UNC institution
One of the decisions concerning tution responded to a task force recommendation that the Board of Governors permit only minimal differences in tuition rates among the UNC System campuses within the same institutional category.

The Academics Committee advocated an intense call for voter empowerment and an increase in voter registration on each campus. They also set out to compose the tuition task force with nine voting and two non-voting mem-

lowest.

The Committee on Student Affairs placed its emphasis on improved communication between the ASG to the students they represent. They resolved to increase the awareness of Student Government and its role in academic and non-academic successes to the students.

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Despite all the active committee sessions, the spirit of elections did not fall short from this ASG forum. Nominations for the new ASG president were made, and the candidates were introduced to the audience.

Following in Andrew Payne's footsteps is N.C. State's Jonathon Ducote, who is running for the position of president. His intended senior vice president will be Kian Brown from North Carolina Central University. In addition, there are candidates running for ASG president and vice president from North Carolina A&T, UNC-Chapel Hill, and Western Carolina University. Despite the competition between candidates, many agree that the unity that

didates, many agree that the unity that exists among the schools and their attending officials is what strengthens the ASG and gives them the ability to

Putting N.C. State in 'focus'

♦ N.C. State's brand-new news show airs six times a week on the Cooperating Raleigh Colleges Education Channel.

Carie Windham

A day doesn't go by that Americans aren't bombarded by images of hate, corruption or death in the media. A unique new show, however, is taking the foxus from the negative and putting it back on the lifestyles and triumphs of the community. These is N.C. State't is a new TV program produced by the Office of Public Affairs at NCSU that brings NCSU's accomplishments and happenings to the public's attention.

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While it has the digital graphics and fast pace of any other news show, this show is dedicated to celebrating success, diversity and campus life.

Hitting the airwaves in February for the first time, the monthly show now airs six times a week on the Cooperating Raleigh Colleges Education Channel, entering over 180,000 homes on the Time Warner (280,000 homes on the Time Warner (280 the word).

While its main mission is to publicize the university, the show's host, Ed Funkhouser, explained that the show really has various purposes.

"I have the opinion that people generally know what goes on at a university but not the wide range of activities." he said, "It's our job to get the Iword) out there about what goes on at the university."

there about what goes on at the bursel-sity."

Aside from publicity, the show also provides a service to the people it high-lights. Each interview is taped and given to the guest, allowing for future publicity opportunities for a particular person or project.

Lastly, Funkhouser explained, the show serves as a historical artifact of the university since each tape is perma-nently saved and stored.

"This way, you can play it back for historical significance," he said, noting that using actual images and voices gives the university the opportunity to

conserve a "living history."

The thirty-minute program combines in-studio interviews, research highlights and "on the scene" reporting to create a show with the feel of a network news program but with the focus of a campus news magazine.

The show targets a number of people, such as NCSU alumni, prospective students, the parents of both prospective and current students, financial donors and the general public.

While "Focus" premiered this year, the idea behind it is nothing new on the NCSU campus, Funkhouser, who also serves as assistant dean for the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at NCSU, explained that the show is actually a "resurrection" of his former show, "Stateside," which ran from 1990 to 1998.

"[Stateside] simply ran out of gas," Funkhouser said of the mouthly program that consisted solely of in-studio interviews.

interviews.

He explained that when the show's producer left, the fuel behind the program left as well. However, a few years later. Ron Kemp and Todd Johnson began to wonder why the programs left and began inquiries into bringing it back.

Funkhouser said, "but differently."

Differences that included extending beyond studio interviews to include reports from across campus. The segments are also shortened, and the entire program employs a more professional format and graphics to give it a faster, more newscast feel.

Funkhouser, for one, is glad to see the show come back.
"There was really no reason why it quit — we just needed a hiatus," he said. "Bringing the show back gave us the chance to breathe new life into the program and get fresh faces and fresh ideas."

Among those faces was Greg Thomas, who serves as the show's roving reporter. Thomas is a veteran to the news field with a distinguished career including work as a television reporter and producer at WLFL-TV and a producer at WLFL-TV and a producer at WLFL-TV and a producer at WLFL-TV and aproducer at WLFL-TV and approducer at WLFL-TV and approximation approach approach at the producer at WLFL-TV and approximation approach at the producer at WLFL-TV and approximation at the producer at WLFL-TV and approximation approach at the produ

"Focus."

"It's great," he said, "It's so similar to the TV business — but it's a much easier pace, and there is more of a positive

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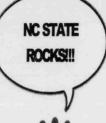
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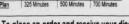






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Teacher salaries still low nationwide

New Jersey teachers topped the list with an average salary of \$53,281, and South Dakota came in last with an average of \$30,265.

Sarah Rice

(U-WIRE) MANHATTAN Kan. — Public teachers' salaries nationwide have failed to keep up with inflation, meaning teachers are losing ground in a fight for more pay, according to a National Education Association report released this week.

week.

"As more money was invested in public education, teacher salaries remained stagnant all while the U.S. was in a time of economic expansion," NEA President Bob Chase said.

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Although salaries increased by
31 percent in the 1990s, with
inflation factored in, the raise is
only 0.5 percent.
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came in last with an average of
\$30,265. Kansas' average

teacher salary came in at \$35,901.

to keep up and to the top of the pay scale but lost ground in real wages. Connecticut dropped 7.8 percent in real wages, Mayland lost 8.2 percent and Alaska's decrease reached 15 percent. The Labor Department reports showed average salaries for full-time workers rose 40 percent.

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For example, mail carriers'
Salaries rose 30 percent, while engineers' and firefighters'
and firefighters'
and firefighters'
the professions such as archi-tects and physicians saw their salaries raised by 52 percent.
Manhattan-Ogden USD 383's teachers will move into negotia-tion processes this summer and will look for raises that match the standard of living increases.
Bob Seymour, USD 383 associ-ate superintendent, said the process for the district's teach-ers will not begin for a while.

"We have not set a date," Seymour said. "Because of the

financial situation in the state, we decided to hold off until we had a clear picture." Marcia Herman, the district's NEA president, said the state Legislature's decisions deter-mine how much negotiation is

"After the state Legislature is finished in May, they decide what our budget will be," Herman said. "We start negotia-

Seymour said although the district's salaries are low, they are comparable statewide.

are comparable statewide.

"Improving teacher salaries is always an important thing for USD 383 to try to do," he said.
"Our salaries are comparatively lower than some in the state but higher than many in the state. Compared to our peer institutions, we are fairly competition."

Herman said although teachers lobby for more money, that is not the reason they went into teaching.

"Most teachers don't go into teaching for the money," she said, "They go for the kids. It's a service job, so it's never going to pay like something in the business sector."

well as other presidents have."
Darryl Willie, the current students body persident stays. "Mike will bring a lot of experience and knowledge to the position. He won't have to go through a lot of transitions. I've worked with him in the past, and I know he'll hit the ground running." Mindie Do, Wolfaude for 2001-2002 and Executive Branch Programming assistant, said, "Mike Anthony was my WolfCamp counselor over the summer, and ever since then, I have really looked up to him as a leader and as a person. He is a person of great character, and I truly admire him for all that hes done for this school."
To anyone interested in getting involved in Student Government, Anthony gives the following advice, "Find your passion — the issues you want to see worked on. Talk to your student leaders. Stay true to yourself. Don't be jadde by the drama that comes around; just say focused on the good and not the bad."

PRESIDENT

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moral reinforcement his fraternity brothers have offered and has
developed more "inner strength,
patience and strong will" from
the organization.
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plan, creating a diverse Student
Government, forming an offcampus organization, making
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wants to see accomplished duriing his tenure as student body
president.

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Police officials can successfully monitor alcohol usage at Campout as well as they did this

year, then they can certainly monitor campfires in the same manner. He plans to open lines of communications about this issue so that a resolution can be

Other plans include addressing the limited parking opportunities. The plans include addressing the limited parking opportunities around campus. By implementing a bus card, Anthony hopes to allow students to ride both the city buses and the Wolfline. He also plans on inquiring about off-campus parking lots closer to campus for more parking opportunities. Individuals who have experience with the position of student body president or who have worked directly with Anthony in the past all offer similar opinions about the 2002-2003 student body president. "He's a friendly guy—very nice. He will have the support of the people in Student Clarist Arisinovskaya, runner-up to Anthony in the run-off election." He will perforn just as

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Second Taliban fighter may be U.S. citizen

◆ Yaser Esam Hamdi was captured during the Novemb 2001 prison uprising.

Ken Campbell

(U-WIRE) AMHERST, Mass — The second possible American Taliban fighter, Yaser Esam Hamdi, is currently being held at a U.S. Navy facil-ity in Norfolk, Va., according

Assistant secretary of Defense for Public Alfairs Victoria Clarke told reporters that Hamdi is in the United States, but that his future is still

States, but that his future is still unknown.

"He's in Norfolk, at the brig, getting good treatment. As a captured enemy combatant, he remains under control of the Department of Defense." Clarke said in a press briefing. "If he is, if he does, indeed, have U.S. citizenship, then he would not be a candidate for the military commission. Beyond that, I just can't speculate about what we might do." Clarke said that there was still some question as to Handi's citizenship that the Justice department is trying to clear up.

and be very precise. So I think that's what they're trying to do—to make absolutely sure. It looks as though the does have U.S. citizenship," Clarke said. "But also, on every one of these, we're going to take them very carefully and very deliberately and make sure we do the right thing, not necessarily the fast thing."

Hamdi was captured during the November 2001 prison pursing by Taliban fighters near Mazar-e Sharif. Another American citizen, John Walker Lindh, was also captured in

the man.

As a captured combatant, Hamdi can be held as long as needed, Clarke said.

"I don't know if it's a policy or a law, but a practice, and I think fairly common under the Geneva Convention, that for the length—for the duration of a conflict, you could hold people you have captured as enemy combatants," Clarke said. "That is my understanding of it."

ing of it."

Clarke was quick to point out

oner facilities at Guantanamo Bay.

"We have no big desire to have any large numbers of detainces for any great length of time. We have a very, very tong preference to make sure that people who have made very clear themselves, and are a part of an organization that has made very, very clear that it wants to kill and harm Americans and our friends, remain off the streets," Clarke said. "And again, words like "indefinitely" — we believe the war on terrorism will take some time; we believe it will take some time; we believe it will take some time; we believe it will attake some time in Afghanistian. But I couldn't put a time certain to it. But if your look at previous conflicts, people were held for quite a long time.

"And the facility, we've

"And the facility, we've planned all along to have more permanent facilities that were appropriate for the circum-stances there, make it better in of security. Also, I

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Focus, "

In fact, Thomas said he left the TV business when the fast pace, long hours and high-stress levels became too much. The environment want't conductive for a family, he said.

"Focus," on the other hand, is only produced once a month, so there is much more time to "make it look good," he said.

While he can't estimate the amount of time he spends each month on the show, he says that a lot more goes into it than people see, especially for a four-person team.

Each show begins in a planning meeting between Thomas and the show's producer, Todd Johnson. At this meeting, they decide what stories should be covered, taking into account the timeliness of an idea and its appeal.

"We try not to make it overly."

appeal.

"We try not to make it overly academic," he said, "There are lots of terrific stories on campus, and we have the opportunity to go more in depth."

Funkhouser added that while all the stories have "news

effectively carry out their potion, which is to serve the s

value," they try to pull guests from a wide variety of places to capture "the true nature of the

from a wide variety of places to capture "the irue nature of the university."

This month's episode features stories such as the Rocky Branch Restoration and a trip to the circus with NCSU Vet School students, but other topics have included Service Raleigh, a book written by NCSU protessor Wait Wolfram on the African American dialect and a new, mobile vet hospital.

"Many of our stories are current and newsworthy, but they are not particularly hard news," he added.

With the ideas in place, the next task is recording the two interview segments that last for five minutes and the three of four news "packages." The packages are actual reporting from across campus and are filmed over the course of a few days. The interviews, however, are taped in one afternoon and are recorded in a studio at the Creative Services Department.

In addition to these segments, they also compile news high, they are some them.

With these elements in place, it becomes time for editing. The tapes are examined, sound bytes are pulled and "it all falls together on the editing roam foor," said Funkhouser.

While no evaluative tools have been implemented, such as systematic research in the form of rating reports. Funkhouser believes the success of the program is reflected through the testimonials people offer him. "I think word of mouth is our greatest advertisement," he said noting several occasions when people stopped him in the street or in the supermarket to complement the show.

"People essentially just browse through the channels," he said, "After watching the show a few times, people see you and recognize you. That's when you know you have views."

Thomas sums it up with one

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Thomas sums it up with one particular testimonial.

"I can't speak for the general population," he said, "but we hear that the chancellor likes it."

"Focuse N.C. State" airs on Channel 18 in the Raleigh Time Warner Cable system at 3 pm. Mondays and Sundays, 6 pm. Mondays and Thursdays and 6 a.m. Wednesdays and Fridays.

ASG

they are and why they are here.

"Keep the egos at the door. We are here for the good of the students—not for self-gratification but for student gratification," said Payne.

NCSU officers and delegates who attended were: Darryl Willic, SBP, Andrew Payne, ASGP, Michael Anthony, SSP, Amanda Devore, senator, Hallie Phillips, senator, Grystal Voue, Politips, senator and vice chair of Tuition and Fees Committee; Janet Ogbon, senator, Anthony

Milton, delegate; Hunter Guice, delegate; Jonathan Molinatto, delegate; Shawna Christie, dele-gate; Elizabeth Sall, delegate; Jonathen Duran,

TA

Payne closed the forum with a plea to all the ASG officials and members to never forget who

the past.

Mark Allen, the committee chair, said. "It was a very difficult decision for the committee.... The bar for excellent teaching is set very high, but we are pleased to see that NCSU has so many great TAS."

A complete list of the winners of the Outstanding Feaching Assistant Awards can be found on the UGSA Web site. http://www.ncsu.edu/stud_orgs/

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Peace conference without Arafat holds few benefits

AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST WITHOUT ARAFAT'S PRESENCE WOULD NOT BRING DISCUSSIONS CLOSER TO A RESOLUTION.

During U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell's meetings with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, the Bush administration rightly insisted that for an international conference on peace to be effective, Sharon must recognize Yasser Ariafat as the elected leader of the Palestinians, Powell met with both Sharon and Arafat this weekend, without any break-throughs. One of the topics discussed, however, was Sharon's proposal for an international conference on the Middle East with representatives from Jodran, Egypt, Sandi Arabia, Israel and the Palestinians, But Sharon will not participate if Arabia, Israel and the Palestnians, But Sharon will not participate if Arafat is in attendance representing the Palestnians. Powell has clearly stated that the United States would be willing to lead such a conference but not without Arafat's involve-

but not without Arafat's involve-ment.

Sharon previously said that Israel
would attend a peace conference
only with "moderate" Arab leaders.
If Sharon decides to meet with those
Palestinians who are, in fact, moderate, then his goal could only be to
sway these individuals to his side so
as to put pressure on Arafat.
Moderate leaders are not where the
problems in the Middle East lie;
therefore, what would be the advantage of a conference with them?
Because he is the elected leader and
shares the opinions of the more
extreme Palestinians, Arafat should
be invited to participate in any conference requiring the contribution of
Palestinian opinions. The United
States is correct to back out of the

conference without Arafat because it would not help the situation in the Middle East.

Although it is based on good intentions, a conference involving the major parties of the conflicts in the Middle East will obviously not bring about a revelation overnight. Many times leaders shake hands in agreement at conferences only to turn around and do another thing afterwards. While this is a harsh reality, fighting alone is not the way in which to ultimately decide how to handle the situation between Israel and the Palestinians. Leaders must attempt to reach an agreement through more interaction with each other.

A conference is a good place to begin the reconciliation process; yet. If this conference does not involve Arafat himself, then there will be no benefit. To begin working towards understanding, all of the major leaders — including Arafat — must be involved if there are hopes to resolve conflicts. If Sharon will not recognize Arafat as the elected Palestinian leader, or at least work with him, then he is obviously not willing to actively participate in the peace process. The United States has already met with Arafat to criticize the ongoing suicide bombings. Now we need to take a firmer stance against Israel's unwillingness to cooperate with Arafat, and refusing to endorse a conference without all the major leaders in the area would be an appropriate place to start.

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The influence of corporate infiltration in America is almost total, and with the world shrinking every day, images of the Golden Arches in Red Square and the Marlborn man in remote Vietnamese villages is no longer incongration.

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The Sports section of Wednesday's Los Angeles Times had an article on how Nike's sponsorship of selected boys' high school basketball teams gives them and their players an unfair advantage over other schools. Of the nine local teams to receive money from the athletic giant, six won 23 or more games.

The teams received shoes (naturally) and apparel but were also flown around the country.

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(s) and appared but were also frown around the country. Having an article on the powerful reach of Nike in the Times did represent a bit of trony. The lead article in last Sunday's Opinion was on how much of a lasting impact the United States will leave on Afghanistan. America was represented as a tennis shoe with a Stars-and-Stripes tread — and a Nike swoosh on the back.

There is an old adage that says, "What's good for business is good for America."

Author Naomi Klein was on campus Monday to talk about the evils of America's corporate culture.

Klein pointed out that being critical of any American policies during a time of war — even trade policies — is tantamount to subversion.

Contrary to this theory, it is precisely during times such as this when we must cast an even keener gaze at Washington, to ensure nothing slips through under the rubric of war.

Though it has taken a necessary lower key, given the current situation in the Middle East, those involved in the anti-corporate protest movement should continue their fight.

When given the limited coverage they receive in the major media, they are usually portrayed as granola-eating, tree-hugging. Ralph Nader-voting, fringe anarchists out to cause trouble.

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But, this is an expected portrayal from the corporate-owned main-stream media.
A day when the world is divvied up between five or six uber-corporations is not that hard to imagine.
We already have Starbucks on every other corner. We must do what we can to prevent them from opening on every corner.

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Prime Minister Sharon, let's be The US doesn't want denounce any actions of the nation of Israel. Why don't we go have a press conference, use phrases like "diplomatic arrangements" and "variety of deas," so I can get on a plane back to the States? ideas,

Look, Yasir... Do you really like the West Bank? Really... why bother? The explosions aren't doing much for the land value. Why not just spend more time building thicker walls... or maybe having a moat put around the



Cheating increase stems from competition in schools



Chris friends at lunch with your friends at lunch likeling with your friends at lunch and playing on the playground. A simple time out or sitent lunch was the weapon that could be utilized. Why could the teacher do that? No particular reason — she's the teacher — to six, ands or buts. The teacher has authority, but as students, there is one weapon we can wield in the battle. Regardless of how much a teacher despises your attitude, your persistent disruptions, the way that you jump up on the lab tables and run to the back of the classroom, that teacher can't take away a fairly earned grade.

grade.

But it seems that the integrity of a grade is of less and less importance as the years go on. Christine Pelton, a high school teacher at Piper High School, tooked at her students' papers and saw plagiarism staring back at her. As one would hope, she took action and failed 28 students. The school board voted to have Pelton change her mind. Instead of reward cheating, Pelton resigned. Truth was on her side.

but it mattered none. When her col-leagues and peers undermined Pelton's authority, they took the bullet from her

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A teacher has to quit her job because she punished cheating, and a school board gives credit to students who stole other people's words and thoughts. Journalists are rarely known for their prowess in math but something isn't adding up. It seemed so simple those many years ago. Back when I was a kid, cheaters didn't win, and winners didn't cheat. I'm sure there was an inspirational video that accompanied the message.

These students from the Sunflower State (For those of you that cheated through U.S. history, that's Kansas.) didn't insent cheating. They were just following the lead of past classes. The numbers are alarming: eight out of ten students questioned in a 1998 survey of Who's Who Among American High School Students reported that they have cheated. Out of those eighty percent, only five percent claimed they were caught.

It all stems from competition. I played with blocks in preschool, but I think they give out SAT vocabulary cards now. The vicious cycle begins early. Do well in elementary school so you can get into a good undergraduate institution, so you can get into a good undergraduate institution, so you can get into a good graduate program, so

you can get a good job, so you can get lots of money, so you can drive your SUV and mary that supermodel and die a happy person. Wait, wasn't I just playing with blocks?

This Machavellian attitude toward academics only leads to the same attitude in the work place. What's a shredded document here, a misplaced decimal there? As long as no one finds out, we are in there like swimwear. It starts with taking some Internet information for that third-grade report on Thomas Jefferson. Suddenly, that kid is an executive, cutting corners and losing the pensions of the hard workers that play by the rules.

We don't pay teachers enough to treat them this badly. It's enough that teachers have to put up with the daily agravations that the average class contains, but when their grading ability is lost to a school board that must only answer to parents who want to see little Johnny and Suzie at an Isy League school, there is no incentive to teach Integrity, honesty and learning to use your own thoughts instead of someone clock's are lessons that kids need at every level of education. When teachers attempt to instill these values but are met with resistance, our system has failed at its most fundamental task.

Confess all your cheating to Chris at

The problem with this school



No one knows how to talk to anyone. I have found in my three years here that the level of dialogue on all levels is non-existent. Many people say that this school needs to become more representative of different between the property of different three same that the school become more diverse. I see it become more segregated. I have always had a problem with throwing people into situations and expecting them to relate or, better yet, converse. I find that to be a contradiction — if they are, in fact, that different, why would you think they would have any reason to relate?

The problem at this university starts at every level of experience — from professors to students and their parents. As a student, we are brought into orientation and expected to form bonds that will last throughout our time here at school. We form that foundation on which we will make all of our experiences. We learn how to find our way around the school and function in this environment. We fail to learn one thing that proves crucial to our survival in this school and the real world — communicating with others on a non-academic level. It might seem like we all know how, but starting a conversation with someone we don't know is tough.

Now imagine having an argument with that very person. It makes for an interesting situation with almost certain negative consequences. The ability to communicate outside our social realm is pertinent to the maintenance of this learning environment. The university should push communication training into orientation before we think about "physical diversity." Diversity only works when those with differences can learn to respect others' differences and actually function among those differences.

actually function among those differences.
Professors, think about what you do. You are in charge of providing information to students who intend to use it or "ideally" would use it in their lives. This means you are teachers — you need the tool of communication. When I say communication, I don't mean simply speaking to us as students; I mean being able to talk to us as human beings. We aren't machines where you just input data into our brains. Each student comes to you with different experiences, and thus we come to you as many different people. I am not asking in a sum of the profession with the p

What is up, administration? We need to see some effort from you to communicate. We see you, but sometimes, as a student. I want to know. "What the hell are you thinking?" I know you have buge responsibilities as university administrators, but your efforts to increase campus dialogue may go a long way if you actively participate in the dialogue you want to create. Being more active in events can help make students more confident in the decisions you make. If you expect the overall diversity of this school to work, you must take an active part in increasing the only thing that will make it happen; dialogue. I know this sin't a big thing but try going to the dining hall to sit and talk with students. Yes, you may seem cormy, but it's the effort to relate that gets absorbed. If we as students and you as faculty don't know how to interact, then even the smallest disagreements can be debilitating.

At a time when small disagreements between countries can turn into an all-out war, we need to make it our responsibility to hade as they can all the steps towards a more diverse campus are futile. As students, it is our responsibility to take a step back to see if our opinions match our actions. We can claim to be open minded, but it is our actions that show our true colors.

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Restoration of statues a sign of hope

Collegiate Times

(U-Wire) BLACKSBURG, Va.—The impending restora-tion of two giant, stone Buddha statues in the moun-

Buddha statues in the mountains of Bamiyan, Afghanistan, is a sign of hope in a land hoping to craft a statues, in the mountains of Bamiyan, Afghanistan, is a sign of hope sion and ethnic division.

The statues, thought to be over 1,500 years old, were destroyed by the fundamentalist Taliban government in March of 2001, following fruitless pleas from international observers who hoped to save the statues as a symbol of endurance and the vitality of an ancient faith.

The Taliban destroyed the statues because they did not conform to the narrow-minded interpretation of Islam under Taliban rule, which left religious minorities persecuted, jailed and butchered in the name of Allah.

Now, the interim government is rebuilding the Buddhas as a sign of tolerance and goodwill in the

in the name of Allian Now, the interim government is rebuilding the Buddhas as a sign of tolerance and goodwill in the face of massive internal problems. The new government has taken a good first step toward creating a nation more benevolent to its

people and accepting of their differences.
But it is only a first step.
President Hamid Karzai and his cabinet face ongoing resistance to centralized rule from war-lords operating outside Kabul.
If the upcoming traditional counsel — the loya jirga — is to succeed and a permanent constitution is to be drafted. Karzai will have to do more than restore symbolic structures and preach national brotherhood.
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The restoration must continue beyond the statues of Bamiyan. Schools that once indoctrinated pupils with hate should be reinstituted as institutions of opportunity and progress; towns destroyed by Soviet and American bombing should be rebuilt; people must have food to eat and jobs to perform. The rebuilding of Afghanistan must be an international effort that, like the ancient Buddhas, transcends dynasty and ancient prejudice.

Only then can we hope to guarantee that the restored statues will tower over the Afghan landscape for generations to come.

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Commercial shoot disrespectful to students

I am writing in protest of the obvious selling out of the university to American Eagle Outfitters. They are allowing AE to shoot a commercial in the courtyard between Alexander and Turlington Residence Halls at the expense of the students that live in these dorms. The blatant disrespect for the students that pay to live in these dorms obviously does not seem to affect the university. Some of the violations include barred use of the entrances and from the dorms, the university some of the violations include barred use of the entrances and from the dorms, the university some of the violations include barred use of the entrances to and from the dorms, the university buzzing the courtyard for aerial shots. All of these are a direct violation of the educational process and the right to privacy of those living in Alexander and Turlington. The international students who live in Alexander have no where else to go to study, sleep, etc. Alexander Hall is their home. And it is unfair to them and to all who live there and Turlington to endure this mass violation without their consent justs so the university can advertise themselves.

This could have been done after school was over and when the dorms were empty. This is the end of the semester — a time when students are trying to study for exams and finish up projects. They do not need the hassel of some corporate entity comage in and interfering with their education. I know the university has a policy of cooperating with corporations and, to an extent, that is good. That policy brings in opportunities for students to get jobs in scientific and engineering fields and heir education, it is intolerable.

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First amendment negligence

Amidst cries of racism regarding the Najja Baptist incident, supporters are claiming the moral high ground in the name of defending racial integrity. True, these events have succeeded in dividing us. However, we have been divided not by these racist remarks to which Mr. Baptist directs his grievances; rather, by the oppressive double standard and utter disregard for Constitutional principles resulting from the mess. Allow me to preface my comments by assuming that Baptist's accounts of the dialogue that occurred in his PS 205 class are unquestionably accurate. For, even if they are, it makes no difference, Together with advisor Floyd Hayes, Baptist has attempted to justify action against the other students involved on grounds that her comments violate his Fourteenth Amendment rights. In fact, according to the second article in the Technician

scries, Floyd went so far as to attest that, "In this matter, to assert a First Amendment right for [the other students involved] is ludicroust." I find this bilant disregard for the Bil of Rights adarming. If he does believe in equality, shouldn't their constitutional rights be just as applicable as those of Baptist? Furthermore, the purpose of the Fourteenth Amendment was to guarantee that voting rights would not be infringed. Nowhere does it contain any provisions germane to this situation. Perhaps Hayes should invest in a pocket constitution. But, regardless of the nature of the comments made by Baptist's colleagues (one of whom allegedly said, "Why don't you go back to Africa?"), they are permissible under the law. If only popular ideas were protected, we would have no need for a First Amendment at all! Free speech is not a privilege but an inherent right. Therefore, to suggest that any aspect of the Bill of Rights doesn't apply to Baptist's classmates is itself fudicrous. Hayes has likened the administration's handling of the affairs to the U.S. Supreme Court's 1857 decision in Scott v. Sanford, which contended that slaves were personal property and thus not citizens. Hul? I must have missed something, because, from my understanding, slavery was out-lawed in 1865, and the notion of U.S. citizenship was not mentioned by either student. Many ask what can be done to stop racism. The answer? Absolutely nothing. That is, unless authorities develop some means of mind control and turn the nation into a complete police state in which certain opinions are allowed and others aren't. Some "free country" that would be. I respect Baptist and his advisor for what it is they believe they are fighting and have no intentions of undermining the importance of tolerance and embracing diversity. Coming from a much more diverse area than here, it is that sprit which compelled me to address this issue in the first place. Often times, driven individuals are so cager to prove a cause that they look for conflict where there is non

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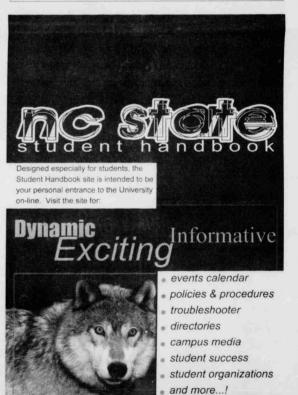


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catches for 49 yards and a
touchdown. Jeremy Mebane
caught three passes for 23
yards; Bryan Peterson caught
two passes for 83 yards, including a 44-yard strike from
Rivers. Sterling Hicks also
caught a long bomb for 57 yards on his only reception of the day
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"[Edwards] can stretch the
field." said Rivers. "He's a surehands guy, He makes the tough
catches. He's rarely going to
drop one. I thin it's big to have
those guys come in ats year and
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defensive charge with six tackles. Safety J.J. Jones had two
tackles and the game's only
interception. Dantonio Burnette
day the said of the gain of the
Aughtry-Lindsay and Andre
Maddox finished with five.

"We have a lot of new guys—
guys that haven't played that
much," said Terrence Holt. "I
just tried to step into a leadership role, trying to help the
guys, running on and off the

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field, do things right. I've just tried to do that."

Kiker and Herbert didn't fare so well for the Pack during the scrimmage. Kiker missed both of his field goal attempts from 28- and 34-yards, while Herbert hit one of two extra point

With spring practice over, the Wolfpack starts its off-season conditioning program today. In just a few months, the incoming freshmen will join the rest of the freshmen will join the rest of the team, and on August 24, the Pack takes on New Mexico in its first game of the season. The players and the coaches are excited and ready to go.

"Now, I'm just going to turn it up a level," said Holt, "I know that I have this summer and then that's it. A lot of things are going to be going fast. I'm just going to work as hard as I can — try to work harder and more effectively than any other player in college and see what hap pens after that."

TENNIS

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The team stringsled out of the gate on Sunday, losing the three doubles matches. Once the singles matches started, the six starters got off to a hot start, winning the first set in four of the matches. By the end of the day though, a resilient Maryland team would only allow freshman Danielle Staddelmann to come away with a win, getting the only point of the day for the Pack.

"I was very proud of their

"I was very proud of their effort today," said Olsen of the way his team played on Sunday. "We lost the doubles, and the next step for us as a team is to be able to be down in the score and fight hard and have an opportunity to win. "They did fight hard, and after losing the doubles, we won the first set on four singles matches. Their [Maryland] girls just came up with good tennis." After losing a tough doubles

After losing a tough doubles match 8-3, the seniors fought hard in their singles matches but were unable to prevail on their

day. No. 1 singles player Gildemeister lost to Delila Causevic 3-6, 6-4, 6-3. Nicholls, in the No. 3 slot, was defeated by Pamela Flora in a tense match that ended 1-6, 7-6.

No. 6 Staddelmann gained State a point in the last match of the day by beating Chloe Chavardes by a score of 6-4, 7-6. Loni Worsley and Myrna Bawono were defeated in straight sets by Emily DeCamillas and Emily Marker, respectively. Sophomore Jennifer Jassawalla took the early lead in the No. 4 slot but fell to Marta Jedrezak 3-6, 6-2, 6-1.

6-1. Despite the loss, the Pack is in good shape going into the ACC Championships, which State will host next weekend. Looking ahead to next weekend, Olsen was proud of the way his team played this week. After first beating a good Winthrop team, the Pack defeated No. 70 Virginia 4-3 to give Olsen his first ACC victory. "The girls are feeling like

"The girls are feeling like when they step out on the court against anybody, they have a chance," said Olsen.

had to take him out, Davidson came in and pitched really well."

came in and pitched really well." Duke's Larry Broadway and Drew Jerden led off the inning with back-to-back singles. Pinchitter Thomas Furlow forced Broadway to third on a sacrifice attempt, then hird baseman Grant Stanley lined to the centerfield wall to bring in Broadway and move Furlow to third. Shortstop Mike Miello drove in Furlow on a sacrifice fly to left to extend Duke's lead to 4-2. Refiever Zach Schriber shut out State in the bottom of the 10th to pick up the save and Duke's first ACC win this season.

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State almost tied the game, however. Orvella walked to lead off the inning, bringing up first baseman David Hicks. The .390 hitter launched a Schriber fastball high and deep, but was caught on

Senior day was highlighted by the two seniors receiving roses before the matches and a cook-out during the match. "We played tough, and that's the good thing about it," said Gildemeister about the effort of her and Nicholls on their day.

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Nicholls echoed her sentiment
about their last home match. "I
enjoyed my four years here;
said Nicholls. "I was disappointed that we couldn't get the
win, but I feel like everybody
fought really hard. We made a
step forward and worked on
some things we're goving to need some things we're going to need for the tournament next week." Despite the loss on senior day, Nicholls was more interested in their play on Saturday, glad we won yesterday."

Nicholls and the rest of the Nicholls and the rest of the team are more focused on the fact that their play has been bet-ter in the last week, and they feel prepared to take on the rest of the ACC. Play begins Thursday at the Millbrook Exchange Park.

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State manager expressed much disappointment in his team's performance against Duke. The Pack made many mistakes in the game, including an uncharacteristic four errors and had unexpected difficulty hitting off Alleva.
'Alleva was really giving us fits, but I didn't see his good stuff today,' Avent said, 'He kept us off balance all day, and I was really disappointed that we did not get any offense going.
'We didn't play defensively

"We didn't play defensively well at all," he added. "I don't want to take anything away from Duke because they played very well, but we did not come to play today".

In the first two games of the series, the Pack certainly did come to play. Daniel Caldwell

GOLF

Meanwhile, Minnesota lansed, shooting a 295 in

Meanwhile. Minnesots collapsed, shooting a 295 in the final round to sink to a lie for fifth place with Duke. Georgia Southern recovered from a shaky opening round to finish fourth. The Wolfpack's final round score in the rournament, as many in the twelve-team field began to show the effects of playing the long course for three consecutive days. Fatigue was something that Walters related to. "Tm pretty tired," he said after his work was complete. "After that 65 [on Saturday]. I just wanted to take a break. To go back and tee it up again was a daunting task."

Though it may have been daunting for the Pack to keep up the stellar play, it proved to do just that.

Up next for the Wolfpack will be the ACC Championships in New London, N.C. The opening round will begin on Friday. "I think we will be as ready as ever," said Walters.

and Derek McKee pitched com-plete games on Friday and Saturday, respectively, to lead the Pack to 9-3 and 7-3 wins. Justin Riley hit two home runs on Friday, and Hicks and Chad Morton added a home run each on Saturday.

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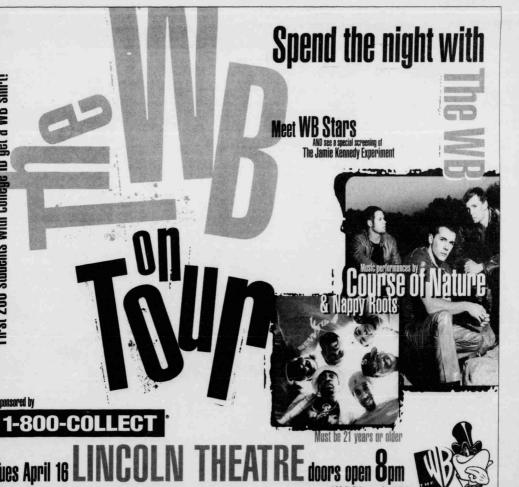
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game got, the better we played,"
Avent said. "But the win just didn't happen."
The game was a pitcher's duel
the entire way. State started its ace
Mike Prochaska, who pitched his
usual manner. Prochaska worked
seven iminigs, allowing six hits,
two runs, two walks and striking
out five. Dukc's young ace Jeff
Allevab bettered Prochaska, pitching for nine iminigs, also allowing
six hits, two runs and two walks,
but he struck out seven batters.
The sooring did not start until
State first baseman David Hicks
doubled in left fielder Brian
Wright for a 1-0 lead.

Duke countered in the fifth inning, when shorstop Kevin Kelly singled in Brian Patrick to tet the game at 1-1. Both teams got a run in the seventh inning. Duke got an unearned run State countered when shorstop Chad Orvella singled in right fielder Matt Butler to notch the score at 2-2. The society and that way through nine innings.

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Prochaska reached a high pitch count in the 7th inning and was replaced by talented freshman Phillip Davidson. He worked three innings and struck out three but allowed four hits, including two costly ones in the top of the 10th.

Overall, Avent was very happy about his team's pitching, "Prochaska pitched his usual today," Avent said, "When we



Duke 4, Baseball 2 Maryland 6, W. Tennis 1 Wake Forest 7, M. Tennis 0 M. Golf, 2nd place



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Baseball vs. UNC-W, 4/16, 7 W. Tennis @ ACCs, 4/18 Track @ ACCs, 4/19 M. Tennis @ ACCs, 4/19 W. Golf @ ACCs, 4/19 M. Golf @ ACCs, 4/19

Fantastic finish at Finley

◆ The N.C. State men's golf team took second place at the Intercollegiate held at Chapel Hill's Finley Golf Course.

Andrew B. Carter

CHAPEL HILL — The N.C. State men's golf team came into this week-end's intercollegiate tournament having placed in the top-five in six of its nine competitions this season, including its last three in a row. None of those finishes, however, were higher than third place, as the Wolfpack could never seem to put three consistently good rounds together.

State fired a 281-280-281 842 and tormed to second place at the intercollegiate, which was held at Finley

Intercollegiate, which was held at Finiege Golf Course near the campus of the University of North Carolina. Led by Justin Walters, who individually finished in a tie for third place after shooting a 65-73-67 205, and Fernando Mechereffe (73-67-69 209), who placed eighth. State cruised to a 22-under par finish, just one stroke behind champion Wake Forest.

"I'm happy, very happy," said Walters, who finished in the top ten for the third straight competition. "To lose by one was tough, but we all played well togeth-er each round. It was very pleasing to play like we did. Hopefully, it can carry

Next weekend, the Pack will be vying for the ACC Championship. But this weekend. Walters and his teammates were vying their best finish of the sea-

son.

The tournament started on a positive note for the Pack, as Walters' opening round seven-under-par 65 was the best by a State golfer this season. Mechereffe's 209 overall was his best soor of the year and go him back into the top ten after finishing 26 and 53 in the Pack's last two tournaments.

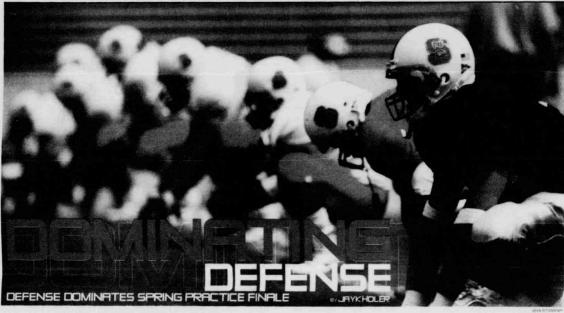
Though Walters and Mechereffe led the Wolfpack charge, a total team effort carned State its best finish of the year. Garth Mulroy (73-69-72) and Jason

Moon (70-71-73) each shot a 214, tying for fourteenth, and Rodney Thomas (76-79-74) saved his best round for last and finished with a 229.
Coach Richard Sykes' team finished seven strokes in front of third-place North Carolina, which featured two of the top five individuals in Ramon Bescansa and Dustin Bray.
Going into Sunday's final round, State found itself at 15-under par and in sole possession of fourth place. Carolina, at 18-under, led Wake Forest by a stroke and University of Minnesota by two strokes. The Pack turned in another solid round on Sunday, however, and catapultied into second by the end of play.

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The men's golf team moved from fourth to second on Sunday.



The college football season might be months away, but apparently, no one has told the N.C. State team that The Wolfpack has been practicing for months now, and this past Saturday, they concluded spring practice by playing a situational scrimmage. The scrimmage, which took place in front of over 11,000 fans, was mostly dominated by the play of the defense, but the crowd got to see a glimpse of what next year's team could look like.

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Afterwards, the players took to the field, and the red team squared off against the white.

The offense began drives from its 25-yard line. In most cases, the defense stopped the offense cold, but the red team did manage to score two touchdowns.

"Overall, we got better," soid Amato. "They worked, they're getting to this last week, trying to cram everything in, getting as many hits on their body as they can and the body gets a little sore."

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When the weather gets a little warmer and they're thinking about the strength of the spring and they came off a spring brook and an Easter break, we got better. Now we have to get leadership. Our seniors have to get really lead. They have to get tegether and have team leadership."

leadership.

The Pack ran three teams on offense and had quarter-back Philip Rivers with the first red team, Jay Davis with the white offensive squad and Clayton Russell with the last red team.

Rivers went 9-for-22 for 175 yards and a touchdown. Davis finished 12-for-25 for 69 yards and an interception. Russell, who handed the boll off to running back Jevon Moore most of the time, was 2-of-5 for six yards.



Julius Patterson lunges to break up a pass.

2002-03 N.C. STATE FOOTBALL TEAM WITH THE ANNUAL RED VS. WHITE SCRIMMAGE

"I'm hoppy that the defense played well, which shows they can and the execution of the offense will be there," said head coach Chuck Amato. "Defensively, what we have is some depth. I don't know if we have two first stringers or two second stringers. And it really doesn't make any difference because there are a lot of people who are very close... A non-tired second stringer is better than a tired first stringer."

The event started with some special teams play with Adam Kiker and Austin Herbert trading long field goals.

ack drops heartbreaker

The N.C. State baseball team took two of three from Duke but could not emerge with the sweep

Memie Ezike

Sunday afternoon was one of those games the N.C. state Wolfpack baseball team would sure love to

State worms.

Forget.

Coming into the final game of a three-game series with the Duke Blue Devils. State had handily conrolled the Blue Devils to take the first two games of the series. Sunday proved to be a vastly different

Duke slid past the reach of Colt Morton and the N.C. State baseball team on Sunday.

story, nowever.

The Pack (24-14, 4-8 ACC) and the Blue Devils (18-19, 1-8) played so evenly that the game went to extra innings, the first time State had played in extra innings this season. However, the Devils were able to put up two runs in the top of the tenth and shut out the Pack in the bottom of the inning to win 4-2.

"We did not come to play today, but the later the

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♦ N.C. State attempted to get its third win of the week, but Maryland defeated the Wolfpack 6-1.

Ryan Baucom

After an emotional upset win over nationally ranked Virginia on Saturday, the N.C. State women's tennis team didn't have enough left to get its third win of the week on Sunday.

The Wolfpack (10-12, 1-7) ran into No. 52 Maryland (10-10, 2-6), which was determined not to lose — despite the best efforts of the State sentence.

Loni Worsley and the women's tennis team upset Virginia on Saturday.

iors. Co-captains Katrina Gildemeister and Kristen Nicholls both got early leads in singles yet ended up with a loss in difficult three-set match-

es. "They fought great today," said head coach Hans Olsen of the two seniors. "Today was an example of how hard they compete. They got out there and both lost two tough three-set matches, but I'm very proud of what they've done."