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N.C. State community holds 'A Campus Dialogue on Race'

◆ The two-hour discussion, moderated by William Leftwich III, featured student and audience participation.

Ayren Jackson
and Jerry Moore
Staff Reporters

As members of the N.C. State community review recent race-related events, university administrators, spear-headed by the Office of the Provost, held a campus-wide discussion Thursday morning in the Witherspoon Student Center Cinema.

"As an academic community, we have a responsibility to help students, faculty and staff learn to engage in constructive racial dialogue," stated Provost Stuart Cooper in a press release. "We are dedicated to free expression and debate as a means of seeking knowledge and understanding, and to the principles of civility, respect and tolerance that must guide our discussions and debates, both in the classroom and in our larger community."

William Leftwich III, former deputy assistant secretary of Defense for Equal Opportunity in the Clinton administration, moderated the dialogue, which was attended by approximately 300 students, faculty and staff members despite its 10 a.m. start time.

In addition to previously moderating approximately 75 similar dialogues, Leftwich directed the development and coordination of equal opportunity policies affecting civilian employees and

military personnel in three military departments and 14 agencies within the Department of Defense. He was commended twice for his participation in President Clinton's "One America Conversations" Initiative on Race.

"This discussion is not going to be the answer to everything," said Leftwich, before introducing the student panelists. "But we do want to generate some enthusiasm."

Chancellor Marye Anne Fox noted that in addition to a forthcoming racial climate survey, discussions similar to "A Campus Dialogue on Race" will continue during subsequent semesters.

The panel was comprised of approximately 25 students representing various majors, organizations and races. Panelists represented organizations such as University Scholars, Hispanic Student Affairs, Teaching Fellows, Young Black Entrepreneurs and Student Government.

"We usually talk about race in a comfortable environment, where whites talk with whites, blacks talk with blacks, Hispanics talk with Hispanics ...," said Leftwich. "There is a lot we have to get out on the table."

Leftwich asked the panelists, who led the discussion, to be brief, and to "bring up the issues." In addition, he requested that the panelists "be frank, with an environment of non-attribution."

"The issue on this campus is not diversity," began Angela Traung bluntly. "It is racism."

The panelists all shared unique views about the issues of race and diversity at



Panelists address the crowd at Thursday's discussion, which gave students the chance to speak out on race issues on campus.

NCSU. Some panelists asked questions, and some discussed their own experiences. Nazme Menka challenged administrators to offer more Native American courses at NCSU.

"What happens when you never see anyone of your color in your textbooks?" asked Traung. "And what are the effects of always seeing someone of your color in your textbooks?"

Some panelists had their own definition of racism, often reflective of their own experiences.

"Racism is institutional privilege coupled with institutional power," said Jahan Brown.

"Racism goes both ways," retorted another.

Student panelists also shared their experiences with other students of different races at NCSU.

"I don't want to be colorblind," said Brown. "Because if we are colorblind, then we will forget each other's her-

itage."
"The dynamic change of a community is right here — not in government or the White House," said Leftwich. "But there is no pill we can take tonight and wake up in the morning and everything be OK. This is a project; this is something we have to deal with every single day."

Following the panelists' statements, Leftwich opened the floor for audience reaction. The first of 19 speakers stepped to the microphone at 11:25 a.m.

Most of the contributors offered their own insights and feelings about diversity-related issues on campus. Leftwich had to remind eager and verbose speakers to be concise several times and eventually imposed a 30-second time limit to ensure that a significant number of audience members could partici-

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Student Government to host Feed Raleigh

◆ On Saturday, Student Government will hold its annual canned food drive.

News Staff Report

World hunger is often seen as one of those insurmountable problems that we can help but never solve. This Saturday, however, Student Government will be doing its part to combat hunger in North Carolina.

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Student Government will be holding its annual Feed Raleigh canned food drive.

The community is invited to stop by and donate non-perishable food items at the corner of Dan Allen Drive and Cates Avenue. Signs will be posted to help visitors locate the drop-off.

The group hopes to reach a goal of 2,500 pounds of food, which will be given to the Food Bank of North Carolina.

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Students take the opportunity to play volleyball on a lovely Thursday afternoon at Tucker Beach.

Election candidates reflect on the campaign experience

◆ For candidates who did not win in the recent Student Government elections, the process was a learning experience.

Brigid Ransome
Staff Reporter

Election 2002 has come to a close, and the next leaders of Student Government have been introduced to the student body. But while the focus may have narrowed to those that won, there are still other lives in which the elections made a permanent impact.

They are the lives of those who did not win the positions they set out to achieve.

However, while the obvious reaction was disappointment, many candidates used the outcome of the elections as a learning experience.

"I have learned that nothing is as easy or as hard as it seems. Meaning no matter what you think or expect of a situation, no matter how well-prepared you are, often times it's just not like anything you imagined," said Larisa Yasinovskaya who ran for student body president.

"I also learned how to get over stuff, and to persevere. No matter how hard things get, to just keep going and not lose heart."

Sam Edwards, a candidate for Union Activities Board president, echoed that same sentiment.

"It is a personal disappointment," he said, "but I will use it as a stepping stone because somehow and in some way I will be active in student life here at NCSU."

Many candidates also held one of the most important yet overlooked roles in an election — being the catalyst that spurred the thoughts and actions of other candidates.

Clarence Davis who also ran for student body president realized this.

"Well, personally, I did what I wanted to do. I got my voice heard and I instilled new ideas in people," he said. "Whether I won or lost was not the issue, the issue was [if I could] make myself heard, and I did that so I'm satisfied."

Davis also explained that life does not end with losing an election.

"I lost, but I still have an athletic career that I can walk back to and receive my personal gratification from. Most of the people — that is their life, and without it, they feel lost. But me, I'm going to still have a good time and leave my mark on N.C. State," he said, adding, "At least I can say I tried."

Brad Dixon, candidate for student senate president, noted that the motivation to change was one of the biggest factors influencing his race.

"When people want to change or reform things, there are always lots of forces ready to oppose that ... people didn't want a new type of senate — that is evident by the outcome of this elec-

tion ... people resist change. The key is obtaining that balance between swift change and slow change and performing within those margins."

Having the incentive to run wasn't enough to run a campaign; on the contrary, campaigning, for many, took weeks of making flyers, displaying sandwich boards or passing out information in the Brickyard.

Some found the process easier than others, however. Edwards replied that "the campaign process was easy, really."

"I took the process a bit different than others in the sense that I left the responsibility of finding out information to the student body," he said. "I feel that the way some people campaign gets away from the real issues, that is who will do the best job, not necessarily who you see the most on the Brickyard. But overall, it was easy for me."

Dixon said that there is a need "for less mass publicity and a grassroots [movement] towards meeting people and convincing them to vote."

He also said that there should be "a campaign to take it the students," arguing that "the spirit of a campaign should be going to the people and asking them for the vote."

Yasinovskaya had a different response.

"This campaign was definitely a learning experience. I did a lot of diffi-

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Bryan Proffitt asks for student input at Tuesday's rally about racial issues on campus.

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Students and other members of the NCSU community from many backgrounds put forward their opinions. They spoke about a wide range of topics including racial stereotypes, guilt, education, religion and respect.

The tension in the auditorium rose noticeably when junior Tiffany Jackson directly addressed Chancellor Fox, who sat near the front of the room. Jackson demanded Fox explain

what action was being taken in response to a Feb. 19 incident that took place between a white female and a black male, both students in a political science class taught by Philip Munoz.

Letwlich stepped in and fielded the question himself, but Jackson was persistent in asking the chancellor for a response. Letwlich tried to calm the heated situation by explaining the purpose of Thursday's meeting. "It's about not only that issue but a myriad of others," he said. "Our goal is to identify issues to be addressed more specifically. I know this issue will be dealt with."

Several speakers after Jackson implied, some more overtly than others, that they too wanted some sort of immediate, direct response from the administration. Some said they had been led to believe by media outlets, including Technician, that this would be a part of the dialogue.

Editor's note: At no point did Technician state Thursday's event would address any specific incident.

Letwlich again tried to assure concerned members of the audience and settle the situation.

"We understand the urgency," he said. "We know it's important and needs leadership attention. But it's not something that will happen right here in this auditorium. I have faith in this administration."

Later in the session, Sanford Kessler, associate professor of political science, used his time to defend Munoz and his peers in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

"My colleagues have always treated students with respect," Kessler said. "People have been unfairly maligned. We must make sure the appropriate means are used to address these problems."

Near the end of the event, Gail O'Brien, associate dean in CHASS, also spoke for her department in relation to recent events and Jackson's concerns.

"We deal with a lot of tough issues," O'Brien said. "We did not come here with the intention of betraying you. We have tried

to follow the procedures [in dealing with recent incidents]. I'm sorry that you feel so upset.

"I also want to thank everybody for their comments. They haven't all made me comfortable, but they have made me think."

Letwlich took the floor again for approximately 10 minutes of closing comments after more than two hours of discussion. He attempted to summarize the dialogue's goals and results.

"I know there is still frustration," Letwlich said. "I'm positive that there will be a resolution — not only on one specific issue but on others around this thriving institution."

"Today was an attempt to start the process of engaging students. It is a learning process for all of us. We must maintain our passion for this process, but we must also professionalize our approach."

"We have learned something about ourselves, but this cannot be the last discussion."

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One NCSU student was awarded a scholarship while another received honorable mention.

Shelly R. Struckland, a junior in biomedical and biological engineering of Maxton, N.C., received the award from NCSU.

She is a member of the Park Scholars program, Gamma Beta Phi, Golden Key and Phi Eta Sigma honor societies. She is also a National Collegiate Scholar.

Kristen J. Collings received honorable mention. Collings is from Calloway, N.C., and a junior in natural resources and ecosystem assessment.

National Science Foundation graduate research fellowships are merit-based awards given to students beginning graduate work. They are awarded for advanced study in mathematical, physical, biological, engineering, behavioral and social sciences.

Out of 5,560 applicants for the award, 903 grants were awarded.

And of the 903, two NCSU graduate students received the award that will give both of them \$21,500 and cost-of-education allowances of \$10,500. They are also eligible for international research travel.

Ashton Drew of Raleigh is currently working with Dave Eggleston, associate of professor of marine, earth and atmospheric sciences, on research involving using satellite imagery to map underwater habitats.

Elizabeth Blue of Marion, N.C., is working with Brent Gunnoe, assistant professor of chemistry, on research in synthetic organometallic chemistry. She is only the second NCSU graduate student to receive the NSF fellowship for chemistry.

ELECTION

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cult things in order to pull it off, and I think the whole challenge was character building," she said.

"It was the people that influenced me most," she added. "I got to meet so many people,

many of whom were very dedicated. In the end, I think it was the fire and passion that those people brought when times were hardest that will remain with me."

Many of the candidates also carried messages in the spirit of good sportsmanship.

"Obviously, the results have affected me in the sense that I lost the election, and I will not have the opportunity to do the

things that I dreamed the students of NCSU would like," Edwards said, adding, "But James Reed is a capable man. I commend him on his victory and I know he will do a good job."

And most candidates agreed that while they didn't win on the ballot, they were all proud to be representatives of NCSU.

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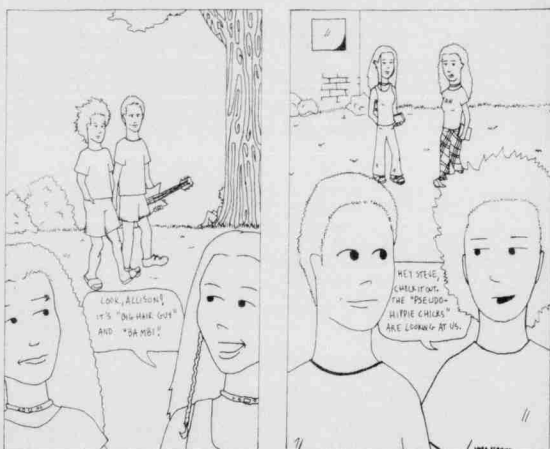
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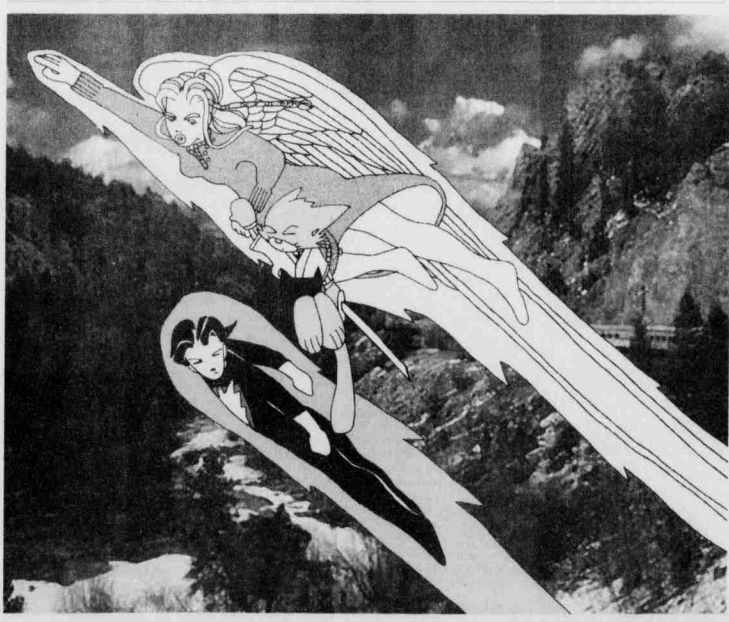
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TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

INS splits, forms two agencies

THE CURRENT INS NEEDS TO BE ABOLISHED, BUT THE PROCESS SHOULD BE HANDLED RESPONSIBLY.

The Immigration and Naturalization Services department has encountered many problems due to its wide range of responsibilities — most recently approved visas were mailed to two of the Sept. 11 hijackers months after the attacks. It was only appropriate that the U.S. House of Representatives took action to reform the organization by abolishing it altogether on Thursday and deciding to form two separate government agencies.

The House voted 405-9 to divide the agency, and the White House has said that it supports the bill though "it needs some work." These changes will most likely be reached in the Senate, according to Attorney General John Ashcroft, a major supporter of the bill. Ashcroft made a special trip to the Capitol to endorse the bill and encourage both political parties to "work together."

The INS has several enforcement duties providing for legal immigration and the entry of tourists, business and temporary visitors. According to the INS Web site, the agency is responsible for "inspecting and admitting arrivals at land, sea, and air ports of entry, administering benefits such as naturalization and permanent resident status, and apprehending and removing aliens who enter illegally or violate the requirements of their stay." Therefore, the House proposal to divide the agency into two departments more narrowly focused into the areas of the enforcement of U.S. borders and citizenship for legal immigrants will provide more clear directions and the

proper division of responsibilities. For now, financial priority will go to the enforcement branch.

The previous negligence of the INS stemmed from its broad range of responsibilities; dividing its tasks will allow for more precise management and focused leaders. Through this smaller scope, future problems can be pinpointed, and overall the agency will be more efficient.

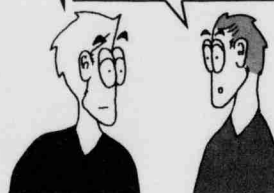
Representative Melvin Watt, D-N.C., opposes the new plan due to its potential to become a "two-headed monster" and merely spawn two inefficient agencies. Obviously great efforts must be taken to prevent the agencies from repeating the same mistakes as the current INS, but these revisions are a necessary step to correct the current flaws of "one of the worst-run agencies in the U.S. government," according to Rep. James Sensenbrenner, R-WI.

To avoid this problem, the Bush administration want the new immigration agencies' boss to be an associate attorney general and have the same amount of power as the current INS commissioner. The House bill requires that this new associate attorney general have a minimum of five years' experience managing a major, complex organization.

The INS is long overdue for reform, and dividing the responsibilities of the department between departments more specifically equipped to handle them will provide for more appropriate enforcement of laws.

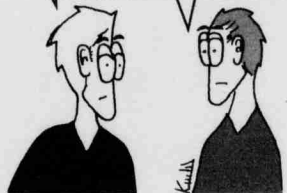
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Uh... Yeah. What about them?



What do you think happens when the cartoonist doesn't have any idea what to draw?

Hm... Wow. I really don't know.



Defend your right to bear arms



Darren O'Connor

STAFF COLUMNIST

As the semester draws to a close, I have realized that I haven't written about a subject near and dear to me: the fundamental issues concerning liberty and limited government. I'm talking, of course, about the gun control debate. One of our basic God-given rights, spelled out in the Second Amendment as the "right of the people to keep and bear arms," has come under increasing attacks by Democrats and other left-leaning parties and groups.

First, I want to look at the meaning of the Second Amendment. Here is the actual wording: "A well-regulated Militia, being necessary for the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms shall not be infringed." Many gun control advocates argue that this right was intended to apply only to "a well-regulated militia" (today, the military) and not to individuals. Anyone who argues this is either delusional or intentionally misrepresenting the Second Amendment for their own political reasons. It is clear to anyone with a middle-school education (Remember diagramming sentences?) that "well-regulated Militia" is used simply as a reason for protecting the individual right to bear arms; it is not designated as the only entity possessing that right. The right is deemed unconditional by the text of the amendment; it is not conditional on the first clause of the sentence. This is not just common sense; it is supported by Roy Copperrud, a retired

University of Southern California journalism professor and a renowned, award-winning expert on the usage of the English language.

Moreover, the bizarre claim often made by the anti-gun crowd, that "people" means not individuals but actually the collectivity of people as embodied by the state, is contradicted by the rest of the Bill of Rights. The First Amendment is most certainly referring to individuals when it mentions the "right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances." It's certainly not saying the government has the right to petition itself over a grievance. The Fourth Amendment clearly protects the individual when it states the "right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures." The Ninth and Tenth Amendments also refer to "the people" but are designed to protect individuals.

As a final note on meaning, the Second Amendment, as verified by Copperrud, does not grant a right to bear arms; it simply protects a right that is assumed to exist naturally. Now what about guns and crime? Liberals would have you believe that greater restrictions on our inherent right to bear arms will reduce violent crime. We're all intelligent college students, so there's no need to allow ourselves to be misled by this left-wing ploy to limit individual freedom and increase government power relative to the individual. The best research done to date shows that the easier it is for law-abiding citizens to buy and carry guns, the less violent crime there is. For instance, John Lott and David Mustard find a strong positive relationship between restrictive

gun laws and violent crime. They use cross-sectional, time-series U.S. data from 1977 to 1992 to show that "allowing citizens to carry concealed weapons deters violent crimes, without increasing accidental death." This is probably the best study done so far because of its analysis of data from 3,054 counties rather than state-level data, which ignore the heterogeneity within states in permit issuance, crime and arrest rates. The study also controls for key variables that other studies fail to take into account, such as probability of arrest and conviction, length of sentence and personal income.

Public opinion research shows that, while the majority of Americans have supported increased gun control in recent years, they also do not believe that gun control laws have much of an effect on violent crime. I imagine this disparity between beliefs and attitudes can be largely attributed to the gun control movement's ability to use emotional (as opposed to rational) appeals to people following incidents like Columbine and Littleton, not to mention the gun-hating news media's intentional suppression of studies, like the one by Lott and Mustard, that provide convincing evidence of the benefit of guns.

So I would recommend that, when you hear someone attack the Constitution and call for more erosion of our liberty and greater government control over our lives, you research the issue and not be immediately swayed by their patronizing emotional appeals.

If you have questions or comments for Darren, send your rants downstage at djocorro@univ.ncsu.edu.

A summer job



Karl Smith

STAFF COLUMNIST

A late American president once said, "There are those experiences which you wouldn't go through again if your life depended on it but wouldn't trade the world to have missed."

Truer words may have never been spoken.

The summer after my freshman year, so many, many summers ago, I left Raleigh for Columbus, Ohio, and embarked upon what would become my best, arduous descent into hell.

The plan was fantastic enough. I was to be a door-to-door salesman for the Southwestern Company. I would visit exotic places, rise to meet awesome challenges and eventually leave a fabulously wealthy man. Needless to say, my expectations slightly exceeded the realities of the job.

Before my tenure was up, I would be held at gunpoint, hit by a truck, attacked by dogs, nearly run over by a train and in the end left a broken and penniless wreck. The job was fantastic, just not in the manner I might have preferred.

I began with the long drive north, interrupted by a three-week stay in Knoxville, Tenn. Knoxville was sales school, and there we learned the tricks of our would-be trade. We sharpened organizational skills, mastered presentations, memorized sales talks and cultivated optimism.

All in all, it was a whirlwind of preparation and training in the fine art of sales. Yet, the most important lesson by far was optimism. I had been a wrestler and as such the power of positive thinking had been well etched into my psyche. Yet, nothing could prepare for the veracity with which these people approached the concept of positivity.

There were videos, tapes, books, presentations, speeches and commemorative coins, all manner of media utilized in an attempt to drive from our minds any lingering suspicion that we might fail. We were the very embodiment of success. Failure was a four-letter word. Yet all of this was not without cause, for at the end of it all, we were deposited into the wilds of central Ohio, and we needed every ounce of strength we could muster. Columbus was an unforgiving land, filled with house after house of prospects. Each one poised, ready to shatter the dreams of young, collegiate salesmen in single blow.

They were ruthless, tireless and without mercy — no matter how, they gave the same response, "NO." Though it

seemed they were not lacking in creativity when it came to the manner in which they expressed their disdain for my presence. They went through great lengths so as not to be misunderstood.

I could never hope to arrive a refusal as artful, eloquent and poignant as one fine gentleman who said, "You! No... Stop. Turn around. Now, walk the f--- away." A masterpiece of English composition.

However as rough as the prospects might have been, the truth in all of this is that I was not executing my sales skills as artfully as I had been instructed. My sales talk should have begun with the words "Hi, Mrs. Jones? My name is Karl, and Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Johnson suggested that I stop by and tell you about something they thought might help Tim out in his new middle school math classes."

I instead my modified version went something a little bit more along the lines of "Hey, you! I'm selling books. You want some?" Though not as effective, I thought it carried its own special charm.

As time passed, however, I became better and better, so much so that people were actually letting my in their house before informing me that they never wanted experience my presence again. Eventually I sold a few books, though not enough to support myself.

We worked on 100-percent commission. This was to protect our status as independent contractors they said. More likely it was to protect them from the risk that we would spend our time crying on the sidewalk while still charging the company. Either way it served as a motivator. You don't sell; you don't eat. I wasn't eating. Not everyday at least, I could afford about three meals a week plus the free food they would give us on Sunday. It sounds horrible but it wasn't. Actually, I didn't really notice at the time. I only knew that ahead of me lay the long walk to the next house and the 90-percent chance that I would be greeted more rudely than I ever had been in my life before that summer.

When you sign up, they ask if you ever been rejected 30 times in one day. Of course, everyone says no. They then look you in the eye and ask coolly, "Do you think you could handle that?"

I was fighter, a wrestler, of course I could. I was crying on the sidewalk before the end of the first week.

It was tough, but in the end, it was over. And being over allows us to look back. "I'm glad I made it to the other side," I am glad.

To hear the gory details of the stick-up, trains, trucks and dogs, e-mail Karl at karl_obeyanka@yahoo.com.



Robert Jalil

STAFF COLUMNIST

I received many responses to my article I argue that even only tangentially referenced religion.

Among these e-mails, one class of responses would always come from Christians who wanted to talk, have lunch or pray for me. While pleasant — in that they were not outright insulting, I've always found such e-mails unerving because the tone in which they were written reminds me of the way one thinks that psychiatric workers talk to mental patients — with a syrupy, faux-comforting attitude.

More regularly, people tell me simply, "You are going to hell." That's all — there is nothing more to their response. To these messages, I can only have no response. I do not purport to be a Biblical scholar, so it is possible that others have some way of knowing what God will do in the future — perhaps they are tapping one venerable Miss Cole. (I certainly don't have the money to do so.) Regardless, such violent responses leave me puzzled as I have tried very hard to not ever deny religion or Christianity.

On the other side of the fence, (presumably) atheist readers have sent e-mails

lamenting that I did not go far enough in any criticism of religion. Considering these responses, sometimes I wonder whether my inability to please readers in a simple article bodes poorly for other things, such as relations with the ladies.

The last class of interesting responses (and the class that amuses me the most) is the one where the e-mails state, "Go back to Pakistan you Hindu bastard!" Ignoring the flub on geography, I am, in fact, not a practitioner of Hinduism. The little nugget of Hindu knowledge I do have deals with what's up with the dot. (FYI: Agents in the field tell me that the dot represents the third eye of Vishnu, which keeps bad jujus away from people.)

Having learned from the slight debacle writing religion articles will create, I have given up discussing questions of religious belief. Instead, I have resigned myself to this charitable construction of the sides in any "spiritual" religious debate: Assuming the completeness of logic and science (complete like how *A²* is complete), there will always be room for belief in things that are not tangible. Those who are religious fill this space with a belief in God and/or some higher existence. Those who are not religious see no need to introduce religion into this space, and, indeed, they often see a great deal of harm in introducing religion.

No one should care, though, what people believe outside of his or her "not-logic" space. That is, for things where a logical explanation does not exist or is not needed, it is pointless to dispute what is ultimately someone's visceral opinion. Thus, it is frustrating to be in the presence of those who persist in a debate where they know the outcome a priori.

Bad jujus always develops when religious and non-religious people start talking to each other in religious contexts. (Where is that red dot when you need it?) Since this seems to be the case, why don't the two sides just drop the tired issue? Christians, specifically, persist under the guise of some Bible verse that states they ought to win converts for Christ. I don't believe that these Christians put much thought into the fact that they are least likely to win converts among atheists and that no one likes an ugly catfight (except when it has hot girls, possibly with mud involved).

Those crazy atheists never extract themselves from a stupid debate in a timely manner because, in some sense, having religion run rampant can be quite an annoyance. When religion makes its way into government policy, law and customs, atheists can be affected by religion in ways that are undesirable and unwarranted. Additionally, many religious advocates make easy targets for belittling, and what red-blooded atheist can resist the chance to make fun of someone?

Noting the abject futility of most religious arguments, I declare that I will stay away from religious debates until I get tired of or forget about my declaration. I certainly don't expect many to change their stance on religious debates. It is likely by that theists and atheists will claw and peck at each other until the end of time, may that be the rapture or the Big Crunch. As for me, I will be twirling, twirling, always twirling towards freedom!

Canst thou tell the end (of the school year) is night? E-mail Robert at evilbobNCSU@mac.com.

Utopia apartheid?



Shelly Lea
LEAD COLUMNIST

I must say that being of a different race should make anyone proud of his or her heritage and culture. The least a person can do is show his or her pride by maintaining and sustaining a cultural identity with those groups of people. However, I question the validity of his or her response to whether or not apartheid exists in the United States, and if so, the question is whether or not it's self-inflicted.

The most segregated hour in the United States is on Sunday morning when everyone goes to "his or her" church. Now, everyone has the decision to go to any church he or she pleases, but most people tend to go to the church with the same race as themselves. Also, on a smaller scale — at this school, there are many races, and every student has the option to intermingle as much as they please. On the contrary, most students decide to remain with their own race due to fear of rejection, criticism or perhaps a

comfort-zone issue. But whatever the reason, how many people can honestly say that their decision to remain aloof is not self-inflicted apartheid?

Also, as more minorities obtain education and decent pay, they are able to make the decision as to where they would like to live. More and more research indicates that once citizens have an education and are able to make free decisions about what they want to do, most citizens tend to associate more with their own race. There are several reasons for this, but the predominant one is in order to sustain a cultural setting that is favorable to their kids and themselves.

But there is another apartheid due to the suburbs. In today's society, there are essentially two neighborhoods within a community. One is the inner city and the other is the suburbs. Most jobs are now moving out to the suburb, setting to cater to the wealthy opposed to remaining in the inner city to provide jobs to the more needy. And who can blame them? That is where the economic gain is peaking. However, it is all a chain reaction. The businesses move out there to accommodate the wealthy, who, in turn, pay for the work of the more needy masses. But the flight to the suburbs also lessens services to the other minorities who have to remain on the other side without advancing. And these masses are usually filled with poor whites, Asians, blacks, Latinos and Arabs. While education and service are better for the suburbs than the inner city population,

the Suburbians can afford to pay for certain services that the masses cannot afford. Yet, with this comes apartheid — does it still exist in today's society? Most of the suburbs are filled with Caucasians, not other races. Therefore, an apartheid society submerges. But apart from this, who is to blame if the apartheid is not forced?

When there are people who have a greater advantage than others of the same race, yet they choose to remain distant with other races, is there a valid point in apartheid being present in today's society but not necessarily forced?

I think there are injustices in every aspect. However, it sickness me when there are people who can make the conscience decision to integrate but refuse to and then make statements about the society as a whole and how it treats different races. I believe that if we — as Americans — want to establish an integral nation that is equal for everyone, then we must all integrate in order to ensure it. It should not matter whether or not someone is of my race or another; what should matter is that we are all Americans and that we can learn from each other in every way possible. But if we choose to only hang around those of our own race, I believe that the apartheid is in fact self-inflicted, and we can blame no one but ourselves.

Voice your opinions on the matter to Shelly at sleaa@unity.ncsu.edu.

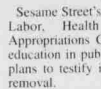
RULE OF THUMB

Easley announces clean air plan



Governor Mike Easley announced Thursday a plan endorsed by power utilities and legislators that would reduce pollution from 14 of the state's dirtiest coal-fired power plants without raising utility rates. Asthmatics all over the state briefly cheered the plan before collapsing into spasmodic coughing fits.

Elmo's congressional testimony



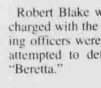
Sesame Street's Elmo testified this week before the House Labor, Health and Human Services Education Appropriations Committee in favor of funding for music education in public schools. Next week, Oscar the Grouch plans to testify in favor of less frequent municipal waste removal.

Saudi crown prince visits Bush



This week, Saudi Arabian Crown Prince Abdullah visited President Bush at his Prairie Chapel Ranch in Crawford, Texas. While touring the ranch, the pair saw a wild turkey. Bush was quoted as saying, "That was a good thing." We think so, too. Who says diplomacy is hard?

Robert Blake arrest



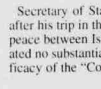
Robert Blake was arrested at his Los Angeles home and charged with the murder of his wife on Monday. The arresting officers were nearly crippled with laughter when Blake attempted to defend himself with moves he learned on "Beretta."

Cosmic crunch theory



In a report published on Thursday, Princeton physicist Paul Steinhardt challenged the theory of a "Big Bang" by suggesting that the universe expands and contracts every once in an event he calls a "Cosmic Crunch." We like our "Cosmic Crunch" in a big bowl covered with milk and fresh blueberries. It's cosmically delicious!

Powell ends Middle East trip



Secretary of State Colin Powell returned home this week after his trip in the Middle East, during which he lobbied for peace between Israel and the Palestinians. His efforts generated no substantial progress. We are disappointed in the inefficacy of the "Colin Cleanser."

CAMPUS FORUM

Reaction to race

We white people need to wake up and acknowledge the ways in which our social and economic interests are promoted by a system that profits from the political exclusion and economic exploitation of others. In her April 8 Technician column, Holly Bezart discussed such a critique of the white supremacist socioeconomic system as "delusional." I invite Ms. Bezart and all others incredulous to do some reading. (Start with Howard Zinn's "A People's History of the United States" and move on to writings by Noam Chomsky, Cornel West or bell hooks.) White supremacy is not simply limited to those virulent strains present in Klan rallies or Aryan Nation compounds in Idaho. Rather, it manifests in the everyday privilege, comfort and security that white people enjoy and take for granted. The color of our skin guarantees us easier access to jobs, education and neighborhoods than people of color have. No, we never owned slaves, nor did our parents or grandparents, but we certainly benefit from the prosperity of a nation built on slave labor. We have never known what it is like to be continually represented in the media as drug dealers, welfare cheats or violent criminals, nor have we had to fight to overcome these stereotypes. We have never had people lock their car doors as they drive past us. Property value is not negatively correlated to our presence in a neighborhood. Even though the Jim Crow legal barriers that excluded African Americans from the political process in order to guarantee white power are out of the way, we still benefit from the privilege that a racist history granted us. How many non-white or female members of Congress do you see?

White supremacy is the unchecked exploitation of those less powerful, who are, more often than not, people of color. It's not white folks out there picking tomatoes for 40 cents a bucket, earning \$50 a day, as Taco Bell rakes in \$5.2 billion yearly and refuses to come to the table to listen to farm workers' demands for a raise (check out www.ciw-online.org). It's not white folks in Haiti, Mexico and Southeast Asia earning 14 cents an hour stitching Levis and Tommy Hilfeger. It's not white folks making 50 cents a pound growing coffee beans for \$2 lattes. As those who profit from this exploitation, and everyday privilege, we are complicit unless we speak out against it. We have a moral obligation to do so. This starts with the simple recognition that racism runs deep in the system — attempts to divert attention from this reality with feel-good discussions on diversity are not enough. Educate yourselves. Speak out.

Nathan McClintock
Graduate Student
Crop Science

Come and try Clark — once!

I'm sure that all of the "on campus" residents of NCSU are aware of the problems at Clark Dining Hall. For the entire time that the dining hall has been open, the wait to go to dinner has been more than thirty minutes. Why, do you ask? Well, my hall-mate Jordan Winner stated nicely that many central and west campus residents are making the trek to try the new facilities. That's great, I say. Everyone not living on east campus should give it a try, once!

OK, maybe twice, but do a lunch and then a dinner, not two dinners. It is really insulting for us "East Side" residents to have to wait to get into our own backyard. On a more insulting note, what's up with the athletes? Not only have west and central campus residents invaded our dining hall but so have the athletes. Now I know that our athletes work very hard to maintain their condition and are working even harder to turn around State's improving athletic record. So what do they get for their hardships? Case Dining Facility. I have no idea of how good the food tastes in Case, let alone what it even looks like inside. Obviously, our athletes deserve this pinnacle of the dining experience. So why do they insist of adding to the jam at Clark? Good question. Sure, you might say I could "apply" to go to Case, but that's only for breakfast and lunch. I can get into my own dining hall at those times. But can I go to Case for dinner? No! Athletes only!

So I say to athletes: Yeah, come try it; everyone should try Clark, then go home! Go to Case. Not one of you has offered to get an east resident into your dining hall. Why not swap for IDs for dinner? I would love to eat a freshly grilled steak, or whatever it is that you are served. To maintain my hallmate's view: "Everyone come try it — once!" If you are walking past two or more eateries to get to Clark, you have serious issues. This is where I live, and I would really appreciate it if I could eat in peace!

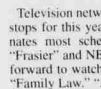
Mike Stockwell
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History Education

'One strike you're out'



American Cardinals met with Pope John Paul II this week and announced on Wednesday the adoption of a "one-strike-you're-out" policy that would dismiss priests involved in future sex abuse cases. This policy replaces the church's previous "eight-strike-settle-out-of-court" policy.

TV sweeps week



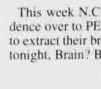
Television networks are pulling out all of the programming stops for this year's spring sweeps period. Nostalgia dominates most schedules, including a "Cheers" reunion on "Frasier" and NBC's 75th Anniversary Gala. We're looking forward to watching the "Who's the Boss?" cast reunite on "Family Law." "Angela" Samantha!

Helms recovering from Heart Surgery



Aging North Carolina Senator Jesse Helms had heart surgery on Thursday to replace a valve installed a decade ago. One Democratic senator said, "Maybe he won't try to steal Christmas next year." We thought we heard singing in Whoville.

PETA angry with UNC Labs



This week N.C. State alumna Kate Turlington turned evidence over to PETA showing rats being decapitated in order to extract their brains at UNC Labs. What are we going to do tonight, Brain? Brain? Brain?! Narf!



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shoulder, State will go with senior Ryan Combs to start the series off Friday night. The start marks Combs' 13th appearance this year and his 74th for his career. That feat makes him the all-time leader for career appearances at State.

"Ryan Combs will step up for us Friday night," Avent said. "He's been in that situation many, many times, and his appearance Friday night will make him the all-time appearances leader at State. So, that shows a career of being out there quite a bit, and he's gotten it done for us before and I'm sure he'll get it done again for us Friday night."

Along with Combs, senior leftfielder Brian Wright will also look to move up in the record books. With a ninth-inning double against North Carolina last weekend, Wright led Brian Bark for the school record for most doubles in a career with 70. Wright already has 18 doubles on the year and will look to get the record-setting one against the Noles.

ORVELLA

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Orvella has surely been a welcomed addition here at State.

"He's a gamer," said Avent. "He loves the game and plays hard. He's made plays here this year that we've never seen in the past six years from the shortstop position. He's a very consistent performer, and it's been great having him on the team this year. He's just fun to watch."

Rocket,
I'm taking a rocket ...

SOFTBALL

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tion membership from the AIAW to the NCAA, the NCAA did not offer slow-pitch softball championships. As a result, State dropped the program at the end of the 1982-83 season.

Today, fast-pitch softball is played by most high schools in North Carolina, and

the NCHSAA offers fast-pitch state championships in every division. In 2000-01, the NCHSAA accounted for 334 girls' fast-pitch softball teams, accounting for approximately 8,000 participants.

The last sport to be added at State was women's golf in 2000-01. The women's golf team had made great strides in only its second season back in action, including three tournament wins this season and a recent third-place finish at the ACC Championships.

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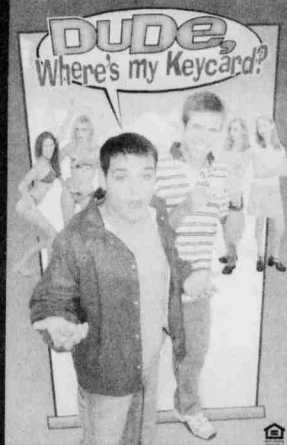
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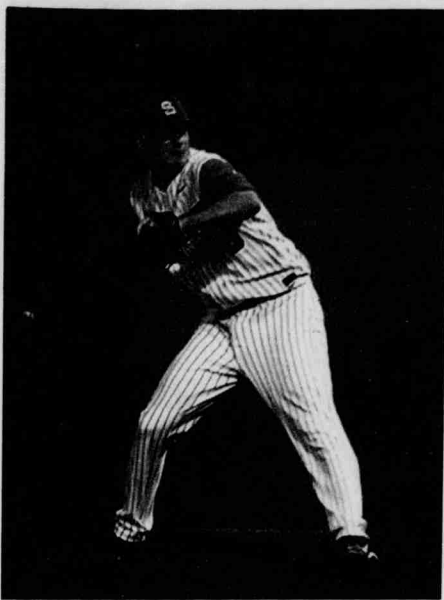
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Friday Sports



Baseball @ Florida State, 4/26
Track, Penn Relays, 4/26-27



Ryan Combs and the Wolfpack need to win games at Florida State to climb in the ACC standings.

Determined Pack heads to FSU

◆ The N.C. State baseball team will look to set two records as it travels to take on the No. 8 Seminoles.

Justin Sellers
Senior Staff Writer

Determined not to lose, the N.C. State baseball team battled back Wednesday night and won 6-4 over Old Dominion, giving State only its second win in its last six games.

The Wolfpack (26-17, 4-11 ACC) now prepares for a quick turnaround as it heads to Florida

WHAT: State this weekend for a three-game series. Against the No. 8 Seminoles (38-12, 6-6), State will definitely need to continue that determined spirit to win if it hopes to steal a game or two down in Tallahassee, Fla.

"We've got a tough stretch ahead of us," said head coach Elliott Avent. "The guys have a lot in front of them, but this is a game where you have to deal with adversity and you have to be mentally tough. I think it'll be that mental toughness of our team that will see us through it."

But as the past shows, that won't be an easy task to accomplish. FSU leads the overall series with

State, 30-15 and 28-10, since the Noles joined the conference back in 1992.

This season's squad started out slow in ACC play but has picked up pace and after a three-game sweep of No. 5 Georgia Tech that has FSU smoking and looking for more.

The Noles are led offensively by the duo of outfielder Tony McQuade and third baseman Ryan Barthelemy. With McQuade hitting .392 and Barthelemy not far behind at .378, the two have proven to be sure reasons for FSU's success. Already, the duo has combined for 35 doubles, 15 home runs and 94 RBIs, not to mention scoring 81 of the Noles' 408 runs this season.

"We've studied several tapes on them, and they're a great ball club," Avent said. "More importantly than anything else, they're playing with a lot of confidence right now. They just really man-handled a really good Georgia Tech team. I think they had been hurt earlier in the year, but they got some key guys back. We'll catch Florida State at their best, but hopefully we'll be at our best and it'll be a good weekend."

But the last time these two teams met, it was the Pack that finished on top.

Meeting for the fifth time in 2001 and during the semifinals of the ACC Tournament, State broke a 4-4 tie in the eighth inning with a run of its own for the lead. Later in the top of the ninth, the Pack added three more runs, giving it a lead that would prevail into the winning score at 8-4.

As for this season, State has already had its share of surprising top teams, with wins over then No. 8 Wake Forest and No. 1 Clemson.

The team, as a whole, has managed to swing the bats well all season and with a .345 team average, it will look to do the same against FSU. But more importantly this weekend, the Pack will be looking to set some records.

With right-handed pitcher Derek McKee out due to tendinitis in his right

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N.C. State will take a swing at a hot Florida State team in Tallahassee, Fla., this weekend.



The Carolina Hurricanes got a vital 3-2 overtime win Wednesday night against the New Jersey Devils to pull within one game of winning its first playoff series since moving from Hartford, Conn.

Down 2-1 and facing a power play with less than five minutes remaining in the game, the situation looked dire for the Canes. New Jersey, however, was unable to capitalize on Carolina's power play, and minutes later, the Canes got a power play of their own.

With just 1:29 remaining in the game and 21 seconds into the penalty, Jeff O'Neal powered a rebound past Martin Brodeur to force overtime.

In overtime, the Devils again looked to have Carolina in their grasp. A rebound found John Madden right in front of the goal with Canes goalie Kevin Weekes out of position, but Weekes sprawled out to make an amazing glove save.

Four minutes later, Carolina put away a chance of its own. Josef Vasicek went top shelf on Brodeur to maintain the home-ice advantage for the Canes.

Five games into the series, the home advantage has held. After winning the first two games at the ESA, the Hurricanes were not able to steal one at the Meadowlands. The Devils dominated the two games in Jersey, winning a combined 7-1 and bringing the momentum back to Raleigh.

New Jersey seemed ready to head back home with the lead throughout the game. The Devils jumped out on front 1-0 and later 2-1. The Hurricanes didn't grab the lead until the final buzzer but that was good enough to take the crucial game five.

An important decision awaits Hurricanes head coach Paul Maurice — whether to start the struggling No. 1 goalie in Arturs Irbe or game-five hero Weekes.

Game six will be played on Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m. in New Jersey. The Hurricanes could close out the series with a win there. If home ice holds, however, a deciding game seven will be held at the ESA on Monday at 7 p.m.

In the history's franchise, including the time spent in Hartford, the Hurricanes have only won one playoff series.

— Steve Thompson

Orvella doesn't stop short

◆ Transfer shortstop Chad Orvella has played a key role in N.C. State's improved season.

Justin Sellers
Senior Staff Writer

With the N.C. State baseball team up 6-4 Wednesday night and one out on Old Dominion in the top of the ninth, Monarch catcher John Ochler stepped up to plate.

After his practice swings, Ochler connected on what appeared to be a sure base hit toward left field. But before Ochler could make it to the halfway point between home plate and first base, Wolfpack shortstop Chad Orvella made a spectacular diving catch for the out.

State would grab the third out on the next ODU batter to ensure the win, but it was Orvella's unbelievable play that still lingered in the minds of his fellow teammates and, along with them, head coach Elliott Avent.

"I think Chad Orvella is the best shortstop I've had since I've been here," said Avent. "He knows the game so well, and he plays hard. He's gone through some hitting woes lately, but the game of baseball is a difficult sport to try and be proficient at."

"He had a big game for us tonight. He came up with a big play that put the ball in play with two strikes in the ninth. That catch he made — not too many people can make that."

It's those amazing plays that Orvella has come to be known for all season long. A transfer student from Columbia Basin Community College, located in Pasco, Wash., Orvella is no stranger to winning.

Just a year ago, he was batting .330 on the season, with 27 runs scored and

12 RBIs in 47 games. With those statistics, Orvella went on to be an all-conference selection and helped lead his team to a 39-8 overall record and a conference championship.

After his powerful performance in the conference playoffs, he went on to earn a spot on the all-tournament team and later played in the conference's all-star game.

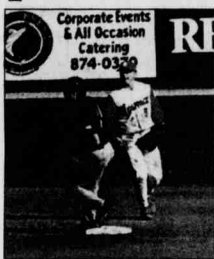
Upon arriving at State, Orvella — a West Coast guy all his life — could hardly believe his eyes.

"The biggest change was the weather," Orvella said. "The humidity was probably the biggest thing, climate-wise. But as far as the team goes, it was a lot like moving up to a bigger league. There's equipment — anything you need, you have, where in community college you had to go out and buy your stuff. Plus, the coaches in community college taught [classes], so it was a lot harder to get them out to help you."

Working with assistant coaches Billy Jones and Scott Lawler, Orvella has continued to work on the basics needed by any good infielder, while expanding his defensive mentality and strength offensively.

A starter all season long, he has been placed throughout the lineup. Despite his positioning, however, Orvella, who sports a .340 average with six doubles, two triples, a homer and 30 RBIs thus far, has come through time after time with big hits for the Pack.

"Everybody has a role on this team," said Orvella. "I'm not going to be a home run hitter. I'm not a huge RBI guy, although I've gotten my RBIs this year because other guys have gotten on base in front of me. No matter where I'm at in the lineup, I know my job is just to get on base and let [Brian] Wright, Col [Morton] or some of our bigger hitters bring me in. You just



Chad Orvella has taken over the shortstop duties for the N.C. State baseball team.

have to know your role."

But while Orvella's hitting has made believers out of State's coaching staff, it is his play at shortstop that continues to shine through. Whereas some players might not be able to make reach a ball, Orvella stretches his limits to give his all for the team. More times than not, those awesome hits are turned around into even better defensive plays and outs for the Pack — due in part by Orvella's determination.

"At that position, it's extremely important [to have a good arm] because you're throwing from the furthest part of the diamond, plus trying to beat the runner to first," said Avent. "He's not only got a strong arm, but he's extremely accurate, and his release is unbelievably quick and he can release from wherever he catches the ball."

Nevertheless, the fact remains that

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State to institute softball program

◆ Fast-pitch softball will become N.C. State's 23rd varsity sport.

Sports Staff Report

N.C. State athletics director Lee Fowler has announced that the Pack will add fast-pitch women's softball as its 23rd varsity sport with competition beginning in the spring of 2004. Fowler plans to have a head coach and an assistant coach in place for the 2002-03 academic year and field a team in ACC competition in 2003-04.

Plans for a new softball facility are being developed and are in the planning stages. There will be a national search for the coaching staff, and a search committee be formed in the next several weeks.

Currently, five ACC schools (Florida State, Georgia Tech, Maryland, North Carolina and Virginia) sponsor fast-pitch softball, giving State a conference identity and a conference competition schedule. With the addition of State, the ACC will qualify for an automatic bid to the NCAA Softball Championships. (The NCAA requires six member schools to offer eligibility for an automatic bid.)

The Pack fielded a women's slow-pitch softball squad from 1975-83. However, when the Wolfpack changed its national women's athletics associa-

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Men's tennis gets a fresh start

◆ The N.C. State men's tennis team will bring in two new players but lose a head coach in the off-season.

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N.C. State men's tennis coach Eric Hayes has announced that he has resigned from his position effective May 1. Hayes has guided the program since the 1996 season.

"We've established a solid foundation at N.C. State with the players we've signed who will come in next year and the past successes we've enjoyed," said Hayes. "I think we've gotten the program back on its feet and with the new tennis facility on the drawing boards, I think N.C. State men's tennis is definitely heading in the right direction."

A native of Suffern, N.Y., Hayes took over a program that had won just 23 matches in the three seasons prior to his arrival and led the Wolfpack to a national ranking of 72nd in his third season. Led by All-American Roberto Bracone, Hayes' 1999 squad turned in State's first winning season in 11 years and made its first NCAA Tournament appearance since 1978.

"I appreciate the opportunity that [former athlet-

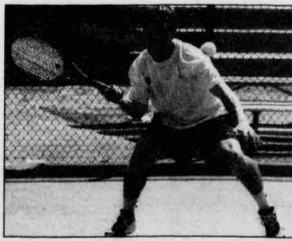
ics director] Les Robinson gave me when he hired me, and I appreciate the continued support [athletics director] Lee Fowler," Hayes continued. "I believe that with him at the helm of the department, the N.C. State athletic program is in good hands."

Before he left, Hayes helped recruit two players for next season. The Pack will be aided by the addition of Rehman Esmail (Vancouver, B.C.) and Val Banada (N. Miami Beach, Fla.) to the fold.

Esmail, who currently boasts national rankings of third in doubles and 16th in singles, won the National Indoor and Outdoor Doubles Championships in 2000. On the way to those titles, Esmail defeated the 2000 junior Wimbledon doubles champion. He also topped current Duke student Jason Zimmerman, who was ranked in the top 30 in the ITF at the time.

Banada won the "Easter Bowl," one of the biggest junior tournaments on the circuit in 2000. Currently ranked 37th in the nation, Banada has defeated several of the top 50 players in the nation recently, including Zimmerman.

For now, however, Esmail and Banada don't have a coach. Fowler has said that there will be a nation-



N.C. State's men's tennis team will sport a new look when it takes the court next year.

al search for Hayes' successor, and a search committee will be formed in the next several weeks.

"We wish Coach Hayes well in his future endeavors," said Fowler. "We appreciate what he's contributed to the Wolfpack program."