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## Local businesses feel the summer slump

♦ Students leaving for the summer take their money with them, and Hillsborough Street establishments suffer.

Josianne Lauber

Although Hillsborough Street Although Hillsborough Street seems to be one of the busiest streets around Raleigh, the summer traffic is unbelievably slow—not only car traffic, but people traffic as well. During the regular spring and fall semesters, one can't walk down Hillsborough Street without accidentally bumping into someone. Walking down Hillsborough Street on a week-day afternoon during the summer is a whole different story.

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Hillsborough Street is practically empty except a few roaming college kids and some faculty members from campus. The summer slump has affected many businesses along the major campus street.

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One business that has been feeling the summer slump is the Cream and Bean ice cream shop across from the Belltower.

"Business is bad and the tips are worse during the summer," said assistant manager Chris Asbill.

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Eric Krouse, a worker at the same ice cream shop, admits business is slower in the summer but can't complain about business on the weekends.

"Weekends in the summer bring in about as much business as the weekends during the year," said Krouse.

Although Global Village café has been affected by the slow summer, Jared Gartner, a junior

With the economy already taking a toll on local merchants, those on Hillsborough Street feel the crunch even more during the summer because of a decreased student population.

in Chemistry and also the man-ager at Global Village, feels that business is not really all that

"There has been a minor increase in business, about 5-10 percent, due to an increase in

name recognition and product diversity. Said Gartner. He admits, however, that busi-ness during the regular spring/fall semester is always better due to the availability of more people.

management and also a manager at Global Village, joked, "Well, we sell a lot more ice cream during the summer.

Starbucks, also a booming business during the year, has felt the decline in business. Morgan McLamb, manager of Starbucks, said the business slows down by 25 percent in the summer com-pared to the regular school year

"There's not much you can do because we depend on the avail-ability of people, and in the summer, we experience a drop."

Starbucks is going on its sixth year of business. When comparing this summer to its previous summers in business, McLamb said, "It's going fine, if not a lit-tle better than the rest."

McLamb feels if more businesses fill in the empty store fronts, then Hillsborough Street fronts, then Hilsborough Street will not only be more attractive to the students, faculty and staff, but to other residents. "If people feel there's more to do on Hillsborough [Street], then it will attract more people to busi-

nesses."

One business, Detour, is one of the businesses on Hillsborough that does not solely depend on their store for customers. Lisa, the manager of Detour, said, My husband does a lot of shows and brings the store to the Brickyard. ... We also work at the State Fairgrounds."

Hillsborough Street and other businesses around the N.C. State campus feel the summer slump, campus teet the summer stump, but there's nothing the business-es can do but wait for the fall semester to begin and for the students to bring the business back to them.

## Campus security guard division suffers cuts

Officials remain optimistic despite the impending loss of a "supplemental patrol" on campus.

Sharolyn Banks

North Carolina's budget woes will soon put a strain on N.C. State's campus security forces. In order to protect individuals in sworn positions, Campus Police will be forced to cut its supplementary security guard division. Twenty-sis security guard positions will be terminated after June 27.

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"The difficult part is that you are not letting people go because of poor performance but for the fact that we can't support them." said Sgit Jon Barnewell.

The campus Human Resources Department started providing services to help those who were laid off find other positions at the university as well as in the state government. Barnwell said that some people have already found new positions.

positions.

The department is also feeling the effects of the budget cuts due to having two unfilled police officer positions.

Students will feel the effects when they have to wait longer for key requests. The individual departments on campus will now be responsible for making sure that doors are locked on

time.

Barnwell says that the changes mean that the campus community will need to "take a more active role by serving as extra eyes and ears" to replace the supplemental patrol the security guard department once filled.

Though these changes seem disappointing, Barnwell said that campus "coverage will not be lost." The campus escort service will remain available, and there is interest from the various departments to allow a private security contractor to come in for lock-up purposes. Campus Police and the Raleigh Police Department are working to try to increase presence in the area on Hillsborough Street to make it more pedestrian friendly.

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Barnwell says that even though the statewide crime rate is up by 1.5 percent, Raleigh's crime rate is down by 4 percent and campus crime is down by 11 percent. Campus statistics show that farceny is down by 25 percent, burglary by 28 percent and aggravated ossault by 30 percent.

Barnwell said that "the security guards have done a fantastic job" but it is now time for the "campus community to stay aware of surroundings, report suspicious activity and use common sense (risk reduction), and we can all work together to keep our campus a safe place."

## Professor elected president of teachers association

♦ N.C. State's Dr. John Penick will lead the National Science Teachers Association.

LaWanda Ray

Dr. John Penick, department head and professor of mathemat-ics, science and technology edu-cation at N.C. State, has been elected as the new president of the National Science Teachers

Association (NSTA).

The Virginia-based organiza-tion has over 53,000 members and is the world's largest profes-sional science teacher organiza-

tion.
Penick has been a member of the NSTA since 1970 and previously served as a board member, committee member and council member. He will begin his one-year term in June of 2003.
"The National Science Teachers Association is committed to ensuring that all students are sci-

ence literate, since they are the key to tomorrow's skilled work-force, a strong economy, as well as our national security and gen-eral well-being," Penick said.

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During his term as president,
Penick will "provide direction for
the organization; work with policy leaders to implement this
direction and vision; [and] seek
to influence those who have
timpact on science education,
such as school leaders and
administrators, scientists, the
Congress [and] major govern-

mental funding agencies such as the National Science Foundation and the Department of Education."

He will also try to influence universities to upgrade teacher educa-tion programs and state depart-ments to ensure the teaching of science at all levels.

"With about 110 employees, NSTA produces journals for teachers of all levels," Penick said. "Science and Children' is for elementary science teachers. Science Scope' is for middle-level teachers. The Science Teacher' is for high school, and the Journal of College Science Teaching is the only journal devoted to teaching science at the college level."

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There is also a bimonthly publication called NSTA Reports! This publication is in newspaper format, running 150 pages each issue, and provides current opportunities and resources for teachers.

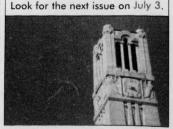
"NSTA also has a publishing division with more than 200 titles and publishes 10 to 15 new books each year, and the NSTA Academy provides [this] service education for teachers all over the United States," Penick said.

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"NSTA is a forum for communicating ideas about effective teaching and a place to learn of new resources, ways of teaching and how our students learn. NSTA has more than 2.000 college-level members — about 1,300 of which typically attend their annual conference," Penick said.
"I find it a very exciting place to be each year, and I would [like] them to come up to Philadelphia next March and join 14,000 educators, each seeking to be the best they can be, and 1,100 vendors, demonstrating the latest in science equipment, books and ideas."



Officer Wingo and Campus Police will have to make changes because of the state's budget situation.

Technician will not run next Wednesday due to exams





KEEPIN' HOLLERIN' GOIN'

Contestants gathered in Spivey's Corner on Saturday to compete in the National Hollerin' Contest. The contest was started over 30 years ago in an attempt to keep the hollerin' tradition of Sampson County alive. Today the contest recieves natioal media attention and is attended by several hundred people.



## The summer movie season may turn out OK after all

I will issue one note before continuing in this article: In describing how well the movies over the past week were, I managed to avoid "Scooby-Doo" at all costs and have really no idea how that turned out. Then again, if you love the cartoon in the same way that I do, you probably don't want to know how it turned out. On the up side, the rest of the field has some very good films in it, and another good one that's just around the corner.

### The Bourne Identity

Starring Matt Damon
Franka Potente
Directed by Doug Liman
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This thriller, based on the novel by Robert Ludlum, may follow the reg-

by Robert Ludlum, may follow the reg-ular patterns that you'd expect a sum-mer spy thriller to take, but unlike its recent counterpart (the horrendous 'Bad Company'), it remembers to add style and fun to the mix. It follows Jason Bourne (Damon) after his limp body is pulled out of the Mediterranean Sea, and he finds him-self with no memory and two bullets in his back. He follows a few clues with the hopes of discovering who he is and finds that he has a few exceptional

skills, like martial arts, as well as a case full of money at the bank.

Once the people he used to work for go after him (a team led by Chris Cooper and Brian Cox). he finds himself on the run with Marie (Potente, "Run Lola Run"), the "only person he knows."

Director Liman, who had previously directed the low-budget films "Swingers" and "Go," proves with "defentity" that he can hang out with the big box, putting together a fluid, well-crafted, intense thriller. Dumon was also on the line here — many people didn't think he'd be able to pull off this kind of role, but he too proves that he can be just a good a spy as anyone else and even better when it comes to a role like this. Other actors would fit the violent-assassin spy, but the actions that he's described as doing are juxtaposed to the tender, childlike Bourne he brings to the receive the pull there is one matter of casting that's fairly questionable: Julia Stiles plays another agent in the field, but nothing is done with her character at all: spy cast Julia Stiles lays a mother agent in the field, but nothing is done with her character at all research and the proposed to the strength of the supporting cast is also chosen perfectly, even though there is one matter of casting that's fairly questionable: Julia Stiles plays another agent in the field, but nothing is done with her character at all research and the pull the proper to cast an unfamiliar face, for here she just serves as a distraction.

In theaters now.



Mr. Deeds.

One thing's for sure: There hasn't been any shortage of war movies in the last year. We've seen "Behind Enemy Lines," "Black Hawk Down" and "We Were Soldiers" all in the last few months ... but if you like war movies, there's no complaining. "Windtalkers" is a good film that tries to be great, an exercise in Woo's style that attempts to tell a deep story about war and humanity but can only manage a surface-level story about the attack on the island of Saipan.

This is the kind of film you'll want to see and not think about afterwards, for it's a very enjoyable two-plus hours. It's got a great east, including Peter Stormare ("Fago"). Noah Emmerich ("The Truman Show"), Mark Ruffalo ("You Can Count on Me") and Christian Slater, some great action sequences and a look that can't be beat. But if you think about it, the action summers, do some in the last corrogenees and a look that can't be beat.

sequences and a took that can t be beat. But if you think about it, the action sequences do seem a little glamorized, and the cast isn't used to its full poten-tial, filling in normal war-movie roles instead of the great characters we know they can play. There's also a lot of obvious product placement, with prod-

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Wait ... is it good for a war movie to be "enjoyable?" In theaters now.

Mr. Deeds Adam Sandler Winona Ryder by Steven Brill

"Little Nicky," it's under-After "Little Nicky," it's under-standable that a lot of people are cau-tious about new Adam Sandler movies — it did use a different type of humor than the rest of his films. While some of us found it hysterical, the average person was begging for more of the gooly, kind-hearted Sandler he or she loves so much. For people just wanting a funny comedy, you real-ly can't go wrong with "Mr. Deeds."

It's very much back to his roots, with this film playing on the same levels as "Big Daddy" and "Happy Gilmore," and we even get the random outbursts of violence in Longfellow Deeds that made the Gilmore character so funny. The movie is based on the 1936 Gary, Cooper film "Mr. Deeds goes to Town," even though the two films probably don't have that much in common. Sandler plays Deeds, a pizzastore owner in a small town who dreams of writing cards for Hallmark, In an unexpected turn, some big-city types visit him and tell him that his long-lost uncle just died. and that he's inherited \$40 billion, which is \$39 billion more than those big-city guys wand to let him keep.

News reporter Pam Dawson (Ryder) is also spying on him, having convinced him that she's aswest school nurse to grab his attention and catch some embarrassing footage of him, This leads to one of the film's best scenes, as Deeds goes out on the town causing havoe with a particular celebrity.

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Sandler also has another good sup-porting cast to back him up as well, as Peter Gallagher takes a break from seri-ous roles to have fun as the villain, Ryder plays the perfect leading lady and John Turturro grabs nonstop laughs as Sandler's sneaky butler. In theaters June 28.

The Bourne Identity.

## **Enon hits** the high notes

Enon

Stoff Writer Ghassan Hamra

It's not often that a band goes from a more experimental style to a more pop-driven style. Once a band goes experimental, it's hard to imagine them doing anything but experimen-ing. However, a few hands have decid-ed to take steps back into more pop-friendly styles lately. Sonic Youther newest album is an example of this, as is Enon's newest album, "High Society,"

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Enon is made up of a laundry list of different bands with very different styles. John Schmersal is the driving force of the band and spent the former half of his music career as a member of the less-than-accessible Brainiac, before singer Tim Taylor was killed in a car accident. Rick Lee can be heard in past work from Skeleton Key, while bassist/vocalist Toko Yasuda spent much of her earlier music career in Blonde Redhead and The Lapse.

Combining all these different bands into one would usually be fraught with apprehension, but luckily for us, the members have pooled their idiosyncrasies and ideas into a more-than-successful group. The band has been touring consistently since their conception, sharing the stage with bands like the Dismembernment Plan, The Album Leaf and The Convocation Of ...

Enon's live ishow is often more than an experience, with Schmersal often wandering into the crowd to rile up the

audience with tactics like serenading audience members or licking their

audience members or licking their faces,
2000's "Believol" was the band's first effort together, and it was more than successful. Unlike "High Society," "Believol" showed equal parts experimental music, clearly the influence of Schmersal's work with Brainiac, and pop music. With their newest album, Enon throws out their voice effects pedal in favor of vocals from both Schmersal and Yasuda — an intelligent move, as Yasuda's vocals were the sav-Schmersal and Yasuda — an intelligent more, as Yasuda's vocals were the sav-ing grace for The Lapse at many times. Yasuda's style can be seen as a more upbeat Yoko Ono, if you added talent. Schmersal's vocals also stray from their more scatterbrained fusion of every style imaginable for a more con-sistent morflagt style.

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The album is consistent with its pop sound until you hit track five, "Native Numb," where Schmersal's voice pedal makes a cameo to throw you off track for just a moment befror "Leave it to Rust" puts you back on the main road of pop adventure. This is what can be expected from the rest of the album, until you reach the title track, which exhibits a whinting violin that can only be thought of in association with an avant garde bar scene; perhaps—somewhere in New York.— Thurston Moore and Björk are downing Absinthe.

Of course, this is all hypothetical and

Absinthe.

Of course, this is all hypothetical and nonsensical. Though it doesn't hold a candle to Enon's live show, 'High Society' is an outstanding album, worth every penny it costs to own and worth every second it takes to listen to it, over and over again.

Earth vs. you

A new era is coming in video games. Remember how no one in your area really appreciated all the cool strategies you developed to trounce people in "Perfect Dark." How about how you had to "soften" your fighting techniques so people would keep playing "Street Fighter II" with you? Well, in the not-too-distant future, those dawn will be gone, as consoles are about to go online, bringing the kind of friendly and not-so-friendly competition you've been craving. Microsoft, Sony and Nintendo have all developed online plans that promise you won't have to play alone for very long. A new era is coming in video games. Remember how no one in your

Xbox. Microsoft has created the most ambitious online plan of the three companies with its Xbox Live service. The service is used by every online Xbox game in connecting players to the

yet.

The Xbox Live service comes with plenty of perks. The voice communicator will play a big role, as every online game will include voice chat capabilities. Two matching programs will be available: Opti-Match, which matches

and Quick Match, which brings up the first server with an opening. An instant messenger service lets you keep track of your buddies when they come online and invite them to play with you. Finally, the cool "voice-masking" feature allows you to distort your voice to sound like a robot, little girl or whatever suits your faney.

You won't have to worry about any shortiage of online games when you buy your starter kit, either. Some of the games that will available when Xhox Live launches include "Unreal Championship." "Phantasy Star Online," "Mechassauli," "Counter Strike," "NFL or NBA 2K3," "Too Jam & Earl III" and "Timesplitters 2." As if these weren't enough, online versions of "Halo." "Amped," "Project Gotham Raeing" and "Rallisport Challenge" are also planned.

The main problem with the Xhox Live service is that players must have a broadband connection to go online. Sure, this isn't a problem when you're sitting in your dorm room with N.C. State's nice Ethernet connection. In the connection at home, which the Xhox doesn't support. Broadband connections are also prohibitively expensive, averaging around \$50 a month. If you can take the plunge, Xbox Live offers up some of the best online gaming around.

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Playstation 2. Not one to be a spectator, Sony has crafted an online plan of its own. However, instead of an ubiquitous service like Microsoft's, Sony will essentially just release the necessary hardware for players to get online and leave it up to developers to set up their own servers and billing plans.

This August, the Playstation 2 Network adapter will hit stores for around \$40. The adapter has both a dial-up port and an Ethernet port, so you won't have to buy separate adapters for playing at school and at home. Included with the adapter will be a start-up disc that lets players configure their Playstation 2.5 or their ISP (Internet Service Provider). If you don't have an ISP, you can sign up for one by using the subscription offers included on the disc. Finally, you

choose your online ID and a password, and you're ready to go. An online version of "Frequency" is included on the start-up disc.

The Playstation 2 will enjoy a number of online games of its own to compete with the Xbox. "SOCOM: Navy Seals," will include a headset microphone fon voice chat during online play. Other, online games include "Tony Hawk's Pro Skater 4," "Fribes: Aerial Assault," "Twisted Metal: Black Online," "Timesplitters 2" and "Autor Modellista." Next year will see the release of the much-anticipated "Final Fantasy XI" and a version of the PC him "Everquest." "Final Fantasy XI" will require usage of the Playstation of hard drive, which will be released some time next year.

Gamecube. If you're looking to take your Gamecube online, you could be waiting a while. Nintendo's online plan is easily the weakest of the three, but Nintendo has a few incentives to get the ball rolling. The broadband and dial-up adapters will be released this fall for \$35 each, but only one game will be available to use them: "Phantasy Star Online." If's not known yet whether or not some kind of special offer will include the adapters with the game.

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Nintendo says that it has some online games of its own in development, but the company will not release them until "the market is ready." (Read: They can turn a profit from them.) However, Nintendo assures gamers that it won't charge fees to play its online games. That's pretty much all that's known.

So, there you have it. None of the online plans are really ideal, but you still have a few choices. If you can afford it, the Xbox's ambitious set-up could deliver big time. The Playstation 2's online service is pretty promising, but its ad hoc system can be complicated. If you don't care about online gaming, then you won't have any complaints about the Gamecube's almost non-existent plans. Look for more information to trickle out about all three systems this fall as the launch dates near.

## Don't go down this street

Sonic Youth Murray Street

Staff Writer Ghassan Hamra

Soturday, June 15, 12:01 p.m.:
Man, I was pretty out of it when I listened to this new Sonic Youth last might, but I remember it was pretty good. I think. I hope Kim Gordon doesn't sing on it; her voice is so completely horrible.

Track One: Wow, this track is pretty good. Reminds me of some of their earlier work around the "Daydream Nation" era, but less layered and much more minimal. Phew — so far, so good. Maybe it will finally make up for the pile of human waste that was "NYC Ghosts and Flowers."

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Truck Two: I can't believe I'm actually enjoying this. After I saw them for the first time at the Ritz, I thought I was going to cry for having spent \$18 on a ticket. It's a good thing this is nothing like that. With Jim O'Rourke on board, I think they might get onto the right track. This is pretty surprising, considering O'Rourke usually encourages more experimental work from the groups he works with, such as with Wilco's "Nankee Hotel Foxtrot." Either way, nothing to complain about so far. Track Three: Uhhli, when did Tom Verlaine (from New York's Television) join the band? I know Thurston Moore himself described this particular track as being reminiscent of I'V, but this is a bit much. I guess I can't complain: overall, this track is even better than the first two, though not by much. I reach Fox I'm August ... \$18 again! Who do these gusy think they are, Radiohead? I'll see if I can scam a free ticket from the record company. This track is pret-ty good — nothing special, nothing horrible.

(Four-and-a-half minutes into the track ...) I guess this extraneous feed-back means the track is almost up. (Five-and-a-half minutes into the track) and the state of the sta

reruns.

Track Five: "Radical Adults Lick Godhead Style" — What the hell kind of track title is that? Oh no, here comes the ridiculous feedback garbage that made me dislike Sonic Youth in the first place. Well, that was only about 20 seconds, not too bad, and the track has

again!

Track Six: Kim, Kim, Kim, Why did you have to chime in? You did a good job of keeping your mouth shut until now. What are those lyrics? "I hate this, I hate that, I'm tired of this, I'm tired of this, I'm tired of That, blah blah blah." Uch, things were going pretty d— good until now. Thank you Kim for treating us to a helping of the monotone, angst-ridden bastion of poop that is your voice.

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Track Seven: D— it Kim, not again! Well, the album is lost at this

point anyway.

The Aftermoth: This wasn't too bad.
The first half of the album was great. In
fact, if they had stopped halfway
through track four, they would have
had a solid EP.
Too bad. This album will be out June
25, and Sonic Youth will be at the Ritz
on August 7. You probably won't see
me there.

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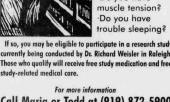


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## University shames those not graduating on time

GEORGIA PLANS TO REVOKE PRIVI-LEGES FROM STUDENTS GRADUAT-ING IN MORE THAN FOUR YEARS.

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To combat an abundance of students graduating in more than four years, the University of Georgia announced a plan to remove privileges and embarrass these students. The offering to students by the number of years in which they have attended school, for example "fifth year" or "seventh-year" students. The students is students in attempts to embarrass them and placing these students behind freshmen in priority lists for campus parking and athletic tickets.

This decision, meant to lessen university overcrowding, overfoods the fact that many students work, participate in co-op programs, study abroad for a time period or even double major. UGA's proposal attempts to address a real problem, but their method is an attack on the very students who have been paying tution and supporting the school for the longest amount of time.

The national average for college students to receive a degree is 5.3 years, but at UGA, this number is only 4.3 years. Yet university officials are still concerned because students average 13 class hours a semester. CNN quoted UGA Provost Karen Holbrook after asking, "What are Istudents] doing with their time?"

Holbrook stated, "Certainly many of them work and are involved in extracurcular activities. But we think with the caliber of our students, they can take a much heftier program and do very well at it."

These comments ignore the fact that many students have jobs to pay for school, including positions working on

campus and/or participating in co-op or internship programs. What a student does with his/her time is a very personal issue, and as long as students pay tution on schedule and take a class load above the minimum limit, the university should not make an across-the-board punishment for students in school more than four years.

Many students have valid reasons to take longer than four years to graduate, including personal health reasons, Giving freshmen parking permit and athletic ticket priority over upper-class students is an absard way to promote graduating in four years. In addition, schools often encourage students to seek diverse degree programs, including taking classes outside one's major. Georgia's new horizontal particular description of their major and therefore limit students' opportunities to broaden their education.

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If the university feels that overcrowding is a serious problem, then the admissions department must analyze their acceptance patterns and consider the average graduation rate at UGA. Another option would be to enforce stricter rules on upholding student status, such as making students maintain higher GPAs and codes of conduct. Punishing students for graduating in more than four years would essentially reward students who do not double major, intem, co-op, study abroad or participate in university programs which consume large amounts of time, such as athletics or on-campus jobs.

OF HUMB Vatican endorses new guidelines



The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has approved a policy that bars priests who sexually abuse children from ministeria duties. The Valican is expected to back the rules, even though it April, it recommended dismissing only serial abusers. "We can imagine the Holy Father saving "Come on, it was just one lous kid." said Bishop Wilton Gregory, the conference president.

### Israel builds West Bank wall

Construction began this week on what will eventually be a 217-mile fence that partially separates Israel from the West Bank and, Israel of ficials hope, from Palestinian suicide bombers. The Chinese and German governments both sent diplomatic missives to Israel's leaders, explaning that such wall-building projects almost never turn out as planned in the long run.



### Scotty prepares to beam us up



A team of Australian scientists announced that they had successfully "teleported" a message encrypted in a laser beam, destrowing it in one spot and rebuilding it a meter away. The breakthrough gives hope to thousands of Trekkies still waiting for the day when they, as part of an away team, can be "beamed" to the surface of a distant planet or at least to the bathroom.

### Lawmakers support ousting Hussein

Responding to reports that President Bush recently authorized the CIA to use whatever means necessary to topple Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein, several members of Congress voiced support earlier this week for such an effort. Alabama Senator Richard Shelhy said, with a sparkle in his eye, "First the Talibun, now Hussein. We're thinking France next. You cannot stop the beast"



### North Carolina leads census challenges



Almost 10 percent of the challenges to the 2000 census have come from North Carolina, a federal official said in an interview recently. The resolved challenges have so far netted the state 166 citizens, mostly old women who, according to their nearest neighbors, "stay down yonder, with all them

### Judge orders S.C. to accept plutonium

A judge has ordered South Carolina to allow federal shipments of weapons-grade plutonium into the state. A Department of Energy spokesman recently berated the state and its leadership for ordering shipments halted, saving, "It's only six-and-a-half toos of plutonium. What's the problem, [Governor Jim] Hodges?" Crickets chirped in the awkward silence that followed.



### Supreme Court rejects permit



The Supreme Court on Monday struck down an Ohio town's ordinance requiring door-to-door salesmen or missionaries to obtain a permit before conducting their visits. The high cour ruled that the law violated the First Amendment and that it would hurt the universality of Jehovah's Witnesses and door-to-door salesmen jokes, creating a generation of humorless Ohioans.

### Guantanamo population grows

The number of Taliban and al Quida detainees being held by the U.S. military at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. continues to grow week-ly, standing now at about 35d, according to military officials. After reporting the population, one officer said, "You know, we don't have to charge them with anything. We could just keep them indefinitely." From somewhere, a rim shot sounded.



### Britney booed



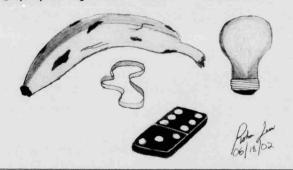
A power failure at a Britney Spears concert in Lubbock, Texas, on Friday night resulted in a canceled show and unhappy, booing fans. After just two songs, a transformer blew at the United Spirit Arena, disabling the whiz-barg special effects used to distract audiences from the awful, mindless music.

### Mass walkout at Afghan loya jirga

More than half of the delegates of Afghanistan's loya jirga, the meeting intended to produce a working government for the country, left the conference this week with a variety of complaints. Some alleged that the interim government used delay and coercion tactics to its own advantage, and others were just sick of President Hamid Karzai's funny hats.



Marka Stewart was recently accused of insider trading However, with a battara a domino, a light bulk and a rubber band, she beat a lie detector test.



## When you buy drugs, you support terrorism?



whole six degrees of separation approach?

I don't buy it, even though I don't use drugs. I think this was a horrible attempt to use a crisis situation to advertise the war on drugs.

My mother used to do the same thing whenever I did anything bad. "Decker, when you don't clean your room, you make way for bugs to come in your room while you are sleeping." Now II understood that cleaning my room was important, but socks and jeans on the floor aren't going to invite bugs into my room. If they are going to come, they are going to come, clean room or not. A dirty room just made the trek a little easier for the bugs. Just like the analogy above, drugs and the money involved don't necessarily invite terrorist into our country; they just make the trip a little easier. Yes, I am sure the elimination of the drug trade would put a lot of these terrorists out of business, but hell, it would also have weird affects on our economy. Many

teenagers and adults wipe these commercials off with a glance and a chuckle just like I did when my mom told me to clean my room for the above reasons. If you want me to clean my room, just explain why, and I will make my own decision — sink or swim. Don't cloud it with the latest tragedy and try to make me feel guilty when current news headlines lead me to believe that our own government knew something about terrorist happenings even before they happened. Isn't that support? This is interesting: I think I will take a minute to ponder this with my pen. They tell me buying drugs supports terrorists and subsequent terrorism, a fact that I won't attempt to deny. The problem I have is these commercials rob themselves of credibility with lots of people when they fail to list the government among the list of offenders of terrorism and the supporters of the drug trade. I am not accusing the government of helping blow up the World Trade Center towers, but I do think they knew more than they hint at and thus are indirectly responsible for a lot of the ill-prepared people that died trying to save lives.

As the news has detailed, the government, through the FBI, CIA and NSA, was horribly inefficient in analyzing obvious clues of terror threats to the United States. In what can be called egotistic zeal, these three levels of national security withheld information from each other, further placing our lives in jeopardy. This is support for terrorism.

terrorism.

If these government agencies ha

such poor communication on the welfare of all Americans, this can do nothing but help those who intend to hurt us all. I am confused when I see the commercials telling me that buying drugs pays for terrorism. Don't patronize me—we all know terrorists have money. True, some are drug-supported but not all: in this instance, a legitimate oil inheritance supported these events. In the recent case, government officials' incompetence and the far-reaching bureaucracy paid for terrorism, not financially, but in making it easier for these events to happen. Don't blame the kid buying the bag of weed by implying that he is responsible for our country's plight. Instead, explain why people shouldn't use them and be done with it. Tactics seen in these commercials only confuse and reduce credibility for a government struggling with that very thing.

I know my columns mean little in the grand scheme of things, but it is important to me. When you insult people by accusing them of something so far out of conception, you do nothing but create disbelief and leave yourself open to hypoerisy. The government has good points as to how terrorism is supported but should not use a national tragedy to blame people, primarily young people, for something it knew was going to happen.

Decker thinks that dirty rooms encourage terrorists to hide under your bed. E-mail him with any sightings at dtngonga@unity.ncsu.edu.

## Girl gone wild



As most people have heard by now, wildfires are already rampag-ing in the western United States. About 176,000 United States.
About 176,000
acres have burned
so far, more than
had burned by this
time in 2000,
which was a
benchmark year
for bad fires.
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Colorado and California are a few of the states affected thus far. Unbelievably, a forestry technician, who worked with the U.S. Forest Service, started one of the most disastrous fires of this year. This is unbelievable because she was patrolling the area in order to enforce a fire ban, and because she built the fire to burn a letter from her estranged husband.

Terry Barton was responsible for a fire that scorched more than 100,000 acres of Pike National Park in Denver. Colo. The fire destroyed 22 homes and caused the evacuation of 5,400 people from their homes as it burned within 40 miles of Denver city limits, threatening the suburbs. The fire had begun on June 8, reported by Barton to authorities. Instead of telling the truth, she told them she had found an illegal fire and attempted to put it out by throwing dirt onto it, but it was too late to suppress it. An investigation ensued, one that uncovered the truth.

Barton is charged with setting fire to timber in the national forest, damaging federal property in excess of \$100,000 and making false statements to investigators. If convicted, she could face 10

years in prison and fines up to

\$250,000.

By this past Sunday, 35 percent of the blaze had been controlled, and the sheriff's deputies were escorting people back into the threatened areas in which they lived to get belongings and check for damages, but they were not allowed to stay.

to stay.

The Pike National Park fire is one of The Pike National Park fire is one of seven in the state of Colorado. Around 667 homes were evacuated in the midst of only two of the fires, and, in one of the other fire areas, residents in more than 400 more homes were advised to be ready to evacuate also. With the drought season, it is very difficult for the firefighters to control the fires that have erupted. Some days that are more humid and have calmer winds help them in their efforts, but those days are few and far between. One thing I find astounding is that even though Barton built the fire in a designated campfire ring, she should

cially while she was enforcing a fire ban. What makes it even more preposterous is that she built it in order to burn an ex-husband's letter. How much less effort would it have been to merely throw the letter away? Maybe she afraid that it would blow out of the trash and come after her to torment her. There is no excuse for what she did, and even though forest fires are beneficial, they are so only when they are natural and in moderation. The punishment should fit the crime, so she should be forced to see her ex-husband and, if she cares about the forests, should be made to watch them burn. All that and the jail sentence, during which she could be put to work helping people rebuild their burnt-down homes.

The city of Raleigh has asked citizens to conserve water because the water supply is 13 percent lower than needed. E-mail Holly with conservation tips at

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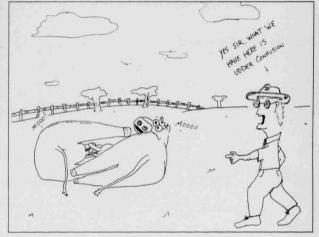




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# Wednesday



### No games scheduled

## Grundy plays waiting game

Next Wednesday there will be plenty of nervous players, including Anthony Grundy, hoping their names are called in the NBA Draft.

Matt Middleton

Quick, name the last N.C. State basket-all player to be taken in the NBA Draft? Kenny Inge? Kevin Thompson?

ball player to be taken in the NBA Draft? Kenny Inge?
Revin Thompson?
Tom Gngliotta?
Actually, the correct answer would be Told Fuller, who was drafted with the Told Fuller, who was drafted with the Histoyceal pick by the Golden State Warriers in 1996. The Wolfpack hasn't had a player drafted since Fuller—and a player drafted since Fuller—print of the Wolfpack hasn't had a player drafted since Fuller—print of the Wolfpack hasn't had a player drafted since Fuller—Tribit of the Wolfpack hasn't had a player to gamer the Wolfpack hasn't had a player to gamer in the 2001-02 season, Told Fuller was the last State player to gamer instead with ALC Choners.
Of course Anthony Grundy ended that streak for the Pack S petploding for a remarkable senior season that earned him a spot on the All-ACC first-team. Grundy will once again try to match Fuller and end the Pack's Kuitel span by putting his name in the NBA Draft, which is scheduled for June 26 at Madison Square Garden in New York. Grundy was also named an honorable mention All-Aunerican. He became the first player in school history to amass at least 1,500 points, 500 rebounds, 300 assists and 200 steals.
Developing a jump shot that was a legitimate weapon was the biggest real-

assists and 200 steals. Shot that was a Developing a jump she biggest rea-son for Grundy's senior success. Teaming that with the ability to penetrate and assume the role of the defensive stopper, Grundy becomes an untriguing pro prospect that some secuts believe can play point or off guard. At a wiry 6 feet, 3 inches, with Scottie Pippen-like arms, Grundy probably Jaim to the form category, which means teams must believe he can adequately



N.C. State's Anthony Grundy hopes to hear his name announced at some point during the NBA Draft on June 26.

handle the ball in order to play point

handle the ball in order to play point guard.

Grundy began his quest to prove that and hopefally shoot up the draft charts by taking part in the NBA Pre-Draft Camp in Chicago June 5-7.

"The biggest difference is the intensity level, so it's just a matter of staying in shape and going there ready to play," said Grundy prior to the camp.

With 63 players from colleges across the country fighting for their professional dreams, the intensity level was probably off the charts.

Playing on a team with college stars

bly off the charts.
Playing on a team with college stars like Iowa's Luke Recker, Cincinnati's Steve Logan and UCLA's Matt Barnes, Grundy scored 16 points in three games. Pror to attending the camp, Grundy spent the offseason on his own training program that focused on shooting and intense running sessions.

"I've been kind of on my own training plan, working out with the team, shoot-ing and just saying in shape by doing a lot of cardiovascular," said Grundy. With the talent pool as deep as ever, there's no guarantee Grundy will be taken in the two-round affair that often leaves athletes crushed and dreams shat-tower.

tered. The recent influx of European and for-eign-born talents has only depleted the number of college stars who fulfill their goal of playing in the league. Players taken in the first round receive a three-year contract with an additional, year at the option of the team. Players chosen in the second round are not guar-

anteed contracts.

If a player goes undrafted, he can still be signed by teams to participate in training camps and possibly land a spot on the

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### Handicapping the NBA lottery

ext week at this time, when the only worthwhile sporting event coming on before 2 can all break the annual June-July sports boredom by watching teenagers collect their millions of dollars while showing off a fancy suit or two. This year, however, the field of the NBA Draft gets shightly older, as

er, the field of the Middleton slightly older, as only one high-school player (Amare Stoudamire) has a realistic chance of being taken in the lottery. While trying to handicap the lottery can be about as difficult as obtaining an interview with Mike Krzyzewski, here's a shot.

here's a shot.

1. Yao Ming, center, Shangai Sharks. Without a true presence in the post and already having a relatively stable back-court in Cuttino Mobley and Steve Francis, the winner of the draft lottery for Houston is almost certain to draft the 7-foot-6-inch Chinese big man if negotiations between the two parties go well this week.

Ming can become the heir apparent to Houston legend Hakeem Olajuwon, who bolted for Toronto last season instead of finishing his career with the city he had played his entire professional and college career in.

The obvious con here is that the Rockets would be passing over the ultra-talented Jay "Don't call me Jalylson" Williams, certainly something that they could come to regret in a Sam Bowie sort of way. But drafting a point guard in this position isn't a message they want to send to their franchise player and point guard Francis, who is fitting in micely when healthy.

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The wild card here is Williams' tearnmate at Duke, Mike Dunleavy Jr. It would not be unreasonable to deduct that Dunleavy is the most talented player in the draft, but the Rockets simply cannot overlook the fact that Kelvin Cato is their strongest inside player. Enough said.

After taking Ming, the Rockets could start the most youthfully talented team the league with a starting five of Francis, Mobley, Kenny Thomas, Eddie Griffin and Ming

2. Jay Williams, guard, Duke, The Chicago Bulls would be absolutely tickled to see Williams available at their pick in the No. 2 position. Since last year's draft was a collection of extremely young and raw players, the Bulls were forced to draft a pair of high schoolers that will need time and a superstar guard to help them succed. Williams is probably the only player in the draft ready to step in and challenge for a spot on the all-star team immediately.

With the status quo in Chicago being nothing short of abysmal, Williams is a franchise player willing to take the reins of a team that is probably at least

3. Mike Dunleavy Jr., guard/forward, Duke, Yes, Duke will have two players drafted in the first three picks. Yes, Dunleavy and Williams were probably the best two players in the country last year. Yes, they still found a way to lose in the Sweet 16. Dunleavy, for now at least, has given up his senior season and decided to test the waters of the draft instead of protably enjoying a year that would have been filled with countless awards and accolades.

been filed with counters aware.

Gone are the days of the Tim
Hardaway-Chris Mullin backcourt in
Oakland, and vanishing with the former Golden State stars were the wins.
Draft-day flops became the norm in the
Bay Area with pilayers like Adonal
Foyle, Todd Fuller and Joe Smith incapable of taking the Warriors back to
respectability.

panie or taking the Warriors back to respectability. With the Warriors' drafting skills akin to that of Mark Madsen dancing, pick-ing Dunleavy would assure them of getting the superstar they so desperate-ly need. Moreover. The Warriors are in a prine snot whom word in

ly need. Moreover, The Warriors are in a prime spot where even they can't pick a bad player. With needs at point guard and center – even if Dunleavy is unavailable, they will have the option of picking Ming or Williams. That is, of course, hinging on the fact Dunleavy doesn't return to Duke for his senior season. He has until June 19 to make that choice.

4. DaJuan Wagner, guard, Memphis. The comparisons to Iverson are off-base at this point in the career of Milt Wagner's son. He didn't even lead his team to the NCAA tournament and often forced shot after shot from his point guard position. Nevertheless, his raw talent cannot be overlooked, and after the Grizzlies shipped out Mike Bibby in favor of the other Jason Williams, a long-term point guard is certainly what the Grizzlies need.
With new general manager Jerry

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With new general manager Jerry
West in place, look for the Grizzibes to
make some draft-day moves that could
bring either one of the top three picks
to the city of blues and barbecue.
Memphis has on the trading block
both Stromile Swift and Lorenzen
Wright — either player could be used
to lure Houston into swapping picks.

5. Caron Butler, guard, Connecticut.
Perhaps no one in the NBA needs a
superstar guard more than the Denver
Nuggets. With that in mind, Butler
should get the nod over Drew Gooden
and Chris Wilcox, both of whom are
good NBA talents; they just don't meet
Denver's need, considering the
Nuggets already have two high-priced
power forwards — Juwon Howard and
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The 6-foot-7-inch Butler, a small for-ward in college, is capable of playing the two-guard in the league where big guards like Kobe Bryant and Tracy McGrady are the hot commodity. He's explosive off the dribble, has a reliable jump shot and needs to add but. After trading away Nick Van Exel and starting games with a backcourt of James Posey and Voshon Lenard, the Nuggets' primary need is a backcourt player of any kind. If Butler is unavail-able here, look for them to take Wagnet.

Matt's columns appear wee throughout the summer. He can reached at 515-2411 or m @techniciansports.com.

### WolfpackNotes

### Mastroeni and United States march to quarterfinals

U.S. National Team coach Bruce Areana inserted former Wolfpack secer-standour Pablo Mastroeni back into the starting lineup Monday against Mexico, and the move helped land the U.S. into the quarterfinals of the World Cup for the first time since 1930.

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Mastroeni, who played at N.C. State from 1994-97, Japeed 89 minutes in the 2-0 U.S. victory, his first action since the first game of the tournament, which saw the U.S. down world-power Portugal.

Landon Donavan and Brian McBride scored goals for the U.S., which next faces Germany.

The U.S. is now 2-0 in games that Mastroeni has seen action.

### Wolfpack WNBA roundup

N.C. State's four WNBA representa N.C. State's four WNBA representa-tives continued their play in this week with a bevy of action around the league. Cleveland's Chastiy Melvin and Charlotte's Andrea Stinson led the way with two double-digit scoring efforts. Melvin's squad began the week on Tuesday with a 74-65 loss to the Miami Sol. Melvin, who has started every game for the Rockers, played 34 minutes and scored 10 points on four-of-five shooting

from the field, while grabbing six

In Friday's 69-63 loss to the Washington Mystics, Melvin struggled from the floor but snared a season-high eight rebounds to go with five points and two assists in 32

minutes.

In her final game of the week (Saturday's 79-68 victory over the Indiana Fever), Melvin played a season-low 27 minutes but made good use of her time. The eratly center scored 10 points on three-of-six shooting and dished out a season-best forgassists.

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Stinson's Sting began the week against stress have some store to the standard and were defeated 78-66. Stinson started the game and played 32 minutes, scoring 13 points. She also had an excellent floor game with seven rebounds and four assists. Former bounds and four assists. Former bounds and four assists. Former hadron, standard for the senson standard for the standard floor game. In Thursday's 75-64 victory over Indiana, Stinson scored 15 points on 77-12 shooting, while grabbing three rebounds, two assists and two steals. End-chipped in an efficient 11 points in 13 minutes on a perfect four-of-four shooting from the floor.

Stinson played 33 minutes in a one-point loss (54-53) to the New York Liberty on Saturday, scoring eight points and grabbing a season-high 11 rebounds. Erb played eight minutes in the game.

Football season ticket sales

It's really not a question of whether N.C.
State will sell out all of its home football
games this fall, but rather a question of
when it will happen. With ticket orders
coming in at a furious pace, the Wolfpack
is on the verge of selling out Carter-Finley
Stadium for the second straight year.
The Pack will plusy seem home games
this season, starting with the Black
Coaches Association Bowl against New
Mexico on Saturday, Aug. 24.
With 29,242 season tickets already sold
as of Monday, State is rapidly approaching last year's record of 30,500, which
culpsed the previous mark by approximately 6,600 season tickets.
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Because of decreased requests from visiting teams, athletic department officials project that the school will be able to sell up to 31,500 season tockets for this season. The remaining season inckets are expected to be scooped up within the next several weeks. Once that happens, gameday sales will be limited to a select few manes on the home schodules.

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