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Berry makes a connection with students

Laughter
and lessons
from
Dr. Berry

Bertice Berry sits down for a candid interview about her life, the power of service and the real role of education.

Carie Windham

Assistant News Editor

Life was not always punch lines and inspiration for award-winning comedienne, lecturer and entertainer Bertice Berry, winner of the coveted national Comedian of the Year Award. In fact, before Berry was firing side-splitting jokes at comedy clubs across the country, she was facing a life riddled with obstacles where despair gave little rise to hope.

But Berry persevered.

Rising to success as a Ph.D., college professor, comedienne and best-selling author, she has used her unique life experiences and contagious humor to spread messages of success, service and motivation across the country, including appearing as guest speaker at Tuesday night's Welcome Back Convocation. Her life experiences and contagious humor have made her a sought-after lecturer across the country, including speaking at this year's Welcome Back Convocation Tuesday night.

But before Berry stepped to the podium at Reynolds Coliseum, she sat down with Technician to discuss overcoming obstacles, the real role of education and finding your purpose.

When I spoke to one of the coordinators of the event, she described you as a "self-made" woman.

Yeah, well there were lots of obstacles, but I don't think that anybody is entirely self-made. It's always a compliment when people say that, but at the same time you know that the "self" is social and the product of everything and everyone — the good and the bad.

What were some of the obstacles that were present in your life, even early on? Some of the more difficult obstacles being poverty, single mother, [laughs] poverty. And I'm dyslexic.

Some people call them obstacles that are steppingstones. There's something in

N.C. State held its first convocation Tuesday evening in Reynolds Coliseum.

Ayren Jackson

News Editor

In a warm, nonair-conditioned Reynolds Coliseum, Bertice Berry stepped up to the front podium as approximately 400 sets of weary, "first week of school" eyes

watched in anticipation.

The students who attended N.C. State's first Campus Convocation Tuesday evening had heard that Berry, the convocation's keynote speaker, was a comedienne, writer and motivational speaker. But what they didn't know that she was a singer also.

Berry adjusted the microphone, asked for "a little more bass" and belted out, in a cappella, a self-written song inspired by the Sept. 11 tragedy.

"You cannot change the world until you change yourselves," said Berry following her song. "I want to talk to you about finding your purpose and finding your place."

Berry's talk, organized by Chancellor Marye Anne Fox, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Tom Stafford, Student Body President Michael Anthony and UAB President James Reed, was a part of Welcome Back Pack Week and was intended to inspire and encourage stu-

dents. According to a News Services release, the program was also developed "to help foster a campus-wide culture of tolerance and intellectual inquiry."

Berry's main message to students was the meaning of "purpose" and how to make it a personal meaning.

"When you walk in purpose destiny happens," said Berry, who finished her master's degree in two semesters. "But too many people just don't want to walk."

Throughout her talk, Berry used her notable humor to connect with the students. "I use humor to keep from killing people," she said. "If you don't laugh, it means you are constipated."

In addition to discussing the significance of "finding your purpose," Berry also addressed the importance of diversity and "deferred gratification."

"Put off what you want now and wait for what you need later," she said. She encouraged students to make a list on one side of a sheet of paper of all the things they wanted, and on the opposite side to make a list of everything they needed. She suggested that these lists could help students prioritize their lives.

With a large showing of freshmen in attendance at the convocation, Berry also emphasized the importance of studying.

"Hard work will beat money and smarts any day," she said.

Growing up in poverty, the sixth of seven children, Berry was once told by a high school teacher that she was not "college material." She, however, thought otherwise and worked her way through high school to later graduate magna cum laude from Jacksonville University, earning the President's Cup for Leadership.

By age 26 she had earned a Ph.D. in sociology from Kent State University where she later taught sociology and statistics.

Shortly thereafter, Berry left the uni-



Bertice Berry captivated students with words, jokes and song. Staff photo by Andrew Knopp

[help] you climb to wherever you want to be.

So many people faced with the same obstacles, unfortunately, don't have the same degree of success that you do. Why did you decide that you weren't going to fall into that category?

I think the difference is also that early on I realized that we are spiritual beings and so I connected with God and with what God wanted for my life. God has a purpose and plan for everybody's life, but we don't always want to hear about it. And so I think that's the most important factor. And the second would be education. I latched onto education like it

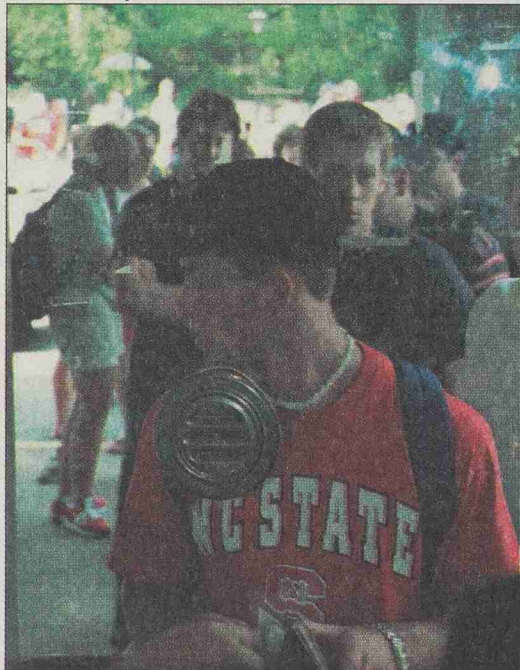
not let go, even though my feet were dragging. It was like "this is a ride and I'm getting on!" I think that when we really stress the importance of education, no matter what the obstacle, then you see a way out.

Obviously, based on your career, you took that opinion of education and made a career out of it as a professor at Kent State. They even had to find larger classrooms to accommodate for all the students that wanted to be in your classes. What was your secret?

You know, education should not be

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Where's your seat?



Students wait in line to buy tickets for Saturday's season-opening football game vs. New Mexico. Staff photo by Blake Lane

Football season kicks off with heightened security

Fans for Saturday's game should expect the same security as games following Sept. 11.

News Staff Report

Football fans attending N.C. State's first game of the season against New Mexico on Saturday will see the same heightened security at Carter-Finley Stadium reminiscent of last season's games following Sept. 11.

Last season, the athletics department and Campus Police, along with Raleigh police and the FBI, organized a new security plan that is set to be consistent for all football games this season and future seasons.

The plan is designed to increase security and safety at the football games, which can sometimes draw more than 50,000 fans.

According to Jon Barnwell of Campus Police, the following is a list of precautions and reminders that fans should consider before entering the stadium:

- There will be canine sweeps prior to the game.
- All handbags, including purses, fan-packs and other containers, may be searched.
- Large bags, backpacks, coolers or any objects deemed hazardous by stadium management personnel will not be allowed through the gates.
- There will be a zero-tolerance policy set for alcohol and proper action will be

taken for offenders.

In addition, pass-outs for those wishing to leave and return to the game will be allowed, but only at Gates 2A and 8A. Fans must show both a ticket and pass-out stub in order to return to the stadium after leaving.

Barnwell also added that because of the increased security measures, fans are encouraged to arrive at the stadium at least 30 minutes prior to kickoff and be prepared to wait in line before entering the stadium.

Finally, in case of an emergency situation, procedures are in place and fans are asked to pay attention to the P.A.

The kickoff for the NCSU football game versus New Mexico is at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 24.

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versity to pursue a career as an entertainer, author, lecturer and comedienne, earning recognition as Campus Lecturer of the Year and Campus Entertainer of the Year.

While Berry's career achievements, including being host and co-executive producer of her own nationally syndicated talk show, are well known, her achievements stretch farther

Believing that community involvement is not limited to just "writing a check," Berry contributes money to a number of charitable organizations and donates her time to working with At-Risk Youth in the community and teaching at area prisons and schools.

Before concluding her talk with another original song that she dedicated to all of the students in attendance, Berry gave her list of "things you should do every day." She said, "Smile more often ... get

to class early ... compliment someone on their work or appearance ... turn the noise off in your life ... be who you are ... exercise and eat right ... learn something new ... laugh until it hurts ... listen to your tone ... [and] keep a journal."

Following Berry's talk, students were invited to meet and mingle with Fox, Stafford, Anthony and Reed at the "Meet Your Leaders" reception. Other student leaders, as well as vice chancellors and deans, were also in attendance.

Sprawl, drought raise risk of bear attacks

Dave Goldiner

New York Daily News

NEW YORK — Black bears almost never attack people, but suburban and rural sprawl has dramatically increased sightings of the big animals — and led to the occasional mauling, experts say.

Hungry black bears have become regular visitors at upstate New York dumps and campgrounds, and even occasionally blunder into kitchens and garages.

"Generally they are very shy of people and they are very easy to scare away," said Jim Doherty, curator of the Bronx Zoo.

Experts said the bear in Monday's attack in Fallsburg, 70 miles northwest of New York City, may have mistaken little Ester Schwimmer for an animal, or smelled food on her clothing.

The baby had been sleeping in a stroller in front of the cottage when the rogue black bear suddenly came out of the woods and took the baby in its jaws.

The child's father also was injured as he and friends — waving their arms and yelling — chased the bear into the woods until it finally dropped the little

girl.

But it was too late.

Officials said the baby, whose head and neck had been mauled in the bear's mouth, was pronounced dead at a hospital.

The killing is believed to be the first fatal black bear attack of the year in the United States — and the first ever in New York State.

About 15 deaths by black bears have been recorded around the country in the past century.

Experts said black bear attacks are on the rise because the animals — numbering 300,000 in North America — are being forced to forage for food outside their normal forest habitats.

Crippling droughts like the one gripping New York this summer can exacerbate the problem by making food harder to find.

"It's more a case of people encroaching on the bears' turf," said Ward Stone of the state Department of Environmental Conservation.

In bone-dry Rocky Mountain states, bears have been sighted at suburban fast-food joints.

Tennis star Chris Evert found a black bear rummaging through her kitchen in Aspen, Colo., last year.

Bears are more likely to be des-

perately searching for food in the late summer and early fall because they need to stuff themselves with up to 50 pounds a day to make it through the winter.

Some animals double their body weight between August and November.

If a ravenous bear smells food — even a candy bar in a child's pocket or leftover meat at a barbecue — it can stumble onto an unsuspecting baby or child.

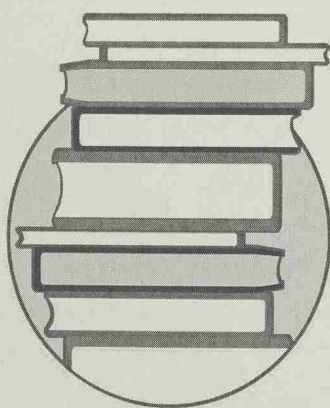
"Bears do really weird things when they are starving," said Kathleen Ramsay of the Wildlife Center in Espanola, N.M. "The bear is looking for food and the child is in the way."

Tips for avoiding bear attacks include keeping food stored securely, cooking away from tents when camping and watching infants at all times.

Experts said that even at 200 pounds or more, bears almost always will flee from people, especially when confronted.

Fifteen deaths have been attributed to black bear attacks since 1900 in the United States, according to University of Calgary professor Steve Herero, a Canadian bear expert. Three of the killings have occurred in the last three years.

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boring. It just should not. Nothing about learning is boring.

You have to make it interesting for [students]. That is the job of a teacher. You know, we say "you shouldn't have to entertain," but you have to inform and to inform people you have to keep them.

Sociology was a mandatory requirement at the 101 level. So students that were coming from biology or engineering, you have to make them want sociology for their major. And that was my goal every day. I want these kids that come in premed to say, "You know, I'm really thinking about sociology." I want you to find it so fascinating that you don't want to leave here. It has to be done.

You should speak to some of my professors.
[Laughs.]

So how did you accomplish that in the classroom?

I use humor. I was not funny growing up — my family was ... Sociology is looking at life, and there is always humor in life and so I used humor.

I would also use things that would make people stop and think. One student, and I'll never forget it, came back to me and said "You know, I thought about what you said all weekend and you really ruined my weekend 'cause I just wanted to party" and I had to think that that's what you work for. That you say something that makes people stop and say "what?!!!"

Well, you said that you didn't grow up funny. When did you realize that you were?

Through teaching. If something is interesting, funny or bizarre, people are more likely to remember it and to want to know more. I figured I had the interesting and bizarre down and I

would add funny. There were not many black women professors so it was already "what are you doing here?" and some of the students were older than me, so you have to take it to a level where students want to participate.

The other thing that I did was — I don't believe in "one-shot" learning. If you don't tie your shoelaces properly, your mother doesn't stamp an "F" on your forehead and send you out, so I would redo tests over and over again until people got the grades that they wanted. Of course, the only people that complained were the ones that got an "A" on it the first time. They felt that education should be this process where we weed out people if they aren't good enough. It's a ruse. Education should truly be about critical thinking. If we were really trying to teach people to think critically we wouldn't grade at all.

Could you send that out in a memo to all of my teachers?

There are actually a number of schools that teach that way. Many of them aren't in this country but a few are and you leave educated. You don't say "I got an A!" or "I got a D!" — you leave with an education.

I can see why students fought to get into your class, but why did you decide to leave?

Bureaucracy. Life is for living and you have to remind yourself of that every five years. You have to get rid of the things that don't allow you to live.

About half the faculty was against it. It was like: "We've educated you, you poor black child to become something and how dare you!" But I had a couple of faculty members in my corner and the guy that put me through school said, "You've got to do comedy. You've got to use whatever you have to reach the world, and you can't do it in a classroom

where a computer comes back and says 'What's wrong with you? Too many people got A's!'"

Was it a hard transition?

Not at all. Comedy on the road versus the comedy of your life ... [laughs].

Do you find that through your comedy you're able to reach more people?

Yeah, I stopped doing stand-up for the same reasons. Comedy clubs became those places where they would ask you how you wanted to be paid and I would be like, "small bills!" but they meant cash or coke. It just wasn't the place for me to stay.

Now, I also read that you've worked with at-risk youth, women's shelters and crisis centers. How does service fit into your life?

Finding your purpose is finding your place to serve. When you do all of those things, that's when you live. You don't live walking around trying to collect stuff. You can have stuff but when you give of your life to others — that's when you start going to bed thinking "yeah!" but sometimes you go to bed feeling sad because of someone else's life. But it's a better position than going to sleep at night oblivious to the fact that you are still connected to the matrix. Ignorance is not bliss.

How would you encourage students to include service in their lives?

In finding their purpose because finding their purpose is finding their place to serve. If you don't find your place to serve, you don't find a reason to live. The paycheck doesn't do it ... and you shouldn't have to wait until you're forty to figure that out. Life is so much richer when you figure that out in your teens.

I want to go back to something you said earlier. You said that at Kent State there were very few black women professors. Has that ever

been an obstacle?

It's an obstacle for other people. I've been a black woman since the day I was born. It was an obstacle for others. It took me going through Kent and living in Ohio to learn that it wasn't my obstacle.

There's a place in your life when you get comfortable and you say, "This is something you have to learn to deal with because I don't have a problem living around you. You have a problem living around me and it's costing you." And it will affect you.

So what would you say to students that think it is an obstacle?

I would say that it's not about embracing "me," it's about embracing your own purpose. You don't find your purpose in a vacuum. You don't find your purpose hanging out with the same people you hung out with in elementary school. You don't find out who you are in that life. You have to read outside of your box. You have to think outside of the box and you have to move outside it.

Now, this university has taken great lengths to provide services and organizations for our diverse population, yet, last year many questions were raised about the racial climate on campus. At a university like ours, with a very di-

verse population, what would you say to students to help them embrace their diversity?

Simply that the world is changing quicker than you can know and if you plan to be competitive at all, you're going to have to put down your white hood or your nun chucks, whatever you use to be militant and aggressive and angry and ignorant, and understand that if you're going to live in this world, you are going to have to think: It's not a buyers world, it's a sellers world. I can buy my goods anywhere, the question is, are you going to sell it to me?

And when people realize that — it has nothing to do with embracing your culture. It has to do with wanting to eat and it's that simple. The nice thing that happens is when you open yourself up — that's when you start to see the world.

In all fairness, we are just now, finally, in the same room to be able to say these things to each other. We really didn't have the climate to say "this is who I am — who are you?" but now we do.

You motivate so many people through your lectures and your books; what motivates you?

I have wonderful folks around me. I truly believe in God and try to live by the letter of the Scriptures as closely as possible. I re-

ally believe in that and it motivates, inspires and encourages me.

And then my wonderful children inspire me. And my mother. She could write the book on how to get it right having had it so wrong before. That there is an opportunity to change — that just constantly inspires me.

You seem so optimistic. Are there ever moments when you waiver?

Yes — yes. Sometimes every other day. I went through a period not too long ago that was the toughest in my life ... and I thought, "I'm not going to make it."

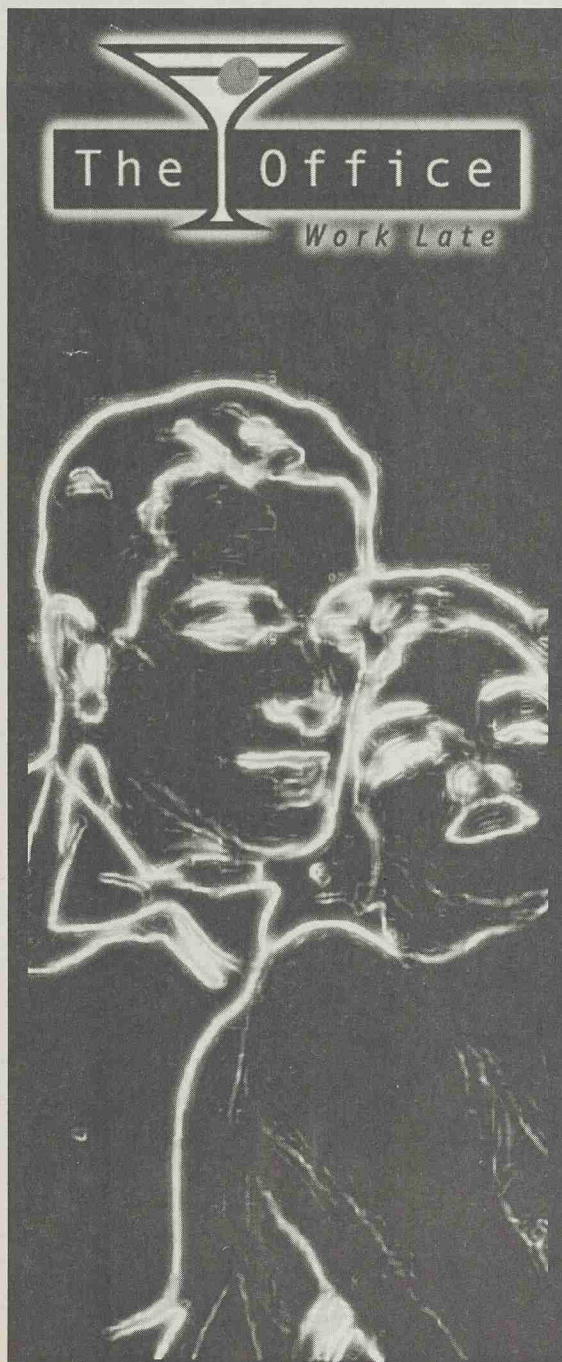
But then I remembered that when you go through great tests, the rewards are great, and I'm on the other side of it now — and the rewards haven't stopped.

What do you hope students will take away from your lecture?

There's a lot that I hope that they get, but I really hope that they start to question their purpose.

To leave feeling like, first of all, they are proud to be here. Very proud to be here. And to feel honored that they chose to be in college and to be on this campus. And to not waste a moment in a gutter, in a police station, or in any kind of crisis but to spend every moment becoming all that they were meant to be.

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Football security measures are reasonable

Formalizing heightened security is an important security step for N.C. State football events.

Saturday's football game against New Mexico will certainly bring excitement for all the Wolfpack fans interested in watching N.C. State's first game of the year, but many fans may be surprised by the continued measures of heightened security at Carter-Finley Stadium, which appeared following Sept. 11. The security plan for last year will remain in effect through this season, and Campus Police recently announced that these measures will be a permanent aspect to football games this season and in the future. Although some may protest that continuing a higher level of security is not necessary, these safety precautions are reasonable for all fans and will help protect the crowd from any potentially harmful situations.

Some of these measures include canine sweeping of the area before opening the stadium, reserving the right to check any type of bag upon entrance to the stadium and refusing to admit any objects declared dangerous (including large bags, backpacks and coolers) by stadium personnel. When fans consider the safety benefits brought by these changes, none should be a large inconvenience. Bringing dogs in to search the area prior to the game ensures a safe surrounding, as does refusing to allow hazardous objects to pass through the gates. As long as visitors are aware of this policy, it can serve solely as a means of protection.

The most difficult aspect of this policy will be determining what security personnel deem "dangerous," yet individuals entering the game with any large container should be aware that the object could possibly be removed from the stadium. Checking handbags, purses, fan-

ny packs and other smaller containers may slow down the crowds entering the gate, but these checks are necessary to ensure safety and adherence to the zero-tolerance policy for alcohol. While these checks may cause minor delays, officials encourage fans to arrive at least 30 minutes prior to kickoff, ensuring a smoother flow of traffic into the stadium.

Students may complain about the zero-tolerance alcohol policy, but this measure is necessary to manage safety and maintain a more controlled environment. However, this decision has the potential to be abused if members of the enforcement agencies for the game (including Campus Police, Raleigh police and the FBI) target only the students who bring alcohol to the stadium. If older fans, such as alumni and parents, are not searched and removed from the facility for alcohol violations, police may lose the backing of students who support equal enforcement of these policies.

The only true inconvenience for fans will be that those wishing to leave and re-enter the stadium must do so through gates 2A and 8A. Using specific gates, keeping one's admission ticket and obtaining a pass-out stub could be a hassle — especially for those seated farthest from these gates — but this measure should allow only certain areas to focus on re-admission and create a more efficient system for the stadium as a whole.

It is understandable why security steps were raised after September, but now is not the time for campus agencies to leave athletic events (which may draw in crowds of over 50,000) vulnerable to decreased security standards. Campus Police and other enforcement agencies were justified in making these security measures a permanent aspect of events at Carter-Finley Stadium, and fans must understand that although there may be some delays, the advances in security are warranted.

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Boost that memory before it's too late



Holly Bezant
Staff Columnist

It's a well-known theory that ginkgo boosts memory and mood while scaring away stress, headaches and old age. However, a recent study disproves the theory, at least in regard to memory-loss prevention. Researchers at Williams College in Williamstown,

Mass., tested ginkgo's ability to improve memory and concentration on 230 people, ranging in age from 60 to 82. Half the group was given 40 milligrams of ginkgo three times a day for six weeks. The others were given a placebo. Neither group was told which they were taking.

No difference in mental sharpness was seen by the study participants or the researchers, so the researchers went a step further with several tests. They looked at verbal and nonverbal learning and memory, attention and concentration.

The researchers' conclusion was that when taking the manufacturer's instructions, ginkgo provides no measurable benefit in memory or related

function in healthy adults. However, ginkgo is not governed by the Food and Drug Administration and thus has no standards for supplement makers to follow. Therefore, a higher dosage and/or a longer duration of taking ginkgo may increase the likelihood of a positive outcome.

On the other extreme, sugar has been researched as a successful memory-boosting agent. Researchers from Lancaster University in England and the University of Western Australia gave volunteers a drink containing glucose and asked them to memorize 20 words. The sugar drinkers later recalled more of the words than those who did not drink anything with glucose, and the benefits lasted at least a day.

Glucose is believed to aid the brain in storing and using memories, possibly by affecting its insulin receptors. Ginkgo is believed to improve blood flow to the brain. So, for those of you who adamantly believe in these sorts of treatments, a sugary drink may be the ideal way to go if you want a quick fix, but for a long-term memory improvement, or memory loss prevention, it may be wise to go with ginkgo. Ginkgo does not have the side effects that sugar does, and ginkgo is believed to contain the antioxidants C

and E, which cleanse your body.

Some more tried-and-true methods for improving the memory are actions such as writing things down, talking out loud, minimizing distractions and exercising the mind with a good crossword puzzle or reading. These methods may prove more beneficial and consistent, and you don't have to worry about a possible allergy, nausea or other harmful side effects of consuming excessive amounts of sugar and ginkgo.

So instead of downing a ginkgo supplement with a Mountain Dew, it may be more beneficial to boost your memory the more traditional way. Replace some Smash Brothers time with a good book. If you're feeling a little stressed before your first exam, try some ginkgo to calm yourself down, or if you feel as though you're still missing some vital fact or formula for your biochemistry quiz, down a sugary soft drink beforehand. If it doesn't prove helpful, the worst that could happen is a full bladder before class ends.

Holly is currently reading "It's Always Something" by Gilda Radner. Tell her what you're reading at paz_rata@yahoo.com.

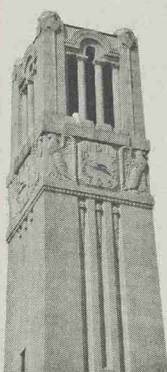
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evils of "partying all night," and even Homer told his children that "there is a time and a place for drinking, and it's called college." I hate to break it to you, ladies and gentlemen, but you've been sadly misinformed.

First of all, if you think you're here to have "fun," you're wrong. College is too mentally draining, too challenging and far too important to waste time and not finish your degree in four years. You're not here to drink and party, hook up and hang out, sleep late and eat pizza. You're here to learn, and you're going to love it.

After class, there's no time for "Frisbee on the quad" or "hackey-sack." You will need to use your every waking moment to prepare for examination after examination. These so-called parties you've been hearing about have probably misled you. There are no parties in college. Perhaps your friend meant "study group." That's just about the only social interaction you can be prepared to have in college.

No, you will not ever show up to class hung over. You will quickly learn that

there is no way to absorb the wealth of information you'll be receiving day after day if your blood is already thin with alcohol. I don't have to tell you this; I'm sure you're already realizing how important this is. You won't be sleeping late, because you're going to make the best of your time and sign up for all 8:05 a.m. classes and seize the day. This is no longer high school; no one ever falls asleep in class. Everyone sits erect in their chairs at full attention, eagerly anticipating those precious droplets of knowledge that professors will endow them with.

There's a time and place for fun, and it is called kindergarten. What? You didn't have enough fun back then? Too late now ... I guess your only hope is for reincarnation.

Ha! I bet you didn't realize I was being sarcastic!

College is the one of the most amazing experiences you'll ever have in your entire life. Never before have you been given the chance to interact with 27,000 students as varied as snowflakes, as sweet as Frosted Flakes and as good for you as Grape-Nuts. College is its own microcosm, a separate world within a world, glorious and majestic in its own right.

Go party. Meet people. Have new exciting experiences. Go to class, try to learn something. You did, after all, shell out a pretty big sum of money to be here. Keep in mind you really can't learn too well hung over, and although I do it all the time, sleeping in class is really frowned upon. It's a hard balance to learn at first, but eventually you'll get the hang of it.

Let me leave you with a couple of words

of advice. Follow them if you choose too or figure out your own way — you'll still have a good time. OK, there are three main types of people in college. First are those who party too much, get bad grades and have a ton of fun, but when it's all over they're pretty much screwed.

There are those who stay in their rooms all day, go to class and focus all their efforts on studying. Seems like a great idea, but if you think college is all about academics, then you are blatantly wrong. Everyone needs to learn about how to deal with society, how to make friends and the comfort in compassion. You can't get too compassionate with your books without at the very least scaring your roommate. Make some friends and have fun. Choose your own definition for fun, but keep an open mind.

The third type of college student is the one who knows how to balance fun and studying to the perfect amount. Just make sure when you leave college you're both prepared for what is next, and you'll always remember what you're leaving with a poignant smile on your face. Learn how to nap (keep it to 20 minutes, or an hour), learn how to check University Dining's menu online to figure out which days are worth skipping at the cafeteria, and try to stay awake in class as much as possible. Welcome to college. You're going to love it.

Zack and fun go together like lamb and tunafish. What? Perhaps you'd be more comfortable with spaghetti and meatball? E-mail him at zack@izack.com.

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Ten reasons to oppose a war against Iraq

Gordon S. Clark

KRT Forum

(KRT) The hard-line hawks in the Bush administration are pushing for a "regime

change" in Iraq and preparing for war. But the consequences of a U.S. attack on Iraq range from troubling to potentially catastrophic.

First, the unprovoked (or in the new strategic-speak, "preventive") attack on Iraq would increase the already substantial anger felt toward the United States by Muslim and Arab peoples. Such anger, continually stoked, would create fertile recruitment ground for terrorists.

Second, an all-out attack to oust Saddam Hussein might be precisely the motivation he needs to use weapons of mass

destruction, if he has any. "Saddam would be likely to conclude he had nothing left to lose, leading him to unleash whatever weapons of mass destruction he possesses," retired Gen. Brent Scowcroft wrote in the Wall Street Journal on Aug. 15.

Third, there is every reason to believe that Hussein will once again attack Israel, as he did during the Gulf War. Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon seems in no mood to practice restraint, and if Israel responds, it could easily become a region-wide war.

Fourth, to keep Iraq together or to support our chosen replacement for Hussein, the United States would need to keep troops in Iraq — thousands of troops, for many years. This would create still more resentment among Arabs and Muslims,

and more targets for terrorism.

Fifth, the anger on the Arab streets could help foment the overthrow of other Middle-Eastern governments. Our allies in Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Jordan are called "moderate" in the U.S. press, but in reality they are corrupt and repressive dictators. They have objected to U.S. plans largely because they know they could face popular uprising or assassination if they are seen as supporting them.

Sixth, an attack could have a profound negative effect on the economy, bringing an oil price shock, market disruptions and a huge bill for the United States. The \$60 billion price tag of the Gulf War was largely picked up by allies, but they have no intention of doing that this time. An attack would also fundamentally disrupt

the economies of Turkey and Jordan, which depend on trade with Iraq.

Seventh, such an unprovoked attack would undermine the international rule of law and could encourage other nations to launch "pre-emptive" strikes against their enemies, leading to more war around the world.

Eighth, an attack would further degrade our image and working relationship with the other nations of the world. Apart from British Prime Minister Tony Blair and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, no other national leader supports our plans in Iraq; most strongly oppose them.

Ninth, if you are concerned about morality or human lives, any large-scale action against Iraq would almost certainly kill thousands of innocent civilians. When

she voted against military action after Sept. 11, Rep. Barbara Lee, D-Calif., cited the dean of the National Cathedral who prayed that "we not become the evil we deplore." How many Iraqi civilians are we ready to kill to remove Saddam Hussein?

Tenth, how many Americans are we ready to sacrifice? The number of casualties to American troops could be large, and the threat to homeland security is just as plausible. Are we prepared for retaliation?

Proponents of the war manage to sweep all of these concerns aside. But the public is not so gung-ho. Bush's war plans are a disaster in the making. It is up to us, the American people, to put on the brakes.

Stay informed during college years

Ball State University
Staff Editorial

(U-WIRE) MUNCIE, Ind. — Do you know what happened Tuesday?

A small group of rebels stormed a foreign embassy in

Germany.

The important thing to note is that it was Iraq's embassy, and the group, known as the Democratic Iraqi Opposition of Germany, seeks the removal of Saddam Hussein from power — something they have in common with our current presidential administration.

Even though this is international news and happened across the world, it is something that could soon affect all of our lives. All summer, politicians in Washington have been discussing war with Iraq. Indiana Senator Evan Bayh calls it "inevitable."

As is often the case with international news, yesterday passed and many students paid little attention to the developments in Germany. Often, students lack the time to pay attention to what is hap-

pening around the world.

Example: For about three years, a group of terrorists sat in Afghanistan plotting the downfall of America. The name of their leader, Osama bin Laden, was unknown to many Ball State students until Sept. 11, 2001. Today bin Laden is a household name.

Think about what you paid attention to last year before Sept. 11. Think about how closely you watched the news in the days that followed the attacks.

Do you pay that much attention anymore?

What we think of as insignificant can be the most important and pressing matter come tomorrow or the next day. Those who stay informed will be better equipped to deal with whatever surprises lay ahead. Read the newspaper, read the news online or watch it on television.

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Dance program auditions for 2002-2003 school year

Rebekah Bowen
Staff Writer

Samuel Clemens once said, "Dance like no one is watching." It is a rare and beautiful gift to be able to dance, for out of the many musical art forms, few can visually express what dance can. We try to use music videos, which use a combination of dance, musical performance and film to express certain songs, but nothing ever seems to come close to the ethereal grace of the human body in controlled yet free motion.

If you're someone who's interested by this, you might also be interested in N.C. State's Dance Company or DanceVisions, the two student dance programs here at N.C. State that are having auditions this Monday, Aug. 26 through Wednesday, Aug. 28 at Carmichael Gym.

It may be a little-known fact to some of our newer students that N.C. State has a very eclectic variety of artistic organizations. With a touch of everything from hip-hop to modern, these companies present dance-inclined students with the chance to release themselves from the stress and fast pace of campus life and allow their spirits to shine for a while in a light other than that of academics.

Having been called the "Best Dance of 2000" and "Best Dance of 2001" by the News and Observer, the NCSU Dance company will host various guest artists, have an annual concert as well as many opportunities to share this spectacular art at many other locations. In



Photo: courtesy of the Dance Program.

the past 10 years they have been chosen to perform at the national gala for the American College Dance Festival Association (ACDF) four times, and they also performed last May at the Kennedy Center for the 10th-annual National College Dance Festival.

"If you love to dance, you should check out DanceVisions, now celebrating its 25th anniversary. Our mission is to provide N.C. State students the opportunity to express themselves creatively through movement," said Monique Newton, the artistic director of DanceVisions. DanceVisions has plans to work with the Peace College Dance Company to perform a work set by Newton, as well as hosting many other guest artists.

Auditions for DanceVisions will begin at 6 p.m. on Monday and will be followed by a second day of auditions on Wednesday from 5-7 p.m., but all dancers interested must attend both days of auditions in 2307 Carmichael. The auditions for the NCSU Dance Company will be held in the same room at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday.

Any questions regarding the NCSU Dance Company should be directed toward Robin Harris at robin_harris@ncsu.edu, and DanceVisions questions to Monique Newton at modance73@excite.com. For any other curiosities, the Web site for the dance program is <http://www.fis.ncsu.edu/dance/>.

Stay up for these

Antonio Brunson
Staff Writer

Ahh, a new semester. You've got new roommates, new schedules and new games to use as reasons to skip class. And while the release of "Mario Sunshine" is only one week away and it won't be long before guaranteed hits like "Splinter Cell" and "Panzer Dragoon" hit the shelves, there are a couple of less-hyped games you'd be crazy to miss out on. These are known as "sleepers" — titles that, despite critical acclaim, sell poorly and only later develop a cult following, such as last year's "Ico." Make sure you try out these babies before passing on them.

"Animal Crossing" (GameCube) — With no violence, no goals and no time limits, "Crossing" is an oddball title if there ever was one. In the game you move into a village, set up your home and basically do whatever you want from then on. Run errands for other villagers, go fishing or compete in contests — it's all up to you. "Animal Crossing" uses the GameCube's internal clock to adjust the weather according to what season it is and the game celebrates holidays on the appropriate dates. Several classic NES games can be found in the game and downloaded to a Game Boy Advance as well. This kind of nonlinear gameplay and variety could keep you entertained for months on end.

"Cubivore" (GameCube) — Another rather unconventional title, "Cubivore" places you in the role of a pig and challenges you to climb the food chain by defeating stronger animals. As you devour your enemies, your creature inherits different characteristics from them, such as skin color and body parts. "Cubivore's" deliberately blocky, simplistic style will turn off some, but the contrast of its vi-

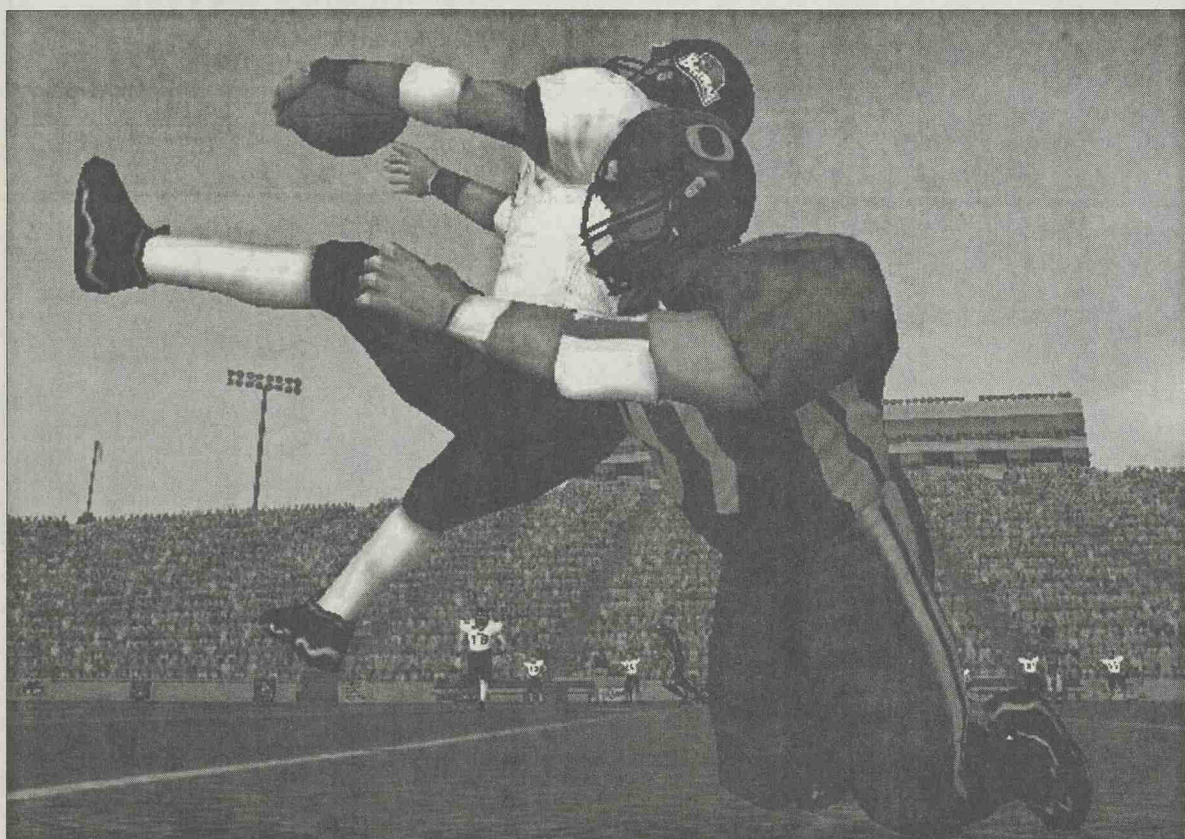
suals and its gritty world will intrigue others.

"Star Ocean 3" (Playstation 2) — A role-playing game set in the year 2859, "Ocean 3" boasts an innovative battle system along with a wacky, varied cast of characters. The second "Star Ocean" was basically ignored when it was released on the original Playstation. However, this sequel's breathtaking visuals and science-fiction premise could grab gamers' attention.

"Suikoden 3" (Playstation 2) Another interesting role-playing game, "Suikoden 3" promises to continue its predecessors' tradition of large casts (the first two had 108 characters each!) and twisting storylines. "Suikoden's" graphics aren't exactly cutting edge, but its nonlinear story and speedy battle system more than make up for it.

"Robotech" (GameCube, Playstation 2, Xbox) — Fans of the anime will snatch "Robotech" right up, but you'd be mistaken to pass on this one without giving it a chance. "Robotech's" cell-shaded graphics give the game a look true to the series, with voice actors and music influenced by the cartoon as well. Missions are varied and exciting, allowing you to transform between three different vehicle modes at any time.

"Phantasy Star Collection" (Game Boy Advance) — Chances are you've never even heard of this highly respected role-playing series, but "Phantasy Star" has strong following among hardcore gamers. Among the three games included in this package, "Phantasy Star II" is the most highly acclaimed, with its great (for its time) story and tough battles.



Football season started early

Joel Isaac Frady
Features Editor

NCAA Football 2003

★★★
Platforms: Playstation 2, Gamecube and X-Box

Within the next couple of weeks, the excitement of college football will be back in the air. This is music to the ears of many football-deprived fans, but it's still not soon enough for those of you who've been craving for football since bowl season ended in January.

Luckily for those people, the video-game industry is proving to us every day that even if it's the off-season, or even if the players are striking, you can still find all the sports action you ever need. Fans of college football can find this action in the flawed, but still incredibly addictive, "NCAA Football 2003."

Before saying anything else, it must be stated that this game is loaded with enough special features and options to keep someone busy until exam week.

Whether you're playing the Season mode with one of the 100+ teams or keep busy recruiting players for an upcoming season in the Dynasty mode, you won't be wasting any time with the repetition that bogs many games down.

Other than these features, the game's high point is the graphics. The detail involved is incredible, and everything from the player's movements to the weather conditions to the stadiums the games take place in looks incredibly lifelike. Even the shadows of the characters are fluid and lifelike, and little details like raindrops splashing visibly on the field help create the feel. The only noticeable downside is the close-ups on players' faces in between plays, close-ups that show little to no emotion. Come on, this is football, we should see pain and anger and victory in those eyes!

The gameplay, however, takes a bit of getting used to. It's a good bit slower than other sports games, and people used to the incredibly fast pace of games like "NHL 2002" could easily become

frustrated with the slower pace and more strategic gameplay. Once you get the hang out of it, however, the game suddenly goes from slower-paced and something you're trying out to something that you can't get enough of.

Especially since the controls, even though they may seem incredibly complicated when you're looking through the manual, are very easy to pick up. Sure, there are a few small nuisances that take some getting used to — for instance (at least in the Playstation 2 version), the button you use to give your player a speed burst on offense is different than the button you use to give him one on defense. The controls for running with a player, on the other hand, are perfect.

One small note that really had this writer excited was the system they use for kicking field goals and kickoffs, for it may be the best control system that's been made to date for this aspect. Football games over the years have had all kinds of complicated controls for it, frequently demanding that you push three

buttons at the same time with your feet to kick the ball the right way. "NCAA 2003" keeps it easy, but not too easy, and it's just the right amount of challenge.

They've also fixed one of the biggest problems that "NCAA 2002," along with other sports games, had: the commentators. In "2003" they're not even around all the time, and when they are they have a wide array of things to say. Sometimes, if you listen to them instead of ignoring them, they can actually give you some valuable pointers about the play that's about to happen.

The last nice aspect of the gameplay is how friendly it is toward players who aren't the biggest football fans. Sure, you'd have to be a big fan to really get excited about special features like being able to send your graduating seniors over to your "Madden 2003" game, but this game isn't just geared for the "Sports-center" generation. Even though people in that generation now have a best friend for those long weekday nights in between actual college gamedays.

Former CBS anchor dishes about liberal media bias

Casey Coble

The Lantern (Ohio State U.)

(U-WIRE) COLUMBUS, Ohio — In his best-selling book "Bias," former CBS news correspondent Bernard Goldberg dishes out a tantalizing exposé on the inner workings of the news media industry.

In it he exposes the seedy underbelly and the liberal bias of CBS News from an insider's point of view, having worked for the network for nearly three decades. He calls CBS "one of the three big families of the News Mafia" and refers to Dan Rather, CBS News lead anchor, as the don (or in this case "The Dan") of the organization.

"I wrote the book because I care about journalism," Goldberg said in an interview with the Washington Post, but that he "left out a bunch of names that might really embarrass people."

The premise for the book focuses on following an editorial that Goldberg wrote for the Wall Street Journal in February 1996, titled "Networks Need a Reality Check." This article centered on a piece that ran on the CBS Evening News on Feb. 8, 1996, called "Reality Check." The story, by CBS Washington correspondent Eric Engberg, trashed presidential candidate Steve Forbes and his flat tax rate proposal.

In his editorial of Engberg's piece, Goldberg reveals the sources for liberal bias in mainstream media. He admonishes the terminology that Engberg uses throughout the piece, citing words like "elixir," "scheme" and "wacky" to describe Forbes's plan, which coincidentally was the centerpiece of his campaign. Goldberg also notes that experts from liberal institutions arguing against Forbes' plan were the only ones interviewed for the program.

In Goldberg's opinion, this is just one of the many instances of a reporter's liberal views undermining the straight news reporting, and he wrote as much in his Journal piece. "Real media bias comes not so much from what party they attack. Liberal bias is the result of how they see the world," he said.

He then goes on to catalog his gradual demise at CBS News over the next four years following the publication of his Journal op-ed. Many colleagues that he had once considered friends became vile enemies, including Andrew Heyward, the pres-

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ident of CBS News; Jeff Fager, executive producer of CBS Evening News; and even Dan Rather himself. He became a pariah in the newsroom, removed from the air completely and sent on an indefinite leave of absence.

The network eventually allowed Goldberg to return after a few months, though, but his feature spots on the evening news were a thing of the past. He mostly did some straight reporting for the evening news and was frequently bounced around on CBS's prime-time magazine programs like "Coast to Coast" and "Public Eye with Bryant Gumbel."

After losing a coveted correspondent spot on the then-newly forming "60 Minutes II" because of past resentment for the op-ed he had written nearly half a decade earlier, he decided to leave CBS News for good. On May 31, 2000, Goldberg left the network after working there for 28 years.

One of the most striking and often unappealing aspects of Goldberg's "Bias" is that it reads like a personal vendetta against all of those who wronged him in the news business. A majority of the book is nothing but him unloading all of his disdain for his former employer through personal attacks on individuals.

Saying Dan Rather is a generous man who can also be "ruthless and unforgiving" and as paranoid as his nemesis during the 1970s, Richard Nixon, does not come across as being very objective and professional.

Goldberg goes on throughout the book to cite several other issues on which mainstream media has manipulated the truth to fit its own liberal ideals. Homelessness, AIDS, man-bashing, drugs and suicide among youth, "whitewashing" of television, terrorism and liberal hate-speech were just a few of the topics he took issue with.

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Described as becoming increasingly bitter and isolated at CBS after his "whistle blowing" editorial came out, several of Goldberg's former coworkers are appalled that he would dare write a book on such an explosive subject as liberal bias in the media.

"In the end, he seemed to think his job was to report on CBS News instead of reporting for CBS News," said Bob Schieffer, chief Washington correspondent, in an interview. "Bernie just seemed to be upset about everything. He was upset with the world."

Declining to comment on the book, Dan Rather did tell the Dallas Morning News that he would not let anyone "intimidate" him "into reporting the news their way" in 1996 following Goldberg's op-ed in the Journal.

In "Bias" Goldberg addresses Rather's refusal to discuss liberal bias in the media by saying, "Whenever you raise an issue like this, they close ranks and close their minds. They're just going to call me these terrible vicious names instead of looking at the real problem."

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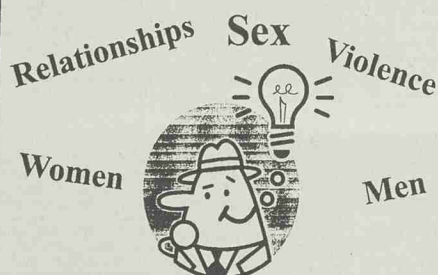
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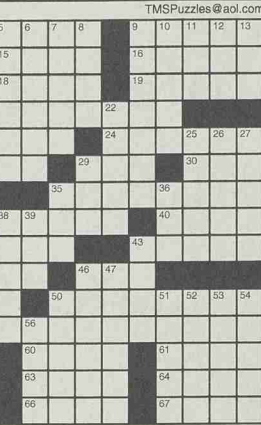
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VIRGINIA

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last year, McMullen would pass Herman Moore's record. He is also eight touchdowns away from being first in career scores and trails Germane Crowell's record of nine 100-yard games by three.

But the Cavaliers will also have an established running game with leading rusher Alvin Pearman back as well. As a true freshman last season, Pearman carried Virginia on the ground, rushing 88 times for 371 yards.

All three of these key performers will play a vital role in not only leading the team to victory but also leading the team's large freshman class.

"We have a very talented young class coming in," Groh said. "They're talented and hungry. We need the interjection of their abilities onto our roster. I know it, the assistant coaches know it, the

players know it, and so we're all looking forward to getting them into functional parts of our team.

"That could result in as many as 18 or 19 freshman and red-shirt freshman playing in the first game. It's going to be a very challenging season but also very stimulating, and I'm looking forward to it very much."

With four offensive and five defensive positions being filled by newcomers, probably a key area for Virginia this season will be at the defensive line. Only one player, nose tackle Andrew Hoffman, has seen action in a collegiate game before, leaving a huge question mark on the Cavs' ability to shut down opponents' running games.

With a daunting opening schedule (Colorado State, at Florida State, South Carolina), Virginia will have to find the answer rather quickly or risk falling in an early hole.

STEVE

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And the Pack's recent loss of a few key players does not bode well.

On a positive note, however, State is not the only team facing questions entering the season. Georgia Tech has a new coach and quarterback. North Carolina is without almost its entire defense from last year. Maryland must replace Shaun Hill at quarterback and nurse E.J. Henderson back to 100 percent. Virginia

and Wake Forest need significant wins under their new regimes to gain legitimacy.

Aside from Florida State and Duke being at the top and the bottom, the ACC is pretty much a crapshoot. Sure, there are reasons to think State could be the No. 2 team in the league.

But don't take it for granted.

Steve's columns will run on Thursdays again this year. He can be reached at 515-2411 or sbthomps@unity.ncsu.edu.

HOLT

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gun giving him advice on his impending career in the NFL, but for now Terrence Holt is happy to be a Wolfpacker.

"I definitely want to go as high as I can go [in the NFL draft],"

said Holt. "I've been working on my skills and honing them all summer long to give myself the best opportunity to go to the next level. But right now I'm just concentrating on being the best college player that I can be."

DUKE

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ing the extra things and going the extra amount they need to be a productive unit," said Douglas. "All my success is directly related to my offensive line. The better they do the better I'll do."

The Devils will look to a trio of redshirt sophomores to call the plays in the huddle with the loss of two-year starter D. Bryant. Chris Dapolito, Adam Smith and Chris Wispelwey will vie for the role of starting quarterback.

A trio that does not lack experience for the Devils is the unit of Ryan Fowler, Jamyon Small and Jim Scharrer. The three returning linebackers combined for more tackles in 2001 than any other returning corps of linebackers in the ACC.

The talented group of linebackers has had the benefit of training at Duke's new center of football operations. Over the summer, the Devils unveiled the Yoh Football Center. Its amenities include a speed and agility room, locker room, coaches of-

fices, weight room, training room, position group meeting rooms and a memorabilia room.

Small, the lone senior on this year's roster, says the building is a step in the right direction for the Devils.

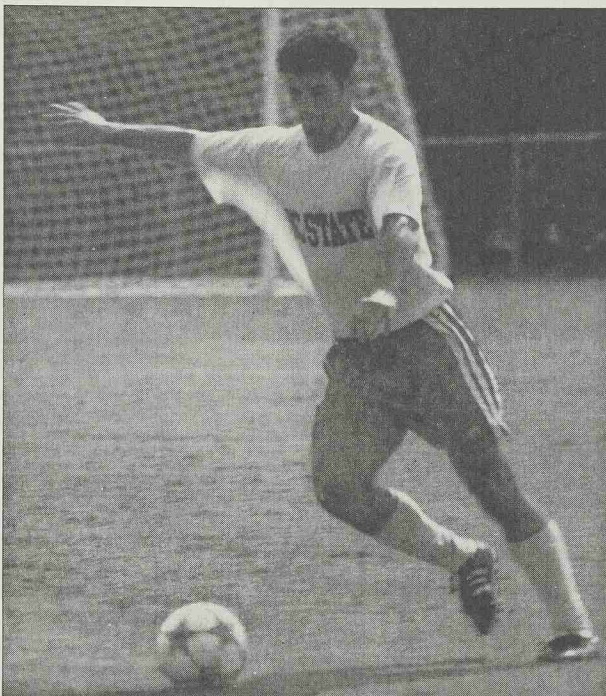
"Before, everyone could be in [the weight room], but it just wouldn't be a good fit," said Small. "There would be people getting left out and so on. This new building, hopefully, is like the turning of a new page."

Still, can a team that posted a 25-point average margin of losing

with a defense that gave up 50 or more points five times last season expect to improve with only one senior and inexperience at quarterback and the offensive line?

Douglas remains optimistic.

"We try not to dwell too much on the losing streak, but we know there are some games this season that we can win and we should win and we will win," said Douglas. "We go into every game thinking that way. I feel like we're right there. We just have to get over the hump."



The N.C. State men's soccer team had a solid preseason result Wednesday, getting five goals from four different players. Staff photo by Andrew Knopp

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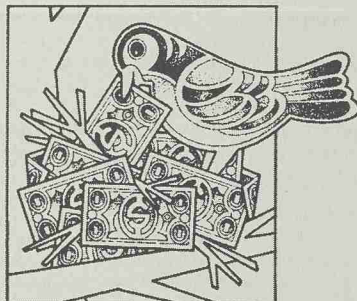
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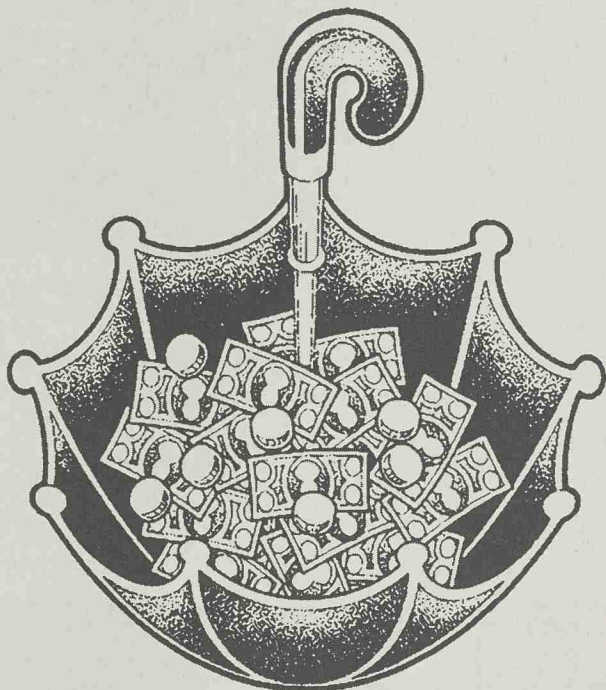
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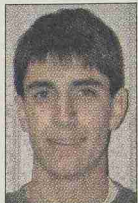
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Not so fast



Steve Thompson

After eavesdropping on conversations around the campus water cooler, it seems that a large majority thinks it a foregone conclusion that N.C. State will finish at least second in the ACC this year. There's already talk of November's home game with Florida State not only deciding the ACC champion, but also determining whether or not the Wolfpack will go undefeated.

Aside from the talk of a national championship, early on, the water-cooler talk seemed relatively justified.

Hype was coming from all directions. A few preseason publications ranked State in the top 25. The ACC media selected State as the overwhelming favorite to finish behind the Seminoles in the league race. Four media members even picked the Pack to win the ACC outright.

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The simple fact is that this State team is not the same team it was when the summer started. The battle of attrition that Florida State faced last year is starting to mount against the Wolfpack. Yet the expectations haven't changed.

And the absence of these players will not be the only problem facing State this year. I haven't even mentioned issues such as the Wolfpack's thin offensive line or lack of a proven tight end replacement to the durable and reliable Willie Wright. Can State be a very good team this year? Yes. Should you start making reservations for the Fiesta Bowl? No.

For all the ribbing the Pack's strength of schedule has gotten, only four of the 13 games are gimmies (East Tennessee State, Navy, Massachusetts and Duke). Any other game can be easily lost.

Coming off its first winning season since 1997, New Mexico sports a top-20 defense and returns a quarterback who is 5-2 as a starter.

Wake Forest gave the Pack all kinds of problems last year with head coach Jim Grobe's deception-laced offense. While often lost in the discussion of Maryland tailback Bruce Perry, the Demon Deacons' Tarence Williams is another running back returning after a breakout season last year.

In Kliff Kinsbury, Texas Tech has a quarterback capable of going toe-to-toe with Philip Rivers. State also must try to steal a victory on the road in a hostile Texas environment — never an easy task. (Remember the struggle the Pack had last year in Dallas against a mediocre Southern Methodist team?)

The above has just mentioned three of the first five games for State. Once the Pack finds itself in the middle of the ACC schedule, things will only get harder. Maryland has defeated the Pack the last two years. Georgia Tech has won six of the last seven against State. Virginia has won three of four. North Carolina has won eight of nine. Clemson has won five of seven.

History certainly doesn't dictate the future, but these teams certainly will look at State's preseason hype and think, "There's a game we can win." Teams are not going to roll over and let the Pack glide to a meeting with Florida State.

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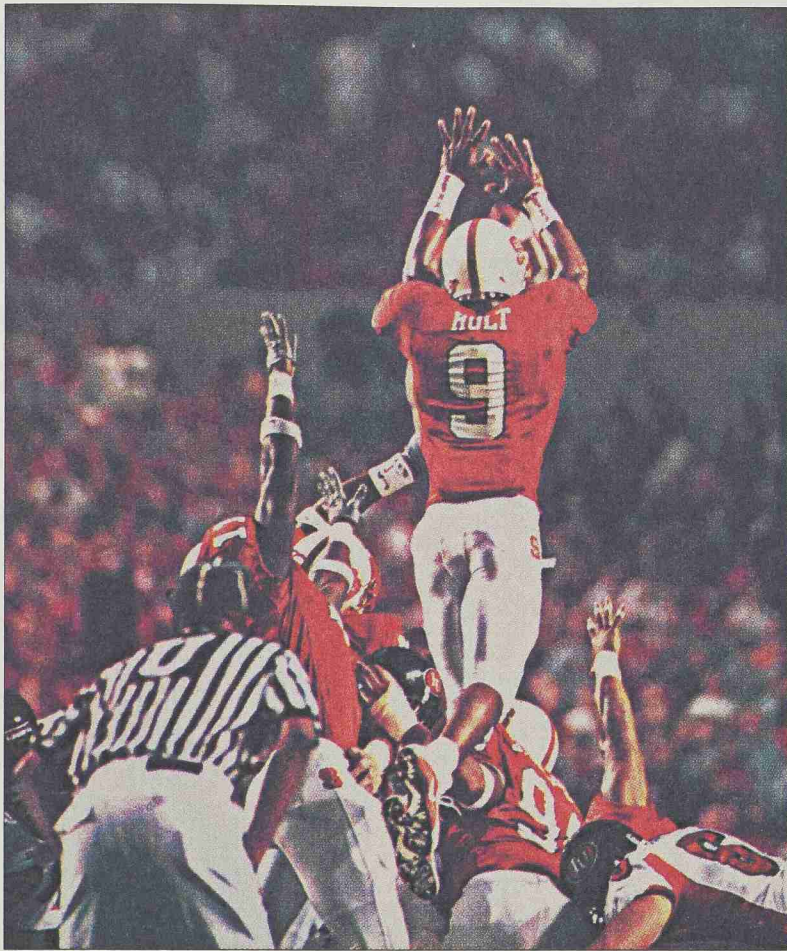
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After all, this would be the year Cotra Jackson had a chance to step out of Ray Robinson's shadow. Oh wait. He's ineligible? Well, at least Terrance Chapman should build on an impressive first season with the Pack that saw him lead the team in sacks. He's ineligible too?? Man. But still, if nothing else highly touted freshmen Richard Washington and A.J. Davis should be able to step on the field and make immediate contributions. What's that? Partial qualifier and out with a broken leg? Damn.

The simple fact is that this State team is not the same team it was when the summer started. The battle of attrition that Florida State faced last year is starting to mount against the Wolfpack. Yet the expectations haven't changed.

And the absence of these players will not be the only problem facing State this year. I haven't even mentioned issues such as the Wolfpack's thin offensive line or lack of a proven tight end replacement to the durable and reliable Willie Wright. Can State be a very good team this year? Yes. Should you start making reservations for the Fiesta Bowl? No.



Terrence Holt (9) holds N.C. State records in kicks blocked in a game, season and career. He is two blocks short of setting a national record. File Photo by Jason Ivester

Living up to the name

After years of playing in his brother's shadow, Terrence Holt is now making a name for himself.

Steve Thompson
Sports Editor

When opposing kickers line up a field goal or prepare for a punt, they must always weigh various factors — condition of the field, the compression of the football, the speed and direction of the wind.

Also to be taken into consideration, however, is the location of No. 9 Terrence Holt.

Since his first collegiate game, Holt has been terrorizing opposing kicking games. Against No. 17 Texas, Holt blocked two kicks to help lead the Pack to a 23-30 upset win over the Longhorns.

In the years to follow, Holt continued his kicking game prowess, setting school records in blocks in a game (2), season (4) and career (9). In fact, he is only two blocks shy of setting an NCAA record.

"I like to build on [my block total] every year," said Holt. "The year before I got three, this past year four. This year I'm going to do more than that, so I'm looking at around five. But however many we need to win the national championship will be [my goal]. If they say we need six to win it, I'd go and try to get six in the first game. It's just however I can help my team."

And while his blocking of kicks has made national headlines, Holt has progressed into the ultimate

team player in many different aspects. In the 2002 spring workouts, Holt clearly showed himself to be a leader of this year's squad; as he was named "Most Dependable" defensive back, the "Most Outstanding Player" on defense and was the co-recipient of the defensive leadership award.

"Terrence has been here a long time and I listen to everything he says," said Freddie Aughttry-Lindsay. "I'm always thinking how to use the things he tells me to better me as a player. He knows the game of football."

Early on in his career, however, the name Holt didn't conjure up images of blocked kicks, but touchdown catches. Terrence's older brother and current St. Louis Rams wideout Torry Holt was finishing a remarkable career with the Wolfpack when Terrence was redshirting as a freshman. It would take years for the younger Holt to be known as Terrence instead of as "Torry's brother."

Still, Holt didn't shy away from the task of living up to his brother's reputation. In fact, he exemplified the same traits that people had praised Torry for having: hard work, dedication and determination. Following his freshman year, his off-season work earned him a promotion from the special teams to a first-string free safety.

Since assuming the starting defensive role, Holt has not disappointed. In 2000, he recorded 89 regular season tackles and was named second-team All-ACC. Last

year as a junior, he ranked third on the team in tackles with 104 as a free safety. His presence on the field earned him first-team All-ACC accolades.

This year, Holt has been named a preseason All-American and a candidate for the Bronko Nagurski award — which is given to the nation's top defensive player. He is confident that this year's defense will be a solid unit despite the loss of All-American Levar Fisher.

"I think we can be real good defensively," said Holt. "We're as good as our defensive linemen make us. If they can rush the passer real well and give us some opportunities to make plays in the secondary, I think we can be real good."

"I think you [have to] replace [Fisher] with a lot of other guys. The play of all of our linebackers together should help us replace him, and I think the depth behind him can help us."

While Holt will have a large defensive role with the team for sure, his legacy will likely lie with his kick-blocking expertise.

"It's instinct," said Holt, when asked to describe how he's able to block the kicks. "You look at film, how a kicker kicks, looking at where he kicks it, lining yourself up, timing. It's not necessarily how high you get; a lot of it is just timing and instinct."

With one collegiate year remaining, Holt continues to prepare for what could be a long career in football. His older brother has already be-

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No. 8 Virginia

With all three offensive leaders back in 2002, the Cavaliers are looking to make some noise in the ACC.

Justin Sellers
Senior Staff Writer

Plans take time to completely evolve.

Such is the case for Virginia second-year head coach Al Groh, who is looking to build Cavaliers football into one of the more dominant programs in the nation.

Last season the Cavaliers went 5-7, with wins over Clemson, Georgia Tech and Penn State. This year, however, the Cavs believe they can surprise people.

Groh is fortunate enough to have all three of his top offensive performers back from a year ago, the first time that has happened in 22 years.

Junior quarterback Matt Schaub will look to stay healthy as he leads Virginia onto the field. Starting six games last season, Schaub completed 58.3 percent of his passes for 1,524 yards, the best mark on the team, and 10 touchdowns. Furthermore, in a year that saw several teams mix things up with two quarterbacks, Schaub managed to finish eighth in the ACC in passing efficiency.

Also back is All-American wide receiver Billy McMullen. Racking up a school-record 83 receptions and 12 scores, McMullen, whose 83 catches was also the best mark in the ACC, will be one of the most dangerous receivers in the conference again in 2002.

The senior co-captain will also be out to set even more school records. McMullen's 141 career receptions are the highest totaled by a Virginia receiver with a year's eligibility remaining. Should he manage to total 420 yards, 640 less than his 1,060 yards receiving

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No. 9 Duke

Despite a 23-game losing streak, the Blue Devils look to the versatility of Chris Douglas to turn things around in 2002.

Jon Page
Staff Writer

Glance quickly through the bold print of the Duke Football Yearbook, and the Blue Devils have everything going their way in 2002. A No. 1-ranking and a head coach among a select few. Maybe there is reason to smile in Durham, pre-Krzyzewskiville.

Not so fast.

Study the fine print and it shows the Devils rank number one among ACC schools returning the fewest seniors and head coach Carl Franks being in a select few of NCAA Division I-A coaches — who coach at their alma mater.

Reality creeps in for a team that has not won a game since Nov. 13, 1999, and a coach on the hot seat.

Yet, despite it all, there are bright spots surfacing around Wallace Wade Stadium this season, and Chris Douglas is the brightest of them all.

The 5-11 junior comes off a sophomore campaign in which he led the ACC in all-purpose yards with 1,849, also good enough for seventh in the nation and a single-season school record. Not to mention the versatile back grabbed All-ACC honorable mention honors.

Douglas will run behind an untested offensive line, a fact that does not worry him.

"They've been working hard, doing extra drills, do-

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Duke sends player after player to tackle opponents. The Blue Devils fail every time. File Photo by Jason Ivester

WOLFPACK NOTES

Men's Soccer Downs UNC Pembroke 5-0 in exhibition

The N.C. State men's soccer team defeated UNC-Pembroke 5-0 in an exhibition game Wednesday afternoon at Method Road Soccer Stadium. Freshman Aaron King scored two goals, and Israel Mejia, Michael Karim and Scott

MacNeill chipped in one each to round out the scoring. The Pack will play one final exhibition this Sunday when the Pack hosts Montreat College at 2 p.m.

Pack's Rivers on O'Brien watch list

The Davey O'Brien Foundation has announced the preseason watch list for the

2002 Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award, given annually to the nation's top college quarterback. Wolfpack junior Philip Rivers, who is already third on N.C. State's career passing list, is among the quarterbacks on the watch list.

The winner will be honored at the 26th-annual O'Brien Awards Dinner in

February 2003 at The Fort Worth Club in Fort Worth, Texas. The O'Brien Award is named in honor of the late Davey O'Brien, the All-American and Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback for Texas Christian University who led the Horned Frogs to the 1938 national championship.

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