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University cuts Student Patrol by 75 percent

Seven students patrolled the campus each night last year, but that number has now dropped to two.

Carie Windham
Assistant News Editor

Due to a recent cut in N.C. State's Student Patrol, the organization will comprise five students, down from the 20 students that made up the organization last year.

The decision was made by University Housing and Campus Police following a joint review of the program that revealed that not only had it strayed from its original purpose, but students were simply not taking advantage of the program.

"The students did a great job; that was never the issue," explained Campus Police Chief Tom Younce. "The issue was 'what's the basic purpose and how much is it costing us?'"

Susan Grant, associate director of University Housing, echoed that same sentiment.

"We wanted to look at what Student Patrol Officers did and the number of escorts directly related to residence hall students and locations."

Student Patrol was originally designed and has since been paid for by Housing to provide student escorts from various points on campus to university housing locations.

Easily identifiable by their red T-shirts with NCSU Student Patrol logos printed on them, officers would walk to any campus location after being called from a regular phone or one of the blue light phones positioned across campus. Once called, their usual response time is approximately five minutes.

Kristi Huneycutt, a senior in criminology, became a Student Patrol officer in March because of an interest in the field and a desire to get involved in campus efforts against crime after a friend was sexually assaulted.

She said that in her experience, she probably did about 30 escorts, most of which were for people who didn't call but were seen walking.

She pointed out that while escorting students was their primary purpose, they also did a lot of random things such as checking doors, stopping fights or assisting Campus Police in arrests and other matters.

Younce agreed that their role on campus has evolved.

"Somewhere over time over the years its function grew into unlocking doors, escorting staff and faculty, checking blue light phones and providing a variety of other services," he said.

The cuts are part of a new plan that both departments hope will make the program more cost effective and revert it to its original purpose.

While seven student officers patrolled the campus last year, this year there will be two officers working each night. The first will ride in a patrol car with a yellow light that will be clearly marked and identifiable. That student will move throughout campus on a set path providing escorts and keeping an overall watch.

"Now we'll provide a ride in an enclosed automobile as opposed to walking," Younce said.

The second student will patrol the area around the Tri-Towers and West Campus, where the majority of students live, on foot or on a bicycle and will serve as backup if the student in the patrol car is unable to provide an escort. They will serve as the program's "eyes and ears" in that location.

In addition, the task of checking fire safety in public areas was handed over to resident assistants this year.

"I think it's a better use of resources," explained Younce. "I think for the use that it was getting and what we're trying to do now, we're going to have a more effective program. More cost effective."

University Housing funds the program each year and Grant estimated that they earmarked \$96,000 last year for the program in the Housing budget.

"Student Patrol has been a long-

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West Nile expert separates fact from fiction

Mike Stringham, an N.C. State extension entomologist, says that West Nile is prevalent in N.C. because it is a new territory for the virus

Diane Cordova
Staff Reporter

Lately, it's been hard to turn on the news without hearing about the West Nile virus. While no human cases have been confirmed in North Carolina, tests on birds in a number of counties, including Wake, have confirmed the presence of the virus.

With more cases dominating the news each day, N.C. State Extension Entomologist Mike Stringham helps explain the truth about the virus.

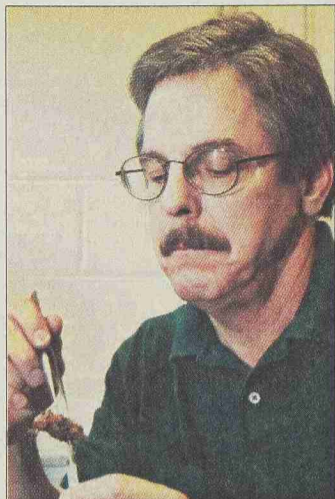
According to Stringham, the West Nile virus is an encephalitis, which is an inflammation of the brain, generally caused by viruses or bacteria.

Oftentimes, characteristics of West Nile and other encephalitis include head and body aches and mild fever. Sometimes it is characterized by a rash and swollen lymph nodes. In more severe cases, the West Nile encephalitis produces flu-like symptoms, such as headaches, high fever, neck stiffness, disorientation and stupor.

In rare cases, it may progressively get worse and result in death, said Stringham.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site, less than 1 percent of those infected with the virus develop severe illness, and people 50 years of age and older are at higher risk for developing severe symptoms.

"There are no vaccines available at present to immunize people against this disease," said Stringham. "However, a vaccine for horses has



Mike Stringham, an N.C. State entomologist, says that climate and other factors play a role in the West Nile Virus. Staff photo by Matt Huffman

been provisionally approved and is available through veterinarians."

Mosquitoes are the only proven organisms that transmit this disease.

The mosquito's salivary glands are where the virus is located. While feeding the mosquito can inject the virus into the animal or human.

"Wild birds serve as the reservoir for the virus. Mosquitoes feed on infected birds and transmit the virus to other birds after a short incubation period," said Stringham. "Infected birds

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Lightning silences the Bell Tower

A recent thunderstorm damaged the Bell Tower's coriolan bells and lighting mechanisms.

LaWanda Ray
Staff Reporter

Thanks to the facilities staff at N.C. State, students passing the Bell Tower cannot tell that there is anything different about it — but there is.

According to Jack Colby, director of facilities operations, lightning from a recent storm damaged the coriolan bells and the lighting in the tower.

Currently, "the lights and coriolan bells have been taken down to be evaluated, and temporary lights and bells have been set in their place," said Colby. "We hope to have an assessment of the cost within a week, and in the best case the repairs should take a month."

This is no new problem for NCSU, but this has indeed been the most severe of all of the incidents with the Bell Tower.

"The temporary lighting will allow us to do both the red and white shades for the tower," said Colby.

Most students wanted to be sure that the lights would be working by the Florida State game; Colby says, "If we win the tower will be red."

Often considered one of the university's most noted symbols, the Bell Tower stands as a memorial to alumni killed in World War I. It is 115 feet tall and its construction required 1,400 tons of stone, a 700-ton concrete base and over \$150,000.

Its creation, however, has a long and interesting history.

It was a letter from a 1907 alumna, Vance Sykes, to E.B. Owen, alumni secretary at the time, which sparked the movement to erect the monument. A memorial committee was created, and in 1920 architect William Henry Beacy was chosen to design the tower. The design is a blend of Romanesque features and Gothic verticality and is reminiscent of the towers of West Point, according to the NCSU Web site.

Three years after the war, the dedications and cornerstone-laying were held. The first of the 10-foot granite slabs from Mount Airy were added from 1924-1926.

The onset of the Great Depression brought about a lull in fundraising efforts, and the tower was not completed until 1937 with the aid of the federal WPA agency.

Additions to the tower came in the following years. The student honor societies and the Class of 1938 gave the clock, and the floodlights were provided by the Class of 1939

However, it wasn't long before another national event delayed the memorial's completion, as World War II postponed the finishing details. However, students, alumni and foundations provided funds so that the chimes, shrine room and memorial plaque could be completed. The Bell Tower was finally dedicated Nov. 11, 1949.

Leading the effort for all three decades was Professor Carroll Mann.

Since the dedication, a new carillon in the tower was dedicated in March 1986 to honor former Chancellor Carey Bostian and his wife, Neita.

The Bell Tower's road to completion is not the only interesting tidbit about the monument.

Before the end of the war, G.L. Jeffers was wrongly reported killed in action.

After the memorial plaque was made many years later, a list was produced that still included Jeffers' name. When the error came to light on the finished plaque, the decision was made to alter the incorrect name so that it would not be recognizable.

As a result, the memorial plaque has 34 names, although only 33 alumni died in the war. Included in the names is G.E. Jefferson, a symbol of unknown soldiers lost by the university and beyond.

University to observe Sept. 11

Students, faculty and staff will commemorate the tragedies of last year with campus ceremonies on Wednesday, Sept. 11.

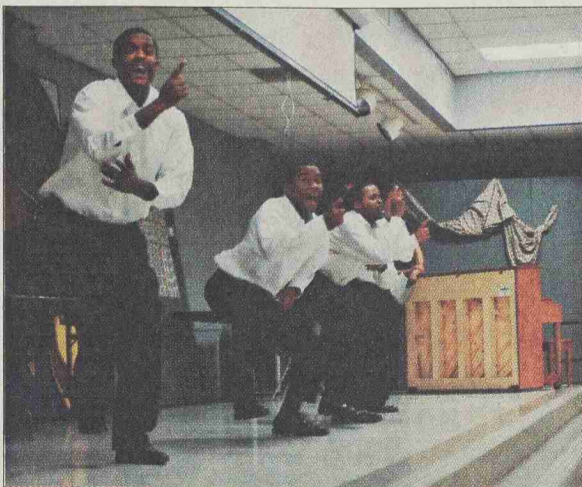
8:46 a.m. — A moment of silence will commence to remember the exact time the first aircraft struck the World Trade Center. The campus will pause from classes and other activities.

12:10 to 12:35 p.m. — A campuswide memorial and tree-planting will be held and will include an address by Michael Anthony, student body president; flag presentation by the ROTC color guard; singing of the national anthem by the Grains of Time; remarks by Chancellor Fox; a moment of silence led by members of the Campus Ministry; and student Katie Flaherty singing "God Bless America."

1 p.m. — "Reflections of 9/11," an interfaith program conducted by the Chaplain's Cooperative Ministries, will be held in the Talley Student Center Ballroom.

9 p.m. — A candlelight vigil will be held at the Bell Tower. The vigil will be led by the student "9/11 Call to Action" group, followed by the playing of "Taps" by a student musician.

Stepping 'Back 2 School'



As part of Back 2 School Cultural Nite, members of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. perform for students in Witherspoon Student Center. Staff photo by Blake Lane

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standing arrangement as part of our annual budget," Grant said, adding that University Housing gets all of its money from student rent.

For the \$96,000 that was spent on the program last year, only 1,084 students took advantage of the program.

In addition to the funding provided by University Housing, in the past Campus Police has provided the cars, uniforms, equipment and supervision for the program. This year, however, the department lost some of the funding that would have gone to the program.

In response, Housing estimated that \$25,000 would cover the salaries, car and supervision required to fund the revised program.

The money that will be saved from the program has been earmarked for continuing Housing's sprinkler program. The program is part of a state mandate that re-

quires all residence hall sprinklers to be operational and replaced periodically.

The cuts became effective this semester and Huneycutt, who was looking forward to spending another year on Student Patrol, found out on July 30 in an e-mail from her director.

But Huneycutt didn't understand the decision.

"Why would they get rid of us when there aren't security guards in the library anymore?" she asked. "It made no sense at all."

Three days later they held a meeting of all the people that were left in town, and although she was assured that her position was safe, Huneycutt decided to leave the program.

"Only about a fourth of us were in town and most still didn't know about it. I thought that was unfair," she said.

Despite her own loss of a job, she is concerned about other students on campus, specifically those who use the library.

"Since there are no guards anymore, we were going to take

charge of that," she said. In addition, she worries about people walking home late from labs.

Huneycutt isn't the only student alarmed at the cuts, as many students are beginning to speak out about their concerns that money is beginning to outweigh student safety.

Matthew Youngblood, a senior in electrical engineering, first learned of the cuts when a friend casually mentioned it in conversation.

His immediate reaction was "incredulity."

"I couldn't believe that the administrators would attempt to 'cut costs' on student safety," he said.

Lesley Templeton, a senior in criminology, said she similarly thought that it was a "ridiculous and unnecessary cut."

"It outrages me that tuition keeps skyrocketing, and yet services that we pay for, and have relied and depended on, are being cut."

Students seemed especially concerned about the effects that the

reduction will have on student safety.

"I am a night person," Youngblood explained. "I saw Student Patrol all the time patrolling the campus. I never took advantage of them explicitly, but I took psychological comfort in knowing that they were present and immediately accessible if I needed them."

Templeton has taken advantage of the escort service before and said she absolutely felt safer with Student Patrol on the watch.

"I understand that we still have a police force here on campus, but their presence can only be minimal," she said. "When Student Patrol was in full gear, walking to any destination on campus you were likely to see one or two patrollers."

She added, "It was good to know that there was someone there trained in 'response/rescue' tactics."

Both went beyond irritation to taking action.

Youngblood, through the help of friends, posted 400 flyers across

campus to alert students of the issue.

Youngblood explained that he began posting the flyers in an attempt to raise consciousness when he decided that there was no "meaningful publicity about their decision to compromise student safety."

Senior Tim Wright helped Youngblood with some of the flyers and when he realized that the target of their flyers, the chancellor, wasn't responsible, he began e-mailing the administration in search of answers. Specifically, he wanted to find out if crime statistics before Student Patrol have gone down since its institution. If so, he wants to use it as a lobbying point.

"At the very least, I hope to get part of Student Patrol back," he said. "And let students know what has been taken away. Many students don't know what a comfort it was."

He pointed out problems with the new Student Patrol plan, specifically that the officers might not have the same visible effect

of last year.

Referring to the student in the patrol car, "the effect is negligible—it's nothing," he said. "I remember living on campus and seeing sketchy people that I didn't know I don't want my friends going by those same people," he said explaining that one officer on foot is simply not enough to do justice.

"Suppose [the Student Patrol officer] is in the Quad and there is [a] person in Bragaw. If that person doesn't see anyone around, what's to stop them from doing something?"

Younce and Grant both agreed, suggesting that if participation in the program increases or the new plan is not sufficient, the program will be reviewed again.

"The bottom line is, it's designed for people to be safe in the hours of darkness," Younce said. "If there is a need and students take more advantage of it, we can certainly come back and re-evaluate it."

WEST NILE

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may become ill and recover or may exhibit no noticeable symptoms."

However, wild birds may also die of this disease and sometimes in fairly large numbers, according to Stringham. For instance, crow mortality has been high.

By the middle of the summer, when mosquitoes are abundant, the West Nile virus becomes widespread in the wild bird population.

This year people are seeing more cases of the virus in the South, but "it's really a little too early to say what will happen with [West Nile virus]," said Stringham. "It's entirely possible that

we may see a large number of cases somewhere in the Midwest or northern United States next year."

There are numerous reasons why the virus seems more severe in the South, said Stringham.

First of all, the virus has simply established itself in new territory.

"It's not particularly surprising to see a spike in the number of cases of the disease when it first appears in a population," said Stringham.

Stringham noted that Florida and New York have not seen as many cases of West Nile virus this year. The reason behind that is possibly a better control effort, he explained.

There also may be more cases in the South because the winters are milder and the mosquito sea-

son is longer. As a result, more infected mosquitoes may survive the winter.

According to Stringham, the virus probably begins to intensify in the bird population in early spring. Due to the warm weather, people are recreating outdoors earlier in the season and later at the end of the season.

In addition, climate and other factors, such as an abundance of habitat, rainfall and the tropical environment, may also play a role, said Stringham.

The West Nile virus first appeared in 1937 in the West Nile district of Uganda.

It was first isolated from an adult woman afflicted with a fever.

In the past, this virus has been

commonly found in humans, birds and other vertebrates in Africa, Eastern Europe, West Asia and the Middle East.

In 1999, however, it was documented in the Western Hemisphere, specifically the United States.

The origin and the duration of time that the virus has been in the United States are not known, but genetically, the U.S. strain of the virus is most closely related to strains found in the Middle East.

Precautionary measures that people can take in order to reduce their risk of becoming infected with the West Nile Virus include applying insect repellent sparingly to exposed skin, spraying clothing with repellents con-

taining

permethrin or DEET given that mosquitoes might bite through thin clothing and, when possible, wearing long-sleeved shirts and long pants whenever one is outdoors.

Other precautions include placing mosquito netting over infant carriers when one is outside with infants; staying indoors at dawn, dusk and in the early evening; which are peak activity times for mosquitoes; installing or repairing window and door screens so that mosquitoes are unable to get indoors; and draining standing water to avoid helping mosquitoes breed in one's surroundings.

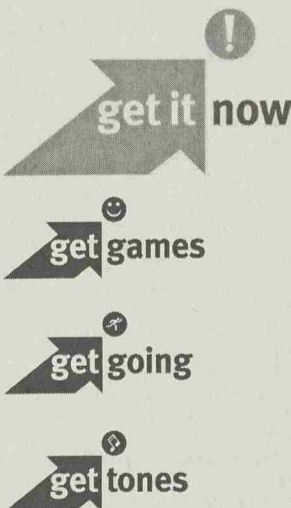
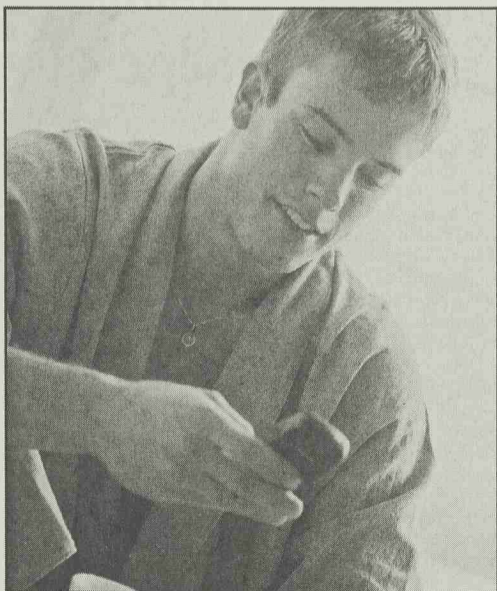
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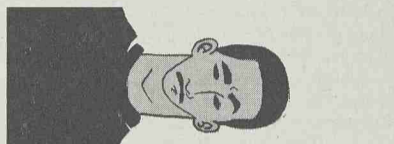
Leonard by Jackson Brown



You're a painter, Floyd. Did you really need an Art degree to do that?



Probably not, but it definitely helped.

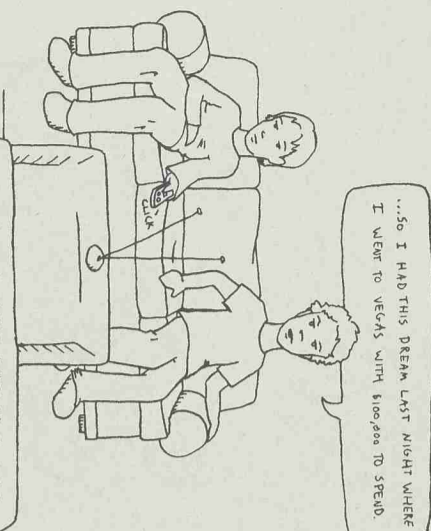


I don't think Med School works that way, Leonard.

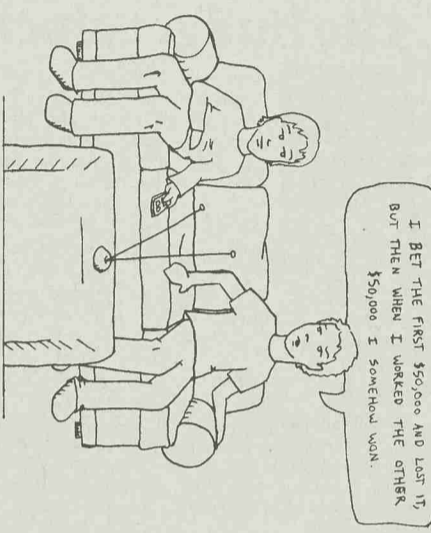


There's always Law, I guess.

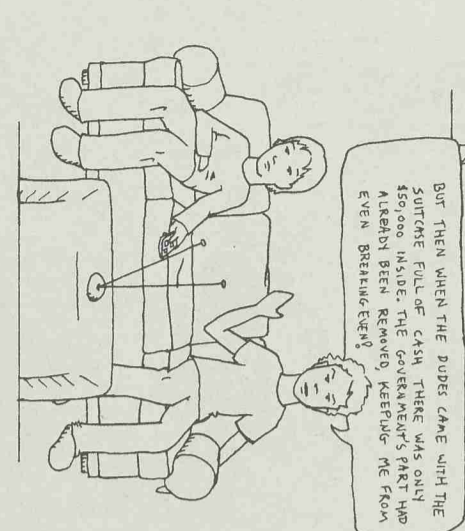
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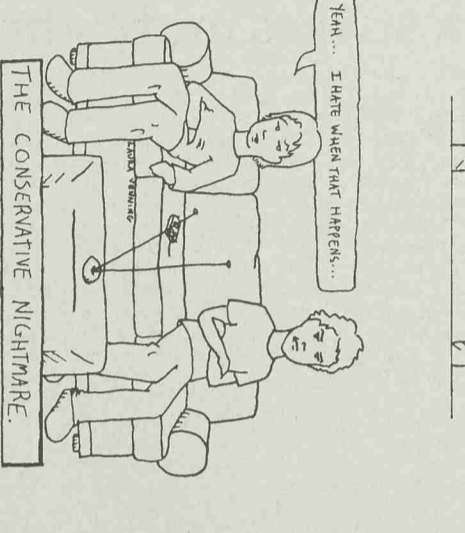
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YEAH... I HATE WHEN THAT HAPPENS...

THE CONSERVATIVE NIGHTMARE.

doughboy by marko

An old cowpoke went riding out one dark and windy day
Upon a ridge he rested as he went along his way
When all at once a mighty herd of red-eyed cows he saw
A'plowin' through the ragged skies and up a cloudy draw

Their brands were still on fire and their hooves were made of steel
Their horns wuz black and shiny and their hot breaths he could feel
A bolt of fear went through him as they thundered through the sky
For he saw the riders comin' hard and he heard their mournful cry

Their faces gaunt, their eyes were blurred, and shirts all soaked with sweat
They're ridin' hard to catch that herd but they ain't caught them yet
They've got to ride forever in that range up in the sky
On horses snortin' fire, as they ride on, hear their cry

As the riders loped on by him, he heard one call his name
"If you want to save your soul from Hell a' ridin' on our range"
"Then cowboy change your ways today or with us you will ride"
"A-tryin' to catch the Devil's herd across these endless skies."

Yi-pi-yi-ay, Yi-pi-yi-o
Ghost riders in the sky

—(Ghost) Riders In the Sky, words by Vaughn Monroe

It was almost like an after school detention session.

The Archangel Gabriel paced in front of the seated five, who sat there without a word on the overturned tree. The feline Matajuro perched at the end in a meditative stance, his tail twitching in the breeze. Next to him was the mighty Chalkhydri, who held firm to the handle of her hilted sword. The only sounds came from the whirring and clicking of the gears within the automaton Mekaýscar, who sat next to Chalkhydri, and who, as always, stared blankly into space. The kid-powerhouse, Zathael sat next to the robot, looking at his feet as his head sunk between his shoulders. The "angel" Maxine was parked next to him, her arms crossed and foot tapping against the stone under the tree. Her lip sneered slightly and her nostrils flared a little as her glare attempted to shoot a cold chill up Gabriel's spine.

Gabriel looked in the distance over the horizon towards the city

of Achillia. Battered by border wars, it was built stronger, taller, and bigger after they had occupied all of their neighboring states. The threat was imagined on the part of the Achillians, as direr conditions were ahead. Caught up in the construction of the post-war city, and the incorporation of the five border states into the region's holdings, those in power had failed to look to the sky.

Gabriel turned and looked at the five, seated before him.

"It was a beautiful city," he said, "built out of love and compassion, but it was ruined by greed and politics...and destroyed by a simple lack of observation. The people in charge spent so much time looking at the people under them they neglected to see a comet in the heavens that would destroy their castles made of iron. They may as well have been built of sand."

Gabriel looked at Zathael, whose eyes dared not look at the Archangel.

Zathael had been the only line of defense left for the Achillians against the comet. In the early days of the border wars, Zathael was dropped behind enemy lines to perform superhuman feats of sabotage. He ripped up supply lines, sunk ships, crushed tanks, and crippled planes. The boy returned to the city and was proclaimed a hero and paraded around as a figurehead of the embodiment of the "Noble and Dutiful Achillian." But secretly the generals were not in agreement. They wanted him to slaughter their enemies, but Zathael was not so cold-blooded as to do so. But they soon built an war-machine to do that for them and Zathael's activities were scaled back to primarily function as positive publicity while the dirty work was done on the battlefield by soldiers and in the provinces by spies.

When the fighting was over, the city grew by a hundred-fold. But as Gabriel stated, the city was not paying attention to the sky. A comet was spotted too late for them to devise a suitable plan. The Achillians had made great progress in mechanics, but had yet developed any sort of space program, as all of their concerns were



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Staff illustration by Mark McLawhorn

grounded in planetary matters.

Zathael was ordered to stop the comet. He tried with every ounce of his strength to do so, but his efforts were in vain. The city was leveled and all of its inhabitants were destroyed. Zathael had been too weak to perform such an enormous task.

Maxine thought about reading the Archangel's mind, but she didn't dare risk it. If she plugged in, Gabriel may sense some sort of psychic snooping, and she was not about to reveal her motives at this point. She had made allies with the feline Matajuro, in

order to better serve her selfish needs. Perhaps playing friends with the rest of this crew would also prove beneficial. Maxine looked at the other four sitting next to her.

"The cat could be squished at any time," she thought to herself. "The other female, though brave

and armed, is no match for me...the robot seems to lack any motivation other than building things...the boy...ha...the boy is too busy wallowing in his own self-despair to put up a fight..."

She scowled at the Archangel. If there was anyone she didn't think she had the drop on, it would be him. He was still talking, yet she wasn't paying a bit of attention. She guessed that she should tune him back in.

Gabriel stooped down to pick up a rock under Zathael's feet. Beneath the stone was a folded manuscript.

"These are plans and ideas," Gabriel said, handing the papers to Chalkhydri. "You five are going to rebuild this city."

Maxine's jaw dropped.

Chalkhydri stood up to attention. "But how?" she asked.

"You'll figure it out," replied Gabriel.

A little bird flew from the distance and landed on the roots of the side-lying tree, just next to Maxine. The five turned to look at it as it whistled so sweetly to them. Maxine turned to look at Gabriel. He was gone. "Figures," she grumbled to herself.

Maxine felt the urge to mash the tiny tweeting creature, who took to the air before she could grab it. She hopped off the log and followed the bird over the ridge of the rocky horizon. Over the hill lay waste the second-largest city she had ever seen, second only to the capital of her home world. Exhilaration rushed hot blood through her icy veins at the notion of repairing this vast metropolis. She swooped down into a devastated rail yard. Locomotives and train cars lay strewn about like scattered leaves.

Maxine bent down and picked up a rail car. She held it over her head for just a moment before throwing it into a pile of other train remains; musing at the loud, steely, scraping crash they make as the sound of screeching metal bent over itself.

Maxine's sneer slowly turned upwards into a devilish grin. Thoughts of domination and rule swirled through her head.

TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

Student Patrol program needed reform

Cutting funding from Student Patrol was a necessary decision in light of budget restraints and the group's limited effectiveness.

Students who walk across campus at night are accustomed to seeing Student Patrol officers in their red shirts providing escorts and an authoritative presence to make campus a little safer at night. But budget cuts have led to reviewing the program's effectiveness, and both University Housing and Campus Police decided that the group had strayed from its original purpose. In addition, residents of university residence halls were not taking advantage of the free escort service, resulting in wasted funds. The program is being cut by 75 percent, and although many students are complaining, they must ask themselves how often they used this service and if the money could be better spent elsewhere.

The number of student patrol officers will be reduced from 20 to five, meaning that instead of seven students, there will be two patrolling campus at night. One student will be in a marked vehicle, while the other will provide backup in the Tri-Tower and West Campus areas. Using a vehicle now means that escorts will be given in a car as opposed to walking, which is a definite advantage.

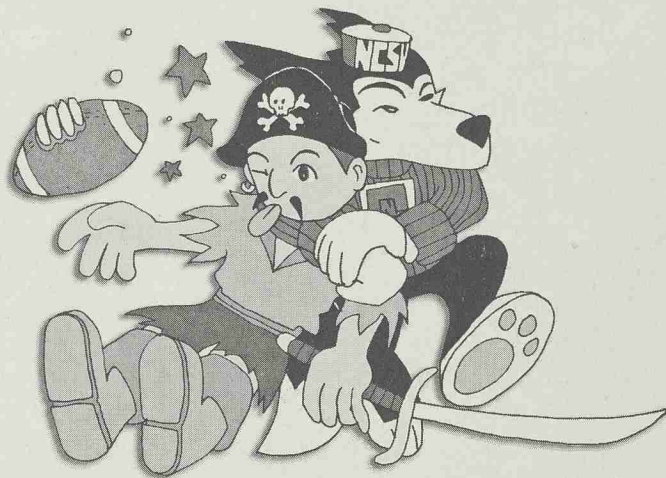
University Housing also believes that the program strayed from its original intention. Returning the program to a state where it meets its fundamental objectives is a reasonable expectation. The basic

purpose of the Student Patrol was to provide escorts, but the program grew to include the duties of checking doors, stopping fights, escorting staff and faculty and assisting Campus Police. Although these responsibilities are important, it should not be the duty of University Housing to use student rent money as a source of funding.

Budgetary restrictions mean that all areas of campus will be impacted; this is a situation no one wants, but which everyone must accept. Student Patrol is a very positive, beneficial program when we can afford it. If University Housing believes that it cannot support the program, then action must be taken to reduce it instead of compromising other, more vital areas.

The funds from Student Patrol will now be diverted to dormitory fire sprinklers, a decision mandated by the state requiring operational, up-to-date safety features. Complying with state safety regulations is a much bigger responsibility than having extra student patrol officers.

Funds are being reduced, but this does not mean that the program is being removed. Students may have to wait a little longer for an escort, but the funds saved through changes are worth the drawbacks. If students believe that the program is worth reinstating, then they can find other ways of funding it, including the possibility of volunteering their time. Regardless of the status of a compromise, students should respect the reasoning behind tightening the budget of this underutilized program.



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The budget clock strikes midnight



Kevin McAbee
Staff Columnist

Late nights and long hours just got more difficult on the N.C. State campus in an effort to cut costs and save money. No longer can students stroll through D.H. Hill Library at 3 a.m. searching for journal articles on albino goat breeding or nuclear fission. The administration — in its infinite wisdom — has decided that a good way to save money is to close the library from midnight to 8 a.m. This decision shows just how big the gap is between students and those who run this school.

The library is a haven that allows students to concentrate on academics at all times of the day. College life, especially in the dorms, is a constant bombardment of distractions. Up until now, we have always had a quiet place to go and cuddle with our chemistry books when everyone else wants to order Gumby's and play MP3s. Now we can only cuddle before midnight.

For many students who live on campus, the library is a home away from home. A quiet corner in the library is a place to pull all-nighters, write last minute papers and make copies for a class presentation. Some desperate souls will even sleep in the cubicles when roommates keep them up all hours of the night.

The library is the single most important resource we have on campus. To shut it down at midnight only adds to the difficult juggling act students have between classes, jobs, friends and extracurricular activities. Up until now, the library has always been there any time we needed it.

The truth is that most students procrastinate, which usually means working at 2 a.m. the night before an assignment is due. As time winds down until those pesky assignments are due, we could always rely on the fact that the library doors were open. To students serious enough to complete their work — but not serious enough to pass up watching Monday Night Football — a 24-hour library was a saving grace.

In Wednesday's Technician, Carolyn Argentati justified the closure because it was statistically the quietest time during the day. Let's hope WakeMed doesn't follow suit and quit admitting 20-somethings to the hospital because they statistically account for the healthiest part of the population.

Another justification is the improved Internet resources of the NCSU library system. These library resources on the Internet are a great tool for students. The library has done a great job making their resources more mobile and easily accessible. This is also probably causing diminishing numbers of library visitors.

However, the Internet can never completely replace libraries. The Internet is a great search tool, not a great way to complete research. Large number of novels, texts and journal articles are not posted in full on the Web. So from midnight until 8 a.m. we can still find where the

information we need would be, but we just can't get it.

The library is a physical representation of the knowledge found on our campus. Walking the Oregon State University campus this summer, I was shocked at the apparent inadequacy of their library. Their undergraduate library appeared smaller than Harrelson Hall. It made me proud to think of the enormous D.H. Hill Library towering over the Brickyard.

For NCSU to continue to grow in reputation and academic excellence requires both hard work from students and faculty. The powers that be have made it much more difficult for students to hold up their end of the bargain.

We like to think of ourselves as academically equal to any other school in the UNC system, and better than most. Yet Chapel Hill will have 24-hour library access during the weekdays, and even the hellraisers at ECU can go to their library until 2 a.m.

Cutting the expenses on campus to make up for this budget shortfall is by no means an easy job, but there have to be better places to save money than the library. Cutting funding for the library should be the last resort.

Learning should be a constant occurrence on the NCSU campus, and D.H. Hill is the symbol of this. Shutting the doors only makes learning more difficult for students. It is a slap in the face to the student body.

Six a.m. to noon statistically accounts for the quietest part of Kevin's day. E-mail him at ktmcaabee@unity.N.C.su.edu during his most active time (midnight to 4 a.m.).

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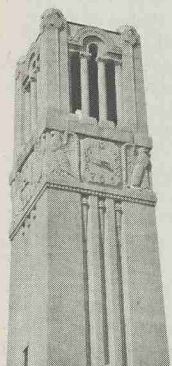
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N.C. State's own 'Real World'



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I remember my first day at N.C. State. I had just transferred from a little gothic wonderland not very far away, and I was really nervous. During the course of one summer, I had transferred schools, gotten married at the age of 19 and moved to a new city. I had taken my very mundane little existence and turned it upside down. Frankly, I was scared to death of how people would react to my husband and me. I was almost positive that their response would be similar to what my parents had to say before it happened: "You are going to waste your entire future, career and life on a boy?"

Thank goodness I was happily surprised. I have never been amongst a more open and inviting community than I have experienced during my year and a half in Raleigh. I did get a few raised eyebrows when my classmates saw my wedding band, but I think that is just because I look young, so some students may have thought that I had gotten lost on my way to Broughton High School. Yes, NCSU may have the largest student body in North Carolina, but I feel they can also boast another achievement — a truly diverse student population.

When we think of diversity, we often think of students from different ethnic or racial backgrounds coming together in a single environment. While those are both

very important characteristics of a good student body demographic, I feel they are not the only factors that should be considered. Age and socioeconomic diversity are just as important as where someone grew up.

NCSU has managed to admit students that need 100 percent financial aid as well as students who could pay to have their name on a building. There are students here who are in their 40s with a work ethic that puts the average freshman to shame. There are also students who already have families of their own as well as students who still go back home to their parents during breaks. By admitting such a large and diverse group of students each year, NCSU has managed to create an atmosphere where no one should feel like an outsider.

It's not very fun to walk around a college campus where everyone looks the same. Imagine strolling to your chemistry class and seeing 20 girls pass you that are wearing clothes exactly like yours, or sitting in a classroom where everyone has grown up in the same economic background. You might be able to discuss your favorite television shows with these kids, but what are you going to learn from them?

You can learn something from a former corporate CEO that is trying to earn his teaching license. You can discover something about life from a woman who has raised five children and lived to talk about it. Perhaps you can even get a little relationship advice from a girl who married her high school sweetheart just because she wanted to. While these students may not fall into your typical MTV spring break crowd, they are a vital part

of this university, and they give NCSU students a chance to see what the real world is like.

We may not be the most financially successful university in North Carolina, and we may not have won a national championship in basketball recently (here's hoping for 2003), but we are not clones of each other, and that is something to be proud of. We do not have more BMWs in our parking lots than Hondas, we do not limit our student body to people between the ages of 18 and 23, and this university has managed to bring together people of varying ages, races and lifestyles, letting us thrive amongst each other.

The interesting thing is that some universities are now trying to copy what N.C. State may have done without even trying. High-tier private schools, such as Duke University, have started to consider socioeconomic status when determining their yearly admissions. Private universities often bring together people from all over the world, but one thing that I learned from my experiences at one of those schools is that someone who lived in an upper-class lifestyle in France is not necessarily different from someone that lived a similar lifestyle in California. An ocean may have separated their geographic locations, but their experiences as wealthy teenagers may have given them a similar outlook on life.

I realize that the word diversity gets thrown around a lot. It has become a large focus for most universities, and that constant attention makes a lot of people stop caring. I'm not suggesting that

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Increase tuition



Larisa Yasinovskaya
Staff Columnist

I said it. Increase tuition. Well, it is about time someone did, as blasphemous as such a statement seems to be nowadays. We've reached a point where we're either going to keep getting screwed by budget cuts or we take our fate and the fate of our university into our own hands.

The final straw is the library's new operating

hours. For those of you who missed the news on Wednesday's front page, due to budget cuts the library will now close at midnight Sunday through Thursday, and at 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday; it will open at 8 a.m.

I think this is an atrocity. The spokeswoman for the library said that it will be closed during the hours when the library is utilized the least. However, that is when it's needed most. During the day students pop in to hang out, to meet up, to get coffee and to surf the Web. It is at night that the library is used by people who need a quiet place to study, do a paper or get out of their residence hall to escape from all the madness. Now these people have nowhere to go. But it's not the library's fault — they are just responding to their budget cuts.

This is in addition to the many other symptoms of the budget cuts that most of us have

surely felt by now. We have had a difficult time signing up for classes because there are fewer classes and fewer sections being offered. In addition, some of us have even had classes canceled after we signed up because they weren't full and the university could not afford to keep them.

But all this is not the university's fault either, so getting angry at the administration is pointless. Getting angry about the money being "wasted" on the roundabout is also pointless because it is being built with money specifically appropriated for that purpose that cannot be diverted to the library or something deemed more useful by the students.

So the solution is to raise tuition. We have to realize that while our budget is being cut by a state that has to stick to a balanced budget amendment (which many economists believe to be terrible to begin with,) the cost of running the university does not decrease. But something has to decrease, and it is the quality of our education and our experience here that suffers.

I know that people have a very strong gut reaction to raising tuition — they're generally against it. However, if we put it in perspective it could really save us money in the end. If we raise tuition in order to increase the number of classes and sections it may finally be possible to graduate on time. And certainly spending fewer years in school, and then working the years you would have spent in school (waiting for courses you need for graduation), would save money.

We also have to take into account that we, as in-state students, already pay one of the lowest tuition rates of in-state students in the country. In fact, we redistribute a large part of that financial burden to out-of-state and out-of-country students, which in my opinion inhibits diversity.

A popular argument against increased tuition is that the students will suffer, so much that not everyone who wants to can afford to attend N.C. State. But this is just not the case because the poorest students receive financial aid, and most students' parents pay for their tuition. And even if those options were not available, there is always the option of a loan.

It may be argued that if tuition increases, so will a student's debt, but so what? Does it really make that much of a difference if we graduate with a few more thousand dollars in debt? I mean, isn't that what we're in school for — to get out and make money, partly to pay off the debt we incurred while in school?

So it's about time. We can help ourselves. We can have a better and less stressful time here, but there is a price. As we all surely know by now, or at least should, we get what we pay for, and that nothing is free (unless you're on scholarship). So we are getting what we're paying for, and if we want it to be better we're just going to have to pay the price.

Crucify Larisa at larisas_opinion@hotmail.com; she's expecting you.

RULE OF THUMB



ESA closer to christening

Entertainment and Sports Arena officials announced Wednesday that a 20-year, \$80-million naming-rights deal with RBC Centura was in the works but still not finished because of disagreements over parking. N.C. State students thought little of the announcement. "Three years, man, what's another month?" said one jaded senior.

They're coming back, y'hear?

CBS has announced plans to launch a reality show modeled after the '60s sitcom "The Beverly Hillbillies" later this year. A company spokeswoman laid out the plans for the show at a Wednesday press conference. "We're going to poke these hillbillies with a stick, and you're all going to laugh. And we'll get rich."



Scientists unlock gecko secrets

Researchers at two West Coast universities have discovered the mechanism that allows geckos to stick to any surface: thousands of tiny hairs on the animal's digits. The reaction from the scientific community was mixed. "Dude, it's just a lizard," said one researcher at a competing institution.

Baylor banishes fraternity

Baptist-affiliated Baylor University, in Waco, Texas, suspended the school's chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon for one year after several members of the fraternity appeared — fully clothed — in a photo in the October issue of Playboy. "It's appalling that they would do that," said a Baylor spokesperson. "We wanted to see some serious flesh."



Customs stops tainted honey

U.S. Customs agents stopped a shipment of Chinese honey from entering the country on Wednesday after they discovered that it contained a banned antibiotic. "The godless communists are at it again, trying to poison our minds and bodies with their sickly sweet propaganda. And honey," said a Customs spokesman.

Bush confused by term

President Bush was stumped by reporters this week when asked if he thought the U.S. needed allies to proceed with any military action against Iraq. "Allies?" responded the puzzled, squinting President. An aide whispered something into Bush's ear, and he perked up. "Oh! Oh... yeah, I... I guess."



Gore powder not anthrax

Authorities have determined that the mysterious white powder that showed up in a letter in former Vice President Al Gore's Nashville, Tenn., office on Tuesday was not anthrax. Conservatives all across the country grimaced in frustration.

Mass hysteria continues

The summer media frenzy with abducted children entered its third month this week, with the news that a nine-year-old California boy was abducted on Wednesday. "I don't know what we're going to do if bad men stop taking little white kids," said a source at Fox News.



American Idol almost done

TV audiences across the nation checked their watches and calendars this week as next Tuesday's finale of Fox's talent-search hit "American Idol" drew nearer. One local viewer summarized the situation: "We're just ready to get past this, like we did with that last big thing. What was it? Oh yeah, 'Survivor.'"

Bathroom restrictions at distillery

A Jim Beam distillery in Clermont, Ky., has been cited by state labor officials for restricting employees to four bathroom breaks per eight-and-a-half-hour shift. One employee told a local reporter, "If this keeps up, I'd start sniffing them bottles of Jim Beam before you drink 'em."



Practice moderation, ignore hype on Sept. 11 anniversary

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We'll be flooded with analysis and memorial events as we approach Sept. 11's anniversary. For the next few weeks, prepare to relive the grisly images of crumbling towers, a smoking Pentagon, unsettling footage of desperate people jumping and emergency personnel bravely racing in to meet their deaths. While the world has seen destruction on such a wide scale before, what it has not seen thus far is such a widespread invasion — no, saturation — of mass media. But students must find a way to separate what should be a day of solemn remembrance from pop culture's force-fed hype.

MICHELE

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NCSU is a miniature paradise. I have to wait five hours for the Avenet Ferry bus like the rest of campus and watch my perfect schedule deteriorate during the summer as all my classes get canceled because of budget cuts. But in the big, wide world of universities out there, NCSU is doing a good job at giving us the chance to learn a little about different ways of life, as well as learn a little more about ourselves in the process.

So next time you are doing a project for class with a middle-aged lifelong education student, a right-out-of-high-school freshman and a student who lives with his family in Clayton and you are fuming over how your schedules are almost impossible to work with, just remember that you are getting a far better look at the real world than some of your friends down the interstate.

Michele welcomes your comments and your thoughts on what makes NCSU special to you. E-mail her at mlhagama@unity.ncsu.edu.

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Removing the President's approval ratings, the trendy music aid collaborations and America's newfound fascination with al Qaeda, you will see Sept. 11, 2001, for what it really is: an unprovoked act of hate, killing almost 3,000 innocents in mere hours.

The perpetrators' design was to orchestrate crippling blows to the most important facets of American society. Luckily, they did not succeed in that mission. All that remains is a horrendous loss and a once-tranquil nation, undisturbed by what has ravaged other regions of the world for centuries. Our country is now forced to be defensive and offensive simultaneously; in all military, economic and domestic aspects.

Although this is all the fallout of one horrific day, if you choose to blindly ignore other anti-American terrorist attacks worldwide (a few examples: 1979 hostage crisis, Beirut, WTC '93, Khobar Towers, African embassies and USS Cole), then Sept. 11, 2002, should

stand as a day to observe all that has happened in the 365 days leading up to it; not just one single day.

Granted, none will match its magnitude of destruction and hysteria, but each day has been significant in its own right; from the limited war being waged to combat these criminals; to the roller coaster our economy has become; to the volatile policy shake-ups occurring in our executive branch. Every day since can claim to be affected in some way and deserves to be reflected upon.

How we handle this anniversary will serve history as a valuable gauge to our degree of compassion and intelligence regarding these events. If you are disappointed you can't have the afternoon off, you're not in the proper mindset. The surge in hyper-nationalism we saw last year isn't an appropriate way to commemorate this day, either.

Belligerent patriotism and harassing foreigners isn't going to accomplish anything but the

spread of anti-American sentiment.

Plastering your possessions with flag decals will only make you look like you're in a competition you won't win. Today, I saw an SUV with eighteen. No matter your political slant or where you place the blame, this day should serve to memorialize tragic losses and a grave injustice to humanity worldwide.

Some people will go on living life as if it never happened. Others, several thousand others, cannot live life anymore because it did happen. If you choose to remember Sept. 11, ensure your actions are a solemn tribute to remember the Americans — no, better said fellow humans, civilians, emergency personnel and soldiers — who have perished this year as a result. It's not just another reason to slap on a "Save/Remember The [CAUSE]" ribbon and leave class early, like too many other days on our calendar.

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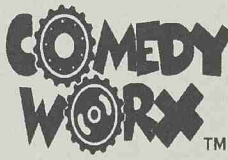
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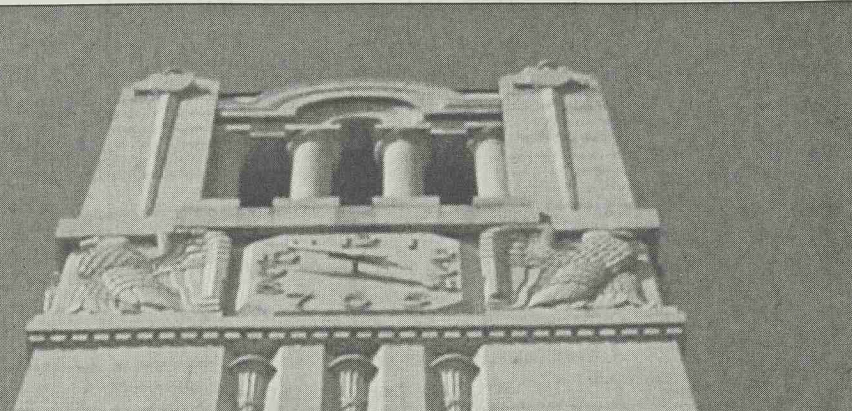
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red when you come to a football game. While some may complain about the priority seating given to the Student Wolfpack Club, the sea of red in section 6 looks pretty intimidating. If the whole stadium could pull that off, it would be amazing.

As a brief corollary to rule one, let me make a suggestion on the appropriate use of alcohol before the game. Now this of course only applies to those of us over 21, but it would be dense of me to ignore the role a good beer or four can have in increasing one's ability to yell and incoherently make other noises.

The use of alcohol only becomes a problem when one starts to pass out at games. So if you choose to drink, use alcohol only

to the point of helping you get in the game, not to the point of taking you out of the game.

2. Ignore the scoreboard, listen to the band

Nothing has the potential to quiet a crowd quicker than King of the Hill ads on the Jumbotron. Half the stadium is wondering when the promos are going to get funny, and the other half is utterly disgusted that the first half is looking at the Jumbotron.

Additionally, these promos and inspirational movie clips take away valuable fight-song-playing time from the band. The size of our band is increasing, but it can't possibly compete with the crap-music the Jumbotron is shoving down our throats.

College football is good because of the tradition that accompanies it. Part of that manifests itself in

the band's participation and interaction with the crowd. The Jumbotron ruins this fan-band interaction.

And just as a side note, this year's 'introduction' music is so inferior to last year's. No contest.

3. Make more noise on defense than offense

This rule is easier to say than follow. Obviously, it is more fun to watch the Wolfpack be on offense — heading for a score. But a crowd's noise can seriously disrupt the other team's offense. State fans have been pretty good at turning up the intensity on third downs, but it would be great if everyone could urge on the defense on first and second downs as well.

So there are the rules to becoming better football fans. Hopefully, this is common knowledge and I've merely wast-

ed a column, because if the crowd remains as invisible as it was last Saturday, Wolfpack football crowds will be the laughingstock of the ACC, recruits will not be impressed and supporters who donated millions of dollars to upgrade Carter-Finley Stadium will have wasted their money.

The students have the ability to enthuse the rest of the stadium with positive energy. So why not show up early, make tons of noise and set a positive example for the alumni? If State is to join the national ranks as a football powerhouse, its fans must be a part of it.

Steve normally writes columns on Thursday. He can be reached at 515-2411 or sbthomps@unity.ncsu.edu.

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former team.

"They run an option play and have a very athletic quarterback, so we must be ready for anything they throw at us," said Amato.

Amato knows that his team must be prepared for the Bucs. The Wolfpack has not seen ETSU play except on film and are not familiar with the Bucs' style of play. In addition, the Bucs have

had two weeks to review film of the Wolfpack, while N.C. State has had only one.

"They've at least been able to see the TV copy of last week's game," said Amato. "That helps."

The Bucs start their season with this game, so the Pack must be ready to withstand ETSU's 'A' game, which the Bucs will certainly bring to the table. ETSU head coach Paul Hamilton will certainly have his players ready to play on the big stage.

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Philip Rivers was his usual productive self, passing for 276 yards and three touchdowns. The junior also showed a newfound scrambling ability as he rushed for two scores.

The wide receiving corps was just as good, overcoming early jitters and dropped passes to make several nice plays.

But what had to make the Pack the proudest was the running game, led by bruising freshman T.A. McLendon. The rookie ran for 79 yards, which isn't earth-shattering, but whenever he touched the ball, it was exciting.

"T.A. runs over guys," said Kooistra. "He had guys all over him [who couldn't make a tack-

le] and that's impressive as a freshman."

Of course the other half of Amato's backfield, converted tailback Greg Golden, wasn't too shabby either, setting the tone early and showing flashes of promise. Kooistra admitted that sometimes he didn't know who was lining up behind him.

"Greg is a slashing, cutting [back]," said the former Cary High star. "I feel comfortable with both of them back there, and that's good as offensive lineman to have somebody back there that, when we make a hole, can make a play."

Against the Buccaneers, the Wolfpack will undoubtedly have numerous opportunities to make plays. But whether the Pack wins 3-0 or 333-0, the team's main goal

is gaining experience and improving in the early games to prepare for tougher competition later in the season.

"We can't take an opponent [lightly]," said Kooistra. "We're going to take every opponent seriously and that's a trademark we have."

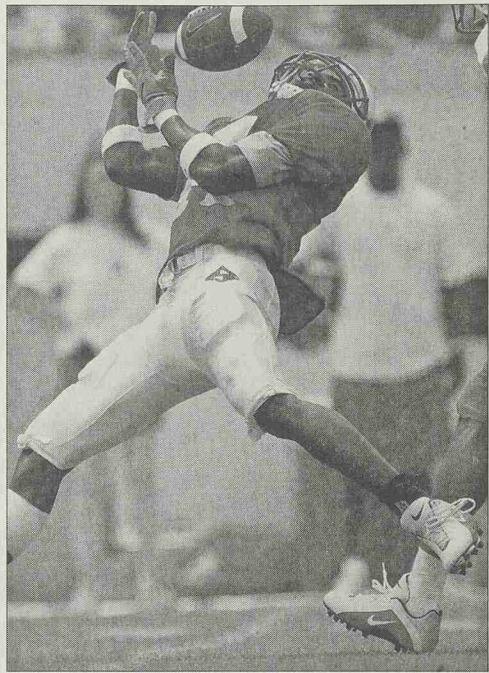
Don't think for a moment that State will be overlooking this contest, either. In 1987, ETSU recorded its first win over a Division I-A team when it walked out of Carter-Finley with a shocking 29-14 victory over the Pack. The next year, a motivated Dick Sheridan-led team exacted revenge in a 49-0 win. The two teams haven't met since.

This weekend, Amato just wants the same effort he got against New Mexico. Everything

else will take care of itself.

"We were most pleased with the effort that our players gave us," Amato said. "They played hard the whole game. One of the important plays in the game that goes unnoticed was a bad decision that Philip made by throwing the ball across himself on a scramble when he threw an interception."


"When you follow the whole play, Bryan Peterson comes up and strips the linebacker of the football, and Shane Riggs out-fights them for the football. That was pure effort — something you can't give a grade to. If we can continue to get this type of effort, especially from our seniors since it's their last year, we're on the right track."



Dovonte Edwards sat out last week with a knee sprain. He is listed as probable for this week's game against East Tennessee State. File photo by Jason Vestler

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Schedule

Football vs. East Tennessee State, 8/24, 7
W. Soccer vs. Kent State, 8/30, 4
M. Soccer vs. Montreat (exhib.), 8/30, 1:30
Volleyball @ Florida Atlantic, 8/30-31

Scores

No games scheduled



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Steve Thompson

I know it was early in the season.

And I know N.C. State dominated the whole game and was never in any real danger.

I know many students didn't come because it cost \$10 admission. I know it was

hot. I know it's tough to stay enthusiastic during an hour-long delay (especially with a six-pack churning in your stomach). I know all the reasons and excuses.

But never before have I experienced a crowd that was more of a nonfactor at a home football game. Seemingly the loudest cheer of the night came when the rain started 45 minutes before kickoff.

Early in the second half, when New Mexico was on the State 20-yard line and driving the football in the midst of the student seating, Wolfpack fans could scarcely be heard until the Lobos finally drove down the 3-yard line. By then it was too late, the crowd was already out of the drive.

The student section (including the lower south end-zone seats) had significant gaps in seating. This area of the field has the potential to be the most hostile place for an opposing team, but Saturday the students were about as hostile as a litter of sleeping kittens.

While it's too early in the season to chastise the crowd, I figure it's safe to proactively write this column and not wait for a quiet crowd against Wake Forest or Georgia Tech. Because while this Saturday's crowd was the worst, I have seen my share of bad crowds fill Carter-Finley.

With that said, here are rules that, if followed, should help improve the ferocity of the crowd.

1. Show up on time, ready to support State

This rule seems simple, but every year it seems as though fans straggle in midway through the first quarter. Here's the thing — though the game may start at 7 and it's merely a five-minute walk to the stadium, you cannot leave your tailgating spot at 6:55 and expect to make kickoff. There are too many people doing this and everyone bottlenecks at the entrances.

Here's a safe way to avoid this — try and arrive at the stadium a mere 10 minutes before kickoff. If there's no line to get into the stadium, you'll at least have time to find your seats, socialize and catch the pregame festivities without missing the kickoff. Sounds easy, but it's broken every week at Carter-Finley.

As for the second part of this rule, wear

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Wolfpack focuses on Buccaneers

N.C. State will try to improve on its mistakes when East Tennessee State visits Raleigh on Saturday night.

Andrew B. Carter
Assistant Sports Editor

When N.C. State released its football schedule several months ago, one could almost hear the chuckles from the Wolfpack's ACC rivals from miles and miles away.

"I think they might be playing some high school teams or something," joked North Carolina's Michael Waddell. Other players had similar things to say, all commenting on the relative easiness of the State's nonconference foes.

True, while East Tennessee State, Navy and UMASS aren't exactly Florida, Miami or Texas, each game represents another opportunity for the Pack to learn a little bit about itself. And when the Buccaneers of ETSU travel to Carter-Finley Stadium for a 7 p.m. kickoff Saturday, one can bet that there will be plenty of schooling going on.

"We're just focused on correcting our mistakes from New Mexico," said offensive lineman Scott Kooistra. "We can't have any slip-ups, especially in these early games where there are good chances to get out there and show the country what we're made of."

State should have abundant opportunities to show what it's made of on Saturday, but instead of ensuring a lopsided win, it will be more important for the Pack to work on building depth. In State's 34-14 opening season victory over New Mexico, 27 defensive players saw action, including 10 linemen. Likewise, the offense enjoyed a similar experiment when State's second-string offensive line and backup quarterback Jay Davis logged quality minutes in the fourth quarter.

Wolfpack coach Chuck Amato, who preaches quality depth, was pleased to see that so many players were able to contribute in the first game.

"The more people we can play, the bet-



The Wolfpack will be looking for win No. 2 against Division 1-AA East Tennessee State. Staff photo by Josh Michel

ter," said Amato. "What it does when you play a lot of people — number one, morale. Morale to me is so very, very important. Number two — I've sat here and said we don't have quality depth. But what is quality depth? It's somebody that is a second stringer that you're not afraid to put in because he's been to war, he has played games."

"The only stat that's really important to me is winning or losing. If it means that we give up more points, or more yardage, or don't get as many points or as many yards by putting in younger players but we still win the game — then that's more important to me."

Though quality depth is certainly advantageous, so is having first-stringers that can run with anyone, and the Wolfpack showed the potential to be a dangerous bunch in the win over the Lobos.

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Bucs roll into Raleigh

East Tennessee State is a top-50 Division 1-AA team that refuses to be taken lightly.

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Staff Writer

This upcoming Saturday, the Buccaneers of East Tennessee State University, from Johnson City, visit Carter-Finley for a date with the N.C. State Wolfpack. The game begins at 7 p.m.

Although ETSU is a Division I-AA team, they are a very dangerous and athletic group of football players. The Bucs return all 11 defensive starters from last year's 6-5 team, led by junior linebacker Mike Corengay, who was among the leaders in tackles in the Southern Conference last year with 101.

Junior cornerback Tony Tiller is one of the Southern Conference's top defensive backs and one of ETSU's most athletic players. He recorded seven interceptions last year, which was tops in the conference and fifth in the nation, and has a knack for stopping receivers. Tiller is also a preseason watch for the Buck Buchanan Award, which is awarded to the top defensive player in I-AA.

Also in the defensive backfield is sophomore sensation Gerald Sensabaugh, who started all 11 games last year as a freshman. His interception against then-No. 3 Georgia Southern last year clinched

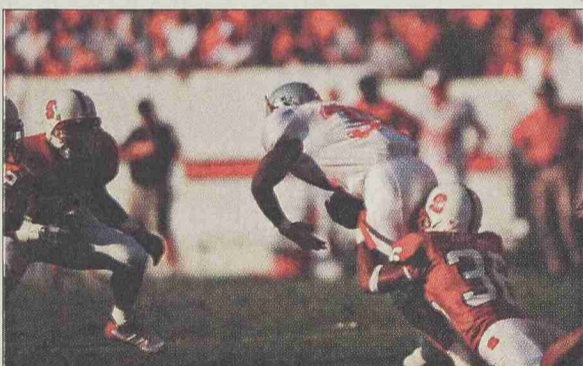
the upset win for the Buccaneers.

"They've got a new defensive coordinator with background in an odd front," said Amato. "[The fact they have all 11 starters returning] certainly helps with personnel."

ETSU's offense is based on the option, which State head coach Chuck Amato and his players will watch carefully. Senior wide receiver Cecil Moore might be the Bucs' most dangerous player. The 6-1, 215-pound athlete is a preseason All-American pick and has NFL size and potential. He was one of the Southern Conference's top receivers last year, leading the conference with 57 catches for 908 yards, while recording at least two catches in every game. Moore is also a potent punt returner. He returned a punt 51 yards against Charleston Southern University last year. Along with Tiller, Moore is being tabbed as a player to watch for the Walter Peyton Award, which is given to the top offensive player in I-AA.

The interesting story on the offensive side of the Bucs is the quarterback situation. Three players, including senior Jatavis Sanders, are vying for the starting spot. Sanders is a transfer from N.C. State, where he played his first two years. In 1999, he completed 9 of 17 passes for 165 yards and a touchdown during his short stay in Raleigh. Sanders will be extremely motivated to do well against his

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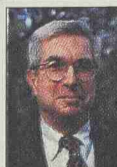
Linebacker Avery Gibson takes out a Lobo in the Wolfpack's win over New Mexico.

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Monday's trivia question: Which N.C. State football player holds the school record for career sacks, and how many does he have?

Answer: Tyler Lawrence with 24 sacks

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