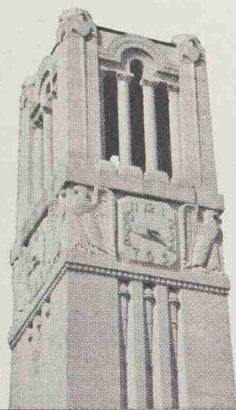


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## Student votes crucial at polls

With voting registration complete, voting organizations turn their attention to bringing students to the polls.

Josianne Lauber  
Senior Staff Reporter

Students will have the opportunity to change their way of life — that is, if they decide to vote on Tuesday.

In the midst of budget cuts, tuition hikes and enrollment growth, this voting season is a particularly important one.

Michael Anthony, student body president, said that N.C. State is taking extreme efforts to draw more college students out to the polls on Election Day.

“Our state legislators are up for re-election, and they are the ones that make decisions affecting our way of life. The only way to influence their decisions and make them listen to our voice is through voting,” said Anthony.

Jehmu Greene is the executive director of Rock the Vote and manages its partnerships and programs and serves as the organization's spokesperson.

Greene agreed with Anthony saying, “Many of the decisions, including the decision to invade Iraq, will very much affect the lives of thousands of

young people.”

In order to encourage more college students to vote, the student government at NCSU along with help from agencies such as Vote for America North Carolina, the United States Students Association and N.C. Youth Vote, are working to educate students on the candidates.

“We’ve completed the registration phase and we’re also making calls this week. We are contacting students and reminding them when and where to vote. If we’re to make a real difference in how we live our lives, and the quality of our college experience, it starts at the polls,” said Anthony.

Though some suggest that student apathy remains persistent, there are still many students who are planning to vote this year.

“I am voting because I understand the possible impact of my decision. In the past, one vote has made a difference. Also, that way, if something crazy happens (like Bush in Florida), I can say that I participated and wasn’t one who sat on the side,” said Elizabeth A. Eadie, a senior English major.

Those who are going to vote have also encouraged their own peers to come out to the polls.

“As young Americans, we must realize that we have the

opportunity to effect change and help guide the future of this nation — a future in which they will soon be asked to lead. Politicians have been ignoring the youth voice for too long,” said Greene.

“A lot of the youth today think that their vote can’t really change anything, but it can. If everyone on our campus voted, we could rule many of the decisions made in the state of North Carolina,” said Eadie.

Matthew C. Spence, a junior in political science and the director of government relations, said, “It’s important because we have a lot of local issues with budget cuts and the zoning ordinances and quite a few other things that will affect us and our education — voting is the easiest and best way to get [our] voices heard.”

And many agree that voting is even easier here on campus. “We have been blessed with a polling site right on our campus. Students can vote while going to lunch, class or to their car,” said Anthony.

Anyone interested in assisting Student Government in educating students about voting is encouraged to contact Student Government at 919-515-2797, or e-mail sbp@ncsu.edu. For more information about candidates, visit <http://www.rockthevote.org/election2002.html>.

## Students can win tickets for Pavarotti concert

N.C. State students have the opportunity to enter a drawing for tickets to the upcoming Luciano Pavarotti concert.

News Staff Report

He has been hailed as one of the greatest tenors of all time, and two N.C. State students will have the opportunity to witness Luciano Pavarotti live at the RBC Center. And it will not cost them a dime.

Chancellor Marye Anne Fox has made tickets to Pavarotti's upcoming performance at the

RBC Center available for a student drawing. The drawing is open to all full-time NCSU students and will take place on Nov. 8.

The winners will accompany Chancellor Fox, Fox's husband Jim Whitesell and two faculty or staff members to the concert at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 16.

The tickets were made available to bolster support for the arts from the student body.

Pavarotti will be “featured” this year in an upcoming Dance Program student concert on Nov. 22 and 23 in a per-

formance by Katie Tart

The piece, entitled “I want to be a pigeon (and just yesterday I was perfect),” will be performed to the piano music of Una Furtiva Lagrima. The piece was composed by Gaetano Donizetti and sung by Pavarotti.

To enter the contest, students should send their full name, e-mail address and telephone number(s) to Alexander Miller III, Associate Vice Chancellor, at the following e-mail address: alex\_miller@ncsu.edu.

Only one entry per person may be submitted.

## THE CASE FOR MARS



An artist rendering of Zubrin's “Mars Direct” manned mission to Mars. Courtesy Mars Society.com

Zubrin believes the beginning of this journey must start. There is a question that seems to strike a chord with all

Thushan Amarasiriwardena  
Staff Writer

Dr. Robert Zubrin presented a series of talks this week on campus, building a case for human exploration of Mars.

In 1961, President John F. Kennedy proposed the unimaginable thought, “that this nation should commit itself to achieving the goal, before this decade is out, of landing a man on the moon and returning him safely to the earth.”

Eight years later, on July 20, 1969, the country faithfully delivered on Kennedy's dream.

Today, however, a new generation of dreamers hopes to one-up landing on the moon — by landing on Mars.

Dr. Robert Zubrin — president and founder of the Mars Society, a group of scientists and space enthusiasts — gave a series of talks on Monday and Tuesday in Witherspoon Student Center detailing reasons why we should send a manned mission to Mars, and how to do it within the span of 10 years.

Why we should go to Mars is where

humans: Are we alone? Mars may have that answer. Strong evidence suggests that millions of years ago, oceans of water flowed across the surface of the red planet, etching the valleys and river beds that remain on the surface now.

If there indeed was water, many think that life could have evolved on Mars too. Because it is cumbersome and difficult to control over the vast distance of space between Earth and Mars, robotic exploration has yielded nothing in favor of this notion.

Zubrin, who holds a master's degree in aeronautics and a doctorate in nuclear engineering, says human exploration group would be much better suited to complete such a mission.

Zubrin also believes that another question can be answered by sending a human crew: Will humans be able to one day call Mars its second home?

Through various experiments, such as learning about the natural resources of the planet and attempting to grow plants in the Martian soil, along with having a crew simply live there, will help answer the question of whether humans could eventually make a permanent home out of Mars.

But how will they get there?

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Image relayed from 1997's Mars Pathfinder mission. Courtesy Mars Society.com

## New university campaign focuses on achievements

A new marketing campaign from the Office of Public Affairs will launch this weekend.

News Staff Report

Most of the attention paid to N.C. State this weekend may have something to do with a certain Homecoming football game, and a certain undefeated record, but the Office of Public Affairs wants to

make sure that attention will also be given to NCSU as a community of achievers.

The office will launch its new marketing campaign “N.C. State: Achieve” this weekend. By utilizing public relations, advertising, publications, events, the Web, word-of-mouth and other promotions, the campaign will try to show the university's dedication to excellence and ability to make a difference in the lives of alumni, partners, community members,

legislators and current and prospective faculty, staff and students.

The Web site, located at [achieve.ncsu.edu](http://achieve.ncsu.edu), helps further explain the meaning behind the campaign's title.

“The word ‘achieve’ embodies the very essence of teaching, learning and discovery at N.C. State,” it says. “Not surprisingly, the perfect word to describe N.C. State University is a verb — achieve. It's our goal, our pledge and our rallying cry.”

An article in the Bulletin pointed out that the campaign's main messages are that the university creates future leaders by educating for 21st century life and work; applies research discoveries to ensure good health, productivity, security and quality of life; fosters partnerships with businesses, communities, industry and government; and celebrates its traditions, spirit of collaboration and diverse strengths.

While the marketing campaign will

kick off this weekend, a display was unveiled to campus employees on Sept. 25. The display featured people at NCSU who embody achievement.

The first print ad, which can be viewed at the new Web site, features the College of Veterinary Medicine and their work following the floods of Hurricane Floyd.

For more information, visit the Web site at [achieve.ncsu.edu](http://achieve.ncsu.edu).

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## MARS

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The notion of landing on Mars is nothing new. President George Bush played with the idea in 1989. He went as far as to commission a study to see if going to the red planet was indeed feasible. The study returned with a number, \$400 billion, and with that, the idea was quickly thrown away.

Zubrin, however believes he has a more fiscally doable plan.

Two years after the plan proposed to Bush, Zubrin and his colleagues at Lockheed Martin, a major defense and NASA contractor, came up with a plan of their own entitled "Mars Direct."

A "junkyard special" of sorts as Zubrin calls it, Mars Direct is built on technology that we already have and understand quite well. By using surplus pieces from the space shuttle and other spacecraft, he has preliminary designs for a craft capable of reaching Mars.

The problem with the plan presented to Bush was that it required the piece-by-piece construction of a large spacecraft in Earth's orbit, much like the current space station. Upon completion it would have all that is necessary to make the trip to and from Mars aboard.

Zubrin's plan revolves around

the tried-and-true method of "lift and throw and let go." This is the way we have sent men to the moon, probes to the outer planets, and this is how we should go to Mars, Zubrin argues.

The problem with sending spacecraft via the "throw-and-go" method is that you cannot send heavy objects. This means that the fuel required to come back to Earth cannot go along for the ride.

But that is no problem, Zubrin notes, and tries to put it into historical perspective. Lewis and Clark, in their 1804 expedition into the uncharted west, traveled lightly and lived off the land. If they had carried all the necessary supplies to conduct such a trip, it would have cost more than the post-revolutionary America had in the treasury.

Living off the land is the same mindset we need to have when going to Mars, Zubrin believes.

His plan consists of sending a series of cheaper, smaller rockets to Mars. Every two years, there is a window of opportunity where Earth and Mars are closest.

In this first window, an unmanned craft for the return trip is sent to Mars. This craft however contains a mere 5 percent of fuel necessary for the trip back to Earth. The rest of the fuel, Zubrin explains, will be created

right there on the surface of Mars. Using a simple chemical process that has been known since the 1800s, methane gas can be created from the carbon dioxide in the Martian atmosphere, enabling the creation of enough fuel to return home with some to spare in 10 months.

At the next-available window of opportunity, 24 months later, with the return craft and fuel ready, Zubrin's plan calls for the launch of a manned capsule along with a second launch of a backup return craft, identical to the one sent before.

The manned craft then lands relatively near the return craft sent two years prior, that is fueled and ready to go. If for some reason the return craft no longer works, the backup return craft can be used after fueling on Mars or used in a future mission two years later.

Zubrin's estimate for his plan is a much more approachable \$40 billion for five missions.

His speech, while it revolved around the Mars Direct plan, was presented as just a plan.

Getting people to Mars and eventual permanent human habitation is the underlying goal of Zubrin and the Mars Society. The society and its cause has garnered the support of people such as former Apollo Astronaut Buzz

Aldrin, the second man to walk on the moon.

To Zubrin, going to Mars is more than the single event of taking the first steps on another planet, it is about changing our planet as well, and points to the changes our country saw when we landed on the moon.

He notes that the people who were children during the space program's heyday were the same adults who fueled the technological boom of the 1990s. Technical degrees awarded in the '60s and '70s doubled after the moon landings.

Imagine what would happen if we landed on Mars, he queries.

There are 50 million children in the country, and if 1 percent more of those kids were convinced to enter the higher-paying fields of science, he estimates that those kids would add over \$900 billion over their lifetime to our gross national product, which would more than pay for such a program.

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## CRIME REPORT

The following is a list of reports issued Sunday.

### 11:47 a.m. Disturbance/Domestic

Student reported their spouse confronted subject near the DH Hill Library and threatened subject.

### 1:34 p.m. Larceny

Student reported seeing a subject stealing a tire from a vehicle in North Hall lot. The subject was located, arrested and transported to the jail.

### 4:30 p.m. Larceny

Student reported a lost cell phone last night at the Talley Student Center. Person who found the phone called to meet the student there to return it. When the Student went to retrieve the phone the subject stated they were not going to return it.

### 6:14 p.m. Found Property

Staff member reported finding a switch blade knife, a throwing star and a box cutter as they were cleaning up near the Talley Student Center.

### 6:45 p.m. Traffic Stop

A non-student was issued a citation for running the red light at

Dan Allen Dr and Thurman Dr.

**6:48 p.m. Damage to Property**  
Staff member reported several pieces of clay pottery and glass shelves had been broken inside a glass display case on the second floor of Talley Student Center.

**6:51 p.m. Hit and Run**  
Student reported an unknown subject dented their car near the left rear fender while it was parked on Cates Avenue.

**8:09 p.m. Medical Assist**  
Police and EMS responded to Dan Allen Drive and Thurman Drive in reference to a student complaining of chest pains. Student refused being transported to the hospital by EMS but student advised they would seek help through Student Health Services.

**9:43 p.m. License Checkpoint**  
Officers conducted a drivers' license checkpoint at the intersection of Morrill Drive and Warren Carroll Drive. Sixteen verbal warnings were issued for various minor offenses.

**2:40 a.m. Fire Alarm**  
Police and EMS responded to Tucker Hall in reference to a fire alarm. The cause of the activation was unknown.

## CRIME REPORT

The following is a list of reports issued Monday.

### 9:35 a.m. Damage to property

A staff member reported that a light on pole #390 behind Sullivan Hall was broken again for the third time in three weeks. An unknown person broke the light with a brick sometime between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.

### 1:27 p.m. Larceny

A student reported that an unknown person stole his wallet from the hallway in Owen Residence Hall.

### 2:08 p.m. Traffic accident

An officer responded to a report of a property damage accident at the corner of Watauga Club Drive and Pullen Road. Minor damage to vehicles and no injuries were reported.

**3:54 p.m. Larceny of vehicle**  
An officer responded to a call about a stolen motor vehicle. The student's vehicle was stolen from the Dan Allen Deck. A report has been filed and the vehicle information was entered in NCIC.

**6:28 p.m. Hit and run**  
A student reported that his vehicle had been damaged while parked on Stinson Drive.

**1:20 a.m. Suspicious person**  
A student reported being followed by an unknown person. The subject left the area prior to officer's arrival.

**4:36 a.m. Medical assist**  
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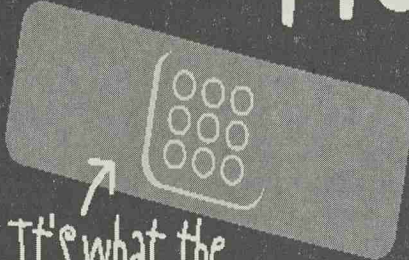
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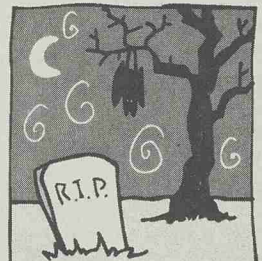
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TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

## Funds play a role in seminar registration

N.C. State will host the first of what will become the annual General Henry Hugh Shelton Leadership Forum at the McKimmon Center on Friday, Nov. 15. The values-based leadership seminar is weighted with information from former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and a Congressional Gold Medal recipient, Gen. Shelton. Recently, there has been a focus on leadership positions and on the effects of people in power not having adequate training. With major scandals in and around the United States, many people want to help prepare good, ethical leaders for America's tomorrow.

It only makes sense to teach students in universities about leadership positions since college graduates will more than likely have a role within society that calls for leadership potential. While the forum will be introduced by Chancellor Fox and run by Shelton, it will also contain a keynote speech from Gen. Richard B. Myers, current chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In addition to Fox, Shelton and Myers, retired Army Black Hawk pilot Michael Durant will end the presentations. The 82nd Airborne Division All-American Chorus will perform, and there will be three educational seminars conducted.

The forum should be a power-packed meeting that will enhance many students' academic careers. The forum has the potential to encourage many young leaders and help prepare students for the real world experience.

The idea behind this forum is outstanding. Numerous students would jump at the chance to add a major forum to their resume and hear two national leaders' ideas on leadership positions and ethical behavior; however, many will not be able to attend. The going rate of the forum is \$89. There are students who will not be able to afford the \$89 registration fee. College students are notoriously strapped for cash and unless their parents are willing to pay for it, students will not be willing to spend almost \$90 to go to the leadership forum.

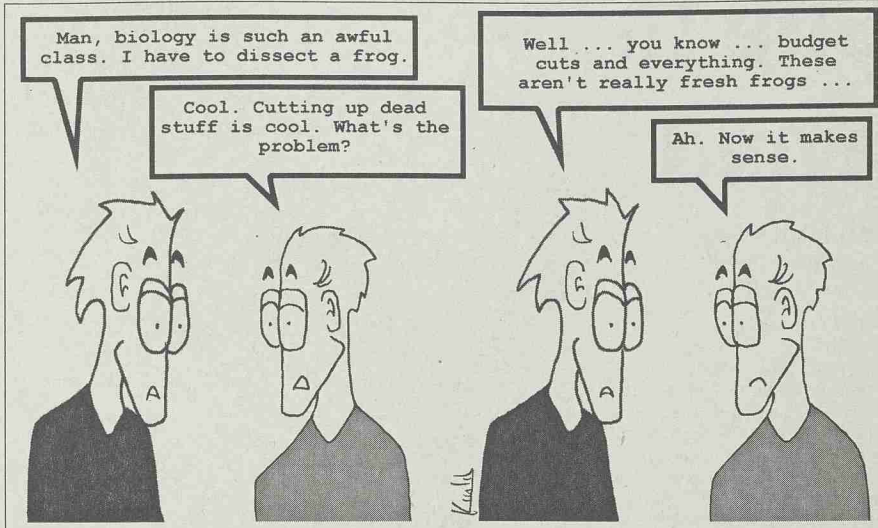
It is estimated that approximately 600 or more people will attend the forum, however not all of those in attendance will not be students.

Military personnel, NCSU faculty and staff and corporate employees are expected to be in attendance as well, all of whom had to pay the \$89 registration fee. The first estimate given by the McKimmon Center was \$138.72; however Mike Davis, assistant vice chancellor of the University Extension department, wanted to make it more affordable, cutting the cost to the present \$89 required fee.

Approximately 50 people were given "guest" passes, and the deans of many colleges will be present, free of expense. The cover fee is supposed to go toward the paying of space and the lunch, which will be provided free of charge by University Dining. The event was planned to be self-supporting, since the forum has sponsorship for the seminars and luncheon. The only problem is the fact that the students, those needing the leadership information the most, are being asked to pay a large price for an event in which the college should help pay.

We believe that the rate should be lowered for students of NCSU. A valid student identification card, should drop the rate at least by at least 50 percent, to a more feasible \$44.50. While it is still a large amount of money, it would be easier to collect \$45 than \$90. We understand that it would be nearly impossible to allow students in for free, but we believe that students deserve a break.

By letting students in for half price, it is likely to double the turnout, which would make up for the lost money anyway. Students cannot afford to shell out \$100 at a time, but a more reasonable half price, would encourage more students to sign up for the much needed leadership seminar. Some students may be allowed in free of charge if the registration process does not fill the room to capacity. If the 600 seats that are available are not filled, the unused seats will be given to select students on the waiting list and some that are involved in NCSU's ROTC program. The "balance of participants" needs to stay equal between students, corporations, faculty, and military, so the odds of the forum not filling up are slim to none.



## Benefits of animal research



**Heather Cutchin**  
Staff Columnist

Many students who attend college throughout the world are faced with taking a biology class of some sort. It may be in the form of general biology, zoology, animal science or any variety of others. Not only are these students required to learn the basics of cells and how a plant uses photosynthesis to produce "food" for itself, but also the physiology of animals and how their diverse body systems work. There are many ways to study this, and the most common and useful is dissection. However, some people do not believe in using animals for experiments and are firmly against it.

Those that oppose the use of animals give several valid reasons. One is the fact that animals are different in their genetic makeup than humans. This is true, but some animals are close enough to humans that experimenting on them aids scientists tremendously in helping humans. In the past century, a range of human diseases has been conquered by testing on animals, such as diphtheria (which was studied in horses) and diabetes (which was studied in dogs).

Even though animals do not have the exact same body types of humans, they do have some of the same organs and organ systems. Pig organs, for example, are being tested in humans now. If doctors can produce more organs for humans by cloning swine, there will not be such long waiting lists for those who des-

perately need a transplant. Scientists in favor of animal use also argue that because animals do have different body types, we can find out what makes them resistant to certain diseases. One such animal is the monkey; though very similar to humans, monkeys still have some different genes. Monkeys are resistant to AIDS, and by studying them, scientists might be able to make a vaccine for HIV.

At first it may not seem so, but animals actually benefit from being used for research. By using animals, treatments have been discovered for a variety of diseases that animals develop, such as distemper and feline leukemia. Also, vaccines for animals such as rabies, parvovirus and West Nile have been discovered through the use of animal research. Without trying these vaccines out on animals, scientists would never know if they worked or not. It may seem cruel, but your pet will probably live a longer and healthier life because an animal was previously experimented on, since some of those experiments helped to develop a vaccine for a disease that your pet might have otherwise gotten.

Another reason given by those who oppose animal testing is that it is immoral to use animals for research because they are caused pain and have to suffer if they are tested. By infecting animals with diseases or altering their genes so that they become deformed, scientists are causing undue harm to the animal. While researchers agree that animals do feel some pain and discomfort, federal regulations on animal testing are strict. If an animal is in danger of feeling any pain, anesthesia will be given to reduce or eliminate the pain. There are also federal regulations on the number of animals

used. Last year, the USDA reported that 1,345,739 warm-blooded animals (dogs, cats, monkeys and rabbits) were used for research, testing or experimentation. Another 15 million mice were used (the USDA does not regulate the use of rodents in labs.) The estimated total of animals used in a year is around 17 million. This number could be much higher without government intervention.

Animals are used in classrooms not only in high school and college, but veterinary schools as well. It makes me feel better knowing that my veterinarian has worked on an animal before they see my pet. The veterinarians also feel more comfortable working on a client's pet when they know how to do certain procedures because they once did them on an animal back in school, where the issue of an angry client was not at hand. Veterinarians are not the only ones either; physicians, dentists, nurses and anyone else in the medical field has to go through at least one biology class, where dissecting a frog, squid and many times, a rabbit or cat is required. These people have to be comfortable around things that normally would sicken others, because when they are out in the medical field, they will be faced with this kind of thing. I strongly respect those that feel differently about testing animals, but I think that it is a necessary thing for the benefit of all species.

*Heather is now playing with her baby chick, whom she hopes to study animal behavior with as it grows. If you would like to help out with this painless experiment, e-mail her at hrcutchi@unity.ncsu.edu.*

CAMPUS FORUM

The blue in a sea of red

I was startled by the photo that ran on the front page of the Oct. 29 Technician. It featured a rowdy looking group of Wolfpack fans cheering our football team. The surprise was that the fan in the foreground of the photo was holding a cup with a UNC-Chapel Hill logo plainly dis-

played on it. I would appreciate it if more care were taken in the selection of front-page photographs.

Rob Grau  
Staff College of Engineering  
Class of 2000

## Experimental medical procedures involve risks



**Anna Edens**  
Staff Columnist

Butch Quinn was on the brink of death due to progressive heart failure. He was just 51 with a loving family—a wife, Irene, of 23 years and grandchildren—and he had served his country in Vietnam. Quinn knew his frail heart would

someday stop, and he consented to take part in an experimental procedure that would implant an artificial heart constructed of plastic and titanium into his chest.

Or did he really consent? That is the question Irene Quinn and her lawyer, Alan Milstein, have proposed to the maker of the artificial heart, Abiomed, and the institution where it was implanted, Hahnemann University Hospital.

Last November, Butch Quinn entered the surgical procedure, but in 10 months, his life had ended. According to an article that ran first in the Philadelphia Inquirer and then was reprinted in The News & Observer, Irene Quinn, "cried almost every day ... regretting their choice to exchange a simple, certain death for the unknown life of a medical pioneer."

Clearly, there is a difference between consent and informed consent. When Butch signed his name to an 11-page consent form, he fulfilled all the legal means necessary to proceed with this experimental surgery.

Yet Irene argues when she and her husband signed these forms, they were not

fully informed of the complications that could arise from such a new procedure. Butch dreamt of leaving the hospital on his own one day, but of the four men who had previously undergone this surgery, none had ever left the hospital.

As any patient undergoing a major medical procedure, Quinn wanted as much information as possible before making a decision. But with such new technology being tested in this procedure, such information does not exist because so few trials have been conducted.

Bud Frazier, a heart surgeon in Houston, Texas, worked with the development of this trial heart for years, and he said that it is typical for many of the first patients in clinical trials to die, but often much is learned from these early procedures. For example, patients like Butch Quinn who suffer from cardiac cachexia, a wasting away of the heart by emaciation, are no longer advised as candidates for the procedure. Quinn experienced two strokes and was eventually declared brain dead on Aug. 22.

The debate about informed consent is touchy because it is nearly impossible for a physician to clearly explain every single risk that could occur in a procedure, even if it is a 1 in 40,000 chance. But if this rare side effect does occur, patients want doctors to be held accountable. Yet, to side with the patient, doesn't one have the right to know the full range of possibilities that could come from a procedure?

In cases where the procedure is relatively new, patients should be made aware of the fact that the experimental therapy in question is just that—an experiment. For the future of medicine and

medical technology to advance, innovative techniques must be tested, and there needs to be a patient willing to take part.

I do not suggest that patients be offered up to medical experimentation solely for the research benefits to technology. However, for every new experiment that medical professionals want to try, patients are needed, and there are risks that will accompany it.

The catch is that patients must be willing to participate, understand that they may step out of the trial if they wish to do so (although after a heart transplant, this may be more difficult) and be as aware of the possible outcomes as realistically as can be expected for a relatively new experiment.

Although the Quinn family certainly suffered a great loss to their family with the death of Butch, his life was extended by the technology employed. Butch had dreamt to leave the hospital unassisted, and although this was never possible, the doctors never guaranteed that outcome, only their best attempt at the procedure having the greatest chance of helping him reach this goal.

The purpose of this artificial heart transplant was to extend the life of Butch Quinn; however, no doctor could promise a supreme quality of this extended life.

The Quinn family knew entering the process that even the doctors themselves could not provide a complete list of possible side effects due to the experimental nature of the procedure. They may now be disappointed with the final results, but this dissatisfaction does not give Butch Quinn's surviving family members the right to sue the medical professionals involved in the transplant.

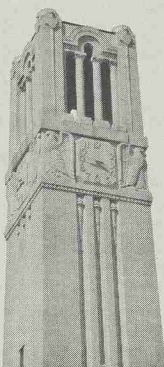
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## One to avoid

### Foo Fighters

"One by One"  
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Ghassan Hamra  
Senior Staff Writer

Dave Grohl has always been a stand up guy. He's got quite a respectable list of accomplishments. Obviously, we all know about his exceptional drumming in Nirvana. However, most people don't know that, unlike most MTV musicians, Grohl knows a good deal about music.

He is, or at least used to be, the part owner of a little club in Washington D.C. known as Black Cat. This club is well-known for putting on a good number of great shows in a given year, and it's not uncommon to run into Dave at one of these shows.

So why is it that Dave cannot seem to produce great music anymore? He certainly knows a good deal about music, which would imply a desire to create great music. However, if this desire does exist, it amounts to a whole lot of nothing; which is proven with the Foo Fighters' latest effort "One by One."

This is not to say that the Foo Fighters are awful. In fact, their past work has certainly proven to be enjoyable at times. "The colour and the shape" had some pretty solid tracks, like "Everlong" and "Walking after you." Even their third album had one really good song, "Aurora." And, although it wasn't all that great of a song, "Stacked Actors" allusions to Courtney Love were appropriate and made the song more enjoyable as a result.

However, these rare gems are not present in any form on "One by One." In fact, this album is so laden with mediocrity, deciphering between songs proves a useless task.

Someone needs to take the person who created the A-B-A-B-C-A-B song structure and kick him in the face. That single succession of letters has been the downfall of many a potentially inventive artist, and the Foo Fighters are no exception.



The rock group Foo Fighters has been getting worse and worse, as evidenced by the new album "One by One." Photo courtesy RCA Records

Let's now turn to the press sheet, happily supplied with this album, for their take on it:

"If by the second Foo Fighters kick into 'All My Life...' you don't realize you're listening to the new millennium model of world class rock band ... well then, let's just say you deserve every guitar band with rappers and turntables, every Jesus/ new

spirituality lyric, every Svengali-cocked boy or girl act shilling for Chili's or Pepsi or Burger King ..."

Hmm. Maybe if this were the 1960s and you changed Foo Fighters to Rolling Stones you might have some truth in that statement. Instead, we are offered the opinions of someone assumed to be a teeny bopper who likely gets their jollies

from claiming to be a music aficionado based solely on the fact that their older brother owns a Fugazi record that they overheard once. Otherwise, this person really needs to get a Dismemberment Plan CD.

Pound for Pound, this is the weakest of the Foo Fighters' albums. Any joy obtained from listening to this album comes

from the few 20-second hooks that they throw into a few tracks. Perhaps if Dave would get behind the drums again, he could produce some great music. In fact, he plays drums on the new Queens of the Stone Age album, and, as a direct result, that album is pretty damn good. Too bad he couldn't do that for his own band.

## The lighter side of Britain



Ben Kraudel  
Staff Artist

The English. What is funnier than that little island filled with stuck-up, upper-crusty folks with their tea and their inbred monarchy? This week, nothing.

This month's Vanity Fair has a little something extra inside. Amid all the fragrance samples, Abercrombie ads with skinny guys wearing torn plaid and those stupid subscription flyers is an excerpt from Patricia Cornwell's new book. In it, she uses a complex series of DNA-matching techniques to determine the identity of Jack the Ripper.

Well, there it is. After years and years of crack research being done

by detectives, whom I hope are still in some quaint building labeled Scotland Yard, it is a contemporary hack-crime novelist who can discover the identity of the Ripper.

Cornwell uses DNA she recovered off of some old letters to propose that Jack the Ripper was really a painter by the name of Walter Sickert, a contemporary of American painter James Whistler. She also explains that aside from the new DNA evidence, she notices similarities between Sickert's paintings and photographs of the Ripper's victims.

One can only hope that the rest of the week is full of equally important discoveries by our novel-writing elite. Michael Crichton, I know, is working on a cure

for cancer ... and if I am not mistaken, Dean Koontz may have figured out who shot Kennedy. O.J. is still searching for the real killers. It is good to know that these things are in professional hands.

More directly related to England is that London students are currently applying to be involved in a study containing 100-150 students who will be asked to road-test condoms for the German condom manufacturer, Condomi. Students will be paid 100 pounds (\$155) per academic term to test out condoms for Condomi and rate them for their pleasure, comfort and performance qualities.

Most disturbing about this, to me, is that a German condom manufacturer is called Condomi. I would rather not secure my risks for disease and birth control with something that sounds like it should be on Cartoon Network.

Also, when do we get to hear about the first hundred guys in this study who get slapped silly for propositioning girls to have sex with them? "But baby, it's my job. I'm part of a study." Yeah, that is going to get people lucky.

In more British sex-related news, a study released Sunday says that nearly one in four British men think that size matters ... and do not believe they are packing enough heat. While the study said that men 36 to 44 are most likely to worry about the size of their penis, the numbers do not diminish with age. According to the poll, 26 percent of men over the age of 65 are likely to be concerned with the size of the boat, not the motion of the ocean. Yeah, you know what I am talking

about. Also intriguing from the same poll, at least 21 percent of those sampled admitted to having sex with someone without knowing that person's first name. My hope is that those two quarters are not the same quarter. "Her name? I don't even know it, but I'm sure she didn't enjoy it."

Finally, the Brits also had a bit of a scare when they lost some military equipment, sort of. It seems they misplaced a tank ... sort of. When training, apparently the Royal Air Force uses inflatable tanks to keep the larger, heavier real tanks from destroying the countryside. During a gale of wind over the weekend, one of these tanks floated off, and has yet to be recovered.

So, more disturbing than the inability of the English military to keep their tanks from floating away, is that some poor slob was probably sitting beside a pond, eating a sandwich, when this giant fake tank began floating through the countryside. Sure, at first he sees it and is just mildly freaked out because it is a tank. It is after he catches on that the thing is floating three feet off the ground and moving really fast that he probably wet his pants and went home screaming that the Germans had finally come back to get even.

I also think it is great that while America tries to fight however many wars we've got going on now, Britain is floating tanks around the countryside. That's great, fellas. There was no news to say if Condomi made the large rubber tank.

## A love letter

Tim Coffield  
Staff Writer

To: The girl in the Dining Hall with blonde hair, big blue eyes and track team T-shirt yesterday —

The time has come to acknowledge our relationship. You may want to continue living like this, but I simply cannot. There is something I must say. My feelings for you have grown too strong. It does not matter that we have never spoken; the ephemeral eye contact and awkward facial contortions we exchange daily amongst the corn dogs and mashed potatoes are far more powerful than thousands of even the most eloquent words. The very sight of you elicits pangs of inexpressible emotion deep in my bosom.

No, there is no turning back now, no denying our outstanding chemistry. Do you not feel it also? Today, as I am sure you are aware, our paths crossed in Tompkins. For an instant, our eyes locked and we each made little straight-lipped faces intended to convey both recognition and humor.

"Hey," our faces say, "I have seen you before. But I'm too shy to say anything to you, so I'll just make this face and keep walking." Baby, I cannot live like this for even one more instant!

Though I have never laid eyes on you for any period of time longer than that which it takes us to walk past each other, I am fully aware, and accordingly appreciative, of your beauty. Your eyes — those

soulful orbs — captivate me, plead with me.

"Tim," they say, "see how beautiful we are! So innocent and charming, we are the essence of youthful vitality. Lose yourself in us! But don't you want to look at her chest, too?"

And your hair — vibrant and full bodied, it is obviously the result of painstaking shampooing and conditioning. I once passed you under the trees behind Winston. The wind was gently blowing and I caught a whiff of those country-blond strands.

It was a scent I committed to memory and later, after an exhaustive supermarket search, identified to be Suave Naturals Chamomile. I bought several bottles and immerse myself every night in their lusty aroma, all the while thinking of you, baby, only of you. Well, honestly, I think of fried chicken and the need to trim my toenails too, but mostly of you.

Your complexion is usually flawless, rarely oily and bumpy. It is all I can do to resist softly running the back of my hand along your tender jaw. On those days when you do have a zit or two, it is all I can do to resist reaching out and popping it for you. Baby, I care about you so much!

I saw you at the State Fair last week, and I know you saw me. You were seductively licking on a caramel apple (Oh! It is a sight destined to torment me for months!), and I was running on an endorphin high from my preceding glimpse of The World's

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# Gro\$\$es of 'Jackass' prove Barnum right

Jack Mathews  
New York Daily News (KRT)

If Paramount executives were happy with the \$22.7 million opening of "Jackass: The Movie" this weekend, imagine the reaction of the average Viacom stockholder.

"Hey, Marge, that little film about people eating urine snow cones and defecating in display toilets knocked their socks off this weekend. We're going to be rolling in it — the dough, I mean."

You scoff, but what do you have in your portfolio? Do you own stock in a media conglomerate with the courage to diversify from the boardroom to the bathroom? Do you have a company with enough vision to see commercial potential in self-mutilation, public elimination and projectile vomiting?

Synergy, friends, that's the standard for today's global leaders, the ability to merge separate functions — say, those of the bowels with those of the urinary tract — to meet the needs of the 21st century consumer.

"Jackass: The Movie" is no ordinary weekend wonder; it is the first motion picture in history to open at No. 1 because of scenes showing people going No. 1. And No. 2!

"Jackass: The Movie" is an R-rated extension of a hit show on Viacom's MTV. It's a stream of badly filmed stunts and tricks, the kinds of things that get rogue fraternities kicked off campuses. It's a bunch of guys trying to think and drink at the same time and coming up with ideas that

will either embarrass unsuspecting victims or bring pain — thus, hilarity — to one another.

In one scene, the Jackasses use the edge of a flap on a manila envelope to give each other paper cuts between the fingers and toes, and in the corners of the mouth. In another, they apply electrodes to their genitals and turn on the power. While the person thus wired howls in pain, the others howl with laughter.

Sometimes, the stunts are too much even for their own crew. Twice, a cameraman is overcome by the stench from a stunt and is shown throwing up.

Anyway, there must be much laughter in the Viacom boardroom this week. Their little \$5 million investment has already returned its costs and it's all gravy — or something that looks like it — from here on.

Like all the avowed smokers running tobacco companies, I assume the Viacom brass consume their own products (an odd way to put it in this case) and take responsibility for them. Surely they wouldn't sell goods they deemed unhealthy for the commonweal. Yes, people have been hurt trying to be Jackasses, but there's risk even in opening a box of cereal (paper cuts, remember?).

That brings us back to your portfolio. Can you afford not to own Viacom? It owns CBS, and one can't wait for "jackass" to synergize with "Survivor." This is a company that clearly recognizes the upside of the bottom and is not afraid to go there and roll in it.

Buy it and be proud.

## LOVE

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Largest Rat. How quickly I came crashing back to earth! Once again, our eyes met and we made our fleeting faces at each other.

Oh, baby! Why do we torture ourselves so? I could see the pain in your eyes, plain as day. You probably recognized the same in mine (unless you mistook the pain in my eyes for an irritating contact lens, in which case I will clarify: There was pain in my eyes).

These are the things I know of you. As attractive as you are, it is the things I imagine about you which I find most compelling. I see you as a ferocious Neil Diamond fan, a poor but energetic dancer, a joker and a philosopher. You memorize baseball statistics and are not afraid to play pick-up basketball. You have a passion for Chinese checkers and ice-fishing, hunting PETA activists and disco bowling. Sadly, I now realize that such fantasies could never all be true.

And this brings me to my request of you, my sweet, my idealized femme: Leave me alone. Do not ever talk to me. Any interactions we could possibly share would certainly shatter what we

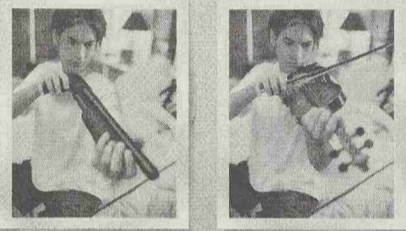
have built up this year. There are no words you could utter, no actions you could take — none — that could improve upon your current status in my heart. In fact, should we take our relationship beyond its current stage, I would inevitably grow to dislike you, the unfortunate side effect of the inescapable destruction of the romantic and unattainable notions I have of you.

Our love is one forbidden; the tragic victim of my overactive imagination. Through my fantasies I have fallen in love with you, and it is these fantasies that will lead me to hate you, should you dare speak to me and instigate the process of their destruction. Let me be; speak to me not. My sweet, I am sorry — so dreadfully sorry! But this is how it must be. So get on with your life, as I will with mine. I look forward to our eye contact tomorrow, but there will be nothing more. Baby, I love you just the way you are.

And damn, this shampoo sure smells good.

From: Tim :)

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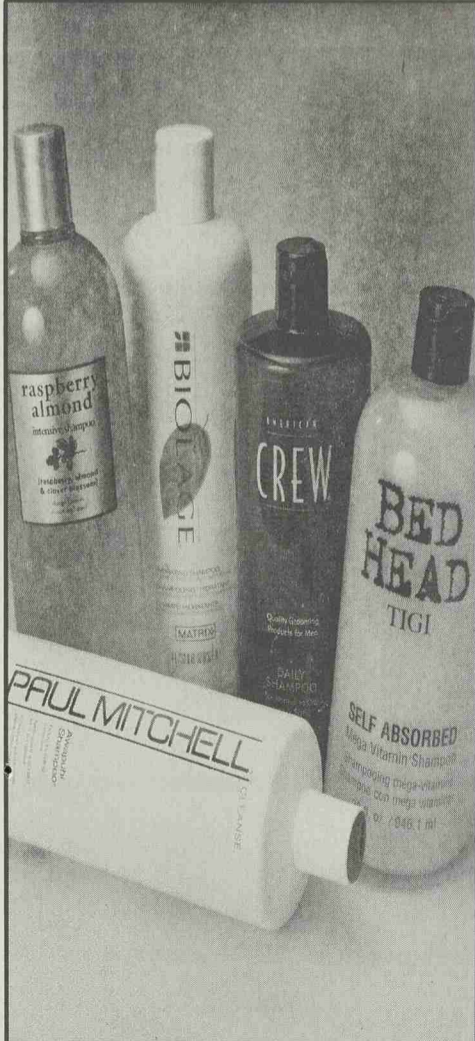
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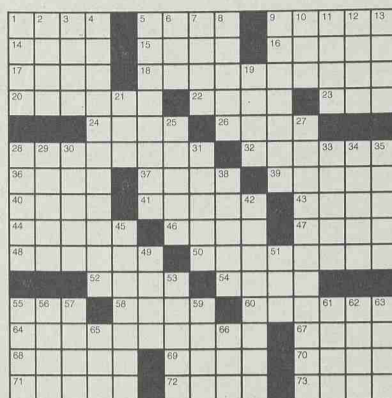
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Oct. 30. Slow and steady wins the race this year, no matter what others may say. The tried and true works best to keep food on the table and a little money in the bank. Deal with people you know you can trust, and make sure they can trust you back. If you avoid risky propositions, you'll do fine.

<p><b>Aries</b> March 21- April 19</p> <p>Today is a 7. You may be rarin' to go, but circumstances seem to be against you. Is it a subversive plot? More likely it's a signal to be cautious.</p>	<p><b>Taurus</b> April 20-May 20</p> <p>Today is a 6. You may suspect you're involved in a discussion that will never be completely resolved, but that's not the case. There are basic things you can all agree upon. Keep it simple.</p>	<p><b>Gemini</b> May 21-June 21</p> <p>Today is a 7. You're smart, but that's not enough. You also need to be persistent. The first few dozen things you try may not work. Hang in there.</p>	<p><b>Cancer</b> June 22-July 22</p> <p>Today is a 7. Fantasies may seem out of reach, but don't believe it. What's needed now is common sense. Start by following through on what you promised.</p>	<p><b>Leo</b> July 23-Aug. 22</p> <p>Today is a 7. Your trouble may be that you and your partner don't share the same objective. Better find out before proceeding. It's always good to know.</p>	<p><b>Virgo</b> Aug. 23-Sept. 22</p> <p>Today is a 6. Looks like somebody's leaning on you heavily, perhaps applying guilt to get you to do something. Tell them you'll do it for free, and they can keep the guilt. You don't need any.</p>
<p><b>Libra</b> Sept. 23-Oct 22</p> <p>Today is a 7. Others can't see eye to eye. You can help. Act as a translator. They're all so caught up in their own ideas, they're having trouble listening.</p>	<p><b>Scorpio</b> Oct. 23-Nov. 21</p> <p>Today is a 6. Frustrations you're experiencing won't last forever. You're naturally patient and persistent. Be willing to modify your expectations, too.</p>	<p><b>Sagittarius</b> Nov. 22-Dec. 21</p> <p>Today is a 7. A person who's been trying to tell you what to do may actually be right. Consider that possibility, and keep travel to a minimum.</p>	<p><b>Capricorn</b> Dec. 22-Jan. 19</p> <p>Today is a 6. You can make a difficult job appear effortless. But it's not, as you well know. You're on the right track, however. Never let them see you sweat.</p>	<p><b>Aquarius</b> Jan. 20-Feb. 18</p> <p>Today is a 6. It would be wonderful if we all got along, but sometimes we don't. Listen to the dissenting opinion to see if it has some merit.</p>	<p><b>Pisces</b> Feb. 19-March 20</p> <p>Today is a 6. This is not an easy situation for you. Luckily, you have inner strength. Draw on it, even if it seems unreasonable.</p>



## N.C. State field hockey dominates at Maryland

The club team kept its undefeated season intact with two wins and a tie.

**Jessica Paddock and Erin Munise**  
Guest Writers

The University of Maryland hosted a charity event last weekend for club field hockey teams from all over the East Coast that benefited the Make-A-Wish Foundation. All of the proceeds from the event went directly to the foundation, whose mission is to grant the wishes of children with life-threatening illnesses seeking to bring hope, joy and strength

into their lives.

N.C. State's previously undefeated field hockey team attended the event and extended its unbeaten streak, improving its record to 5-0-1. The Wolfpack arrived in College Park, Md. early on Saturday morning and quickly disposed of Hartford and George Washington in back-to-back games. Both games were the inaugural meetings between the respective schools.

Terence Maanschalkerweerd and Frances Turner combined for four goals and, along with the team's strong defense, helped contribute to State's 4-0 shutout of Hartford. Although tired from the previous match versus Hart-

ford, the Pack jumped right back on the field to do battle against George Washington.

Looking to capitalize on its opponent's fatigue, George Washington jumped out to an early 1-0 lead. But State answered George Washington's goal with three unanswered goals of its own. The game ended in a 3-1 State victory. Anne Hooper, Erin Munise and Jessica Paddock scored the goals that gave State its second win of the day.

After a short break, The Pack came face-to-face with the host Terrapins. Despite the fact that State had tied Maryland at a Carolina tournament last year, the team was determined to domi-

nate the game.

Maanschalkerweerd came out strong for the Pack and began the scoring with a goal. State kept the 1-0 lead until late in the second half when Maryland slipped in a goal. For the final fifteen minutes, the two evenly matched teams continued to fight for the win. The game finished in a 1-1 draw.

The field hockey club will face its next challenge on Sunday when the team travels to East Carolina for a round-robin tournament. State will face ECU and Old Dominion among others, and hopes to continue its undefeated season.

## CROSS COUNTRY

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this season. Brookshire has finished as one of State's top-five runners twice this season, and Bowker has raced in the top seven in all three races.

"Those seven guys will definitely run," said Geiger. "There's experience there, there's All-Conference performers — those seven guys should get it done."

At the conference championships, each team is allowed to run eight runners, one more than at most meets, including the district and national championships. State's eighth runner has not been decided yet but will be either John Huber, John Henderson, Allen

Bader or Bryce Ruiz.

Huber and Henderson have raced well in the open sections of each race this season.

Bader and Ruiz are both true freshmen who have not yet lined up in uniform. Racing either of them this weekend would forfeit their redshirt eligibility, so Geiger will have to use caution in his decision.

"I'll make the decision on who to run by Friday," said Geiger. "Running freshmen is a commitment. We will not use both of those guys, but we could use one."

Bader and Ruiz have performed very well racing unattached this season and could potentially help the team to a conference title.

## CAMPUS RECREATION

### Event Results

#### Women's Ultimate

Blue Ridge Blowout, hosted by Appalachian State in Boone on Oct. 26 and 27

Pool play (3-1): Defeated Virginia Tech 13-3, UNC-Greensboro 9-6, Appalachian State 10-3; Lost to Duke 10-9

Semifinals: Defeated Appalachian State 11-6

Championship: Defeated Duke 15-11

#### Softball

Wahoo Fall Classic hosted by University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Va. on Oct. 26 and 27

Round robin play (3-1): Defeated East Carolina 3-0, West Virginia 6-0, North Carolina 6-5; Lost to Virginia 6-1

#### Men's Rugby

October 26: Defeated Dan River Men's Club 38-0

#### Roller Hockey

Atlantic Collegiate Roller Hockey Tournament at Carolina Sportsplex in Cary on Oct. 26 and 27

Round robin (2-1-1): Defeated Duke 14-0, Elon 3-1; Tied Clemson 4-4; Lost to Charlotte 6-3

#### Equestrian

Intercollegiate Dressage Association show at St. Andrew's College in Laurinburg on Oct. 26

Team placed 6th overall with the following individual rider's placing in their ability levels: Kristen Roza-5th, Laura Roten-6th, & Kevin Chavis-2nd

Intercollegiate Hunt Seat Association show at UNC-Greensboro on Oct. 27

Team placed 6th overall with the following individual rider's placing in their ability levels: Britany Tuck-3rd, Lindsay McCann-2nd, Kevin Chavis-2nd, Caitlin Auckland-1st

#### Men's Soccer

October 26: Tied East Carolina 3-3 and defeated Appalachian State 5-1 at Lee Field

#### Women's Soccer

Oct. 27: Tied UNC "Rams" 2-2 at Lee Field

Goals - Megan Auckland, Lori Krasner

#### Men's Ultimate

Blue Ridge Blowout hosted by Appalachian State in Boone on Oct. 26 and 27

Pool play (1-4): Defeated South Carolina 13-4; Lost to Florida State 13-3, UNC-Asheville 13-9, Appalachian State Reunion 13-12, & Duke 10-8

#### Home Events

##### Cricket

Wolfpack Classic Day/Night Tournament

Friday (5-9 p.m.), Saturday & Sunday (9 a.m.-9 p.m.) at Miller Field

##### Men's Lacrosse

N.C. State vs. Wake Forest Sunday at 11 a.m. at Miller Field

##### Tennis

N.C. State vs. Duke Saturday at 11 a.m. at Carmichael Gym Complex

N.C. State vs. Georgia Tech Sunday at 1 p.m. at Carmichael Gym Complex

## MATT

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I don't know Barry. Maybe because you had your greatest post-season ever, your teammates were offensively hot at just the right time and your no-name pitching staff threw solid game after game — and it still was not enough.

With General Manager Brian Sabean vowing to cut payroll in the offseason, and with All-Star Jeff Kent having basically already packed his bags, Bonds' best chance at a title just escaped him, and he is just afraid to admit that.

It is a shame that a lot of the attention of the Series will be devoted to Bonds and his near-miss of the championship, because there was not a more deserving club to win the Series other than the team-oriented Angels. And there is not an individual that deserves to lose more than Barry Bonds.

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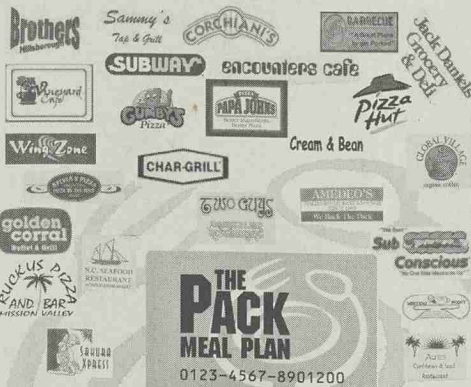
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# Wednesday Sports

## Schedule

Football vs. Georgia Tech, 11/2, 3:30  
M. Basketball, Red vs. White, 11/2, 12:30  
M. Soccer vs. East Carolina, 10/31, 2  
W. Soccer @ Virginia, 10/30

## Scores

No games scheduled



## TECHNICIAN

### BASEBALL

## Barry shameful



Matt Middleton

Not as much as most would like, but more often than not, the sports world does its best impression of Judge Wapner, and justice is served in the court of all that is right in sports.

Just a few recent

examples within the last few years are John Rucker losing his job and his nasty closer's stuff after his remarks about minorities and New York City, Mike Tyson being more overmatched than North Carolina's run defense during his June bout with Lennox Lewis after months of his trademark nonsensical trash talk, or the fact that the work ethic, or lack thereof, and the poor attitude of Randy Moss have directly led to his team underachieving.

But there was no better case of justice prevailing this past weekend than seeing Rick Fox get stuck by Ton...wait, scratch that, by virtue of a re-vote, it was seeing Barry Bonds lose his first and probably only World Series.

It wasn't so much that the Anaheim Angels won — they were certainly deserving and played the best baseball in the postseason — rather the fact that sport's biggest jerk probably lost his only chance to obtain a championship ring.

Bonds was in rare form throughout the entirety of the series. He was setting a postseason record for walks, but cockily admiring 500-foot shots that cleared the right-field fence by about a mile or two. He was making fielding blunder after fielding blunder during key innings of Games 6 and 7. Is it me, or is it hard to believe that he has won eight Gold Gloves. Bonds looked like Jose Canseco in left field during the Series.

He was being his usual egocentric self by not shaking the hands of his non-starting teammates and Pacific Bell ballpark personnel during the announcement of the starting lineups in Game 3 — the only Giants starter that did so. Gee, what a surprise. This coming from a man that basically has his own locker room inside the Giants clubhouse with a personal big-screen TV and recliner, blows off the team picture for the last couple of years, doesn't stretch with the team, rides on a separate bus from the team and picks on-camera fights with the team's second-best player.

What a great role model. Bonds was also, of course, busy having at it with his favorite enemy: No, not the Los Angeles Dodgers or the Angels, rather the media.

The crime? A reporter asked Bonds how it felt to be in his first World Series. The response? "I don't feel like talking all day, why don't you guys do something else for a living?" Bonds reportedly asked a group of writers that had shockingly asked him such a detestable question.

Barry does have a point there. Why don't all sports journalists, both print and electronic, find new jobs? Then the sport would have no coverage whatsoever, people outside of Pittsburgh and San Francisco would have no idea who Barry Bonds was, baseball would be as popular as the Lumberjack Olympics and Bonds would make about as much money as one of those guys who guesses your weight at the fair.

"I am sure Mr. Arrogance would love that."

After Game 7, Bonds was in rare form when asked if he would be haunted by the Giants' collapse in his closest chance to obtaining a ring yet.

"Why would I be haunted by it?" asked Bonds, as if someone just asked him a question that had the validity of "What's your favorite color?"

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## Pack to open season with Red/White game

Fans can get a first look at the N.C. State men's basketball team before the football game against Georgia Tech Saturday.

Sports Staff Report

The N.C. State men's basketball team will host the third annual Red/White game on Saturday at the RBC Center.

The event, which will begin at 12:30 p.m., will be highlighted by a scrimmage by the 2002-03 Wolfpack squad and a three-point shootout between Pack head coach Herb Sendek and former N.C. State guard Chris Corchiani.

Two students will be chosen to compete with Sendek and Corchiani in the three-point competition, which will take place at halftime of the scrimmage.

The contestant who participates on the winning squad (either with Sendek or Corchiani) will win a Wolfpack Prize Pack, which contains Wolfpack gear, gift certificates to Outback Steak House, Playmakers and Domino's pizza, as well

as two tickets to the ACC Men's Basketball Tournament in Greensboro.

In addition to the fan interaction, the main event is the inter-squad scrimmage between this year's basketball team that is coming off its first trip to the NCAA tournament since 1991.

Attending fans will be able to get a first look at how freshmen Cameron Bennerman, Dom Mejia, Adam Simons and Justin Flatt mix in with returning talent that includes guards Julius Hodge, Scooter Sherrill and Clifford Crawford and forwards Ilian Evtimov, Marcus Melvin and Josh Powell.

Forward Levi Watkins is coming off of successful knee surgery and will see his first game-like atmosphere since injuring his leg against Maryland last January.

Following the on-the-court festivities, the players and Sendek will hold an autograph session on the concourse. Posters, schedule cards and T-shirts will be given away.

Admission is free and there will be general admission seating.



N.C. State and Julius Hodge will unveil their new-look team that includes five freshmen Saturday at the annual Red/White scrimmage. The Wolfpack has never lost a Red/White game. File photo by Jason Ivester

## Cross country hopes for a sweep

The women's cross country team looks to win its 20th ACC title this weekend at Georgia Tech.

Todd Lion

Senior Staff Writer

The most successful program in N.C. State history will have another chance to display its prominence this weekend as the cross country team travels to Atlanta for the ACC Championships.

The Wolfpack women, currently ranked No. 6 nationally, have always dominated the conference, winning 19 of the 24 championships since the beginning of ACC women's cross country. This year might be one of the toughest for State to continue this dominance.

The ACC has always produced solid cross country teams, but this year's field is one of the toughest in a long time. Five conference teams are ranked among the top 16 teams in the nation.

"The opposite of the men's field is the women's," said head coach Rollie Geiger. "The women's conference is very deep and very talented. Coming out of nationals last year, we knew we should see a quality year."

Wake Forest put together a fantastic race two weeks ago at the pre-nationals meet, finishing fourth in the combined scoring. This result jumped them to a fourth place ranking from the previous week's No. 26 ranking.

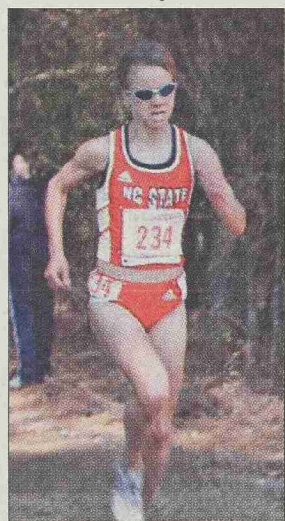
Duke brought in a very talented freshman class this year, and with mostly freshmen running in their top seven, they have achieved a 13th place ranking. North Carolina and Virginia are ranked No. 15 and 16, respectively.

In addition to highly ranked teams, the ACC has its share of highly regarded individuals. Two-time ACC cross country champion Shalane Flanagan from Carolina and Florida State's Vicky Gill each won their race at pre-nationals with the two fastest times of the day. Wake's Annie Bersagel and Duke's Carolina Bierbaum both finished in the top 15 in each of their races.

"I feel a lot better about the team than I did two weeks ago," said Geiger. "The recent workouts have been the best of the year. The women's program seems to be on the upswing, and they had certainly better be, because it is a quality conference. It's a quality conference in both individual talent and team talent."

Talent is certainly nothing that State's team is lacking.

Kristen Price will lead the Pack this weekend and vie for the individual title. Price finished seventh at the conference championships last season, but she improved on this finish at the district and



Kristen Price and the women's cross country team will have a strong field at the ACC Championships. File photo by Todd Lion

national championships, where she finished second and fourth.

True freshman Julia Lucas has been running near the front of the team all season and will likely finish near the front this weekend, as well.

"Of course, we're led by Kristin," said Geiger. "Julia's been fighting a cold, but she's getting a lot better and should be right up there as well."

Renee Gunning has been racing in the top four for State all season and is also expected to run well this weekend.

Josi Lauber competed for State in the post-season last year, coming up big for the team at the district championships, where she finished 15th.

"Josi has been having a terrific year, and I expect her to run well," said Geiger. "I think Renee will have a solid race. She is coming around really well."

These four runners will likely be State's first four across the line, but the fifth spot is up for grabs.

"We have a number of girls who can fill in at number five," said Geiger. "Diana Henderson is looking better. We think Kris Roth will be big for us. Kris is running well."

Henderson competed at the conference championships two years ago, and Roth is a true freshman.

Janelle Vadnais and Abigail Nelkie could also score for the Pack. Vadnais has experience running at the conference championships. She ran for State last year and finished 32nd.

The Wolfpack men want to take advantage of a down year in the conference to bring another ACC Championship trophy to Raleigh.

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The rest of the ACC has seen six out of the last seven conference men's cross country titles go to N.C. State, and judging by the results of this season so far, this year's title should find its way to Raleigh as well.

The No. 21 men's team will not face nearly the level of competition that the women's team will this weekend at the ACC Championships at Georgia Tech, considering that State is the only ACC team ranked in the top thirty in the nation.

"The conference doesn't seem to be as deep as it has been in past years," said head coach Rollie Geiger. "There's great potential around the conference, but I don't think anyone is really running up to their potential right now, including N.C. State."

The Wolfpack finished with five runners in the top 10 at last year's conference championships, but of those five, four are not running this year due to graduation or redshirt status.

State has not been defeated by an ACC school this season, and they hope to continue this trend this weekend.

"I have to worry about N.C. State," said Geiger. "We have to run to our potential, but if you look at the conference, I don't think the conference as a whole

has done a very good job of that this year for whatever reason. I think there's great potential in the conference, so you have to be careful."

Five members of State have experience at the ACC Championships, including three All-ACC performers.

Senior David Christian and junior Devin Swann have consistently raced near the front of State's team.

"We should be led by David and Devin," said Geiger. "Those are the two guys who should lead us. They've had the best practices, and they've had the best competitions."

Swann earned the title of ACC Performer of the Week after his third-place finish at the season-opening Adidas Invitational. Swann was also the Pack's top performer at the pre-nationals meet two weeks ago.

Patterson was an All-ACC performer his freshman year when he placed seventh and was named ACC Freshman of the Year.

David Christian was State's fifth All-ACC runner last year. Christian finished ninth in the conference in 2001 and 34th in 2000.

Redshirt freshman Kurtis Marlowe finished third on the team two weeks ago and fourth in the season opener.

Nick Mangum also has the opportunity to finish as a scorer for State.

"Kurtis is a potential All-Conference performer, and Nick has been in three conference championships," said Geiger.

Ricky Brookshire and Dean Bowker have performed consistently for the Pack

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David Christian (left) and Ricky Brookshire (center) will lead the favored N.C. State men's cross country team at the ACC Championships. File photo by Todd Lion

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