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# Hernandez and Caravano named Leaders of the Pack

In a stadium packed with homecoming fans, Andrea Hernandez and Tony Caravano were awarded scholarships and commemorative silver bowls.

**Anthony Exum**  
Staff Reporter

The new 2002-2003 Leaders of the Pack, Andrea Hernandez and Tony Caravano, were crowned last Saturday in the presence of more than 51,000 patrons during half-time of the Homecoming football game against Georgia Tech at the Carter-Finley Stadium.

Many people have two misconceptions about the Leader of the Pack race. First, people think that the choice relies solely on the votes of students. "That is not the case," explains Caravano. "Only 25 percent of the overall process was students' votes. Fifty percent was based on academic involvement, and the last 25 percent was based on [interviews]."

The second misconception is the idea that one male and one female are paired together before voting even starts. This leads people to believe that there are three pairs instead of six individuals.

"People thought that me and Tony were like running mates because we both work as RAs in Tucker Hall, we are really good friends and we were both endorsed by ASAC," explains Hernandez. "But that wasn't the case. We all were just put to-

gether as a group, instead of being paired off, as many people thought."

In the race for the title of Leader of the Pack, candidates must successfully complete many steps of the selection process before being publicly announced to NCSU students.

The process begins with an application. After the application process, which includes an essay, there is the interviewing process, which marks the semi-finals round. Once a candidate has reached the final round, they begin a campaign to gain votes from the students.

As preparation for Leader of the Pack, many candidates involve themselves in various leadership positions.

"There are two things that I feel have prepared me for this leadership position. First, there is my position as a chancellor's liaison. How many other schools can say they have a program where a student can go and talk to [his or her] school's chancellor, and she knows who [he or she is] and what [he or she has] done at the university? Also, being the co-founder and president of Mi Familia has helped me to promote the fact that my people are a part of this university," said Hernandez.

Caravano feels the same way about some of his activities. "My involvement with Student Government has done a great deal for my role in leadership. It has put my foot in the door for many other things I am involved with," he said. Student Government also led me to the



Andrea Hernandez (left) and Tony Caravano (right) smile for fans and cameras after they were named the new Leaders of the Pack. Staff photo by Matt Huffman

Caldwell Scholars, which I think has greatly developed my view of leadership."

Those selected as Leaders of the Pack are responsible for helping to plan next year's Leader of the Pack race. They also assist in the interviewing process of next year's candidates.

Caravano and Hernandez were both awarded a commemorative silver bowl engraved with their name and a \$1,000

scholarship. Both believe that they are not solely responsible for their victory.

"We feel that it is important that people understand [that] if it weren't for their support and help, we wouldn't be here," said Hernandez. "We also acknowledge all the help we were given by last year's winners, John [Spencer] and Katie [Terry]."

## Polls open today for elections

Witherspoon Student Center will serve as one of the many polling sites across Wake County.

News Staff Report

Pericles, the Athenian general and statesman largely responsible for the full development of Athenian democracy, once said, "Just because you do not take an interest in politics doesn't mean politics won't take an interest in you."

Though the ancient democracy of the past has long since been over, many of the same ideals and values still exist today.

It is no secret that each person has his or her own reasons for choosing to vote or not vote. Some feel obligated to vote while others decide to base their vote on citizenship and patriotism. Still, there are some who feel that their vote will not matter and decide not to vote at all, and some vote simply out of habit or family tradition.

Whatever the reasons may be, today is Election Day. Among other local titles, this election will determine N.C. representation in the U.S. Senate.

To vote in Wake County, voters must have been a county resident for more than 30 days and they must be registered to vote in Wake County. In addition, registered voters are assigned to a voting place within the precinct where they live.

### VOTING SITES

- Brooks Avenue Church of Christ, 700 Brooks Ave., Raleigh
  - Raleigh Fire Station No. 5, 300 Oberlin Rd., Raleigh
  - Witherspoon Student Center — NCSU, 2810 Cates Ave., Raleigh
  - Method Community Center, 514 Method Rd., Raleigh
  - Western Boulevard Presbyterian Church, 4900 Kaplan Dr., Raleigh
- (All locations open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. The listed sites may not correspond with registered voter's precincts.)

# PAMS career fair set to kick off Wednesday

PAMS will host a total of 23 companies from different areas.

**Anthony Exum**  
Staff Reporter

With the thought of graduation looming over many seniors' heads, it's the time of the year when many N.C. State colleges and departments offer their students a chance to meet representatives from dif-

ferent companies in their respective fields. The College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences (PAMS) is no different.

For the past four years, PAMS has presented its students with a chance to be exposed to the professional world. This year, the PAMS Council and the University Career Center will co-sponsor their fifth PAMS Career Fair this Wednesday on the first floor of Dabney Hall and Cox

Hall, also known as the Pit, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

PAMS will host a total of 23 companies from different areas. Students are advised to bring copies of their resumes for the representatives to review.

Although the fair is geared more toward physical and mathematical fields, the fair is not exclusive to PAMS students, and all students are encouraged to attend. Even students not classified as jun-

iors or seniors are advised to attend because some companies are offering internships in addition to jobs.

According to PAMS Council President Mark Brooks, "the fair is a great chance for students to get a feel for what to expect when looking for a job."

Students who cannot attend the fair but would like for the companies to receive their resumes for job consideration should leave a copy of the resume at the

University Career Center located at 2100 Pullen Hall. Resumes must be dropped off before 8:30 a.m. Wednesday morning.

As an incentive for students to attend the fair, some companies are raffling off items such as PCs, video cameras, shirts and hats.

For more information on the PAMS Career Fair, visit [www.ncsu.edu/stud\\_orgs/pams\\_council](http://www.ncsu.edu/stud_orgs/pams_council).

# U.S. says CIA robot spy plane's missile killed 6 al-Qaida members

**Jonathan S. Landay**  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON — A CIA-controlled robot spy plane fired a missile into a car in northwest Yemen early Monday, killing six al-Qaida members, including one of Osama bin Laden's senior operatives, U.S. officials said.

The officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, identified the senior operative as Abu Ali al-Harithi, a native of Yemen.

Al-Harithi is believed to have served as one of bin Laden's bodyguards and is suspected of playing a role in the October 2000 bombing of the destroyer USS Cole in the Yemeni port city of Aden that

killed 17 sailors.

"This guy is a major player," said one U.S. official. The official cautioned, however, that al-Harithi's presence did not necessarily mean that bin Laden was in Yemen as well. Bin Laden's whereabouts have not been known since last December, when he was monitored at Tora Bora in eastern Afghanistan.

Al-Harithi and his five companions, the officials said, were killed by a air-to-ground Hellfire missile fired into their car from a Predator, a \$4.5 million unmanned surveillance plane capable of lingering high over a target while transmitting real-time radar, video and infrared images.

The Predator was being controlled by

CIA operators based at a French military facility in Djibouti, a tiny nation about 160 miles west of Yemen across the Red Sea on the Horn of Africa, said a senior U.S. official, who asked not to be identified. The unmanned planes are based there. France has been cooperating in the U.S.-led anti-terrorism campaign in the former French colony, U.S. officials said.

It was believed to be the first time that the CIA has used an armed version of the Predator to attack al-Qaida members outside Afghanistan.

The attack underscored how key bin Laden followers succeeded in evading the year-old U.S.-led military operations in Afghanistan, crossing into Pakistan or

Iran and then finding refuge in other parts of the world.

Yemen, bin Laden's ancestral home, is one of the countries where the Bush administration has been focusing its hunt for al-Qaida members. Much of the country is mountainous and hard for the government to control. U.S. Special Forces trained Yemeni troops in counter-terrorism techniques earlier this year and some U.S. Special Forces and CIA paramilitary officers are still in the country.

To bolster that search in Yemen and nearby countries, including Somalia, Ethiopia and Sudan, the Pentagon is creating a special U.S. military command in Djibouti. It will be run by a head-

quarters element of the 2nd Marine Division, numbering about 400 troops. There are already about 800 U.S. Army Special Forces in Djibouti, and French and German forces are helping to patrol the waters in the area.

Terrorists have been using countries in the region "to gather and either do operational planning or training," Air Force Gen. Richard Myers, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said at a Pentagon news conference on Monday. "We're very interested in the area for that reason."

A CIA spokesman declined to comment on the killing of al-Harithi.

The senior U.S. official said the CIA

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had been tracking al-Harithi in Yemen for some time.

Yemeni forces botched an attempt to capture him and another senior al-Qaida operative, Mohammed Amdal al Ahdal, in

Marib province last December, losing 18 soldiers in the effort, the senior official said.

According to Saba, the official Yemeni news agency, the car carrying al-Harithi and his companions exploded in Marib, an oil-producing region about 100 miles east of the capital, San'a, at

dawn on Monday.

The news agency gave no cause for the explosion.

Saba quoted an Interior Ministry official as saying that weapons, traces of explosives and communications equipment were found in the wreckage of the car.

The Predator, which is built by

the General Atomics Aeronautical Systems Inc. of San Diego, Calif., was originally built to provide U.S. military commanders and frontline troops with real-time video, radar and infrared images of enemy targets.

In 2001, the Air Force successfully tested a Predator carrying

Hellfire missiles, and the CIA took control of an unknown number of the armed version of the spy plane after the October 2001 U.S. military intervention in Afghanistan.

Armed Predators have been used on a number of occasions in Afghanistan to hit suspected

al-Qaida and Taliban targets. An estimated 19 Predators have been lost in Afghanistan, mostly because of inclement weather and landing problems.

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## CRIME REPORT

The following is a list of reports issued by Campus Police for Sunday.

### 9:40 a.m. Suspicious person

Officers located and checked the activity of a suspicious person in North Hall. All checked out OK.

### 10:58 a.m. Breaking and entering

A student reported that someone had broken into the student's vehicle and taken a CD player while the vehicle was parked in Fraternity Court.

### 12 p.m. Breaking and entering

A student reported that someone had broken into the student's vehicle while it was parked in West Lot.

### 1 p.m. Special assignment

A NCSU police officer reported for special assignment duty at the Method Road Soccer Field for the men's sporting competition.

### 3:05 p.m. Damage to property

A subject reported that the soft top of the student's vehicle was cut and damaged while the student was visiting a friend, leaving the vehicle parked in the East Campus Dining lot.

### 3:35 p.m. Traffic accident

A student reported that the student's vehicle struck another vehicle, causing damage, in the Armory lot.

### 4:55 p.m. Traffic stop

A student was stopped on Broughton Drive in reference to a BOLO (police bulletin) on a suspicious vehicle, which was reportedly involved in improper off-campus activity. Drugs and drug paraphernalia were located. The subject consented to assist Raleigh Police Department with a follow-up investigation. The subject was cited and referred to the university before being released.

### 5:59 p.m. Medical assistance

A non-student was injured while wrestling at Weisiger-Brown. The subject was transported to the hospital.

### 6:39 p.m. Fire alarm

Alarm activated at Sigma Nu. Activation was due to cooking.

### 6:58 p.m. Safety program

NCSU Police officers gave a safety lecture to Delta Zeta sorority at Poe Hall.

### 8 p.m. Noise disturbance

A student reported loud noise. The student thought it was from a paintball gun. Officers checked the area but were unable to locate any problems.

### 8:25 p.m. Drug violation

One non-student and one student were arrested for marijuana possession at Bragaw Hall. Five students were referred to the uni-

versity for possession of a controlled substance and violation of university rules, regulations and policies. Two non-students were trespassed from campus.

### 8:40 p.m. Larceny

A non-student reported a book bag stolen from the football game at Carter-Finley Stadium. The subject later returned and located the book bag, but the contents were missing.

### 9:34 p.m. Fire alarm

Alarm activated at E.S. King Village. Cause for activation was unknown.

### 12:07 a.m. Damage to property

A student reported the student's trumpet had been damaged accidentally by someone in the student's room.

### 2:11 a.m. Traffic stop

A student was cited on Dan Allen Drive for a stop sign violation and expired tag.

### 2:41 a.m. Fire alarm

Alarm activated at Bowen Hall. Activation was due to smoking in the hall.

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## Sigur Ros hits the spot

Sigur Ros

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Ghassan Hamra

Staff Writer

Concept albums are a bit difficult. They generally come under more criticism than usual albums because, if the concept is misunderstood, a reviewer tends to condemn the artist more so for it—or at least point out that they failed.

What is worse is not knowing if an album is a concept album or not. In this case, you try to decide what kind of concept the artist is shooting for and often end up confusing yourself.

However, Sigur Ros' newest album, "(), has a few pretty obvious concepts that one cannot help but notice. First off, the album has no title and no track titles. Calling it "()" either comes from this fact, or the design on the front of the album itself. This seems odd as some of the tracks have titles outside of this album.

The track in question here is "Nothing Song," or track four. Most people will remember the song from the film "Vanilla Sky." It introduced Sigur Ros to more people in America than anything else probably could have.

Following "Vanilla Sky's" release, Sigur Ros was invited to play shows like David Letterman and Craig Kilborn. In fact, the band declined the former, as they would not allow them the necessary eight minutes they needed to play a song. (Their songs av-

erage eight minutes each.)

In fact, all the songs on "()" have been played at the band's concerts over the past two or three years. Thus, if you have seen the band live, you have a rough idea of what you can expect on this album. Otherwise, fans are in for a more minimalist soundscape that their former album, "Ágætis Byrjun," most certainly was not.

Regardless, the band chose to not name that or any other song on this album. Such a concept would probably come off as pretentious with any other band, but for Sigur Ros, it works.

The new album is divided into two parts. By divided, I mean it is literally divided. After track four, the album goes into a 30-second period of silence. This silence may first seem a little annoying, but considering the concept of the album, it makes sense.

The first half of the album conveys feelings of hope and rejoicing. Tracks one and four do this especially well. The second half—tracks five through eight—conveys feelings of sadness and urgency.

One thing that is consistent throughout most of the album is Sigur Ros' tendency to build up tracks to a climax. This is a technique that they have mastered quite well and can be considered a trademark of their music.

Also, do not bother looking for liner notes, lyrics, etc., on this album. The group has left every-



The boys in Sigur Ros have put together a concept album that rocks, and they wear hats that would make anyone envious.

thing blank, only supplying some silhouettes of trees and landscape and, of course, their Web site, [www.sigur-ros.com](http://www.sigur-ros.com). This Web site comes in quite handy and having it allows you to access special features not available without the CD, such as live concert footage.

If you are interested in the missing text, your best bet is to search online for interviews with the band. Singer Jónsi sings in Icelandic, English and a made-up language that he calls "Hopelandic." The band claims that this made-up language is used as another instrument when music is written and lyrics are

not.

With a pretty good idea of how this could be a concept album in mind, it was surprising to find out that the band certainly did not intend it to be. In fact, they are rather lighthearted when talking about their character and music, pointing out their tendencies to make fart jokes.

Jónsi's words on the album, retrieved from [www.sigur-ros.co.uk](http://www.sigur-ros.co.uk), sum up what was intended by the lack of lyrics, etc.: "[T]he booklet in "()" is empty so people can write down or draw their interpretations of it. It's a kind of 'human experience.'

Everyone has their own opinions, and when people buy the album, it's kind of unfinished so people have to finish it themselves. It's not the singer telling stories; it's sort of a soundtrack for each person's life so they can write lyrics for their own lives."

This is a hard concept for some people to grasp, but upon listen after listen ... after listen of this album, the idea becomes clear.

Sigur Ros' music has a way of invoking strong emotions in the listener, making it a "human experience" as Jónsi describes it. The album is beautiful and melancholy, but most of all, it is ab-

solutely brilliant.

This album has a way of appealing to everyone that no other album really has. It is an emotional experience, and one that everyone should try. When you get this album, as you should, do yourself a favor: grab a pair of headphones, turn off all your telephones and just lay back and enjoy it. It is already November, and having heard just about everything to come out, it's safe to say that Sigur Ros has released the best album this year.

## This spy will make ya laugh



Eddie and Owen look like they're really having fun on that motorcycle. Photo courtesy Columbia Pictures

I Spy

Starring: Owen Wilson, Eddie Murphy  
Director: Betty Thomas

★★★★

Joel Isaac Frady

A&E Editor

It was only six years ago that writer/actor Owen Wilson jumped into the spotlight as the indie comedy "Bottle Rocket" took critics by storm, even winning the "Best New Filmmaker" award for co-writer/director Wes Anderson at the MTV movie awards.

Since then, the actor's career has boomed, moving from smaller roles in films like "Anaconda" and "Armageddon" to leading roles, like in "The Minus Man."

His status as a comedian did not fully sink in until 2000's "Shanghai Noon," which paired

him against comic heavyweight Jackie Chan. It was not Chan's usual stunts that caught the eye though; instead, it was the sight of this relative no-name holding his own with one of the world's biggest film stars.

Now with "I Spy," the "remake" of the 1960s Bill Cosby-Robert Culp comedy, he is faced with an equally big challenge—to take the leading role opposite Eddie Murphy, a man who has been making audiences laugh since he was 12.

Not surprisingly, Wilson carries the film, managing to keep the laughs going from beginning to end ... not to mention helping to counteract the frequently annoying Murphy.

Alex Scott (Wilson) is a spy who is having some difficulties both on and off the job. At work, he is looked down upon by all of his superiors, who all wish that they could give every job to the suave,

Latin-lover spy, Carlos (played, in a shocking change of pace, by Gary Cole—best known as Bill Lumberg in "Office Space"). He is also in love with yet another spy, the mysterious Rachel Wright (Bond-girl Famke Janssen).

After the typical action-film opening, he gets a big assignment: go to Budapest and find a stolen jet that has the ability to be invisible and untraceable, thus making the dropping of large bombs over heavily guarded areas quite easy.

As it turns out, the man who is selling it (Malcolm McDowell) is a big boxing fan, and the world champion, Kelly Robinson (Murphy), just happens to be going to Budapest. Naturally, the two are teamed up.

One thing that must be said before I go any further is that fans of the TV show will be disappointed. This is referred to as a "re-make" because other than the ti-

tle and character names, it really has nothing in common with the old show at all—which raises the question, "Why did they even make it as a remake?" It would have worked perfectly under a different title.

This, of course, stood out as one of the biggest problems walking into the theater: Too many films (most of them disappointing) have tried to capitalize on the popularity of older shows. "I Spy" fails miserably at recreating what made the old show popular, but it has something else going for it. It is something we call "the funny."

It is so funny at points that it's surprising, especially because everyone has seen this type of buddy comedy a hundred times. Hell, the Eddie Murphy-Robert DeNiro comedy "Showtime" from earlier this year was fairly similar in comedic style.

There is something about the Wilson-Murphy team that just works. Sure, this is the same Eddie Murphy we have seen so many times—he's dumb, egotistical and will not shut up. Wilson, on the other hand, is the perfect balancing agent for this Murphy—a man who is just trying to get his work done but has to basically babysit Murphy in the process.

It helps that there is just the right amount of Eddie Murphy. Too little of him and you leave the viewer wanting more, but too much of him and he gets really annoying (remember "The Nutty Professor 2: The Klumps"?).

There is plenty of the rest: Owen Wilson, Famke Janssen and good laughs. It is never too serious, but it is never too silly. For being what it is, there is just the right amount to really work as a comedy—especially with Wilson scoring laughs in almost every scene.

Still, why is it called "I Spy"? The title "Invisible, Flying, Eight-Round Knock-Out in Budapest" would have been a much better title. That way, at least, Bill Cosby would not spend all week shaking his head.

## Les Savy, Models and Pretty Girls

Jon Morgan

Senior Staff Writer

Sunday night, I was molested. Sure, I payed for it (and might have enjoyed it), but I still feel kind of dirty. If only I had known what a Les Savy Fav concert was like, I might have been saved.

The show at Cat's Cradle began with New York rockers Ex Models. Now, being the product of a middle-class suburban neighborhood, I really don't know what a messed up person looks like. But I've seen them on television, and I think I have a good enough idea of what to look for. That being said, Ex Models might very well be messed up.

Their music, perhaps best described as frantic, is a combination of post-punk with math rock that is all around hopped up. These are the kinds of guys that can fall over backward and keep playing. (This happened at least twice, as a matter of fact.) Guitars and bodies were flying while guitars screeched out staccato rhythms and singer Shahryar Motia barked out rhymes like any given crazy person. It was great.

The second group to perform, Seattle's Pretty Girls Make Graves, almost didn't. There was apparently a fight between the band and the Cradle's sound engineer, resulting in the band deciding to not play. Rock and roll prevailed, however, when everybody made up and the argument was settled. Whether that was a good thing or not remains to be determined.

A lot of people clearly like Pretty Girls Make Graves, and this showed in the audience's applause. I, however, had not heard them before the show, so this was my first time hearing them. While their sound is reminiscent of bands like Rocket From the Crypt or Sleater-Kinney, I heard a much more distinct connection: No Doubt.

I'm sure it's not Ms. Zollo's fault—her voice just sounds an awful lot like Gwen Stefani's—and that killed it. After hearing such high

praise of the group before the concert, the actual performance was a really big let down.

The real winners of the night, however, were Les Savy Fav, the group everybody had come to see. The first time I had seen a photograph of Les Savy Fav's singer, Tim Harrington, I assumed there was some sort of mix up. I figured that it was a picture of somebody else that had somehow gotten labeled as being the band's singer. A little older, a little bald, a little fat; it just didn't seem like this was the man that makes the noise on Les Savy Fav's records. Boy, was that assumption wrong.

Harrington, along with the rest of the band, really create a sound that's larger than life. It's just hard to believe that that much energy comes from such unassuming packages. Clad in jeans and a daishiki, Harrington displayed an incredible stage presence that you just wouldn't think he would have. Jumping around, throwing the mic stand, and going into the audience, he belted out songs for 40 minutes with all the energy of a nuclear explosion.

At one point while in around the audience, Harrington ran towards me and did ... things. I'll not say what, so as to not alert the authorities, but let me just say that he was staring right at me and a friend and being naughty.

I was kind of freaked out. Later in the show, when somebody threw a pair of Pretty Girls Make Grave jogging shorts on stage, he changed into them right then and there. Now, these were small shorts, and he's kind of a big guy. Needless to say, they were a bit snug.

All in all, it was a great night of music, molestation and all things in between. Ex Models and Les Savy Fav rocked the house, and Pretty Girls Make Graves really pleased most of the audience. If anybody has a chance to ever see one of these bands, I highly recommend it. Just make sure you're prepared for feeling dirty.



## Mental health system overhaul

A report issued Friday declared America's system for the treatment and rehabilitation of the mentally ill is in need of a serious bureaucratic and financial overhaul. With approximately 30,000 Americans dying of suicide each year, the system deserves a serious re-examination.

Dr. Michael Hogan, the chairperson of the commission and the director of the Ohio Department of Mental Health, made several criticisms of the current system. "Because mental illness and substance abuse disorders are often long-term in nature, the inconsistencies of the system play out day-to-day, week-to-week and year-to-year," his report states.

Hogan also made it clear that the number of AIDS deaths in America each year is half the number of suicide deaths, and that while \$40 million a year is spent researching suicide, \$3.2 billion is spent on AIDS research. This comparison has some problems, as new work for AIDS research is being constantly generated and suicide research may not lend itself to as many new revelations. Still, that the funding would be so different when suicide claims twice the number of lives annually than AIDS seems like an unfair distribution.

Similarly, the government could do a great service by providing more public outreach and information about mental health and treatment. While 5-7 percent of Americans are believed to suffer from mental illness, not all of those people are being treated, possibly because of a lack of funding or the stigma attached to treatment of mental illness.

These numbers are a reflection of our society and a welcome look in the mirror. Mental illness comes down to a treatment of an individual, not a group. The individuals who suffer from mental illness need care, and right now, that care is unavailable to all who need it. The commission also pointed out studies that show substance abuse and mental illness are the two largest causes of disability in North America and Europe. These people are stuck in a cycle. "They can't afford to get back to work because they lose their health insurance. We have trapped people in a system that is at least as dysfunctional as the old welfare system," said Hogan.

The American Psychiatric Association released a statement saying that the commission had "unreasonably limited" its look at the mental health care delivery system to budget neutral solutions and did not research the differences in privately funded insurance. APA's president, Dr. Paul Appelbaum, said, "The public at large, the media, opinion makers and political leaders must be made aware of the perilous state of financing for mental health care today."

However it is done, the mental health provisions in this country need a massive reform. The number of people who die by their own hands needs to be lowered and the amount of time, money and energy needs to be focused and genuinely re-evaluated in order to make the best of what is given.

Student mental healthcare is offered in the Student Health Center's Counseling Center (919) 515-2423.

### CAMPUS FORUM

#### One more person mad at Steve

In response to last week's pigskin picks: Steve Thompson should be fired and banned from campus after picking Georgia Tech over our very own Wolfpack last week. Now, I am not placing total blame on our homecoming loss on him but look at the factors. Steve was the first one to pick against our Pack all year. In fact, he might have been the only one on campus to think that the lowly Yellow Jackets could have beaten us.

What a disgrace, Steve, you should be embarrassed. You thought that a stupid newspaper prediction pool that you all have going was more important than your own school. Why don't you just transfer to Georgia Tech, and we can all be done with you? The team had an undefeated season going, and superstitions are a big part of that. Some guys wear the same socks or whatever else they want to. Being that I was transplanted into the South from New England and still fully believe the Curse of the Bambino still haunts the Red Sox's pennant hopes every year, I am a firm believer that you don't change what's been working. You haven't picked against us all year, why now?

Why change what has been working all year? In fact, this whole loss could be your fault — the rest of our season is on your hands now. If we do bad, look who started the trend. Do you think that any one of your fellow pickers will go against the pack when we play FSU? I don't think so. And I bet you were in the stands last Saturday during the loss, or was it a win for you because you got your little pick right?

You were one of those guys after the game singing "Ramblin' Wreck," wearing yellow, while our players met in the middle of the field after the hard-fought loss, weren't you [Stephen]? Why did you even bother going to the Red and White game? Are you just going to go ahead and give our basketball season no hope and pick the Yellow Jackets against us again or pick the Blue Devils against us because they are favored to win the ACC? What a disgrace!

I hope you are happy moving into a tie for second place in your precious pigskin picks that don't even matter. Next time this opportunity presents itself, I hope you will do the right thing: If you want

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## Why should we vote?



**Ben Kraudel**  
Staff Columnist

I hope this column will be the only one to talk about the importance of today as Election Day. If not, then readers will find themselves submerged in a world of repetition, and I will have summarily beaten the proverbial dead horse.

Today, we are given the chance to speak to our government and say, essentially, "Hey, you! Listen to what I say!" If enough of us do this, then instead of one person shouting at the sky, we have a collective voice that projects at our leadership, and they may actually hear what we have to say. While it is currently quite chic to instead shrug off the right to vote and refrain from taking advantage of our collective vocalization, the right and responsibility remain.

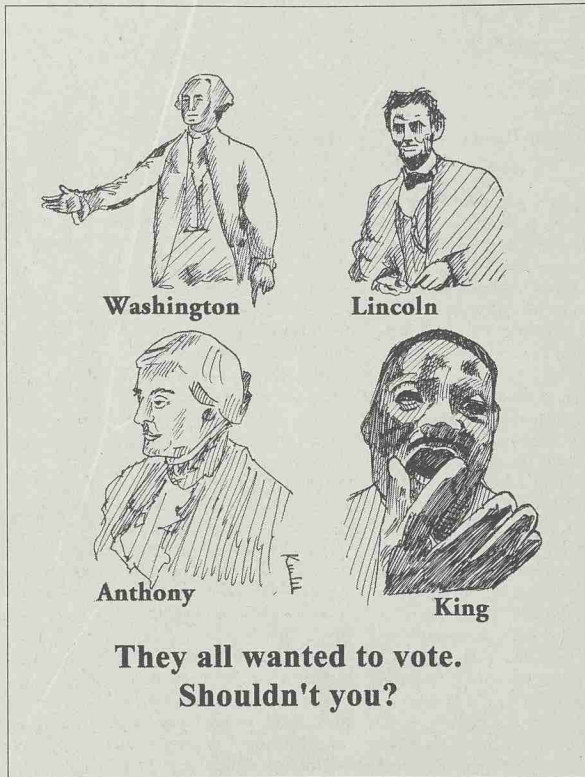
Several elections are in the air right now. The focal point of this particular Election Day seems to be Elizabeth Dole battling Erskine Bowles to try and win the vacated Senate seat of aged, ultra-conservative Jesse Helms. The fight commenced long ago and has little to do with issue orientation and much more to do with throwing as much garbage around as possible to confuse the voting public.

My recommendation is to take your free time before the polls close today to do a little bit of research and look past the tirades and bullying. If neither party's platform suits you, look into Libertarian candidate Sean Haugh and see if perhaps he is more suited to represent you. While it is often said that a vote for the Libertarian party is a vote thrown away, it isn't nearly as thrown away as a vote not cast.

Both parties can readily agree that voting is essential in the democratic process. The only way a fair representation of the public can be attained is by the people getting to the polls and voting. Even if you decide to vote the party of your parents or randomly poke at the ballot until it resembles something that would have been voted upon, at least you're doing your part.

Only when you've taken the time to be well versed enough and put your opinions out for the system to hear can you rightly criticize those who are put into office.

To be completely honest, all the candidates for the Senate office have put me off somehow. I long ago tired of the



games and the pomp without any sort of real force behind it, but I will still do my homework and will not know for sure until I put my vote to ballot which candidate I will vote for. I will not, however, be apathetic about my government and allow it to operate without hearing my voice and in some way conforming itself to me, not vice versa.

Also on today's ballot are other state and national legislative contests. Despite how it sometimes seems, this election is not completely about Bowles and Dole. There is an entire list of other people who are hoping that you are going to make them or break them. Well, they're hoping you're going to make them. Congressional seats are up for grabs. Districts are looking for strong votes. Without people going to the polls and taking the few minutes it takes to cast a vote, then the process is weakened.

We have slowly digressed from being a fully functioning democratic republic. Once, some time ago, the people were ready to vote and ready to show that they respected and understood the responsibility they have when they were given control of their government. Now, we

have instead bowed and become again subservient to government, instead of how it was intended. The government can only work for the people if the people decide to tell the government what they want.

As students, we make up a solid minority of this area. While many issues have us diversified, more issues have us united. If we ever made the decision to stand up and use the voice we have to shout that we want not only to be listened to but also heard, we could do much.

I apologize if this sounded like a lecture; I am not Patrick Henry, and my speeches tend to ramble instead of inspire. Our heritage is something that we can all be proud of. Blood was shed and passion has been exhausted on this cause we call America. It's worth the few minutes in a booth to tell the government where you want that heritage to go from here.

*Ben is an Eagle Scout and was a National Youth Leadership Conference scholar. Big surprise. Let him know you voted at bpkraude@unity.ncsu.edu.*

## Wolfpack nation



**Matt Campell**  
Staff Columnist

Well, it is Election Day, and since I figured someone else would talk about voting and the like, I'm not going to. Of course, if no one else does talk about voting, these opening lines should be removed ... or, at least, I'll say they should be removed, and they will be left in, making me look like a fool. Oh, wait, I already do look like a fool. OK, leave the lines in the column.

It was a sea of red — not just for the football game but for an entire week. There was music, giveaways and school spirit at its highest. You'd see red cars and non-red cars that were made red. An undefeated (at the time) football team had awoken the monster that is the Wolfpack nation, and the madness was in full force. We saw the crazed marches after the win at Clemson and only one thing could cause more N.C. State spirit: Homecoming.

I'd just like to take the time now to thank the Alumni Association and all others involved in the Homecoming festivities. It is not often that you get free food for wearing your school colors, free music just for walking around campus

or free money for going out on Cates Avenue and making a fool of yourself, your automobile and others during the parade. Unfortunately, it's also not often this year that we see our football team lose, but that's all part of this year's Homecoming.

Now, I'm only a sophomore here, but I understand that Homecoming was not full of all the festivities that we have had the past two years. I come from a big high school in New York where homecoming was a time to love my school and spend ridiculous amounts of time on floats. Here, I have resorted to simply wrapping up cars in red gift-wrap or plastic picnic tablecloths, but the effort is still there.

I couldn't imagine that a school of this size, with such a storied athletic program and such raging fans, not having a time for students, old and new, to come together and celebrate the team they love. Amidst undefeated seasons and national TV coverage, we were still able to dig down and find the true meaning of Wolfpack athletics. Students were the ones who worked hard with their organizations to make banners, build floats and decorate cars. Students were the ones who came out to vote for Leader of the Pack and cheer at the parade and, of course, at the Homecoming football game.

It's events like Homecoming that made me want to stay here at State. I loved walking around campus and seeing

everyone wearing Wolfpack red. I loved waddling down Cates while immersed in a foam costume, seeing all the people lined up to watch the floats that rolled past. I also loved seeing 51,500 screaming Wolfpack fans (and unknown amount of students who managed to hop past security) cheering on their football team and even cheering them on after a heartbreaking loss. This shows that college is much more than the classes to which we drag ourselves. We see that there is much more learning done than that out of a book.

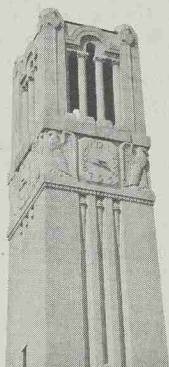
If you took part in the events during Homecoming week, you've done a good thing. It's due to the involvement from students that Homecoming will be more of a success each year. For those of you who didn't take part in the Homecoming events, I hope you get involved next year. Go buy a red shirt and wear it all week. Fill out an application and enter a float in the parade or decorate your car and head over to tailgate in the early morning hours. Do whatever it takes to support your school because it's a big part of what college is about.

*Matt wanted to write about something else, but, like he said, voting is important and he wanted to remind everyone to vote today. E-mail him at folksdamanishere@aol.com to receive your prize for voting.*

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## The dangers of bank card theft



**Candice Chilton**  
Staff Columnist

It is hard to predict that anything like it could ever happen to you. Bank card theft is one of those things that you always feel happens to someone else.

Who could ever predict that even you could be the target of subtle attacks? Imagine this scenario: You go to the bank to get money out, and you have, say, \$500 left. Two days later, when you check your account again, you have less than \$100. As you investigate, you learn that the money was spent on frivolous party materials, vast amounts of food and unnecessary clothing. Sadly, this recently happened to my boyfriend. Only after the money was spent in a mere two days did he realize that his money was gone. After a painstaking two hours at the bank, which was spent filling out stacks of paperwork in an attempt to get his money back, he came back with a long list of charges on his account. As we looked over the charges, which were made over the phone and online, my anger grew. I had watched him slave away to earn that money last summer. It was very unfair that

— just like that — someone could take it all. In his case, only his card number was stolen, not his actual card, which meant that someone had been around him long enough to write the numbers down. We came to the realization that it was probably one of his friends who had done the deed.

I want to urge people to watch the people they keep around them. Make sure that your card is kept in a discreet place so that people will not have the time to write down the numbers. Also watch who you give your numbers to over the phone. For example, when you order pizza over the phone, and they ask for your credit card number, be cautious. Just because someone works for a company doesn't necessarily mean that he or she is a good person. It would be easy for them to arbitrarily decide that they want to use your numbers for his or her own benefit.

It is also very important to report a stolen card as soon as you realize it is gone. Once the charges have been made, it takes a lot of work to get your money back. Paperwork must be filled out, and a lengthy investigation must then take place. After the police decide that the money has been stolen, then they report it to the credit card company. Months could go by before you ever see your mon-

ey again! It is a huge hassle. In the end, the time you lose in the process is almost worth more than the money that you will get back.

I am urging everyone not to be trustworthy of your surroundings. Credit card theft can happen to anyone. There are so many easy things that can be done to prevent thefts that it almost seems ludicrous to go through all the trouble of having your card stolen. Make sure that you always know where all your cards are and if they can be seen. Despite what you may believe, it *can* happen to you.

Some numbers that might be helpful to keep around in case of bank or credit card theft are the numbers of the bank or company that issued the card and fraud hotline numbers for the three major credit bureaus, Equifax (1-800-525-6285); Experian (1-888-397-3742); and TransUnion (1-800-680-7289).

Source: <http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/conline/pubs/credit/idtheft.htm#victim>

*Candice has decided to hide in the closet to prevent credit card theft. If someone can bring her a laptop and some chocolate Pop Tarts, then she would be glad to answer her email at [cmchilton@unity.ncsu.edu](mailto:cmchilton@unity.ncsu.edu).*

## Religious liberty vital for freedom

**Jessica Lingel**  
The Daily Vidette  
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(U-WIRE) NORMAL, Ill. — People generally assume that I'm a huge

proponent of separation of church and state. After all, I'm liberal. I'm religiously ambiguous. On the surface, I could be the posterchild for a completely secular society. But to the surprise of conservatives everywhere, here is a liberal who isn't quite sure where she stands.

There's a reason that the topic is controversial. Incorporating religion into schools mixes an incredibly personal issue with an environment that is, by definition, public. A person's religion is often a part of his or her culture and heritage. It is always something incredibly individual and deeply private. A person's beliefs are exactly that — personal.

I recognize that religion is so personal that the idea of someone imposing his or her faith upon anyone is ludicrous and abhorrent. The First Amendment's protection of religious freedom is one of the most important civil rights we have. At the same

time, because religion is so personal, there is no way to escape it.

The line blurs when it comes to people advocating the protection of religious freedom and the removal of all signs of religion from society. I'm just as annoyed as the next kid by the streams of fliers wallpapering the Price Center informing me that Jesus is the antidepressant of the masses. I'm just as bemused as the average student by the differences between the UCSD Episcopalian chapter and the Methodist chapter. But I recognize that those fliers and booths have a right to be there, just as CalPIRG has the right to ask for membership and the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance has the right to post statistics.

But some people don't feel that way, and it's hard to tell people when not to be offended by something. It's hard to tell people not to take someone else's assertion of religion personally. And perhaps those people have a right to be offended. Perhaps those signs and booths are offensive to particularly sensitive people. But they still have a right to be there.

Religion should never be inflicted on anyone, and it should certainly never be in the hands of the government. The Bush administration has made it quite evident that it supports a union between government and religion. Demonstrated through support of posting the Ten Commandments in classrooms, prayer in public schools and giving money to churches for the purpose of charity work, the financial support of religious organizations has obviously made its mark. I question a system that would allow trespassing into such a private realm without concern for the ramifications that such actions would have.

Religion has a place in society. It's been the catalyst of wars and holocausts, social injustices and works of art, and one could never understand those things if one didn't have at least some understanding about those religions.

I wish I knew where I stood on the issue. I wish there were a clear-cut yes or no answer that would make it easy to understand just how to negotiate the separation of church and state.

## What you should learn in college



**Abbie Byrom**  
Staff Columnist

Since I am a junior, I have been thinking a lot lately about what I will do after I graduate from N.C. State. Unfortunately, I realize that I might have a problem getting a job; I

am a communication major, and I know that the media is one of the hardest fields to break into.

I have also been thinking about other things, such as how do I choose my health insurance, and if I want to buy a house, how do I bargain with the realtor? How do I do my taxes once I am out on my own and my uncle doesn't do them for me anymore? The more I think about these things, the more I wonder if anyone else is thinking about them, too.

I recently went to Boston to visit friends, and I had this same discussion with them. All students at Emerson College, they felt the same way. How do you play the stock market or buy the right CDs and bonds?

A lot of this is common sense and doing a little shopping

around, but I know people getting ready to graduate who can't even balance their checkbooks. My solution to this is simple — NCSU has a pretty good plan for incoming freshmen. It usually entails a lot of orientation classes in their majors and some required activities to get the freshmen socialized into college life and get them used to not having mom and dad around anymore.

I suggest that colleges should import life-skills classes into their curriculums for incoming freshmen and graduating seniors. They should have two classes, each one semester long. You would take one your first semester in college and the other during your last semester.

The benefits I see to this plan are numerous. In the freshman seminar, you would learn basic skills like balancing your checkbook, how to choose a bank and whom to call in the university phone tree for whatever problems you may have.

In the senior seminar, you would learn things like how to buy a house and choose your life insurance or medical insurance. You would learn how to write a better resume, go on interviews

and even whom to talk to in order to get your foot in the door. In my field, that would be a huge benefit.

Many of us will graduate with degrees and then be alone outside of the college safety net where you have dorms and RAs or roommates. We will be confused. No one has told us whom to get in touch with to try and get a job in each company, and some majors need that help.

I am not saying that NCSU has not offered me a wonderful education or that students can't handle their own lives after graduation. I am just saying there are many who will need guidance because we don't have advisors after we graduate.

A well-rounded and diverse college experience includes a wide range of classes and opportunities to do fun activities on campus, but it should include an orientation to the rest of your life — such as a class called Life 101.

*If you agree with Abbie or think she's completely wrong, you can e-mail her at [pabyrom@unity.ncsu.edu](mailto:pabyrom@unity.ncsu.edu).*

You are an embarrassment to the student body, and I am sad to be considered one of your peers.

Andrew Korostynski  
Freshman  
Engineering  
Undeclared Major

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to go against us, fine, but do it behind our backs. To come out and slap your student body, staff, faculty and readers by picking against us is a complete moron-

ic idea. But, hey, being tied for second is not that bad. I hope you lose the rest of your picks, and I hope you screw up big time and end up in last, because that's where you belong after picking against your own North Carolina State Wolfpack.

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**Aries**  
March 21-April 19  
Today is a 5. You can figure out what to do, but don't just follow a friend's advice. What worked in different circumstances isn't likely to work now.

**Libra**  
Sept. 23-Oct. 22  
Today is a 6. Gather, sort and file. Figure out how much you've made and how much you owe. You won't end up with as much as you had before, but it should be enough.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**Taurus**  
April 20-May 20  
Today is an 8. Scorpions will be more forceful than usual now. If you want something done, hand it over to one. Some think the ends justify the means. And the favor won't be inexpensive. You'll pay, one way or another.

**Scorpio**  
Oct. 23-Nov. 21  
Today is an 8. You'd be accomplishing even more if people would simply do what you say. But they have opinions. They want to be convinced. Humor them.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY**

**Gemini**  
May 21-June 21  
Today is a 6. Do you love your job? Look forward to the challenge? If not, pretend you do. This will make the day go by faster and more successfully.

**Sagittarius**  
Nov. 22-Dec. 21  
Today is a 5. Secrets are being revealed, and a few delusions won't last much longer, either. Don't make assumptions or take anything for granted.

Nov. 5. You'll get to rely on your wits a lot this year, but that shouldn't be a problem. You're smart enough, and you're unlikely to act impulsively, even under pressure. Actually, truth be known, you work best under pressure.

**Cancer**  
June 22-July 22  
Today is an 8. Romance will go much better if you can avoid an argument about money. But how? By not making promises you can't keep, for starters. Goals you share are better.

**Capricorn**  
Dec. 22-Jan. 19  
Today is an 8. Keep your cash locked away, and your savings, too, for the next few days. Actually, your savings probably ought to be cash, or a reasonable equivalent. No gambling now.

**Leo**  
July 23-Aug. 22  
Today is a 6. One person in particular is resistant to change. That's fine, as long as this person agrees with you. If not, either compromise or get reinforcements.

**Aquarius**  
Jan. 20-Feb. 18  
Today is a 5. Hold off on almost everything you had planned. Follow someone else's agenda instead. This may not be easy, but it's smart. If you can't do that, stall.

**Virgo**  
Aug. 23-Sept. 22  
Today is a 7. When you set your mind to it, you can do amazing things. You just have to settle down and focus your energy. If you find something others won't like, hold onto it until you have your plan worked out.

**Pisces**  
Feb. 19-March 20  
Today is an 8. You still have a few considerations. You'd be wise to ponder the possible outcomes of various actions, especially if those actions are related to your work. Make your mistakes on paper.

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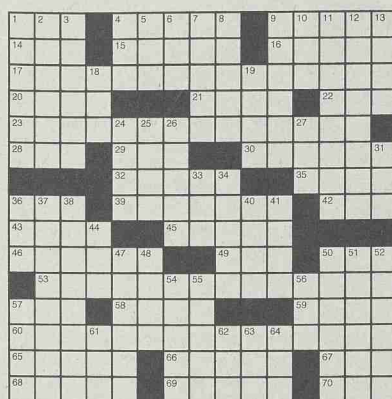
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New York, NY

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### Monday's Puzzle Solved

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## FOOTBALL

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moved ahead of Jamie Barnette to take over first place all-time at State with 646 passing completions.

McLendon and Cotchery close in on history

With three games remaining, running back T.A. McLendon and wideout Jerricho Cotchery have the chance to accomplish a rare feat. Only once in State's 111-year history have a receiver and running back racked up 1,000-yard performances in the same season.

Cotchery needs only 205 yards

to reach 1,000 receiving yards for the season and McLendon is a mere 138 rushing yards away from 1,000.

Torry Holt and Tremayne Stephens pulled off the achievement in 1997. Holt collected 1,099 yards on 62 receptions and Stephens amassed 1,142 yards on 204 attempts.

With 15 rushing touchdowns thus far, McLendon is also poised to set the State single-season record for touchdowns in a season. Stan Fritts crossed the goal line 17 times for the Pack in 1972. Booga Wolf a knockout

George Anderson (affectionately nicknamed Booga Wolf by

his teammates) spends his summers sparring and boxing at a gym in Raleigh. He began boxing two years ago when he had knee problems and could not do as much running during the off-season. He says he always enjoyed watching Mike Tyson fight, but do not expect to find the senior defensive end taking on the likes of Lennox Lewis.

"It's nothing I would pursue for a career," said Anderson. "Most of the guys over there [at the gym] are lightweights, so I have to hold up on my punches a little and when we do spar, it's not to try and kill somebody. It's just a fun thing to do."

## BASKETBALL

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Pack connected on 32 second-chance points and snagged 58 rebounds in all.

"Hopefully [the advantage in rebounding is] a sign of things to come," said senior forward Amy Simpson. "Coach said at the beginning of the game to be aggressive and to go to the boards."

Chones earned a double-double with 10 rebounds and she led all scorers with 20 points. The junior center and 2002 2nd Team All-ACC performer hit on 9 of 11 field goals and went 2 of 4 from the free throw line.

Simpson was one rebound shy of notching her own double-double as she tallied 18 points in 25 minutes of action. Moody came off the bench to add 19 points and seven rebounds.

James, who hasn't played in a game since 2000 due to torn ACLs in both knees, showed some rust in the first half, missing on all sev-

en of her field goal attempts. But the redshirt-junior found her scoring touch in the second half to finish with 12 points and six assists.

"It was great to have Terrah back and playing and she was really a pickpocket out there several times tonight," said Yow. "As good as she was I still say it's 90%."

The first half was marked by 11 lead changes, but State took the lead in the last three minutes on a baseline jumper by senior Carisse Moody to go ahead 37-35 and never trailed again. On the Players next possession, Simpson stole a pass for an uncontested fast break lay-up. Moody and Simpson each added another bucket to close the half and the Pack led at halftime 45-38.

The Players lineup featured several current members of the WNBA including former Pack star Lewis and former North Carolina Tar Heels Nikki Teasley and Juana Brown. Teasley heard boos from a majority of the State

crowd every time she touched the ball, but Lewis received a warm welcome home.

"[Tynesha] did pre-game with us," said Yow. She is a Wolfpack family member."

Lewis was on the wrong end of the bench, however, as the Pack reached 100 points for the third time in as many exhibition games including last year when Moody fielded a missed three-point attempt and hit a layup with 5 seconds remaining — much to the delight of the crowd. For Yow, who was inducted into the Hall of Fame in October and has been the focus of attention throughout the off-season, it was nice to finally see the spotlight back where she has insisted it belongs all along — on her team.

"It felt really good to get the first game under our belt," said Yow. "It's been a long time since we scored a hundred points and it feels good to know we have some offensive firepower to go with our defense this year."

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## SOCCER

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we started to play very equal, we created chances to score."

UIC dominated the first half, outshooting the Pack 15-3 during the first 45 minutes. The Flames got only one goal out of the barrage, a Daniel Bartulovic score set up by a Bruno Rasich corner kick at the 34:02 mark. The Flames did not score more, thanks largely to the play of State senior goalkeeper Mitchell Watson, who made six of his eight saves in the first stanza.

Watson had another solid performance, saving eight of UIC's 22 shots.

"I feel very bad for Mitch, who I think is the best goalkeeper in the country," Tarantini said. "But that's how it is."

UIC nearly got another goal on the board less than two minutes into the second half, when Watson left his feet to make a save to the right of the goal. Flames midfielder Micah Howser collected the rebound before Watson could regain position and fired a shot.

## CARTER

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a center, any center.

All: "Let-Me-Get-My-Roster" Team:

Jonathan Holmes (North Carolina); Marvin Lewis (Georgia Tech); Steve Lepore (Wake Forest); Ray Henderson (Clemson); and Michael Joiner (Florida State). I knew these names about as well as they knew mine. I've vaguely heard of Henderson and Lewis. And Holmes is recognizable only because he's been a target for laughter while at UNC. Someone get me a roster. With pictures.

GQ Award:

Virginia's Travis Watson came in looking sharp, complete with wire-framed specs and diamond (looking) earrings. Clifford Crawford and Duhon were close, but Watson's glasses were sweeter than the free cheese cake.

"What up with That?" Award: Goes to Steve Blake and his oversized, ghetto-fabulous silver chain/necklace/dog collar. Steve, what up with that chain?

Happiest to Be There Award:

Larry Shyatt is savoring every moment of what could be his last season as Clemson's head coach. Either that, or he was ecstatic that hardly any reporter bothered to talk to him. No matter, he was easily the happiest to be there. His

State midfielder Justin Branch stepped in and deflected it, and the Pack cleared the ball.

The play that may have sealed State's fate came at the 59:39 mark, when defender Kyle Fragakis received a red card for a tackle of Rasich as Rasich made his way into State territory. State played the final 30:21 a man down, while UIC's fifth-leading scorer sat the rest of the way with an ankle injury.

Freshman forward Aaron King had both of State's best second-half scoring chances, the first coming with 9:00 left, when a rush to the goal was stopped by a mass of four or five Flames. Later, at the 87:53 mark, King again had a line to the goal but was stymied by diving UIC goalkeeper Ross Cain, who took the ball before King could get a shot off.

State generated more offense in the second half, and forward Bryant Salter led the team with three shots for the game. Scott McNeill and John Mason also got shots on goal for State.

Illinois-Chicago forward Chris Pipis closed the scoring with a goal at the 84:48 mark.

The loss was the sixth straight for the Pack, which has one game remaining before the ACC Tournament.

"We're just trying to build for the ACC Tournament," said Watson. "That, I think, is everyone's number-one goal right now — trying to put on a good performance there."

For Tarantini, the current losing streak marks a nadir, but he does see hope.

"I've been at the top and I've been at the bottom. This is the bottom right now," said Tarantini. "But you saw a team [today] with 10 guys playing their hearts out. I thought in the second half we gave everything we had. Now, we lost, yes, but you saw nobody just walk away, nobody just give up. They give everything they have."

"I've been number one in the country at one time. I understand the feeling to lose six in a row, and embarrassment, and pain. But I believe that the future's very close."

State hosts Liberty in its final regular season game Wednesday at 2 p.m.

smile per minute ratio nearly tripled his nearest competitor, Leonard Hamilton. And Hamilton is only happy because he's got a job in the ACC.

"Why Did You Run Over My Dog and Laugh" Award:

Goes to Gary Williams, who acted as if every reporter in the building had ran over his dog and laughed in his face. Yes, he was that inexplicably angry. Someone tell him that he won a national championship back in April. On second thought, maybe someone really did run over his dog.

"I Really Don't Need to Be Here" Award:

Coach K wins this one like his teams win basketball games. You can tell that K despises these events more than anyone. A day of this is enough to make Duke's coach reject interview requests for a solid year. I think he's still upset that Johnny Dawkins or Wojo couldn't take his place.

"True/False" Award:

It's true, Wake Forest coach Skip Prosser gives more one-word answers than a true/false test. I'd elaborate on this, but I'm not going to.

"I Don't Understand a Word You're Saying but I'm Nodding" Award:

Goes to Watson. As big and ferocious as Watson looks, you'd think he'd speak up a bit. He doesn't. During his interviews,

Watson sounded like he was in a library. That, or he didn't want to talk to anyone. Hmm... No matter, people nodded like they heard every word.

"That's Great" Award:

Goes to Johnson and Holmes. Unless their names are Bird and Stockton, two white guys at any media day spells disaster for a given team. Carolina, on top for so long, once so strong, has been relegated to this: Johnson and Holmes representing the team at media day. That's great. I mean, I know teams send upperclassmen, but still, was the towel boy unavailable?

"Best Job of Avoiding a Question" Award:

Matt Doherty. You'd think someone asked Doherty for all his money rather than a question about prized-freshman Raymond Felton. Either way, you weren't getting what you wanted — money, or an answer.

You could go on all day, but what's the point?

Preseason awards don't matter.

Andrew could think of some other awards — like most handsome man to write this column — but he's worried they could get biased. He can be reached at [andrew\\_b\\_carter@hotmail.com](mailto:andrew_b_carter@hotmail.com) or 515-2411.

## Pack unable to notch first ACC victory

The Pack has now been swept in 20 losses this season

Jay Kohler

Senior Staff Writer

A change of home venue still was not enough to secure the N.C. State volleyball team a victory this weekend as the Wolfpack dropped matches against Georgia Tech and Clemson.

State (3-26, 0-11) played Friday at familiar Reynolds Coliseum against Clemson (15-11, 6-5), and managed to win game two. In the last two games, the Pack's offensive attack slowed, and Clemson took advantage. The Pack's point total steadily dropped, and the Tigers pulled out a victory 30-25, 29-31, 30-15, 30-21. The Pack's Saturday match with Georgia Tech, originally scheduled for Reynolds, was moved to Peace College.

"Against Clemson, we fought a lot harder and we were able to take a game from them, which was an improvement from the last time we played them," said head coach Mary Byrne. "It still

comes down to the unforced errors. We're really looking at that and looking at improving that part of our game."

Both Maya Mapp and Adeola Kosoko had 15 kills to lead State. Lindi Sheppard had 42 assists for State in the losing effort. Lori Ashton, who also tallied 15 kills, led the Tigers. Leslie Finn and Ryane Beasley added 14 more apiece for Clemson.

"We need to continue to return to our mental toughness and work hard out on the court this week in practice," said Byrne.

At Peace College, the Pack was still unable to notch its first ACC victory, falling to No. 23 Georgia Tech 30-24, 30-13, 30-18. It was State's 25th straight regular-season ACC match.

Senior Rebecca Anderson led State with 14 kills and a .313 attack percentage. Lindi Sheppard had 20 assists, and Maya Mapp added 6 kills. Jayme Gergen, Laura Kuhn and Blair Moon all had 10 kills for Georgia Tech (23-5, 9-3) in the winning effort.

"A lot of it is just lack of experience," said Byrne. "It's getting used to the transition to a faster

collegiate game, especially with so many young players on the court. What we look for there is that they improve with each match and learn different situational-type things and being able to execute a little better as far as a decision making goes."

"I thought we fought as a team. We were very scrappy this weekend. That's a good start for us so we can finish a little bit stronger and improve in everything we do."

The Pack must hope to rebound this weekend with important road matches coming at Wake Forest on Friday and at Duke on Saturday. Duke is currently third in the ACC, and Wake Forest is seventh.

"They're both very good teams," said Byrne. "They have a little bit more size and experience then we do but I think that we can win, especially against Wake. We took a game from them the last time we played, and I really think that they're a team that we match up well against."

"We'll go in and play as focused as we can this weekend."

## CROSS COUNTRY

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honor of Freshman of the Year with a 20th place showing in 25:29.

Nick Mangum was State's final runner across the line, finishing in 49th place.

"This is the first of our three goals," said Geiger. "The first one is always to win the conference championships, and we got that done. Now we have to qualify for nationals and hopefully finish in the top 10."

State's women did not have the dominant showing that the men did, but they did not have it nearly as easy in their race. Five top-30 teams were competing in the ACC Championships. And Wake Forest (4th), Duke (13th), North Carolina (15th) and Virginia (16th) all had legitimate chances to win the title.

The final results showed the level of competition as only 27 points separated the top five teams. After State and Wake came Virginia (78 points), Duke (81) and Carolina (88).

Kristin Price ran well, and seemed to be coming back strong from her mid-season injury. She finished third in 20:33, behind

Carolina's Shalane Flanagan (20:06) and Florida State's Vicky Gill (20:18), both of whom are legitimate national title contenders.

"Individually, I'll take it," said the seven-time All-American junior. "I'm not happy — there were still two people ahead of me — but it wasn't bad. As a team, I think we improved from Pre-Nats. We're improving every week. It's frustrating that we didn't outright win, but we'll take it and hopefully keep improving to nationals."

Josi Lauber and true freshman Kris Roth also finished in the top 10 for the Pack, earning All-ACC honors. Lauber finished fifth in 21:14 with Roth 10 seconds back.

"We had some incredible races today," said assistant coach Laurie Henes. "Josi and Kris just ran incredible. When you think that Kris missed all summer being sick, I think she is going to run at a really high level not just at the end of this season, but for the rest of her career."

Abby Nelkie and Janelle Vadnais finished fourth and fifth for State, coming in 20th and 23rd in the pack of 67.

"It was a really good race, and we ran smart," said Nelkie. "I didn't get caught up with the people

who fell back, and I ran my race."

This race was Nelkie's and Roth's second competition with the top team.

Freshman Julia Lucas normally runs up front for the Pack, but at this race, the best she could muster was sixth on the team. She finished two places behind Vadnais in 22:05.

"If we hadn't gotten those solid races from Abby and Janelle, it wouldn't have been close," said Henes. "But on the other hand, had Julia not had her knee problem, it wouldn't have been close the other way. It's really not that bad, but it really wore on her mentally going into a race like this. Now that Josi and Kris have stepped up to that level, some pressure will be taken off of Julia and she'll have somebody to run with."

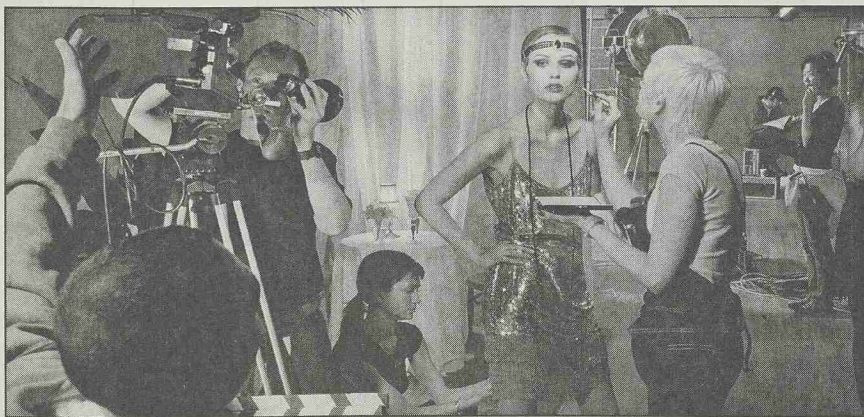
Diana Henderson and Renee Gunning also ran for the Pack, finishing 34th and 35th overall.

"We've had a really tough couple of weeks, and I think it's all paid off," said Lauber. "We were pretty tired and sluggish at Pre-Nats, but it paid off now, and it's going to pay off in the championship season. We have some loose ends to tie up before districts and nationals, but I think we can do it."

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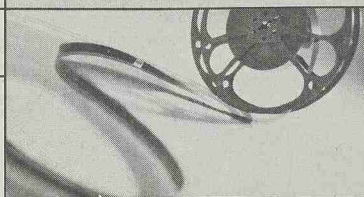
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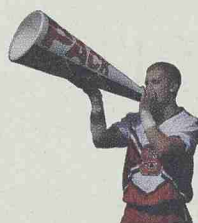
# Tuesday Sports

## Schedule

Football @ Maryland, 11/9, noon  
M. Basketball vs. One World All Stars, 11/8, 7  
M. Soccer vs. Liberty, 11/6, 2  
W. Soccer @ ACC Tournament, 11/8

## Scores

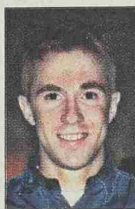
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## Media (awards) day



Andrew B. Carter

You've got to love media day.

There's food, comedy, gifts, comedy, funny stuff, comedy and sports.

There's not a whole lot better than watching a flock of sports-writers ruthlessly attack a buffet like an ear-starved

Mike Tyson. Or watching a guy like Maryland coach Gary Williams quietly get angrier and angrier for seemingly no reason during an interview.

So naturally, when the ACC announced the date for "Operation Basketball," I immediately canceled my previous plans of sleeping until 2 p.m. and waking up in time to sit around, knit and bake cookies. I put the garden on hold until next weekend. I told my secretary to take the day off.

This was big time. Bigger than Don King's hair.

At least I figured it would be.

During last season's media day, entertainment was as plentiful as the unsweetened tea that no one drank.

You had national champions Jason Williams (now Jay), Mike Dunleavy and Carlos Boozer. You had future national champions Juan Dixon and Lonny Baxter. You had cocky, national-champion-wannabes like Matt Doherty, Kris Lang and Jason Capel, all of which had no reason to be cocky.

You had bona-fide, priceless moments, such as when Capel guaranteed he'd be an NBA lottery pick. Or Coach K's reaction when someone suggested that Duke would have its best team in history.

This year, though, things were different. Sure, there was still the unsweetened tea that no one drank, but gone were most of the names, the comments, the comedy that make these things what they are.

But, amid all the boredom, media day still managed to produce some worthy discussion. No one belittled his rival — like Jeb Terry did to N.C. State during football's media day — and no one made any ridiculous predictions. (Unless you count my prediction that put the Wolfpack on top of the league, though I don't think that's too ridiculous.)

But while taking notes and asking astute, relevant questions, I developed some awards that I feel illustrate media day quite well.

### Most Awkward Moment Award:

Goes to yours truly. I was happy sitting like the middle school outcast at the lunch table with fellow outcast Steve Thompson. We were content in grubbing and sugaring up our teas. We liked how we had more room, due to the fact that no enlarged sportswriter had plopped down at the table. But then — paradise lost. ACC Commissioner John Swofford sat down right across from us. Of course I recognized him — but he wanted to make sure. "Hi, John Swofford," he said, extending his hand. After introducing myself, there was a noted silence. What am I supposed to say to John Swofford? ("So, John, how's life as 'the commish' treatin' ya, eh? Ha, hahaha.") Good thing some of Swofford's corporate golf buddies came to break the deadening silence.

### Operation Basketball All-Interview Team:

Chris Duhon — he has a lot to say; Will Johnson — well-spoken guard has to make some kind of all-star team, right?; Dahntay Jones — versatile swingman sports versatile lexicon; Mahktar Ndiaye — his comments throughout the years have earned him a permanent spot; Travis Watson — this team needs



## N.C. State reinforced its dominance in the ACC with men's and women's team titles and an individual crown at the cross country conference championships.

Todd Lion  
Senior Staff Writer

ATLANTA — In 1991, N.C. State's cross country program performed a feat never before accomplished in the ACC by sweeping both the men's and women's conference titles. Since then, they have accomplished this task six more times.

The Wolfpack did it once again Saturday, completing its eighth sweep of the past 11 years in unique ways.

The No. 21 men's team, with 17 points, barely missed the record for lowest point total (16, set in 1999 by State) and largest margin of victory (54, set by '99 State). The Wolfpack won by 52 points over Duke.

The No. 6 women's team had its own sort of unique win, sharing the title with Wake Forest in the first tie ever at the ACC Championships. Both teams scored 61 points.

The men's team displayed complete dominance over the field, finishing its top five runners in the top six places overall. All five earned All-ACC honors.

"I told the guys last night that the thing we haven't done this year is have five guys run well at the same time," said head

coach Rollie Geiger. "We'd have one run well one race and another run well in another. What we saw today was five solid races."

Never during the race was there any question about what team was going to finish first, as State had its top five packed in the top 10 overall from less than a mile into the race.

"Our goal here today was to get everybody running hard and everybody running well," said senior David Patterson. "We went out as a group and took turns at the front breaking the pack until we ran away with it. It was a total team effort. Everybody came out today. Everyone came out to run."

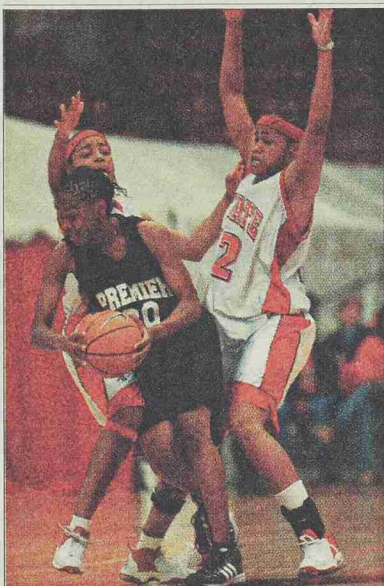
Patterson posted a strong finish, winning the championship in 24:14 over the 8,000-meter course. Patterson's only other individual conference championship came at the outdoor track 10,000-meter race as a freshman, so this victory was especially sweet for him.

"I came in winning an ACC Championship, and I'm going to go out winning one," he said. "The years in the middle were a little rough, but I kept my head up, and I'm going to enjoy this one."

Devin Swann and Ricky Brookshire



The women's team was nearly alone at the top but tied Wake Forest for the first shared team championship in ACC cross country history. Staff photo by Todd Lion



Amy Simpson (right) and the State women ran all over the Premier Players. Staff photo by Kyle Rodgers

## Pack impresses in exhibition win

The N.C. State women's basketball team easily defeated the Premier Players in its first action of the season.

Austin Johnson  
and Jon Page  
Staff Writers

Premier Players gave N.C. State's women's basketball team a solid fight in the first half of play last night at Reynolds Coliseum, but the Wolfpack dominated the second half en route to a 101-78 victory in its first exhibition game of the season.

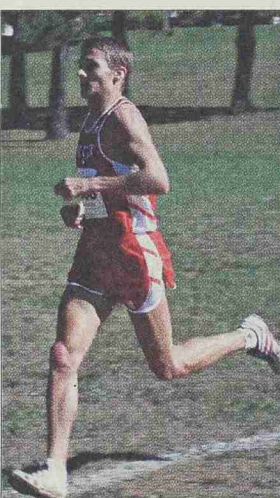
The Players started the second half on the defensive, utilizing a helter-skelter full-court press, but point guard Terrah James sliced

through the pressure with ease. Her lay-up three minutes into the second half gave the Pack its first ten-point lead.

Shortly after, Kaayla Chones used her long arms to tip a rebound to herself, then connected on a short lay-up. The Players would eventually cut the lead back to five on a Tynesha Lewis field goal, but the Pack went on a 8-0 run to silence the Players for good.

"We had five players in double figures," said Yow. "With our depth we have a chance to wear people down."

The Pack did just that to the Players on the glass, wearing them out. State picked up 28 offensive boards to the Players seven. The



The men's team dominated the field in finishing first. Staff photo by Todd Lion

followed Patterson in 24:39 and 24:37.

"We went out with the lead pack for about three miles," said Swann. "Patterson and I broke away after about three miles, and after three-and-a-half to four miles, Patterson made a move and went on to win. We had a good day, and we're going to hold it together until nationals, where we're going to prove that we're a lot better than our ranking. Rankings don't mean anything."

Clemson's Jason Meany broke up State's top five with a fourth-place finish, but David Christian and Kurtis Marlowe kept the Wolfpack's top five within a 30-second spread, finishing in 24:41 and 24:44.

Dean Bowker was State's sixth runner in 14th place, and Bryce Ruiz won the

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### FOOTBALL NOTES

Jon Page  
Staff Writer

After Georgia Tech handed N.C. State its first loss of the season, Wolfpack players could not be found in the locker room pointing fingers at other teammates for their mistakes, a difference from years past.

"That's the reason we're in this situation [with only one loss right now] to begin with, because of the love and affection they have for one another," said head coach Chuck Amato. "It is a close team. They work together and they've seen each other work hard. They've pushed each other through workouts."

Amato also noted the Pack's strong senior leadership.

"The senior leadership has been absolutely great," said Amato. "Your seniors have to play the best football of their career to have a great year. Philip [Rivers] isn't a senior but his presence accounts for so much."

### On the road again

State has won its last four ACC road games, a streak that bodes well for the Pack as it prepares to visit Maryland on Saturday. The streak includes victories this season at North Carolina and Clemson, and wins at Duke and Florida State to conclude last season.

The four-game road-winning streak is the Pack's best since a streak that ran from the end of the 1978 season through the beginning of the 1980 campaign.

### Peterson streak is school's best

Senior wideout Bryan Peterson caught three passes against Georgia Tech, but he only needed one in order to etch his name into the State record book. Peterson set a school record by catching a pass in his 35th straight game, the fifth-longest streak in the nation.

### Rivers passes Barnette

After a 21-for-41 passing performance against the Yellow Jackets, Philip Rivers is now third in the nation in passing efficiency with a mark of 155.23. However, with his 21 completions, Rivers

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## Shutout brings State slide to six



Justin Branch (18) uses his head to defend against a Flames attack.

Staff by Tim Lytvienko

The N.C. State men's soccer team lost a physical 2-0 match to Illinois-Chicago Sunday.

Jimmy Ryals  
Staff Writer

Scoring opportunities were rare for N.C. State Sunday in a 2-0 home loss to the Flames of Illinois-Chicago Sunday.

In a game marred by 34 total fouls, three yellow cards and a red card, the Wolfpack (4-13, 0-6) could generate no offense. The Flames (9-7-2) outshot State 22-7. The Pack played the last 30:21 of the match with one man down, after defender Kyle Fragakis was ejected for receiving a red card.

Head coach George Tarantini remains hopeful, despite the loss.

"I'm proud of [the team]," he said. "With 10 guys playing, the first half they dominated the game, the second half

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