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IN THE KNOW

WORLD

Weapons inspections could take up to a year

The International Atomic Energy Agency announced that the Iraqi weapons inspections could take up to another year to complete.

While the news was good news for the thousands of American troops who were recently deployed to the Persian Gulf, one White House official has reportedly said that the military troops may still be needed, even if inspections are not complete.

U.N. inspectors visited several sites in Iraq on Monday, including the College of Science for Men and the College of Science for Women at the University of Baghdad and the University of Technology in Baghdad.

According to a report by CNN.com, while the United States has remained adamant about its evidence that suggests Iraq has nuclear weapons in its possession, the United Nations says that they have yet found this evidence.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman announces bid for 2004 presidency



KRT photo by Richard Marshall

The race for the Democratic bid for president continues to draw a crowd.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman joined a grow ing list of candidates on Monday when he announced at his former high school that he would run for president.

The senator from Connecticut was the Democratic vice presidential nominee in 2000. He had announced previously that if former running-mate Al Gore decided to run he would not. Gore announced he would not be running in

Other candidates that have announced their intent to run for president include: Vermont Gov. Howard Dean; Missouri Rep. Dick Gephardt; Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry and North Carolina Sen. John Edwards.

Residents near power plant receive anti-radiation pills

Anti-radiation pills will soon be available to people who live within 10 miles of a Progress Energy nuclear power plant in Brunswick County. The pills, which contain potassium iodide, are meant to reduce the chances of thyroid cancer following a radiation leak.

The pills are meant to target the thyroid gland specifically and prevent absorption of radioactive ionine. Howev er, they cannot protect people from fullbody radiation exposure.

The pill distribution is part of a program by the federal government that provided states with millions of potassium iodide pills in case of terrorist attacks on nuclear facilities.

Malecha will spearhead search committee

Malecha will lead a committee to find candidates for the vacant provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs.

News Staff Report

N.C. State could welcome a new provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs sooner than expected, and the position will be filled by one of its own

Chancellor Marye Anne Fox announced Friday that College of Design Dean Marvin Malecha will chair the nomination committee to identify candidates for the position. The rest of the committee could be announced today, and the search will proceed on a "fast track" time line.

"I think it's a critical moment for the university, and Fox agrees," said Malecha. 'I'm very committed to doing it all with

By "fast track," the committee will try to conclude the search in a timely man-

livered to the chancellor as soon as possible. But Malecha is firm in expressing that "fast track" will not mean that the process will be hasty or superficial.

"In discussions [with the chancellor], I expressed concern that the university would not get to know the candidates," said Malecha. However, the search will be done internally, searching the university for candidates, and that should help facilitate it more quickly.

That was based on recommendations Fox had from the faculty, deans and members of her administrative teams," Malecha explained. "Frankly, I think it's a wise decision. We have some very good

leadership potential on campus."

The Faculty Senate is expected to deliver their list of recommendations for committee members today, which should also help move the process along. The committee will include 15 members, including 10 faculty members from vari-

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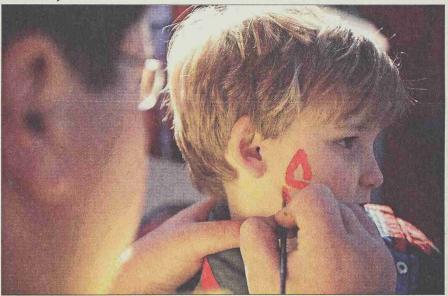
Marvin Malecha says he will lead a "broad-based committee." Staff photo

committee," Malecha said, "with good representation and a strong student

From that point, the committee will work to evaluate and consider candidates to formulate the final list.

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Precisely red



Wolfpack fans, both young and old, came out in droves Saturday to celebrate the football team's win over Notre Dame in the Gator Bowl. The event, sponsored by the City of Raleigh, featured fireworks and face painting. Staff photo by Mike Pittman.

for valid reasons, officials say Although canceled classes at the

Classes canceled

beginning of a semester may seem drastic, officials claim that many of them are eventually recreated.

Rachael Rogers

Each semester various courses are canceled or re-created, leaving many students frustrated and confused.

While courses are canceled or re-created for a variety of reasons, university officials assure students that such an occurrence does not have to turn into a total disaster.

Depending on the semester, a different number of courses may continue, be recreated or canceled all together.

Associate Registrar Michelle Johnson said, "It is important to compare similar semesters."

During the spring 2002 semester, a to-tal of 285 undergraduate class sections were canceled (excluding distance education courses), compared to 268 class sections canceled this semester.

However, "it is important to realize that many canceled classes are actually re-created at a different time and day of the week or as a differently numbered course," Johnson said.

A number of factors are considered when making the decision to cancel a class, and there are a variety of reasons behind a class cancellation. Usually the department offering the course is responsible for deciding whether to cancel a class or not.

The largest factors that are considered are when there is a change in the time or day that the course is being offered, when there is low enrollment in the course or if there is a lack of available faculty to teach the course.

Other factors are taken into account, but "you would need to ask the academic department responsible for a course for additional information about why a specific course was canceled," Johnson said.

Budget cuts may affect course cancellations, but "since course cancellations can be caused by a number of factors and many canceled courses are subsequently re-created under a different number or at a different day and time, it is diffi-

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Just another night at Hillsborough IHOP

Hillsborough Street's IHOP restaurant has grown into an NCSU landmark. A Technician reporter takes a seat during one of the restaurant's busiest nights.

Grayson Currin

The banter stops, slammed to a pinpoint end by the sound of glass shattering into a hundred jagged-edged pieces across a cold concrete floor. The quiet breaks, lifted as a full house turns in unison, staring at the busy man with the quizzical face, his dish-washing hands still half expecting the shape of the glass now trampled be neath his own feet.

It's 1:43 a.m., International House of Pancakes, Hillsborough Street.

For the embarrassed busboy Thomas Riley and company, the night of taut emotion and overwhelming requests has just begun. In what seems a weekly force of habit, college students - hungry and exhausted after a week of scholastic worries washed away in a night of partying - flock to IHOP in search of an overindulgent repast before collapsing to sleep.

For the wait staff, however, the wee hours of the weekend — which begin for the 15 or so IHOP employees late Thursday night - aren't all fun and games. They are instead a strenuous test of patience, a forced exercise in tired-eyed

"Thursdays are hell, really. Fridays and Sat-urdays are tough, and Sundays can be all right. But Thursdays are hell," grimaces James Wong,

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MLK's daughter speaks on campus

Yolanda King will deliver a speech on Wednesday to help NCSU celebrate the legacy of her father, Martin Luther King Jr.

News Staff Report

While the saying is known as "like father, like son," in the case of Yolanda King, the oldest daughter of the late Martin Luther King Jr., the saying could be read as "like father, like daughter."

father, Yolanda King has dedicated herself to social and personal

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Yolanda King will present "The

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Another goal for Malecha is to make sure that that list has candidates who are broadly exposed to campus and that all faculty feel that they have a fair chance at the

Search committees are nothing new to the dean. He also chaired the nomination committee for the position of vice chancellor for extension and engagement.

"I have the same goals as anyone would have for a search," he said. "They are the same goals I've had in the past.

Most importantly, he feels that people should have the chance to be heard throughout the process, especially during a time when members of the university are voicing conflicting opinions about recent decisions. This begins, he said, by having a very open and clear process where every person feels that they have the opportunity to either put their name in or have a role in the selection process through discussions and open forums.

One thing that Malecha is certain of, however, is that limiting the search to NCSU will not be limiting the talent.

'I'm very optimistic about attracting a very good leader from our campus," Malecha said. "We have many people that would be terrific candidates at any university. We don't believe we're giving up on quality."

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growth through her talents, which include her stage and screen pursuits and her involvement with various human rights organizations.

King will share these talents and other experiences with the N.C. State community on Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Stewart Theatre when she serves as the keynote speaker for the Martin Luther King Commemoration.

'Ms. King will challenge the campus community to rededicate itself to living the dream that was so eloquently advocated by her father," said Theresa Edwards, assistant vice provost for African American affairs, in a News Services report.

King has portrayed Rosa Parks in the television movie "King," been named one of the Outstanding Young Women of America and served on the part-nership council of Habitat for Humanity. And this is just a few of King's many accomplishments.

King's speech, which is free and open to the public, is titled "The Dream is Still a Dream.'



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cult to assess whether or not budget cuts affect cancellations,"

Students who are registered for a class that is re-created or canceled are notified by a postcard almost immediately. If a student is enrolled in a course that is canceled and re-created, Registration and Records will automatically move the student into the newly created course.

Any student who has a schedule conflict with the new course is notified of the cancellation by mail. Any student who is registered for a course that is canceled and not recreated will be likewise

These postcards notifying students of cancellations are mailed the day after the course is canceled, and, in some cases, the academic department responsible for the course will also notify the affected student by mail," John-

Once a student is notified, they have the option of registering for other available sections for that specific course, registering for an alternative course or participating in an independent study.

Meredith Willis, a sophomore in English, experienced having a class canceled.

"I was registered for a 'Technology for Text' class that I wanted to take so I could experience the technological side of English a little more. I had to find another class so I'd have 15 hours, which was hard to do because most classes that I needed to take were full by then." Willis said.

These class cancellations, while sometimes frustrating, rarely affect a student's timely graduation.

Usually students can find another course that will fit. However, "in the rare event that a course cancellation might impact a student's graduation date, it has been my experience that academic departments will work with the student to find a suitable substitute for the canceled course that will still meet degree requirements,' Johnson said.

Students can try to avoid a canceled class during regular registration. One helpful hint is to check the enrollment for the course via the online schedule of courses.

"If enrollment appears to be low for a specific course, the student can contact the responsible academic department to determine if the course is being considered for cancellation," Johnson said.

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a short, closely shaven Asian-American man in his mid-20s who has been the late-shift security guard at IHOP since Feb. 1,

That isn't to say that Fridays or Saturdays aren't hectic. As any waitress, cook or busboy will testify with a simultaneous laugh and an exasperated moan, they

On the Saturday night in question, students and alumni - indulgent in their revelry of the afternoon's hometown defeat of national football juggernaut Florida State — pour in by waves, starting just before 12 p.m. and ending sometime just before

"This is the after-party place tonight since we beat Florida State today," Lauren Spainhour, a junior at N.C. State, beams, her face still cheerful following a party with some friends and football

Elijio "Iunior" Pena knows all about the day's victory.

"Yeah, the kids will be in here tonight like crazy because of the game," sighs Pena, a 21-year-old bilingual waiter who moved to North Carolina two years ago from his Long Island home.

Only through continual practice has Pena learned to understand his job - the hustle and bustle, the unexpected surprises, the profane customers, the complete disrespect. Tonight, his troubles start early, as a table of six older students simply have more urgent requests than he - already consumed with a full section - can possibly fill. While trying to give their order, two in the crowd be come frustrated and dismiss Pena for a few more minutes. When he doesn't return to the table after five minutes, the whole party becomes irritated and calls another waitress, unaware of the entire situation, to take their order. After quickly taking the request down and smiling, she finds Pena, questioning him about being remiss with his tables.

"I was just trying to take their order and, you know, whatever," Pena says after the altercation, his worried frown betraying his posed indifference.

"It's just the way they tell you things like you're a real idiot. We don't need that, and I'm not putting up with it," he snaps after de livering their food with a forced grin only minutes later.

Not long after, that same pack of six now-stuffed friends decides to leave, and the night's action kicks into high gear. After five of them cross Park Drive and climb into a burgundy sport utility vehicle, the bunch heads back across the street to pick up the last friend, still inside paying. Five minutes later, the woman is still inside. The driver, a black man in his early 20s, leaps from his seat and out of the car, yelling and heading for the door just as she walks through the exit.

"Oh no, I know you didn't leave a tip!" he screams on the way to the car. "I know you didn't do it!" "I did, too! I did it because I've been a server before. That stuff's hard," she yells in a shrill voice,

defending Pena and his effort.

The argument speeds away inside of the SUV as James Wong and his older partner John Conley stand outside, talking about their weeks and pacing back and forth in a failed attempt to stay

As they do so, the evening's next incident strolls into the parking lot. Antwon Christmas stumbles into the driveway, holding his head in his right hand and flagging down the uniformed guards, Wong and Conley. Christmas tells the officers his brother hit him in

pulled over only blocks from

We can go down there and find him right now," Christmas - obviously in pain —tells an attentive Wong.

After understanding Christmas' story, Wong calls the Raleigh Police Department from a company cell phone, reports the incident and requests both police and medical assistance. Twenty fretful minutes later, an ambulance followed closely by three women apparently related to Christmas arrives. The women rush to Christmas,

still badly shaken and now with a bag of ice pressed firmly to his forehead. The usual questions fly, as both the medics and the women struggle to find out what happened and if the dazed and stammering man is OK. "Do you wanna go in there to

the hospital?" asks the chorus of those on hand, pointing to the ambulance as they slowly guide Christmas to its doors.

Finally realizing what they are saying, he says, "Yeah, yeah! Let's

Christmas and one of the women climb inside as the other women rush to their car and head out of the parking lot right behind the flashing lights of the ambulance, now making its way quickly to WakeMed.

Just inside, now well past 3 a.m., things are still in full swing. The restaurant's multitasking hostess, pulling double-duty tonight as she runs the register and fights to seat people, scans the restaurant rather nervously, awaiting open tables for the hungry mob of 30 students now lined up through the door.

"Can you handle two more?" she asks waitress Charity Jenkins in passing.

'Give me a few minutes please," Jenkins replies, quickly glancing back over her shoulder as she rushes to a table of four, a pitcher of sweet tea in hand.

Meanwhile, Junior Pena is hastily taking orders in English, velling them to cooks behind the counter in rapid-fire Spanish and grabbing a stack of pancakes and a ticket before dropping them off with a smile to a table of eager mouths. Constant requests for more maple syrup and more water plague Pena through the night, as do a handful of orders botched by the cooks.

'You come to IHOP, and everything is just watered down, you know?" says a skinny white student with glazed eyes, apparently trying to amuse his philosophically babbling friends at a table of six as Pena stretches across them to pour tea. "Society's fattening. It's crazy how the more social we get, the fatter and lazier we want to be."

As the shift marches on, the Cc Nightclub crowd - led in tow by a charming drag queen who calls herself Mysti - arrives not long after 4 a.m. They pleasantly joke with the wait staff and grin at people staring at them. Mysti batting her eyelids and smiling ridely — teases a man in a torn leather jacket and ripped stonewashed jeans across the restaurant. Wong laughs nearby.

Amid the late-night hum of chatter and clanging dishes still strong as the clock moves to 5 a.m., any of the waiters is quick to confess that their job can be, in a word, crazy. The hours are always long, and the pay can sometimes Riley, the busboy who let the glass fall from his overflowing bus pan, says, "There is a lot to love with the

"I love these people a lot. If it wasn't for these people here, I'd be in the streets now. I walked in, and they said 'You're hired," he says with a grin, busily scampering off to one more table.

CRIME REPORT

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

9:52 a.m. — False pretense A student reported losing a cell phone last night at the dance held at Talley Student Center. Person(s) unknown had found the phone and had utilized the service to make calls.

10:58 a.m. — Damage to

A student reported that the student's vehicle had been keyed by person(s) unknown while parked in Dan Allen Deck.

1:48 p.m. — Skateboarders Units responded to the Unit 2 Headhouse regarding a report of skateboarders. A canvas of the area was completed with negative results.

3:57 p.m. — Lost property

A student reported losing their cell phone at the Talley Student Center party. No one had utilized

4:54 p.m. — Policy violation A student reported a subject placing flyers on vehicles on Thurman Drive without a permit. The subject was located north of Bragaw Hall and allowed to collect the flyers they had dispersed. The subject was advised of the poli-

6:08 p.m. — Larceny

A student reported that several items of jewelry had been removed from the subject's room in the Avent Ferry Complex

8:24 p.m. — Illegally parked

A student reported that two vehicles were illegally parked in the Upper Wood Lot, making it difficult for vehicles to pass. Officers checked the vehicles. One had left the area. The owner of the other was contacted to move the vehi-

9:48 p.m. — Drug violation

A report of marijuana odor coming from a room in Welch Hall was received. Officers checked the area. The odor was a scented candle. The RA was notified of the

9:50 p.m. — Traffic stop A non-student was cited for an expired tag and inspection sticker on Dan Allen Drive.

Calls to 5-3000 - 69 Calls to 5-3333 - 82 Actual Intrusion/Panic Alarms - 0 Key Request - 3 Assist Motorist - 3

Michigan professors: economic conditions to improve

After reaching an eight-year high in November, the unemployment rate remained at 6 percent in December.

Lydia K. Leung Michigan Daily (U. Michigan)

(U-WIRE) ANN ARBOR, Mich. - Despite rising concern over joblessness, the Labor Department announced Friday that af-

ter reaching an eight-year high in November, the unemployment rate remained at 6 percent even after employers slashed 101,000 jobs in December.

"Generally, 6 percent is relatively high for the United States but it is not extremely high," University of Michigan Business Prof. Katherine Terrell said.

However, some economists said the unemployment rate would have been higher had less people not given up on trying to find a job amid the sluggish economy. Since the unemployed were not

considered part of the labor force people who are either employed or unemployed and actively finding a job — they were excluded from the calculation of the unemployment rate.

Business Prof. Nejat Seyhun agreed with the economists.

"It's exactly why when the economy loses a hundred thousand jobs, the unemployment rate doesn't go up," Seyhun said.

Their view was supported by data compiled by Anthony Chan, Banc One Investment Advisers chief economist.

The data indicates that the labor force grew at a much slower rate in 2002 when the average number of people added to the labor force was 38,000 per month, down from an average of 153,000 since the 1970s.

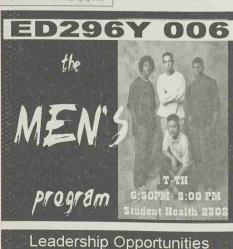
Though the unemployment data is not likely to excite most people, the economy is not as grim as it seems and students should stay optimistic, Seyhun

said. "The unemployment figure is typically the lacking indicator, even if the economy improves react very quickly and it changes

Seyhun said the stock market is often the leading indicator of the economy and, with the recent rally in the markets, it seems the economy is improving slowly.

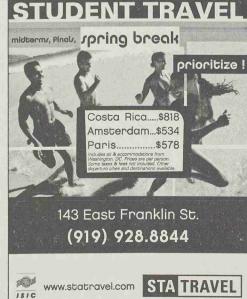
Terrell said college students were especially discouraged by the decrease in job openings and wanted to delay their entrance to the job market, which contributed to the relatively meager growth of the labor force.

According to the University's enrollment data, graduate and professional school enrollment at the University rose by 5 percent during the fall 2002 term. Engineering senior Chen Ma, who has applied to graduate school, is among those who hope to use the extra degree to secure a job next year.



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Chicago

Catherine Zeta-Jone

Joel Isaac Frady

A&E Editor

The last few years have been invigorating for the musical genre. It once appeared to be on the verge of extinction - for years musical numbers were, on the big screen, only seen in animated films aimed at younger audiences. But after the indie hits like "Dancer in the Dark" and last year's colorful "Moulin Rouge," the musical scene in the theaters was beginning to be something that we were all looking forward to.

In terms of the growth the genre has been making, "Chicago" is a big step in the wrong direction. It walks the fine line between film and stage but never chooses which one it wants to be — in the end, all it becomes is an uneven mix of typical film scenes and boring musical numbers that never really finds its

The film, based on the musical by Fred Ebb, Bob Fosse and Maurine Dallas Watkins, introduces us to Roxie Hart (played by an energetic Renée Zell-weger), who is the kind of stupid, selfish, attention-hungry bimbo that most of us go out of our way to avoid. She dreams of having her own act on the Vaudeville stage, but we only see her sleeping around with people she thinks have contacts instead of going to auditions.

It turns out, however, that her boyfriend doesn't have connections - he just told her that because he wanted some action so for his lies, she plugs him ... three times. Next thing we know her husband, Amos (John C Reilly, who is also currently in "The Hours" and "Gangs of New York"), begins to tell the cops that he did it — until the victim is identified. Then the realization that he's just been cuckolded kicks in, and Roxie realizes that she's headed to the

Here, she meets Velma Kelly

CHICAGO



 $\textbf{Ren\'ee Zellweger plays the seductive Roxie Hart in the film version of the Broadway hit "Chicago." \textit{Photo courtesy Miramax Picture} is the property of th$

(Catherine Zeta-Jones), a successful performer who's also there for murder. Velma's got the charisma that Roxie only wishes she had, and she's also got the other thing Roxie is dying to get: lawyer Billy Flynn (Richard Gere). Roxie does get in good with the prison matron, who goes by "Mama" (Queen Latifah), and before she knows it, poor Amos has put together good deal of money for her defense

One of the biggest problems of the film is just a matter of characters — it follows Roxie, even though she's the most despicable, unlikable character around. While following her, it manages to ignore the interesting characters: there's Velma, with her tough-girl attitude and style: there's Amos, who isn't the brightest star in the heavens but still has a heart of gold, going out of his way to spend all the money he has to get his cheating tramp of a wife a good lawyer; and then there's Mama ... with a name like that, she's gotta be interesting.

There's also the subject matter of the film, which treks the publicity and fame that these women get during their trials, and reminds us that murder is just another way to achieve celebrity status. It's the same subject matter that we've seen

before (remember the great Nicole Kidman vehicle "To Die For" or "Natural Born Killers"), but for some reason, it has a hard time keeping a viewer's attention, when previously it was hard to look away from.

Not that many people are go-ing for the story — they're going for the music, and it's the musical numbers that feel like giant nails being driven through the coffin that "Chicago" had already begun to put itself into. They don't take place in the same settings as the rest of the film — instead, director Rob Marshall places the actors on a stage, with absurd makeup and costumes, and the musical num

bers take place here. This decision is confusing every time they use it, for we find ourselves watching a film that is constantly changing from a film to

This, accompanied with the dull subject matter and emphasis on Roxie, add up to a boring, mean-spirited film that's full of talented people. It lingers on and on, frequently feeling like it's never going to end, and the credits bring one of the only smiles that accompany this film.

Too bad it's the smile of realization that the film is over, and you'll never have to watch it

Yoga competes with **Tylenol**

FSView & Florida Flambeau (Florida State U.)

(U-WIRE) TALLAHASSEE, Fla. has become one of the most popular workouts in the country. Some wellknown benefits include stress relief and muscle strengthening. According to a new book, such ailments as the common cold can also be relieved by yoga. Florida State University College of Medicine professor Richard Usatine, M.D., has joined with world renowned yoga therapist Larry Payne, Ph.D., in publishing "Yoga Rx."

"Yoga can be as important as any medication," Usatine said. "This is a lifestyle change. This is a way to improve the quality of your life."

'Yoga Rx" is the only known composition in its field. Payne and Usatine have published an easy-to-learn regimen and over 300 photographs so that anyone can seek the benefits of yoga. For those needing relief from back pain, arthritis, menstrual cramps, depression or obesity, "Yoga Rx" has specific therapeutic outlines geared directly towards these ailments and more

"It's taken a while for yoga to become legitimate," Payne said. "In the past, it was thought of as flighty."

Payne said he has no doubt yoga will become a larger part of medicine in the United States. It is not meant to take the place of prescribed medications but rather to be used in conjunction with them. Also, it takes more than one exercise to relieve a person of a migraine.

Payne and Usatine began working together when Usatine was involved in a car accident many years ago. After seeking help from medical doctors, he visited Payne for individual yoga therapy sessions. Usatine said he felt better after the first day of treatment. He invited Payne to teach the first accredited yoga class at UCLA Family Medicine Residency Training Program, where he served as associate director before coming to FSU. Payne's success with his teaching led him to become the first yoga therapist to attend the World Economic Forum. While there, he introduced CEOs and world leaders to the healing capabilities of yoga, including relieved back pain and increased concentration.

According to Usatine and Payne, everyone can benefit from the routines in "Yoga Rx." Even someone who has been paralyzed can practice arm exercises that will help with allergies. Yoga can help with motor skills as well.

"I met a woman who lost the mobility of her legs in a car accident," said certified yoga instructor Stephanie Brandt. "Yoga was the only exercise gentle enough for her to do. With the help of yoga, she now has full use of her legs."

"Yoga Rx" does not recommend yoga as replacement for medical drugs; how ever, it can serve in preventing future problems. The published handbook can be found in bookstores everywhere.

'As more Americans are doing yoga and asking about it, there is more medical awareness of it," Usatine said. "As the number of yoga therapists grows and the demand for it from patients grows, yoga will become a larger part of the practice of medicine in this country.



KRT photo by Richard Marshall

Grammy nods prove simply hilarious



Daily O'Collegian (Oklahoma State U.)

(U-WIRE) STILLWATER, Okla. — With last week's announcement of the 2003 Grammy Awards nominee list, the selection committee accomplished the unthinkable and sunk to an ultimately hilarious new low with their laughable, yet insulting, choices for the music industry's long-gone top honors.

Year after year, music fans and critics sweat to the death with anger toward the increasingly dull selections of the mysterious Grammy committee. But really, how could an industry controlled by profit-pirating suits and ties actually be expected to hand out noteworthy awards to deserving artists? We music faithful have those suits and ties to thank for the dictated drab taste of the general public that serves as the foundaition (along with the almighty dollar) beneath the Grammy nominations. There's really no sense in complaining about this popularity contest, just poke fun at it. After all, this is the same contest that nominated the Rolling Stones and Hanson in the same category

Like the Grammys, people as a whole are formulaic and routine; thus, the appeal of processed music is no surprise. As a general rule, the more superficial and tal-

entless the artist, the more Americans will like them. With that being said, let's analyze some of the big nominees, good and bad, of this year's circus show

Record of the Year The talent gap here makes the Grand Canyon look like

a divot in a public golf course fairway. "Don't Know Why" — Norah Jones: In one corner, one of the best debuts of the year; the shy, olive-skinned Norah Jones is armed with a classically-tuned jazz piano and a knack for writing smoothly flowing, earnest

love songs (except this one, penned by Jesse Harris). "Dilemma" — Nelly featuring Kelly Rowland, and "How You Remind Me" — Nickelback: In the other corner, behemoth egos rage, brandishing meaningless white Band-Aids on the cheek, custom tailored hot pants and the worst haircut not from Stillwater, Okla. Nelly, Destiny's Child temptress Kelly Rowland and the ugliest man in rock, Nickelback criminal Chad Kroeger, wait for their record companies to prepare acceptance speeches for them.

Best New Artist

ret time I saw Ashanti she was on a Murder Inc. yacht frolicking with Ja Rule during a "TRL" countdown. Gee, rough life for a supposed rhythm and blues singer. But that was the first time, so I figured I would give her another chance. The next month, the duo returned on a bigger yacht with less clothing. Then it happened again. And again. I tried to look for an airbrushed umbilical cord between the two but to no avail.

Avril Lavigne: Don't try to pretend that you didn't see "sk8er" wannabe Lavigne coming the moment Britney Spears put on a Catholic school girl skirt. It's the old school *NSYNC (Lou Pearlman) mini-mall formula: For every Abercrombie singer, there must be a Gadzooks counterpart. Stop fighting it, Avril; it's not that complicated.

John Mayer: All is well until Mayer opens his mouth. It seems Dave Matthews does indeed have an illegitimate love child.

Best Pop Vocal Album

"Let Go" — Avril Lavigne, "Missundaztood" — Pink, — Britney Spears:

In this all-female nominee category, I can't help but feel a bit baffled by the word "vocal" in the criteria. Legend has it, long ago female singers would make solid, timeless pop records (see Norah Jones, the saving grace nominee of this category) without computer generated digital voice technology, lifeless harmony layers, bleeps, blurps, slurps or orgasmic moans of ecstasy.

The Grammy committee seems to be more concerned with a fashion showdown in this category. Will Avril's ties harness Britney's coveted knickers and prevent them from popping out of whatever tabloid-geared outfit she decides to wear? What color will Pink's hair be? Will these fierce foes (gimme a break) rumble?

Best Rock Performance by a Duo or Group

For some reason, this category has seven nominees, opposed to the usual five, sometimes four, but never constant number.

"Girls of Summer" — Aerosmith and "Walk On" — U2: Aerosmith and U2 receive their required annual nominations, though neither released a new album this year (both released greatest hits discs). And the last time I checked, U2 dominated the last two years' awards shows, and "Walk On" was the catalyst. Oh, but wait, this version was on a Sept. 11 tribute disc, I guess that makes it OK ... I think.

Kroeger's "Spider-Man" anthem is officially the most overdramatic song of all time. Counterpart Josey Scott of Saliva claimed in a summer 2002 MTV interview that the song brought tears to his eyes when Kroeger showed it to him. We are hoping they were tears of laughter, but all signs point the opposite direction

'My Sacrifice" - Creed: A former Oklahoma State Daily O'Collegian writer called Creed's Scott Stapp a "musical genius." I'd like to apologize on his behalf. Geniuses with mullets seem to be a contradiction in terms.

The Grammy Awards ceremony is ultimately a public relations banquet. With just over 100 individual categories, approximately 20 will be televised.

Among the incredulous list of nominees: Bowling for Soup, Slipknot, Mystikal, Femi Kuti, Michael J. Fox (yes, that's right), Robin Williams (an Oscar nominee as well) and, in memory of Joe Strummer, the Clash.

On Grammy night, do yourself a favor: study.

TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

No easy solution to high-speed chases

High-speed car chases seem to be on the rise across the nation. Criminals are choosing to flee in their vehicles rather than face the immediate reactions of police officers. These decisions are causing high-speed pursuits to become deadly, not only to the offenders and patrolling officers, but to innocent pedestrians and motorists alike. Something must be done to stop the deaths of innocent people, but the answer may not be as simple as some people are trying to make it.

According to civiliansdown.com, there are approximately 250,000 police pursuits annually across the country. From these pursuits, nearly 500 deaths occur each year. The chases end in crashes more than 25 percent of the time and typically statistics show 18- to 25-year-old males -at the helm.

Metropolitan areas have chases more frequently than small cities. Los Angeles leads the nation with 7,000 annual chases, which end in 1,200 injuries to innocent victims and another 980 to pursuing police officers

High-speed chases are grabbing people's attention; many shows make a large profit off showing "incredible high-speed chases," and the like. The glorification of chases and the thought of escaping justice leads some to run from the law, but the main question is what should the police do about it?

In Los Angeles, a ruling was made to put restrictions on police pursuits. The restrictions include a maximum speed limit and whether or not the subject is a prior felon or a juvenile. These restrictions are a good start to helping end the saga of high-speed car chases, but they limit the power of the police.

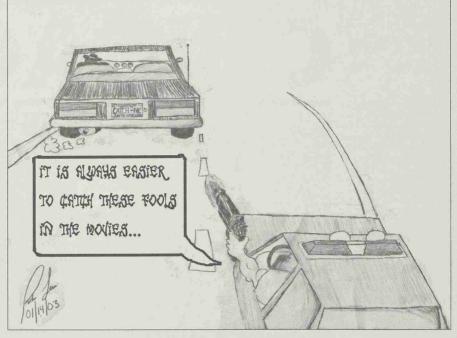
If criminals know that they can escape a cop by driving through an intersection and race to speeds over 55 mph, then there is a possibility that more people will flee the scene of crimes for more minor things like traffic violations.

Larry Martens, a retired Mountie, has come up with a small device that could end chases some before they even start. He has invented the Police Chase Eliminator. It works by allowing a cop to press a radio-controlled button on his dashboard, which will set off the fleeing car's four-way flashers in order to ensure that the officer has the correct vehicle. After the flashers go off, the officer then press es a second button, which causes the car to lose power for 45 seconds then stop altogether, says the Ottawa Citizen.

We believe that this device seems like an easy solution to a complicated problem; however, there has not been enough testing done on the devices to ensure their safety. Registering the cars with and without the device would be a logistical nightmare. Finances could also pose a problem; it would increase the cost of new cars, and people who already own cars may not have the financial means to buy the new devices or to have them installed in their cars. The average motorist who would never flee the cops should not have to foot the bill for ne devices because people do run from the cops, although the public already pays for the chases as they stand today.

Also the power the device gives an of-ficer is infinite. Police could shut down a motorist's engine for speeding or for no reason at all in a worst case scenario of the "bad cop." With more testing and government regulations the device might someday be a terrific option, but we believe for right now it isn't right for the entire country - especially around North Carolina where chases take place much less often than in other spots like Miami, Dallas, Houston and Chicago. We support the authority of the na

tion's police forces. These men and women are trained to handle situations such as high-speed chases. Officers shouldn't have strict guidelines on pursuits, and the general public shouldn't have to install new, relatively untested devices in their cars at their own expense Instead, officers should be trusted and trained to keep to a speed that is as low and should abort chases as soon as they become remotely dangerous to the public.



Home for the holidays

Hughes

Going home ain't like it used to be. Coming from a small town, I used to spend a good 85

percent of my time bundled up cozily in my room. It was either that or Denny's, and I can only have so many All Star Wham-Bam-Slam Your Arteries Are Damned Platters without retreating to the safety and comfort of my own home. Over time, I got to know well the familial rhythms going on inside my little blue house. My father would disappear early into that mysterious void known as work, my brother would emerge groggily from his room and simultaneously turn on an annoying morning news show while terrorizing my cat, and my mom would see to our every 6 a.m. need. We would all live our own lives during the day, then join together as a family — the males would yell at the television and the females would commiserate over shopping.

Then college hit, and everything changed. As we parted in the final hours of move-in day, I knew a different chapter had unfolded for my family. I had left my poor mother alone with two uncommunicative male beings while I emerged to a quest of academics, honor and other studious things I make up when she calls. AOL Instant Messenger has taken the place of daily conversation,

and catastrophic events can now be blanketed with, "Oh yeah, the other day I failed a test/was robbed at gun point/ac cidentally tipped over Harrelson building, but everything's fine now.

"I love you," has become synonymous with "I need money." And I begin to won-der, is every college student experiencing this rift between home and dorm?

Winter break was like touring an alien planet. My artsy mom had discovered Surprise by Design," and I needed a map to negotiate our newly arranged living space. My kid brother had become a fullblown teenager and grew a foot taller than me, forcing me to enlist the aid of a megaphone to have any sort of conversation with him. Well, if his adolescent answers of, "Yeah," "Whatever," and "What are hooters?" count as such. As for my dad, well, at least there is one dependable member of our family

Christmas had become a sort of guessing game. We decided the best way to give out gifts would be to unwrap all the presents, stick them in a pile and randomly throw them at each other, hoping you would have at least one thing that wouldn't end up in a box in your

I began to notice the rift more and more through our pets — the dog tried to eat me as I came through the door, and my beloved cat completely ignored my existence. On top of all this, I was seeing people I never wanted to see again, noticing how old friends I actually did want to see had become evil mutations of their former selves.

In a way, I was sort of glad to come back to State. Raleigh is a big city, with lots of Dennys, so there is a variety of ways to keep yourself occupied. My friends are only a walk away, and classes give me a sense of purpose. But, I do miss home. I think we all do. It's only when I'm away that I really see what I am missing: loving family members who used to be annoying, fun and dreadful but who are now becoming people I can count as my friends. I encourage all of you to try to ap-preciate the folks you left back home, because this is the most we'll ever get to see them from now on.

Enlighten your little brother on all those essential vocabulary words he needs for eighth grade. Tell your dad you're proud of what he does, even if you don't exactly know what it is. And IM your mom and tell her "I love you." Because State is great, but it's not home

Season will be putting in a request for money from home very soon. If you want in on the loot, send her an e-mail at LoveStories@vahoo.com.

CAMPUS FORUM

To those with loved ones in the military As you know now, you are not alone. Over the past several weeks and months I have troubled myself with thoughts of my fiancé not being released after his service term, or worse - not returning

I implore you to not think about things like this, for it does no good to yourself. I hope that you can trust our elected officials (even if you did not vote for him or her) and trust that our loved ones will do their best in any situation. If you become distracted, as I do, while trying to complete tasks for school or work, try to find a focus task. Take a break, and pick something you enjoy doing to get yourself back on track. Transfer that focus to the school or work assignment you could not get ahold of before

Seek help if you need it, or find a friend

that will simply say, 'Everything will be OK.' Even writing this down has made it more concrete for myself, and I hope it will help you as well.

> Karen Noack Industrial Engineering

Foxy maneuvers continued

This piece is a continuation of the Campus Forum that ran Monday, January 13, 2003 in Technician. Mr. Sweet is clarifying points he made in his piece

Chancellor Fox and her staff did not "disinvite" anyone to the ceremony as originally stated, and for that matter, neither did she nix the original party upon hear-

See FORUM page 5

Technology needs to take a backseat

Campbell

we still live in an age of information and technology. Computers, palm

pilots, cell phones and even those pesky key chains that scream obscenities or make flatulent noises are immersed in our everyday lives. All around us, things are getting smaller: phones are the size of a matchbook, there are digital cameras that don't make a model's butt look big and we have grandparents who shrink

Technology is always around us, and AOL Instant Messenger is a wonderful example of this phenomenon. It is hard to avoid noticing that with all this new technology, we have lost a little common decency and respect, because when I say technology is always around us, it truly is always around.

Technology has an unnecessary priority in our lives — for some people more than others. We all know a plasma-screen TV or a Simpson's beer bottle opener that has broken a home or two. As college ger and computer games can seem more important than that little thing called reach you anywhere in the world.

Now, I have a cell phone, because I like to be trendy, but I know when enough is enough. I wouldn't consider myself a very religious person, but when I do enter a church, I usually leave the cell phone behind. This Christmas Eve, the cell phone of the person behind me in church rang. To top that, the person answered the

I could be wrong, but I could have sworn that the birth of Christ was more important than who is bringing the pumpkin pie to dinner. I am sure gardless of your religion or your love of pumpkin pie - you can relate to me on some level here.

All of these gadgets have also allowed for everyone's lives to mesh together, and most of the time, that's not a good thing. Technology has allowed for people's lives to reach outside of the friendly confines of home. It is because of cell phones that, on a city street, you can have a discussion with your parents, spouse or doctor.

I usually don't mean to prejudge, but I would like to get to know someone first before I know about any rashes, oozing or other disgusting details. It's because of laptop computers that someone's entire photo album can be readily accessed low for all of your "high-priority" calls to to show the world. On that note, to the

lady next to me at the airport: You don't look good with blond hair, your husband is 50 pounds overweight and your baby looks like a small amphibian.

In reality, I am being overly critical. Technology brings so much to our society, and its problems are a mere needle in the haystack that is its greatness. With some of our most modern technology, we have put the world in the palms of our hands. The walls of communication have been broken down, the latest Eminem song has been reduced to an ear-piercing ring tone and now we can all watch Girls Gone Wild on DVD ... in widescreen for-

It just seems as though there is too much — too much information, too many gadgets and too much radiation from all these cell phones that could be damaging my picture-perfect skin. Before I go check everyone's away messages, I would like to send best wishes to that lady in front of me at the grocery store -I am sure that will clear up sometime

Matt swears he doesn't have Girls Gone Wild on DVD, but if you do have a copy, tell him at folksdamanishere@aol.com.

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Opinion

War with Iraq means urban warfare

 Rogers Staff Columnist Based on the rhetoric of top military officials and White House insiders, a war with Iraq is all

but imminent at this point in time. Personally, I find it funny that we can sit down at the table with "terrorist supporters" like Yasser Arafat and Ariel Sharon (or leaders from countries like China for that matter) but are unable to do the same with Iraq.

Perhaps there is some form of personal vendetta involved after all. For the purposes of this commentary, however, I would instead like to bring attention to the fact that this new war will be much more than what most Americans antici-

Beyond the financial implications, the conflict with Iraq poses several other concerns. The Gulf War of the early 1990s was fought primarily in Kuwait with the objective of moving Saddam Hussein's troops back into Iraq. The terrain was essentially desert or desertlike, hence the term Desert Storm.

Similarly, our current war on terrorism, also known as Operation: Enduring Freedom, has been primarily fought in the mountainous regions of Afghanistan where Taliban and al-Qaeda operatives have used caves as safe havens. While the objectives of the latter are not as defined, the main similarity is the battlegrounds in both cases have been sparsely populated; thus casualties have been kept to a minimum. (It should be noted that thousands of innocent people have died on the "other side" at the hands of our "peace keeping' military.)

A war with Iraq - whether two weeks or two months from now — will not be as simple as most would have you believe.

picts a U.S. map. The entire country is white except for two small black areas at Los

Angeles and New York City. No, this has

nothing to do with race. The black areas are labeled "Too skinny." The rest of the con-

Obesity is a national problem — and it's

Men's Health named Chicago the sec-

ond fattest city in the country for the sec-

ond year in a row. (Houston was No. 1 and

Detroit was No. 3.) The survey is decid-

edly flawed, having based its data not only

on the actual weights of the cities' indi-

viduals, but also on variables such as com-

mute time, air and water quality and the

number of fast-food restaurants and health

clubs in an area. However, the survey does

highlight a challenge to Chicago residents

tinental United States is "Too fat."

Staff

Editorial

Columbia College

getting bigger

Chronicle

Low-fat eating difficult —

but helpful in long run

(U-WIRE)

CHICAGO - In a

cartoon in the Jan. 6

edition of The New

Yorker magazine,

Alex Gregory de-

Should Hussein fail to comply with the newly passed U.N. resolution regarding weapons inspections, his tenure will most certainly be subject for early demise.

Furthermore, I would not be surprised if a "dead or alive" pronouncement is made given the history of George W. Bush, his father and U.S. foreign policy. As a result, Hussein's troops will fight to the very end and will do so under very different cir-

Unlike the majority of Kuwait, Iraq is not a desert. Furthermore, it is likely that the city of Baghdad will fall under continual fire. This is significant because innocent men, women and children populate the city and will likely die in the process.

Meanwhile, hundreds if not thousands of American troops will die while engaged in urban warfare. It is plausible that some of our soldiers will go into environments where toddlers will be strapped with bombs and snipers will be perched atop tall buildings and top-floor windows along the narrow streets of the Iraqi capital. In essence, we have a war with gung ho opposition that promotes martyrdom and will utilize guerrilla war tactics.

Sound familiar? I thought so too. I am not some hippie pacifist, nor am I suggesting that disarming Iraq would be extremely difficult, but I still question whether we as a nation are genuinely ready to sacrifice our human brothers and sisters - including the Iraqi civilians - for the sake of cheaper fuel at the gas station (Iraq is second in oil reserves behind Iran) and a short-lived feeling of security.

To convince Evan why he should be more worried about Iraq than al-Qaeda, North Korea or the boogeyman, send an e-mail to ebrogers7@yahoo.com.

Still, it's pretty common knowledge that eating restaurant food is rarely as healthy

Everyone knows it's much easier to grab

a McDonald's Extra Value Meal than to

prepare your own balanced, low-fat meal.

But that heavy, bloated feeling that follows

a meal consisting of super-sized double

cheeseburger, fries and a Coke could be a

sign that maybe these types of foods don't

Fast food contains little nutritious value,

and those who rely on it as a cornerstone

of their diets - whether or not they're

A study published in the Jan. 7 edition of

The Annals of Internal Medicine states

people who are overweight at 40 are like-

ly to die three years earlier than those who

aren't and that being overweight is just as

The point is that we all need to think

twice about what we eat. With our busy

are taking part in a recipe for dis-

sit right in the digestive track

risky as being a smoker.

as preparing your own food at home.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

New Senior Class Board of Trustees

Ngongang ior Class President Each Tuesday (if there are submissions) Technician will feature a col-

umn focusing on the issues surrounding student organizations on campus. This is meant to provide exposure for both student groups and their main causes while giving students information about or-ganizations. If your group is interested in running a column, please e-mail Anna Edens at opinion @technicianstaff.com.

The 2003 senior class is establishing Senior Class Board of Trustees to assist in the leadership of peers. We are looking for highly motivated seniors who have passion for N.C. State. This exciting and new organization is a great opportunity for seniors to be involved in a leadership role within the university. Membership in the Board of Trustees will not be a major time commitment but rather a commitment to foster communication with other members of the senior class. Come help establish the foundations for a new tradition in leadership for the senior classes of NCSU. We want the inaugural members to assist in the creation of club goals, activities and traditions. This is your chance to leave a legacy for NCSU and the class

As many seniors prepare to transition

into post-graduation goals of either continued education or the pursuit of a career, we each seek to maximize both our opportunities as well as our experience. This spring semester, I hope to bring both these to fruition with the implementation of the Senior Class Board of Trustees.

This body will include both graduating and non-graduating seniors and will serve as an additional tool for the senior class that will hopefully reach the general population. I learned many things in my first semester as senior class president, and one of the more important things I learned was that by myself, it is impossible to try and reach every single senior out there. From this discovery came the motivation for the Senior Class Board of Trustees

The group, comprised of roughly 30 students, will serve as an aid to reach and inform each member of the senior class. During this inaugural trustee class, we will seek to provide a service-oriented experience for those select seniors, and with the help of the Alumni Association, we intend to provide them with team-building and communication skills they can utilize in whatever career they choose.

The duties involved in the Board of Trustee program center on developing better communication within the senior class. Work will be done to promote new off-campus activities for seniors and reward the seniors for their time here at NCSU. The Trustee program will have a direct connection with the university, as it will utilize campus resources to promote educational and career opportunities that benefit members of the senior class (career fairs and college-specific post-graduate information fairs). Our final goal is in line with everyone's goal while at NCSU: graduation. We would also like to help make sure that each senior has the information needed to prepare for his or her special day.

This new organization isn't like all the other student organizations out there. We intend to foster a sense of lovalty and responsibility in the students of NCSU, the Alumni Association and to one another during their senior year and beyond. The board plans on aiding with the senior class scholarship gift and planning opportunities for the senior class to build on traditions already in place. There will also be chances to work on establishing new traditions that will carry on at the university for years to come. This board of trustees will establish a foundation for students to become actively involved in the future success of the university and will start a new tradition of helping one another make the best of each person's last year at NCSU.

Athletes should be more than pawns in NCAA sports machine

Staff

Editorial Oregon Daily Emerald U. Oregon EUGENE, Ore. - Over the summer, a group that represents NCAA

student athletes began calling for the establishment of a "Bill of Rights" for athletes, as a result of what they see as gross abuse of them by the NCAA and by coaches.

We agree with this drive to aid student athletes. The NCAA colleges, most particularly in football, act as a de facto minor league. Yet unlike any other sports league, there is almost no protection for the players against the whims of the administration.

We do admit that we had a twinge of heartburn with the assertion that there are special privileges and benefits to being a non-athlete that athletes are unable to possess. Many student athletes receive free-ride athletic scholarships and often are given the best tutors and free class materials, special academic tracks, catered buffets and the like whereas the rest of us do not.

But that twinge is tempered by our belief that student athletes are also the closest direct analogue to the old Roman gladiators - who, while pampered and the target of the adulation of the masses, had almost no say over their lot

The typical student athlete is, sadly, recruited because of his or her athletic ability, thrown into college with a full scholarship and then not given the time or the incentive to earn good grades. They are subject to dual responsibilities: Athletics and academics. Yet to devote themselves fully to athletics means neglecting their grades, and conversely, substantive attention to academics risks their being dropped from the team.

Student athletes also have little opportunity to earn an outside income, and payment for their services on the gridiron, court or diamond is forbidden. This too is analogous to the gladiators, who would make a pittance - if anything at all — for the entertainment of the masses and the coffers of those who sponsored the fights.
While covered by NCAA insurance

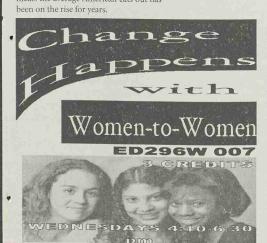
for injuries incurred during formally sanctioned practices and games, student athletes are not covered during socalled "captain's practices," which are informal and supposed to be optional. Those who appear, however, get to play in the games. Those who fail to show up can find themselves benched. Sports injuries, especially in football, can be devastating physically, emotionally and financially

The ultimate sanction, which can be wielded by coaches almost at whim, is dropping a player from the team. This entails, as well, the immediate loss of all the privileges associated with athletics, most notably athletic scholarships and thus the opportunity to receive an education, in many cases. There is no opportunity for recourse or appeal for those who are dropped. There is, unlike any other league, no players' union whose role is to make sure that players "fired" are not "fired" arbitrarily.

It is for these reasons that we are wholeheartedly in favor of players being able to do what they love and not be victimized in doing it. We believe that athletes should be able to make a living, should be insured for any injuries incurred from service on the team, no matter when, and should be allowed to have time to better their minds and not be dropped for arbitrary reasons. Otherwise, dissolve the NCAA, detach sports from the university and call it what it is - a minor league. At least then, the players could be paid for their

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schedules, time to prepare a bag lunch or a healthy breakfast or a dinner chock-full to perhaps cut down on fast food and exercise more. of vegetables can fall to the wayside. Chicagoans could literally eat at a new So start the new semester and year off restaurant every day for a year and still right and take an extra hour to prepare a have ground to cover, but that's no reason decent meal. You'll feel better in the long to go for it. Studies show the number of meals the average American eats out has



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ing of the plans. Rather the cere mony was broadened to include University Trustees and other important university figures.

The invitation list to the ceremony was extensive and inclusive of folks within and outside the university. It was expected that faculty, staff and students from the Centers would be invited to and welcome at the ceremony, through word of mouth and by

Lastly, Elenore Humphries and daughter Edythe were the donors

by Elenore's late husband Howard L. Humphries (in whose memory the gift was made). Elenore is from Forked River, NJ; Edythe lives in Maryland but works for the State of Delaware.

The christening ceremony was simply a heart-felt thank you from the university to the Humphries and this is what should be remembered.

> William Sweet Oceanographer Coastal Ocean Science Tech. & Eng. Lab N.C. State University

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Aries
March 21- April 19

To get the advantage, check the day's rating:

April 20-May 20

Today is a 7. It'd be easier to get your message across if there wasn't so much confusion. Don't give up if there's money involved.

Gemini
May 21-June 21

Today is a 7. You won't have much trouble communicating your feelings to an attractive person, but probably not with words. You might be in unfamiliar territory, but relax and follow

Cancer June 22-July 22

Today is a 6. There's plenty of work, and the money should be pouring in. If it's not, make a correction. You should already know what needs to be done.

Leo July 2 Today is a 7. Don't draw all the attention

to yourself. You'll do better if you keep a low profile. Let somebody else do the

Aquarius

Jan. 14. The process of realizing your private dreams may force you out into the public. Something that worked before will work again to increase your fortunes. Use old skills, or learn them now in a retro endeavor, Something old-fashioned is back in style.

July 23-Aug. 22



Virgo
Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Today is a 7. Are you ready to take on

more responsibility and maybe a little more work? If it benefits home and family, that's OK, but don't do it just for



Today is a 9. All of a sudden the path ahead opens up and everything seems possible. Contact with an old friend leads to new adventures.



what you want is by using other people's money. That's not a bad deal if you can get it. And for home improvements, odds are good that you



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Today is a 7. You're about to be asked to prove that you know what you're talking about. Since you're absolutely genuine, this won't be a problem.



Capricorn

Today is a 7. There's less time for talk or contemplation. Somebody needs your services immediately. Conflicting orders can confuse. Insist they figure out what they want, even if you have to decide



Today is a 7. You love lots of people, but



Today is a 6. Cleaning out closets will make more room for household improvements. Let go of dreams you've

Libra
Sept. 23 Sept. 23-Oct 22

Scorpio Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Today is a 6. Some say that the way to get







sometimes that might feel overwhelming. Don't try to solve all their problems, OK? At least not all at the



the World Series. In the deciding nings pending, Commissioner Bud Selig declares the game and series a tie. Selig is immediately lit on fire and dropped on Iraq. August: N.C. State begins its football season ranked in the top

Sep. 13: N.C. State sets up its run for a national title with a 21-20 win at Ohio State. The game is decided on a late-game, very

questionable pass interference call that gives the Wolfpack one last chance. Miami fans everywhere

October: Despite finishing 15-1 in the ACC and making the Final Four in 2002-03, Herb Sendek is run out of town by an angry mob of red after Julius Hodge misses a lay-up in a preseason scrimmage. The university assembles a new coaching staff, consisting entirely of fans from the Internet sites accboards.com and statefans.com.

Dec. 31: I realize the year's al-

most over, and I still haven't accomplished anything in 2003. (Unless you count graduation or beating Grand Theft Auto: Vice City). I strike a deal with Coach K and DeLorean my way back to

Today: I make the best decision of my life, one that I know will bring happiness in 2003, 2033 and all years after and in between. Amy, will you marry me?

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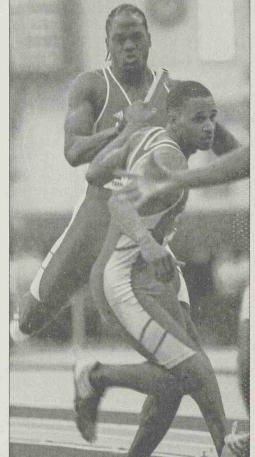
T.J. Giwa placed 12th in the 200-meter run with a time of 22.94. He was also 16th in the 60meter dash, finishing in 7.12.

Felicia Fant had an impressive day for the State women's team in the sprints. Fant brought home a first-place finish in the 60 with a time of 7.57, and she was also second in the 200, running a 25.11. Ebony Foster brought home a first-place finish in the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 8.58, and she was also fourth in the 200 (25.29).

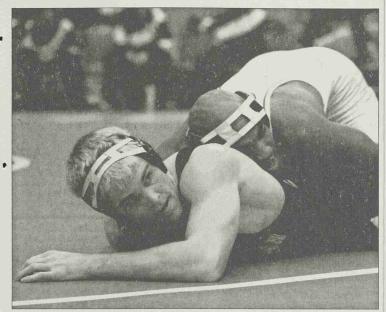
Nasheena Quick had a busy day, taking 13th in the 60 (7.93), 22nd in the 200 (27.08) and 16th in the 60 hurdles (9.41). Adrianne Adams was 17th in the 60 with a time of 8.06. In the 400, it was Jill Nelson in 10th (1:05.73), and Elizabeth Pardue in 15th (1:07.65). Krystal Neely was 14th in the 60 hurdles (9.29).

In the field events, Desiree Mittman posted the Pack's top finish by placing second in the triple jump (39-3 3/4). Sheena Dawkins took fifth in that event (38-8 3/4), and she was also fifth in the long jump (19-4). Kelly Smoke was third in the shot put with a top mark of 48-6 3/4. In the pole vault, it was Teresa Reed in seventh (10-10) and Allison Weavil in 14th (10 feet). In the high jump, April Goolsby was eighth (5-1 3/4), and Katie Phelan was ninth (4-11 3/4).

State will compete next weekend at Virginia Tech.



Track will continue with its early season schedule this weekend when it travels to Blacksburg, Va. for the Virginia Tech Invitational.



Wrestling can use a win against North Carolina after going 1-3 at the N.C. State Duals.

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The year in advance



Andrew B Carter Anyone can write a year in review. The stuff's already happened. It takes a real man to write a year in advance. So, without delay, I give you the sports highlights for 2003.

Tomorrow: Max Kellerman spontaneously

combusts during Wednesday's taping of ESPN's "Around the Horn." Stock in the mute button industry immediately crashes.

End of the week: Dallas Mavericks owner, Mark Cuban, orders copies of "Girls Gone Wild: Doggystyle" for each member of his team. When a reporter asks why, Cuban replies, "Because this video has everything an NBA player is about: boobs, Snoop Dogg and weed." He's right.

Jan. 26: N.C. State beats UNC 127-11 at the RBC Center. Postgame, Herb Sendek and Lee Fowler slow dance to Neil Diamond's "I am, I said" at center court. Matt Doherty's tears cause him to short circuit, and he is beamed back to his home planet.

Also, Tampa Bay defeats Oakland in the Super Bowl. Why? Because look at the other teams. Who knew Tennessee was even in the playoffs? And Philadelphia? Who do they have? Donavan McNabb and that other guy. And the other guy is about as good as that one guy for the Titans. So, you get the picture.

Feb. 2: The NFL holds the league's annual Pro Bowl in Honolulu. Not even death row inmates who are forced to watch Full House reruns want to watch this game. Meanwhile, Joe Millionaire sets Nielsen records.

Feb. 31: The Bills win the Super Bowl, O.J. finds the killer, Randy Moss plays hard, the Braves win the World Series (it's early this year) and Anna Kournikova wins a singles tournament.

Also on this landmark day in sports, MLB comes to a sensible labor agreement, and the NHL figures out a way to keep its best franchises from becoming bankrupt.

Luxury boxes are banned from all stadiums and arenas, as are all forms of advertising on and surrounding playing surfaces. The DH is abolished, and all remaining forms of astroturf are lit on fire and dropped on Iraq.

Further, athletes agree never to speak in clichEs again, and sportswriters mutually agree to shower, keep a weight limit and wipe the crumbs off their shirts before interviews

March 1: Eddie Murphy, for some reason, dresses in his fat suit from "The Nutty Professor" and mans first base for the New York Mets during the first days of spring training. Wait a second, that's just Mo Vaughn.

March 16: Duke wins the ACC Tournament yet again. Satan appears toward the end of the game, demanding Coach K's monthly dues. "But you already have my soul," K says. "All right, fine. I'll give you Woio's."

April 7: Under new coach Phil Ford, UNC wins the national title in New Orleans when Kansas fails to show up for the game. It's only the second-biggest national championship gift for the Heels in the Big Easy.

April-September: Baseball season happens. Barry Bonds has 67 homeruns before the All-Star break, and then his head — as big as Texas from all that "exercise" — rolls off his shoulders. The Mets, with drastic off-season improvements, finish ten games worse than last season. The Braves go 159-3 and get swept in the first round of the playoffs. And the Red Sox and Cubs make it to

Gymnastics readies for another successful year

The gymnastics team hopes to rebound from a missed opportunity at the NCAA regionals last year.

Memie Ezike

Staff Writer

After a down season last year in which it did not qualify for the NCAA regionals for the first time in many years, the N.C. State gymnastics team is looking to return to the top in 2003. The Pack boasts an experienced core of upperclassmen and young talent and is primed to make a run at the EAGL Championships and beyond.

State returns five talented and experienced seniors for 2003 and will be looked upon to lead the team to a strong finish this year.

"We are looking for strong leadership this year; we lost two good seniors in Kelli Brown and Laura Jazab," said assistant coach Greg Frew. "We are blessed with some strong seniors in Aimee (Panton), Stephanie Southard, Marlyn Madey, Adina Stock and Cara Dougherty."

State also welcomes three freshmen and two transfer students, and they will be looked upon to contribute to the effort as well

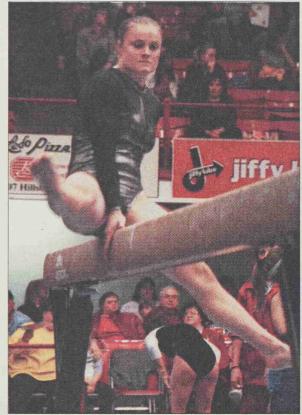
"We haven't had transfers in the past, so it was a big question mark going into the season; but at this point, we couldn't be any happier," Frew said. "Leah Sabe (from Utah) competed in four events for us in our initial meet [in Central Michigan]. Kelley Kello [from Iowa] competed in three events for us and nailed every one of them. We couldn't ask for more than that."

"Both our transfers are experienced, although Leah has been out of gymnastics for a year due to the transfer process." After missing the NCAA regionals last

After missing the NCAA regionals last year, the team has made it a personal goal to get back to the regionals, among many other goals.

"We suffered a personal setback by missing the regionals last year for the first time in anybody's memory," Frew said. "So, first and foremost, we need to get back into becoming one of the tog 25 teams in the country, but we feel like we have the personnel to become one of the top 12 teams in the country."

Based on its first meet, State's strongest event will be the bars, where it has very good depth and multiple routines to compete with. Vaulting has historically been a weak event for the team, but Stevenson and Frew have seen great im-



N.C. State will look to an experienced group of seniors to help soften the blow of losing last year's top gymnast, Kelli Brown. Technician file photo by Mary Hudson

provement this year.

The conference that State competes in, EAGL, has typically been one of the top conferences in the nation. West Virginia, New Hampshire, and North Carolina all look to challenge for the EAGL crown along with the Pack. The Pack is no stranger to championships, however; 1999 and 2000 EAGL championship banners hang from the roof of Carmichael

Gymnasium.

Although State finished with a record of 22-9 last year, the Pack did not have a high enough cumulative score to qualify for regionals. This year, however, promises to be different, with the Pack having its most experienced team in a

"Listening to Coach Stevenson talk about it, I would feel that he would say that this is our most experienced team he has had, and the most uniform in terms of achieving a goal," Frew said. "I think this is the fact because none of us [on the gymnastics team] liked the idea that our season was over after our conference meet last year. It was not a good feeling."

Consistency is what the team will be looking for this year. Last year, the team was very inconsistent on maintaining the quality of routines all season long, which ultimately hurt its chances of going to the regionals. Frew was very resolute on emphasizing the importance of a consistent team this year.

"You measure your progress on a score given by judges, so those scores will vary," Frew said. "Consistency is the determinant of success for us. That is what we strive for in competition."

Wrestling set to grapple with the Heels

N.C. State and North Carolina meet for the first of two regular season matches today in Reynolds Coliseum.

Sports Staff Report

Although the Atlantic Coast Conference schedule calls for league teams to wrestle one another only once a year, N.C. State vs. North Carolina is special. Once is not enough when these two old rivals are the combatants, so in a situation unique to the ACC, the Wolfpack (1-3) and Tar Heels (2-2) square off twice a year in wrestling.

The first meeting of the 2002-2003 season will be today at Reynolds Coliseum.

The match will kick off at 7:30 p.m.

"Certainly, whenever N.C. State faces North Carolina in any sport it's a big game, and that has definitely been true in wrestling," longtime Wolfpack coach Bob Guzzo said. "Both programs have been strong over the years, and because we're both right here in each other's backyard, so to speak, it means a lot to both teams. It's been a terrific rivalry."

Not only has it been a terrific rivalry, it had been extremely competitive, especially since Guzzo and Tar Heels coach Bill Lam arrived on the scene 29 and 30 years ago, respectively. Guzzo and Lam have won 26 conference championships between them — 14 for Lam and 12 for Guzzo — and no team other than State or North Carolina has won the ACC team championship since Virginia in 1977. State has won the last two conference titles, and UNC has won four of the last seven.

The Wolfpack and the Tar Heels have split the two-match season series in four of the last five years, with N.C. State sweeping the Tar Heels in 1999-2000. Last year, on Jan. 16 in Chapel Hill, Carolina won seven of 10 matches and thumped the Wolfpack 21-9. The Pack retaliated on Feb. 13 at Reynolds, winning six matches and blowing open a one-point match with a decision and a pin in the final two bouts to win 22-12 at Reynolds Coliseum.

Perhaps the focal point of the rivalry a year ago was the 125-pound matchup between State's George Cintron and Cardina's Chris Rodrigues. Rodrigues handed Cintron a 3-0 defeat when the two met in Chapel Hill, and Cintron evened things out with a 3-2 decision at Perpudis.

The rubber match came in the finals of the ACC Tournament on March 9, also at Reynolds Coliseum. Cintron and Rodrigues waged a championship bout for the ages, wrestling to a thrilling 1-1 tie at the end of regulation. The final seconds of the third period featured a pulsating sequence, during which both wrestlers flipped and tumbled to avoid being taken down. Regulation ended with the crowd giving the two a standing ovation. Cintron finally prevailed 3-1 with a takedown in overtime and was named the tournament's Outstanding Wrestler, but both wrestlers battled like champi-

This year, State's Scott Garren, ranked 15th at 157 pounds by Intermat, comes into the Carolina bout undefeated at 7-0 and riding a 12-match winning streak that dates back to February 2001.

Garren's seven-match streak this season ties for the longest in-season winning streak of his career, while his overall 12-match winning streak is a career best. Both are the longest current streaks on the team, and his 12-match winning streak is the second-longest by any current State wrestler. Cintron had a 14-match winning streak a year ago.

After the Carolina match, the Wolfpack will next be in action on Jan. 18 at Maryland, and then Jan. 24 at VMI. State's next home wrestling match will be Jan. 30, a double-header against Campbell and UNC Greensboro.

Indoor track competes in Big 12

N.C. State weight toss entries James Rowell and Randy Cass finish first and second in the event.

Sports Staff Report

CHAPEL HILL — The N.C. State track and field squads kicked off their indoor seasons by competing in the N.C. Collegiate Big 12 hosted by North Carolina. The Wolfpack sent its sprinters and field event participants to compete in the first action of the season.

The Wolfpack men brought home the top two finishes in the weight throw. James Rowell took first place with a top heave of 56-8 1/2, and Randy Cass was second (54-2 1/2). Cass also finished third in the shot put with a mark of 49-1 1/2. Freshman Jesse Williams cleared 6-8 in the high jump for third place.

In the triple jump, Michael Hill place third (48-8), and Jason Vieira was fourth (48-6 3/4). Hill was also 14th in the long jump (21 1/2), while Derrick Harris took ninth (22-3 3/4). In the pole vault, Justin Farmer finished in fourth and Eric Hov-



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erstad in fifth — posting marks of 15-1. In the running events, Derrick High brought home a second-place finish in the 400-meter run with a time of 49.41 seconds. Also in that event, Monterrio

Adams took 10th (50.46), and Jeff Baird was 21st (52.34).

In the 800-meter event, Adam McGugan finished in seventh (1:58.88), An-

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MEXICAN BUFFET MONDAYS - ITALIAN BUFFET TUESDAYS - BBQ & RIB
BUFFET WEDNESDAYS - YARD BIRD THURSDAYS - PIZZA BUFFET FRIDAY



