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WORLD

U.S. plans to have international support against Iraq

The Bush administration said on Thursday that regardless of any growing divisions between the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, the U.S. will see international support if war is to ensue with Iraq.

In reports, White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said that there is no unilateralism and that the U.S. has support from Britain, Australia, Italy, Spain, some eastern European countries and other members of the European Union.

Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council who have veto power — France, China and Russia — have expressed some reservations about going to war with Iraq.

German ships dock despite terrorist warnings

On Wednesday, the German Cruise liner Aida docked in Port of Spain Trinidad in spite of warnings from both British and Australian governments of potential terrorist activities.

The island off the coast of Venezuela is the heartbeat of tourism and industry in the Caribbean, and tourism plays a paramount role in the island's economy. Therefore, even the hint of terrorist attacks can have long-lasting effects in Trinidad and Tobago's business and industry.

In the face of all of this, passengers onboard the Aida said they felt safe in Trinidad and were not warned about any security threats in the Caribbean region.

NATION

Amtrak will need billions to continue train network

On Wednesday, Amtrak announced that over the next five years it would need approximately \$10 billion in federal subsidies to continue running its network of trains and improve its deteriorating infrastructure.

In a plan outlined by President Bush and his administration, the Amtrak system would be broken up, opening up some of its routes to the private sector.

Amtrak recently told Congress that it would be forced to shut down service this spring if lawmakers were unable to agree to fund them with \$1.2 billion for this fiscal year.

Funding will be decided by House and Senate leaders during negotiations of a larger funding bill still being considered by the Senate. Under that bill, the chamber has approved \$1.2 billion for Amtrak, but the House has capped it at \$762 million.

Bush-recommended AIDS panelist withdraws

Jerry Thacker, who would have been one of the seven new members of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS, withdrew from consideration on Thursday after he was accused of referring to the AIDS virus as a "gay plague," according to reports.

Thacker, 35, was recommended to the 35-member commission by President Bush.

The commission itself was created in 1995 by President Clinton. Its main purpose is to advise and make recommendations to the White House concerning AIDS prevention and treatment policy.

Thacker, who would have been sworn in next week, sent a letter to Tommy Thompson, the Health and Human Services secretary, on Thursday, declining his invitation on the commission.

STATE

Outer Banks sees first major snowfall in 13 years

In a rare occurrence, more than nine inches of snowfall fell along North Carolina's Outer Banks on Thursday. This was the first major snowfall in the area since 1989.

While much of the state, including the mountains and the Piedmont area, saw the snow for the second time in one week, this time around the coastal areas not only saw their first bout of it, but they also saw the most in the state.

The majority of the coastal snow fell in the Morehead City area and north to the Outer Banks, and a winter storm warning stayed in effect for the entire day.

Boyles, former state treasurer, dies at 73

Harlem Boyles, who served as state treasurer from 1977-2001, died Wednesday night at the age of 73.

During his service as state treasurer, Boyles was in charge of overseeing and managing the state's money.

Boyles, who was considered to be a conservative Democrat and who spent nearly his entire career in Raleigh's state treasurer's office, was ill from cancer and died at his home.

City Council gets feedback on proposed living ordinance

Opponents and proponents of Raleigh's proposed living ordinance speak out during a series of public meetings.

Brigid Ransome
Staff Reporter

The Raleigh City Council and its members, including Charles Meeker, W. Benson Kirkman, John Odom, Janet Cowell, Neal Hunt, Kieran J. Shanahan, James West and Phillip Isley, proposed an ordinance to limit the amount of unrelated persons living in houses, duplexes and town homes from four to two.

This has been the epicenter of heavy discontentment and grievances arising from many students, homeowners and landlords, immigrants, and the average worker in Raleigh.

Under this proposed ordinance, the City of Raleigh will make it illegal for more than two unrelated persons to live together, under the established definition of a family in the zoning code, which

is "... a group of not more than four persons, one or more of whom is not related by blood as described above, marriage, or adoption to the other."

The intent of this ordinance is to uphold and improve the quality of single-family neighborhoods and diminish the supposed effects of community decline, such as traffic congestion due to poor parking, littering, noise violations and drug and alcohol use and sales, which some suggest can result in a decrease of property value.

All of these problems are being attributed to the fact that available housing is being leased and rented to those whose income dictates living arrangements. In the eyes of many, these people are the root of the problem.

Consequently, while the attack is on numbers, those who oppose the ordinance say that City Council leaders are neglecting to focus on the real source of this apparent "community decline," which is effective law enforcement.

The City of Raleigh hosted two ses-

sions to discuss this proposed change. The first one was held on Jan. 14 at the Pullen Community Center, and the second was held on Jan. 21 at the Raleigh City Council chambers.

In this last meeting, the number of people who spoke out in opposition to this ordinance was staggering in comparison to those who favored it — 52 versus 10.

In both meetings, many N.C. State student leaders and faculty members were present to voice opposition to the proposal. The vast majority of all present agreed that the very truth and nature of this ordinance (case no. TC 02 22) was not only an infringement of constitutional rights of free choice but also a blatant display of discrimination against students, immigrants and those who are now entering the work force.

"TC 02 22 is attacking those who make this city run for the upper class; it is geared towards the grocery workers, the construction workers and the janitors — it is attacking the very fibers of the community and the building blocks of

Raleigh's social infrastructure," said a speaker at Tuesday's City Council meeting.

A landlord who owns property on Brent Road said, "This ordinance is taking away my God-given and Constitutional rights of choice; it is also taking away my right of ownership."

Another resident of Raleigh advocated an intense call to exercise Fair Housing Rights.

"On April 11, 1968, the Fair Housing Act was passed. If one could support the integration of neighborhoods, how can one support this discriminatory ordinance?" questioned the resident. "TC 02 22 is a clear example of how the City of Raleigh does not support the Fair Housing Act."

A representative from the Association of Realtors was present and attempted to shed some light onto the situation regarding the perceptible decrease in property value for homeowners.

"Not only is this proposed ordinance

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Piracy blamed for low record sales

Federal judge's ruling could affect digital downloading practices.

Josianne Lauber
Senior Staff Reporter

The music industry faces its fourth-straight year of declining sales.

According to many reports, music industry executives blame the rise of Internet file-sharing services such as Grokster, Kazaa and Morpheus, plus rampant CD copying by consumers and organized criminal groups.

Executives recently gathered in an annual conference in Cannes, France, to discuss the problem of piracy. And according to a CNN report, Jay Berman, the CEO of the International Federation of the Phonographic Industry (IFPI), challenged music executives at the major music labels, which include Warner Music, Vivendi Music, BMG, EMI and Sony Music, to "pump more money into promoting industry-backed subscription download services and step up lobbying efforts on all levels."

One of the levels is the college campus.

Rusty Harmon, co-president of Management 101, the former manager of Hootie and the Blowfish and also a professor of COM 498, Music Management, at N.C. State, believes that students need to be educated about the crime of piracy.

"Just because an entire generation grew up downloading doesn't make it right," said Harmon.

Harmon says the bottom line is that music is copyrighted material.

"Music is a form of art just like portraits and paintings and sculptures. Downloading music from the Internet is no different than walking into Schoolkids and putting a CD under your shirt and walking out. Stealing is stealing," said Harmon.

Robert Terrell, a freshman, grew up

with digital downloading and feels there is nothing wrong with downloading.

"I started downloading my junior year in high school. I don't really think it's wrong."

Terrell added, "Some people say it limits artistic expression, but if most musicians claim that they are writing their music for the fans and if they really are, they shouldn't be upset about not making money by people downloading it. They could make money on tours."

Jeff Endrusick, a senior in nuclear engineering and history, feels that downloading is okay under certain circumstances.

"I use Kazaa to download songs and burn CDs ... I don't think it's wrong because I own over 250 CDs so I feel like I am contributing to the music industry and I should be allowed to download songs," said Endrusick.

Justin Alberto, a senior in textile design, has similar feelings.

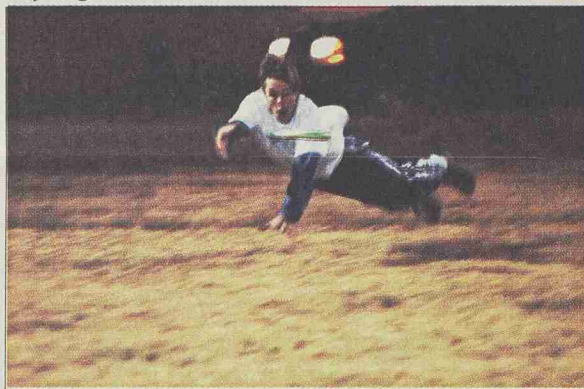
"I don't really download songs, and I don't think it's wrong to get songs that are really old or songs you have trouble finding — but I think it's wrong to burn entire CDs that people just recently came out with because that's how they get their money, and they need money for studio time and instruments and all that stuff," said Alberto. "They can't just do it for free and when you take money from them it reduces the quality of CDs to come because you're taking money out of the band and the industry in general."

Alberto had the facts on his side. The International Federation of the Phonographic Industry (IFPI) is an organization that battles against and funds police to help shut down pirate operations.

According to a recent report, the IFPI estimates the market for bootlegged music, whether it be mass-produced in CD-pressing factories or burned onto record-

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Flying saucer



Adam Steton, a sophomore in industrial engineering, dives for the disc. The N.C. State Ultimate Frisbee team is preparing for the biggest tournament in its history, which will be held Feb. 15-16. Staff photo by Tim Lytvinenko

College of Textiles tests 'smart suit'

N.C. State develops important gear for police officers, firefighters and hospital workers.

Anthony Exum
Staff Reporter

Since Sept. 11, 2001, Americans have been, more than ever, concerned with future acts of terrorism. In addition, the fear of the use of biological weapons has increased greatly. The fear is greatest among those who would be exposed to such hazards, such as police officers, firefighters and hospital workers.

To help those first responders, the N.C. State College of Textiles has led the nation in the research of gear to keep these critical individuals safe. The college is developing such defenses as a "smart suit" that incorporates electronic devices into the fiber of the clothing.

The devices would aid in two things: keeping an accurate location of the wearer and sensing bodily changes when exposed to certain biological agents.

The testing of the gear is meticulous, as different types of garments require different types of testing to adequately determine their durability, impermeability and even comfort level.

One of the initial tests is to the garment's resilience to fire. The gear is put on a dummy belonging to the College of Textiles, dubbed Pyro-Man. However, chemical and biological weapons are not tested on Pyro-Man.

The college also has another mannequin called Sweaty-Man. Sweaty-Man is used to simulate how much a human will sweat wearing certain gear. This is an important thing to research because certain garments can be rendered ineffective by human perspiration.

Other tests include a test to determine the garment's reaction to blood and other bodily functions besides sweat. The college explains that viruses in liquid form can penetrate in such minuscule proportions that they become unde-

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Association prepares events for N.C. State graduate students

An NCSU graduate student social and the teaching assistant awards are two UGSA events currently in the works.

Diane Cordova
Assistant News Editor

An opportunity to socialize and to be recognized for their hard work approaches for N.C. State graduate students.

"The [University Graduate Students Association (UGSA)] is an organization which includes all graduate students in its membership. Its purposes include representing graduate students in matters which are important to them, and disseminating information which may affect their lives here at N.C. State," said Anuj Dhawan, the vice president of UGSA. "The UGSA actively encourages the participation of graduate students in helping to determine what issues are deemed most important to graduate students currently."

NCSU's UGSA is preparing for two upcoming events, which are both free. The first is the UGSA social in February, and the following event is the Teaching Assistant (TA) Awards, which will take place in April.

The UGSA social, organized by the social committee, one of eight committees under the UGSA, is both free and open to all graduate students.

"We're trying to make the social for all graduate students," said Penny Koommoo, the social committee chair. "Hopefully we can make it a tradition."

The social will take place on

Thursday, Feb. 27, at the Green-shields Brewery and Pub in downtown Raleigh's City Market. The social, which runs from 7 to 11 p.m., has a casino night theme.

Graduate students will be given a chance to socialize, to come and meet friends and play casino games. The food is free and there will be a cash bar available. Casino games include blackjack, roulette and craps, and prizes are available, including a DVD player.

Another upcoming event for NCSU graduate students is the Teaching Assistant (TA) Awards, which are organized by the UGSA's teaching effectiveness committee.

This event is an opportunity for excellent teaching assistants to be rewarded for the important service that they provide to the NCSU community.

"The University Graduate Students Association is here for graduate students to support them through their tenure here at the university," said Chad Jordan, the teaching effectiveness committee chair.

Students are trying to hone teaching skills in graduate school, said Jordan. "There's not a lot of recognition for graduate students who aspire to be professors," said Jordan.

All nominees and their professors, college deans and the staff of the Graduate School Office are invited to the awards.

This event will take place on Friday, April 11, at the Ballroom in Talley Student Center. The awards ceremony runs from 12:30 p.m. until 2 p.m.

The process of nominating teaching assistants begins when the UGSA asks the directors of graduate programs from each department to nominate and rate TAs, and then to send a list of outstanding TAs. Subsequently, a special council chooses the final winners, who receive cash prizes.

A banquet precedes the awards ceremony.

The TA Awards serve as a function to recognize excellence, particularly in teaching at a graduate level, said Jordan. In addition, Jordan said the UGSA is the only way graduate students are recognized at the university level.

NCSU's University Graduate Students Association began in 1958. The UGSA receives its funding from student fees paid by NCSU graduate students. It is comprised of eight committees: the social committee, teaching effectiveness committee, finance committee, political awareness committee, judicial and legislative committee, health insurance committee, library committee and new student information committee.

"It is in these committees that new ideas are formed and acted upon by dedicated individuals who may or may not otherwise be involved with the UGSA. The committees pay close attention to political events, student health-care and orientation," said Dhawan.

Visit the University Graduate Students Association's Web site at <http://ugsa.ncsu.edu> for more details.

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tectable.

While the work at the College of Textiles is relatively new to students, many of them had opinions on the work that goes on there.

"I think that it is a good idea to develop this defense, but seeing how American culture is, it might cause hysteria or make people panic to think that they will have to have these clothes if they want to survive just everyday life," said freshman Tiffany Evans.

Textile students, who got wind of the project before others, acknowledged the cutting-edge work at the College of Textiles.

"To me, there is no bad side," junior James Damon said. "With this development there will be grants given, there will be more student enrollment for people interested in this new innovation, and there will be more professors who would want to come to work on this project."

There is no question that biological and chemical warfare are on the minds of many Americans today, especially with the current conflict between President George W. Bush and Iraqi president Saddam Hussein. But for many locally and nationally, the work of the NCSU College of Textiles has helped to lessen the fear and increase the hopes of an end to such conflicts.

HOUSING

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a violation of private property rights, but it also penalizes the masses for their socioeconomic status," said the representative. "I want to assure other homeowners like myself that the property value for the houses in the Beltline is increasing and very desirable."

The areas under consideration that are being labeled as threatened neighborhoods are: College Park, Idlewind, South Park, Cameron Park, Boylan Heights, Brooklyn, Cardinal Hills, Indian Hills, Gorman/Burt, Aventura West, Method, University Park, Lake Mont and Brent Wood.

The residents of these areas who spoke out in favor of TC 02 22 claimed that they have the right to "quiet enjoyment" and also accused the city council of mishandling funds.

"Money that should be used for infrastructure within the community is going into law fees, in cases of civil vandalism," said one resident in favor of TC 02 22.

Another speaker in favor of this ordinance said, "The concept of families and family homes are being undermined. Renters come and go, but the family stays. This proposal protects our initial investment."

While many agreed that this statement does hold some truth, others suggest that it failed to acknowledge the tremendous cost of "protecting" the investment. This is where the discontentment arose — the evaluation of cost and effect and which will benefit the future of Raleigh for the greater good.

One speaker challenged the City Council members.

"These students are our roots; in a few years time they will be sitting in those same seats where you are now — think about the long-lasting ripple effects of this," said the speaker.

People in favor of TC 02 22 claimed that this is not a student issue.

However, the main aim behind this ordinance is to stop the amount of so-called vandalism, traffic congestion and defacement of property by continuous par-

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able CDs from a university dorm, was \$4.3 billion in 2001 with sales of pirated discs hitting 950 million units.

Some NCSU students agreed that downloading was wrong. Chris McAlister, a sophomore in computer science, said, "I think downloading is wrong because it's not fair to the people who wrote the music that you get it for free when they put it out for sale."

Harmon backed McAlister up with his firsthand experience with Hootie and the Blowfish and the music business.

"Musicians definitely get ripped off — but the people that suffer the most are the songwriters. If a purchase goes through the proper channels (i.e., purchasing from a store) then everyone is properly compensated; the label, the musicians, the producer, the manager, the publisher and the songwriter. These are the people who work day in and day out for an artist. To think you can circumnavigate that chain because it's easy is ethically and morally wrong. It's stealing. Period."

So, what is the future of digital downloading?

An article by the Associated Press stated that a federal judge's decision significantly raises the risks for computer users who illegally trade music or movies on

the Internet, making it much simpler for the entertainment industry to tie a digital pirate's online activities to his real-world identity.

Basically the ruling means consumers using Internet file-sharing programs for music can more easily be identified and tracked by copyright owners. This could result in warning letters, civil lawsuits or even criminal prosecution.

In the meantime, there are perfectly legitimate sites for downloading songs where artists are compensated for their work.

Hilary Rosen, Chairman and CEO of the RIAA, a membership organization that deals with everything from supporting free speech and opposing legislation to censor music to defending artists and record labels from pirates, said, "The digital transformation of the music business is not coming — it is here. Now there are multiple ways for music fans to buy or subscribe to great legitimate music online. And consumers will enjoy even more new products in the coming years thanks to technological advances."

To learn more about piracy, visit CNN.com and RIAA.com. To download songs legally, visit <http://www.pressplay.com/>, mp3.com, real.com, or www.musicunited.org/index.html for a list of legal music.

ties and other such "daily" nuisances that some residents in favor of the ordinance claim students contribute to.

Students who oppose the ordinance question people in favor of the ordinance, claiming that the ordinance does in fact discriminate against students.

There are five colleges in this area that will be affected by the ordinance if it is passed. They include NCSU, Meredith College, Peace College, Shaw University and Wake Technical College.

Decker Ngongang, NCSU's senior class president, addressed the City Council members.

"Who brought up this issue, was it a small group of affluent homeowners or a large number of average homeowners?" asked Ngongang. "What was the percentage of people versus the percentage of complaints filed?"

According to the City Council members, less than one percent of the population filed complaints. And as a result, the City Council representatives said they were considering a public vote.

Ngongang also questioned how many of the City Council members would be directly affected by TC 02 22 and if any of them owned buildings in the affected areas. There was no response to the question.

Many other students spoke up in response to the definition of family that the City Council is holding its residents by.

"As an out-of-state student, my roommates are my family," said one student.

Because of the rising out-of-state tuition costs, many of NCSU's out-of-state residents feel that the ordinance will affect them negatively, as they would then be paying close to \$500 in rent.

"With the proposal of TC 02 22, one will have to work 119 hours per week on minimum wage to afford a two-bedroom," said one student.

The people in favor of this ordinance explained that high-rise apartment buildings will not be held to the conventions of TC 02 22.

"Students should not be forced into living arrangements, and if we are forced into high-rise apartments on the basis that it is cost

effective, it will not stay cheap because of supply and demand, and a monopoly will undoubtedly arise," said Amanda Devore, the vice president of Finance for the Association of Student Governments.

One of the main grievances that came from the student representatives was the lack of consideration they felt the City of Raleigh was showing toward them and their continuous input into the well-being of the city.

"Greek Life contributes 6,000 to 8,000 hours of community service, and NCSU's annual Service Raleigh puts in another 10,000 hours. It seems that this ordinance is saying that Raleigh no longer wants NCSU, and if Raleigh no longer wants NCSU, then we don't want Raleigh," said Josh Cox, student body vice president. "If this proposed ordinance does go through, we will take the community service hours away from Raleigh, and take NCSU away from the city."

As the meeting drew to a close, A.J. Attar, a professor of engineering emeritus at NCSU, jokingly noted that "I will rather hear 'Eminem' play from a car than sit on a porch and watch the grass grow." However, along with such sentiments he also urged the Council Members, saying, "Remember, these students are an important economic force; we cannot do anything that might hinder their growth or impede their progress."

Thomas Stafford, the vice chancellor of student affairs, also expressed his reaction to the events and TC 02 22, saying, "I am really proud of NCSU student turnout in large numbers. The ones who spoke, spoke strong and articulate, in a clear manner expressing their opposition. The administration is opposed to this proposal and there are better ways to address this problem."

Because the last City Council meeting was a joint hearing, no resolution has come about as of yet.

In the end, opponents and proponents of the ordinance each urged the council members to display caution in the approach with which they chose to tackle the issue.

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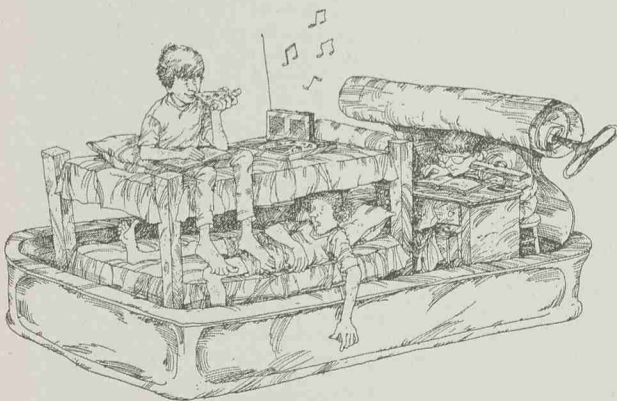
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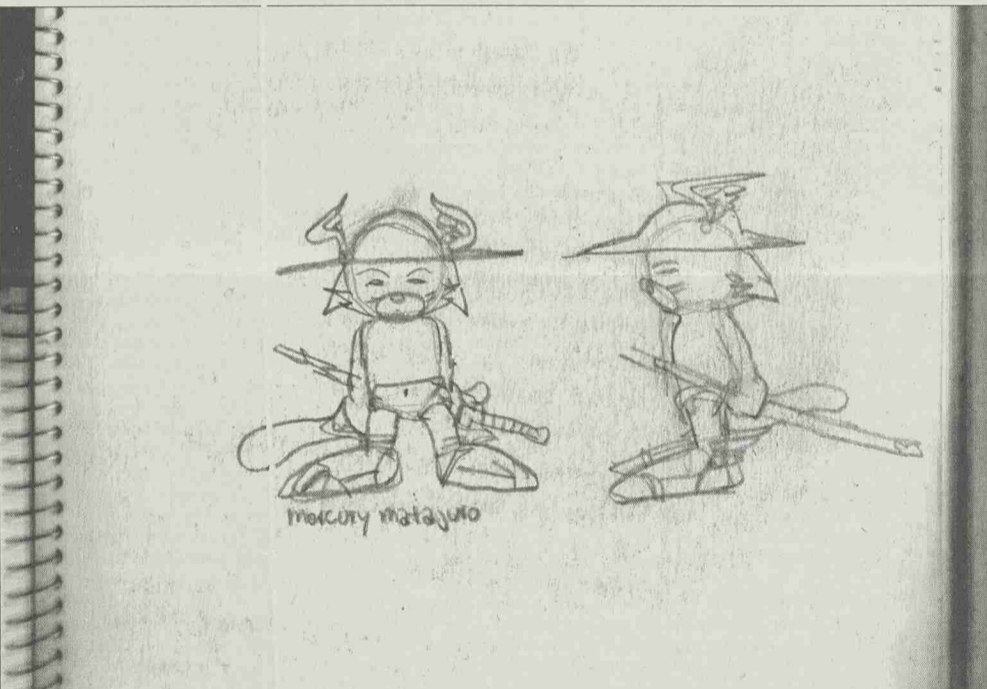
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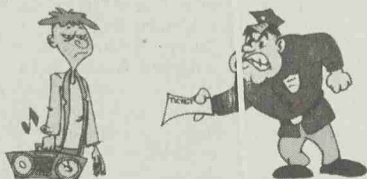
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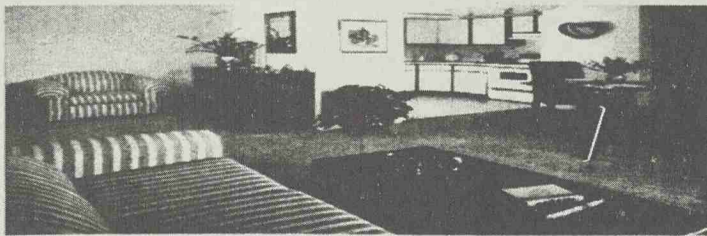


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Wolf Village will help combat Raleigh restrictions

Wolf Village could not come at a more opportune time for both students and the Raleigh community. The first three of eight proposed buildings to house 1,200 graduate students and upperclassmen is scheduled to open in fall of 2004, and currently the Raleigh City Council is proposing an ordinance placing a housing limit of just two unrelated individuals in a single-family dwelling.

The Raleigh City Council met Tuesday to consider the proposed ordinance, and plans are being discussed to hold a public vote, which is promising since the number of people at the meeting speaking in opposition to the proposal totaled 52, while only 10 supported the measure.

Yet, with no course of action decided upon and the threat of Raleigh discriminating against college students, many will not be able to afford the costs of renting and maintaining an off-campus residence without the financial assistance of extra roommates. Reducing the number of unrelated roommates from four to two will make it both harder for students to pay for housing and also more difficult to find housing options. When you kick out your extra two roommates, it's not as if they can both go live at a friend's single-dwelling house.

For upperclassmen and graduate students who wish to escape dormitory life on campus, a welcome option may be the Wolf Village apartments managed by N.C. State. These apartments are close to campus and offer amenities such as single bedrooms, washer/dryer units,

kitchens and access to computer labs, fitness rooms and NCSU Wolfline transportation.

The construction of these apartments reflects the willingness of NCSU to appeal to the needs of older students and tap into the market of students looking for apartments that are close to campus and offer conveniences. Wolf Village also will raise NCSU's percentage of students able to utilize on-campus housing options from more than 27 percent to at least 30 percent. The national average for peer universities is 28 percent, and surpassing this average is an obvious step ahead for NCSU housing, especially in light of Raleigh's attempts to limit housing options for students.

If housing options are limited, one point brought up at Tuesday's City Council meeting is that ripple effects may occur, causing people to not be attracted to NCSU due to these barriers of growth that would curb the long-term ability of university expansion. Wolf Village is a step toward improvement, attempting to rectify these growth barriers with additional options — options funded by NCSU revenue, not taxpayer dollars.

Groundbreaking on the new apartment-style housing complex occurred on Wednesday at the Environmental Safety Building off Varsity Drive between Western Boulevard and Sullivan Drive, and while students will have to wait more than a year to reap the benefits, Wolf Village does offer a glimmer of hope to combat Raleigh's City Council.

Don't blame McDonald's for fat teens

Staff Editorial
The Pitt News
U. Pittsburgh

threw out a class-action suit against McDonald's for unspecified damages filed on behalf of obese teenagers in the New York City area.

Samuel Hirsch, the attorney who originally filed the case on behalf of an obese janitor in New York, was representing the kids and plans to refile in about a month.

A Big Mac has 590 calories and 34 grams of fat. A large order of McDonald's french fries packs 540 calories and 26 grams of fat. For the last 30 years, McDonald's has posted this information prominently in every restaurant.

Sweet said, "It is not the place of the law to protect [people] from their own excesses." Well said, Judge.

By the time a kid is buying his own lunch, he should at least be able to distinguish junk food from health food. As for the claim that McDonald's targets children, when is the last time a 5-year-old bought his own Happy Meal?

Fat is not the new tobacco. Thankfully, the judge realized this and refused to provide litigation-happy malcontents with one more place to lay the blame. If

(U-WIRE) PITTSBURGH — On Wednesday, U.S. District Judge Robert Sweet

Sweet had even heard the case, it would set a dangerous precedent for other spurious claims to hit the nation. Here are a few possible defendants:

The creators of Snood: This highly addictive computer game has sucked away countless hours of study time from college students across the nation, resulting in poor grades and less groundbreaking research.

Al Gore: He, he did invent the Internet. Without the Internet, there would be no instant messaging, no hours wasted checking away messages, no vacuous conversations consisting mainly of emoticons.

Pabst Ice: This frosty and economical brew is responsible for countless instances of public intoxication, regrettable late-night phone calls and unexplained bruises. By being so inexpensive, the makers clearly target college students — the young and poor.

Obviously, the case against McDonald's is primarily about greed. If anyone truly had the obese teens' best interests at heart, they would devote energy to teaching about vegetables and exercise, not blaming others for problems.

Besides, if they won, who's to say their settlements wouldn't be paid out in the form of McDonald's gift certificates?



Reflect before labeling 'terrorists'

Michele DeCamp
Staff Columnist

When we think of terrorists, we often think of a certain older-looking man living in a cave in the desert where he continues to hide from United States troops. But terrorism is defined by Webster's Dictionary as "the systematic use of terror especially as a means of coercion," and that definition certainly includes terrorist attacks such as the Sept. 11 events and also any demonstration that provokes fear in our country. This is why Laura Whitehorn had to go to prison in 1985 for bombing a government building in her protest against the United States' invasion of Grenada in 1983.

Whitehorn did plant a bomb in the U.S. Capitol in 1983 and subsequently served a 14-year prison term for her actions, but since her release she has been lecturing at colleges across the country concerning women's rights and race relations. She has done this for many years without complaint, but her presence at a Duke University African and African American Studies graduate seminar caused quite a few negative comments from the Duke Conservative Union (DCU).

Whitehorn has been a political activist since the 1960s, when she began to support groups such as the Black Panther Party, and she has worked to better the way of life for African-Americans, women and homosexuals for many decades. Sometimes her attempts to better the way of life for others involved using force to get her message across. In 1971, she led a militant takeover of a Harvard University building with 400 other women to demonstrate their desire for a women's center on campus as well as to protest the war in Vietnam.

But she became defined as a terrorist in 1985 when she was taken to trial for being a part of group that planted a bomb in the U.S. Capitol in 1983. She was a defendant in the Resistance Conspiracy Case, where she was charged with "conspiracy to oppose, protest and change the policies and practices of the United States government in domestic and international matters by violence and illegal means." In other words, she used terror as a means of coercion.

The DCU released a statement that pondered what Whitehorn's involvement in the seminar could mean for the university. The DCU asked, "What's next: a lecture by Osama bin Laden?" They desire to have an explanation from Becky Thompson, who is the professor responsible for Whitehorn's involvement in the African and African American Studies lectures, but Thompson has received complete support from her fellow faculty members to allow Whitehorn to continue speaking at Duke.

The DCU is also concerned that many prominent campus groups have sponsored the seminar series called "Teaching Race, Teaching Gender." But those groups are not alone. Universities such as Vassar and Columbia have had Whitehorn give lectures at their respective schools, and she has come and gone without a word of complaint from faculty members or students.

The real question becomes whether or not "terrorist" is the correct word to describe both the activities of Whitehorn and Osama bin Laden. Whitehorn spent her prison years lecturing on AIDS education to her inmates as well as writing several articles about legal issues for female prisoners. She has done nothing but support other people throughout

her life, but she is now being compared to someone who led an attack on our country that killed thousands of innocent citizens. Even the bombing at the U.S. Capitol was planned so that the bomb would go off in an area where no one would be hurt.

While I do not agree with all of Whitehorn's methods to get her ideas across, she has served time for her crime, and her entire activist career has always been in support of others. The fact that she used her prison term to educate her fellow inmates on their rights, as well as AIDS, is amazing. While she may have provoked fear and terror in 1983, the term "terrorist" no longer applies to her actions.

The word itself gets thrown around a lot when we are discussing people who have taken a stand against the United States, or any other country for that matter; but I think that it has negative connotations that do not apply in this case.

To compare a woman who has helped people acquire their natural rights as human beings with a man who has used his political clout and money to kill innocents is a complete farce.

The DCU may not like the fact Laura Whitehorn is speaking at their school, but the fact that thousands of other students have welcomed her to their college goes should be a message to them. She is only there to bring a message of peace and understanding, not terror.

Michele has crossed over from the dark (blue) side and now bleeds Wolfpack red. She wants to thank the men's basketball team for pouncing the Blue Devils Wednesday. E-mail her at mlhagem@unity.ncsu.edu.

You're going to be robbed when textbook shopping

Zack Medford
Staff Columnist

Textbooks are ridiculously overpriced. Every single one of us has the conversation with our friend we sit next to in class. "Can you believe this textbook costs \$100?" "Yeah, can you imagine how much beer that would buy?" You know, something to that effect. We all complain about how much they cost, and every year someone says, "Sorry, it's not our fault."

If you're talking to the bookstore person who says that, they are probably telling the truth. College bookstores across the nation have to struggle with the "sticker shock" associated with textbooks. Since they serve as the final point of purchase for students, they receive the burden of us going insane and breaking things when we see the price tags.

Sadly enough, these bookstores are rarely making millions of us. Instead, they're often just barely covering costs. Sure, they rip you off with this used textbook market, but I think that's just the cost for convenience. If we just used the Internet to sell our used books, we'd probably get a lot more money back than if we try and sell it to the bookstore. Once we start doing that, they bookstore will start giving us more money.

There are two people to blame for this textbook crisis — first, the production companies. According to the National Association of College Stores, the publishing companies are making 67 percent of the money from these textbooks on average. The authors make 9 percent. The publishing company has to pay for printing (those glossy pages and lush photographs aren't free), as well as promotion for each book. Usually they give out free copies for professors to peruse and decide whether to use for classes.

Yet 67 percent is quite excessive for a producer to make on a final product. Inefficiency and greed amount to a large portion of your money being spent on relatively pointless Web sites and CD-ROM aids that most professors ignore. Web sites are a great idea, but Web sites are cheap and easy to produce.

I find it highly unlikely that a textbook costs more \$100 because they put up a message board and a chat room that lets me use frowny faces to talk about physics. The publishers need to employ efficiency in their business to lower costs, but they don't because they realize we essentially have no choice over what books we have to buy.

If our professor picks this book because the teacher's aids are the best (and

ignore how it costs twice as much) then we are stuck with it. The publishers know this. A business where a company only has to convince middlemen and never final buyers is rarely going to be consumer-friendly unless the middlemen fight for our rights.

The second group to blame for high-priced books are professors and departments. They really stick it to us when it comes to textbooks. Last year I took an accounting class, bought the \$100 book and used it. I guess I didn't use it enough because I got a D in the class, and I'm taking it over again this semester. However, when I tried to sell back my book, the bookstore wouldn't take it.

They said the accounting department is using a new edition. The book couldn't have been more than three years old, and I don't think that the entire basis for accounting has changed by any means in the last three years. I think the book threw in a chapter about Enron, slapped on a "NEW EDITION!" sticker and sweet-talked the department into accepting it. Now, I have a useless old accounting book and still have to buy a soon-to-be-useless new accounting book. There's a flaw in the system here, guys. We

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Funding religious-led social programs is a risky plan

Anna Edens
Staff Columnist

The separation of church and state — this American mindset has been touted in debates ranging from avoiding the establishment of a national religion and even removing prayer in some schools. But a recent proposal by the Bush administration to fund faith groups' construction plans may not have a clear-cut solution. As deserving as these organizations may be, the proposal dangerously straddles the divide between church and state since the taxpayer funding may be difficult to monitor.

Essentially, the administration wants to make federal housing money available to religious-based organizations, provided the area constructed with federal funds is used for social services, not religious worship. For example, a church, synagogue or mosque could receive money to construct or improve the conditions of a building used for a public soup kitchen, homeless shelter or counseling center. However if the faith group also wishes to improve the areas reserved for worship or religious meetings, it must seek private sponsorship.

Well, some versions of the plan say it must seek private sponsorship. This is because final plans are not set, and they may be expanded to say a group may renovate a room used sometimes as a homeless shelter and sometimes for church activities, according to Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) general counsel Richard Hauser.

HUD currently provides federal grants for housing and community development to build or rehabilitate structures. Last year's grants totaled \$7.7 billion.

Bush's administration has a variety of motives driving this announcement. He claims religious groups have been unfairly discriminated against in the process of dis-

tributing HUD funding, and changing this policy would serve as "leveling the playing field," according to HUD spokeswoman Diane Tomb.

The underlying reason for change — continuing Bush's two-year efforts to expand his faith-based initiative.

The problem with changing the system of HUD funding does not lie within creating more avenues for public social programs — it occurs when the government starts not only giving money to individual churches but also has a system in place to choose how money is evenly distributed among churches.

In a few years, instead of a debate about the discrimination against churches, we may see the discrimination against certain religions or denominations. When the federal government must start choosing which religious groups receive more or less funding for buildings, statistics can quickly be gathered to determine if a certain faith-based group is receiving less than a fair share.

Imploring a system where the government must distribute money to various religions is equal to asking the government to decide which group's programs are more worthy of support, opening up a firestorm of debate between organizations that feel they are receiving an unequal share.

Don't mistake me — funding the development of social programs like soup kitchens and counseling centers can be a valuable program for society. However, if a church wants to take on one of these charitable community needs, then the church should assume full responsibility instead of appealing to the government to fund a religious organization.

Churches also must be aware that when federal funding comes, government restrictions will follow. Some of the proposed restrictive guidelines include the group not requiring social program participants to attend services and not discriminating against those seek-

ing services.

While these restrictions are important, policing religious groups to ensure guidelines are met may prove to be a daunting task. If a church repairs a room for a counseling group, it will be extremely difficult to make sure that the church does not use the room to hold Sunday School classes on a crowded morning in three years. And if this does happen, it is hard to deny that the federal government has now built an area for a church.

And if the federal government starts building churches, this is a clear joining of church and state. If such behavior is allowed, it will be tough to stop a church that desires to build a new fellowship hall, justifying its receiving federal taxpayer dollars by saying, "Well, we will just hold a counseling session there, too."

It is not as though opportunities to assist the homeless, hungry and those in need of counseling are not funded by HUD — they are doling out over \$7.7 billion a year. This is not an issue of helping the needy, it is about paying the church to do so. And in a society where the "separation of church and state" is in place to ensure the government does not discriminate or encourage certain religions, we must not straddle the fence with programs that could appear to fall either way.

Funding areas used for social programs is one issue, and funding churches to provide building those activities and religious ceremonies is a different matter altogether, one that teeters on violating the separation of church and state.

Federal officials will finalize HUD funding details later in the year and are accepting public comments through March 7. Send your comments to both the government and Anna at acdens@unity.ncsu.edu or Campus Forum at forum@technicianstaff.com.

RULE OF THUMB



NCSU's victory over Duke

Senior Clifford Crawford had the game of a lifetime as the Wolfpack men's basketball team proved that dreams really do come true — and as frequently as once every five years or so.

Bobby Brown hospitalized

The troubled singer was hospitalized for undisclosed reasons Tuesday while serving time for drunken driving. A spokesman said Brown was otherwise pleased with his jail time, except for the limited availability of celebrity-grade blow.



Harry Belafonte fights the power

The 75-year-old joined the antiwar bandwagon this week, criticizing President Bush's plans and thus answering America's burning question: "What do washed up lounge singers think of current U.S. foreign policy?"

R. Kelly and child porn

In other troubled R&B singer news, Mr. Kelly was arrested Wednesday on 12 counts of child pornography. Kelly defended his character, saying, "I'd never do these things. Just ask my 15-year-old girlfriend."



U.S. government surplus

The U.S. government announced that they ended up with a \$4.37 billion budget surplus for the month of December. Capitol Hill plans to celebrate with a killer "pants optional" Super Bowl party at Ted Kennedy's house.

Jackie Chan

The ever-popular action star admitted this week to using stunt doubles to shoot some scenes; specifically, the ones that involve a lot of jumping and superfluous screaming and those that might "give Jackie a boo-boo."



Lieberman on campaign trail

Appearing at a pro-choice fundraiser, Sen. Joseph Lieberman stepped up his presidential campaign this week. He assured voters that neither his Orthodox Jewish beliefs nor his part-time job as the dad from the TV show "Alf" will hinder his bid for president.

Accidental mastectomy

As part of a terrible medical mix-up, a Minnesota woman underwent an accidental mastectomy. She is trying to look at the bright side, however, by posting her breasts and her signed Creed poster on eBay.



Aspiring Tar Heel astronaut

The News and Observer reported that UNC-Chapel Hill sophomore Kate Harris recently spent two weeks in a habitat built to resemble Mars. This wasn't a challenge for Harris who, being a Carolina student, has had her head in the clouds for years.

Marye Anne Fox censored

Chancellor Fox was censored this week by the NCSU Faculty Senate over her fringes of two vice provosts. At the meeting, Fox tried to show her soft side by leaving her business suit blazer unbuttoned and her plain black dress shoes slightly unpolished.

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do not need to have a new edition for textbooks every year.

I bought a book for my marketing class last semester that was from 2001. They were using the 2002 edition. Yet my book still worked perfectly, and I did quite well in the class. Perhaps the textbook companies produce new editions every year just to steal more of our money? No, no, never!

Publishers: Stop wasting your money on \$200-per-hour Web designers and CD-ROMs that don't really do anything. Bundling these services is great,

but not when you use them to justify insane price tags. That's just plain mean.

Department Heads: We are in college so we can make money later. We don't have it now. The next time I have to pay \$500 for a semester's worth of textbooks with a one-year life expectancy, I'm going to vomit. That's a promise. Pick a textbook for five years and stick with it.

Perhaps if subject material changes, the professor can teach us the new information. You'll save us money, and you'll save me from vomiting. Think about it.

Students: E-mail Zack at Zack@izack.com to give him more to complain about. He needs it.

A peace movement that's going nowhere

Zev Chafets
N.Y. Daily News

"A broad cross-section of America." That's how National Public Radio's reporter described the anti-war demonstrators who converged Saturday on the Mall in Washington.

The New York Times agreed. Its editorial page called the gathering "impressive for the obvious mainstream roots of the marchers."

I watched the march on C-SPAN, and I saw a different event — a thin crowd of cold white people cheering on an assortment of America-hating radicals, second-rate demagogues and plain weirdos.

The rally was kicked off by a Native American activist, Moonanum James, who set the day's tone by accusing the United States of genocide and ended his oration with this exhortation: "In the spirit of Crazy Horse, no more war!" (I'm not making that up.)

James was one of 11 speakers from the rally's organizing group, ANSWER — Act Now to Stop War & End Racism. ANSWER is intimately connected with the Workers of the World Party, an outfit that is, according to David Corn of the hard-left The Nation magazine, a "small, revolutionary-Socialist sect." Is there anyone on Earth more maliciously stupid than a revolutionary Socialist?

Other featured speakers included the Revs. Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson, former Geor-

gia Rep. Cynthia McKinney, ex-U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark, Ron ("Born on the Fourth of July") Kovic, two silly actresses, a few folk singers and a very distressed British member of Parliament, Jeremy Corbyn.

There were also a great many Arab and Islamic apologists for Iraqi strongman Saddam Hussein among the orators: Elias Rashmawi of the Free Palestine Alliance; Mansoor Khan from "Peace TV;" Ashraf el-Bayoumi, an Egyptian "intellectual;" Esam Omeish of the Muslim-American Society; Imam Mousa (who made an appeal for convicted cop-killer H. Rap Brown and called for a "revolution" to bring down the "American system"); Ismael Kamal representing the Muslim-Student Association; and, at the end of the rally, a poet from the Council on American-Islamic Relations who delivered his indictment of Yankee aggression and repression in doggerel verse.

A White House spokeswoman, asked about the rally, called it an example of American free speech, which, of course, it was. And I have no doubt there were some well-meaning mainstream people in the crowd. But public rallies, like public lynchings, are normally judged not by the quality of the crowd, but by the character of the people staging the event.

That's why calling Saturday's demonstration mainstream misses the point. So much

so, in fact, that a suspicious type might even detect a certain amount of ideological dissembling in the coverage.

Too bad, because there was a real story on the Mall in Washington over the weekend. The rally revealed that the anti-war movement, since its last meeting in October, has gone precisely nowhere. Saturday was, in fact, a carbon copy of the October effort — same speakers, same B-list celebrities, same small crowd. An hour into it, Rashmawi conceded this last point, announcing that half the buses were still on their way. Afterward, ANSWER claimed 500,000 — a hilarious exaggeration.

But exaggeration won't help the anti-war movement as it is currently constituted. Neither will disingenuous reporting. ANSWER and its fellow travelers clearly want to turn Iraq into another Vietnam, but they are being frustrated by a technological irony. A generation ago, network television showed the American public the truth about a bad war. Now C-SPAN, with its unmediated, unblinking cameras, is doing the same for a bad "peace" movement.

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Trusting young 'uns

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(U-WIRE) BERKELEY, Calif. — A group of Congress members, led by Rep. Charles Rangel, D-New York, submitted a bill that would reinstate the draft for ages 20 years and up, including college students. Said Rangel, "I am preparing legislation to authorize reinstatement of the universal draft and other forms of mandatory national service." It's always heartening when members of Congress achieve popularity on a "get the young killed" platform. It puts the awesome power of the 18 to 25-age voting bloc in perspective.

Of course, this isn't seriously about reinstating the draft. The Bush administration doesn't want it. Even Rangel doesn't really want it back. This is an anti-war statement. He wants to end dis-

parities in who "shoulders the burden" of military service in this country, which is to say mostly the poor, by having "shared sacrifice."

Rangel is also making a larger point about the need for every young American to be committed to national service. And while not many politicians get too excited about standing up and saying, "Let's send your children to get shot at!" a lot of them feel good about a form of compulsory national service. Bush talked about it in his last State of the Union speech. The "Call to Service" act was introduced in last year's Congress. Many nations already impose national service. Young people are, after all, self-absorbed hedonists without respect for civic duty and patriotism, so let's show them the beauty of American democracy by voting them two years of forced volun-

teerism. Silly student, planning to spend your first post-graduate years earning money for law school.

This is honestly the view of the old of what patriotism for the young should look like. Sacrifice. Paying your dues. Committing yourself for democracy. Blood, toil, tears and sweat to prove yourself, and incidentally build park benches in Indiana. We all know this is silly because we know what is worth giving our time to and what we should give our time to far better than what a national bureaucracy would come up with. Our generation volunteers more hours than any other did. The United States doesn't need everyone in a uniform to get their national sacrifice merit badge, it needs young engineers and bright business graduates for us to do what we're already doing. Certainly we could stand

to vote or spend an hour reading political issues, but nothing life-altering.

Our generation will be the first in which helping the nation is largely synonymous with self-interest. Immediately following Sept. 11, President Bush told Americans that the most patriotic thing they could do was go to the mall, spend freely, go to work and spy on the neighbors. We already do three out of four. And there are many, generally ancient, politicians who see this and feel that without a spirit of sacrifice or gratitude, the ability to stand up for your country won't be there when a crisis arrives. Hence, the above attempts to send a compulsory message to today's youth. That message is, "You're either too self-absorbed to help your country or too stupid to figure how to do it on your own."

Maybe Rangel and company need to

learn to trust this generation a bit. They have a view that if we aren't employed by the government or being shot at we'll end up permanently self-absorbed. But we weren't self-absorbed to start with, especially compared to our parents at college age. Unlike their generation, our age group filled the military by volunteering, not conscription. Our generation held the first pro-United States rally at UC Berkeley, not theirs. In all, there's little evidence besides worrying-aged people that our generation needs character-building and so much of it. The best thing the worriers can do for us is let us graduate, get a job and stay out of our lives.

We're a perfectly decent generation, Congress. Excuse us if we don't jump through hoops just to prove it.

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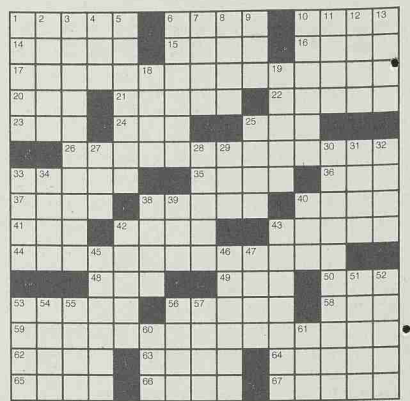
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Taurus
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Today is a 6. Continue to streamline procedures and save money. Ever think of writing a book on the tricks you've learned? Now is a good time to start, the earlier, the better.

Gemini
May 21-June 21

Today is a 9. Follow through on whatever you investigated yesterday. Odds are still in your favor, but they won't be for long. Don't look down!

Cancer
June 22-July 22

Today is a 5. Home-improvement projects are a good investment now. The work you do yourself puts money into your pocket. And nothing makes you happier than being appreciated.

Leo
July 23-Aug. 22

Today is an 8. It might not be that somebody was lying to you. It might just be that an assumption was false. Give the benefit of the doubt as you make the correction.

Virgo
Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Today is a 5. You've got dreams and fantasies, just like anybody else. You're just a little more practical than most. But don't be too shy to push for what you want.

Libra
Sept. 23-Oct 22

Today is a 10. Early in the morning, set goals that you're not sure how you'll achieve. Then, make a list of the steps you'll take. Include miraculous interventions when necessary.

Scorpio
Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Today is a 5. You have a talent for choosing exactly the right words. That's why you don't have to use very many. Give the signal, and your vision will materialize.

Sagittarius
Nov. 22-Dec. 21

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Capricorn
Dec. 22-Jan. 19

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Aquarius
Jan. 20-Feb. 18

Today is a 10. Sail through the day without a care in the world, confident that if one appears, you can handle it. You're more apt to get a lucky break that way.

Pisces
Feb. 19-March 20

Today is a 5. Hold your course, do what you should, and have faith. All the pieces should fall into place without much more effort. But if required, push.

CAROLINA

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Kansas and then-No. 6 UConn, proving they can't be taken lightly.

The Heels feature a talented freshman class led by Rashad McCants. He averages a team-best 19.4 points per game and is grabbing 5.5 rebounds a game.

Not only does McCants have the size and speed to take the ball inside, he isn't afraid to take the outside shot, hitting on just over

44 percent of his 3-point attempts.

Potential dangers also loom in sophomore forward Jawad Williams and freshmen point guard Raymond Felton. Williams works the low post and is second on the team in scoring (13.9 per game), while Felton is a dangerous passer and is averaging almost seven assists per outing. UNC will be without freshmen center Sean May, son of former Indiana standout Scott May, who went down with a broken foot on Dec. 27.

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— Nike and adidas — are engaged in a bidding war for James that will probably land the 18-year-old over \$25 million in sneaker endorsements alone.

In other words, James is a walking millionaire-to-be whose mother lives in subsidized housing. He's the next big thing, has a 3.2 GPA and too good of a head on his shoulders to become the next Lloyd Daniels or Shea Cotton. Yet officials that govern the amateur athletics of Ohio are upset because his mother obtained him a loan to buy a \$50,000 automobile that includes televisions and leather seats embroidered with the words "King James."

Such a ruckus over nothing. It's not James' fault that we live in a society in which the cream-

of-the-crop basketball stars and not the future nuclear engineers or medical doctors are given a lifetime's worth of riches before they can legally drink alcohol. That's America for you.

Gloria James capitalized on this and was able to land the loan from a local bank. And who's to blame? There's not a bank in the nation that would turn down a chance to loan them money and perhaps get the upper hand in securing the chance to house the future earnings of James.

Blame America. Blame the NBA. Blame Nike. Blame adidas. But don't blame James, because he's just enjoying the benefits of the nation we live in today.

Matt's columns normally run on Wednesdays. He can be reached at matt@techniciansports.com or 515-2411.

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his third season.

So what happened next? Well, for one the Heels beat Kansas, the No. 2 team in the country at the time. Then they won the Preseason NIT, and climbed in the top 15 of the polls. After that, they lost stud freshman center Sean May to a broken foot, struggled a bit and dropped out of the rankings, and whipped then-No. 6 UConn at home on Saturday.

If anyone can figure out this bunch, step forward. One thing is clear, though: This isn't the 8-20 Carolina of disaster.

"We play a really good North Carolina team on Sunday," said State's Julius Hodge, fresh of his team's 80-71 thumping of No. 3 Duke Wednesday. "We're going to have to continue to work hard. If we can continue to have guys play consistent, we'll have more big wins."

A win against Carolina (11-6, 2-2 ACC) would certainly be huge for State (10-4, 3-1). But it might be even bigger for the Heels, which seem to be a team in search of its identity. Early in the season, UNC's makeup seemed simple enough. Three super freshman - point guard Raymond Felton, swing man Rashad McCants and May - added life, speed and energy to Carolina's attack. Doherty's team could win outside with Felton or McCants, or inside with May.

But the Heels are now without their prized center, who went down with a broken foot in a Dec. 27 loss to Iona. Since then, Carolina has gone just 4-3 and lacked any kind of real interior presence. The loss of May caused Doherty to shuffle his starting lineup, and both Byron Sanders and Damien Grant have tried to fill a void which showed greatly in Carolina's loss to Maryland on Wednesday.

"I think they've been progressing terrifically," said Doherty. "I've been really proud of Byron Sanders. When Sean comes back we're going to be that much better because of Byron's development. Damien Grant's development has been slowed by injury, but I've been very encouraged and excited by his development, too."

Without a real post presence, more pressure has landed in the hands of Carolina's talented perimeter players. But as State showed Wednesday in shutting down a dangerous Duke team, open looks could be limited for McCants and company come Sunday afternoon. Clifford Crawford, who played determined defense on Duke's J.J. Redick in the second half of that win, will likely try to slow the playmaking ability of Felton. Hodge may be asked to take on McCants. Both are up to the task, as is the rest of the Pack.

"We can take [this] and carry it over to the next game and the next game after that," said State's Marcus Melvin after scoring 14 points in the Duke win. "[On Sunday,] we got to go in there and just be tough like we were tonight."

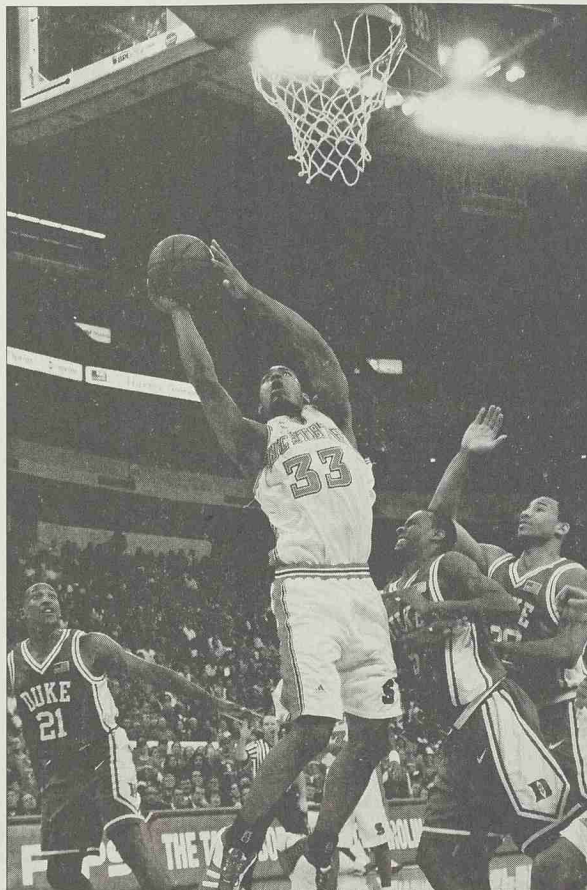
And of course, State will be riding high after one of the biggest wins of the Herb Sendek era. The key will be consistency.

"I think being consistent comes with a certain amount of confidence," said Melvin. "These last few games, we've really had our confidence level up. In order to sustain that confidence, we've just got to win games. Especially games at home."

As Duke can attest, there are no easy road games in the ACC. The Blue Devils lost two straight conference games for the first time since 1997, both of them coming away from Durham. Carolina, meanwhile, will be looking for momentum in the most unlikely of places: a rival's home court. "Road wins are very precious," said Doherty.

So is a team's health, and both State and UNC share injury woes. State's Ilian Evtimov was lost before the regular season started with a torn ACL, and Jordan Collins has been hampered all year. And with May sidelined, the Heels have become a different squad. At least there's still a chance May will come back this season.

"It would obviously help us if he came back this year, but I'm not counting on it," said Doherty. "I've been really impressed with his work ethic during this rehabilitation time. He's shown a lot of discipline during this period." And really, so has Doherty's team. And a win Sunday certainly wouldn't hurt that rehab process.



Josh Powell will be the most experienced post player on the court when North Carolina visits the RBC Center on Sunday. Staff photo by Tim Lytvinenko

Pack upends Deacons

N.C. State used a hot start and the play of Kaayla Chones to get a key ACC road win.

Sports Staff Report

WINSTON-SALEM — Kaayla Chones scored 19 points and pulled down 13 rebounds to lead the N.C. State women's basketball team to a 70-57 victory over Wake Forest Thursday night.

The double-double was the sixth of the year for Chones, who was 7-for-10 from the field and scored 15 of her points in a strong first-half effort for the Wolfpack (9-8, 4-2 ACC).

State opened the game hot, going on a 12-2 run to start and hitting 12 of its first 15 shots. But Wake Forest (10-6, 1-5) would rally in front of its home crowd at Joel Coliseum.

The Demon Deacons warmed up, going on a 13-6 run to cut the deficit to three at 18-15. Wake evened the score at 25 with back-to-back 3-pointers from Tracy Alston and Eafon Hill with just over seven minutes remaining in the first half. The teams found themselves knotted again at 37-37 with one minute remaining before Wake went on a 4-0 run to own a 41-37 advantage at the break, its largest lead of the game at the point.

As a team, the Wolfpack shot over 59 percent (16-of-27) in the first half. Chones was nearly perfect in the opening period, shooting 6-of-7 from the field and 3-of-3 from the line for 15 points to go with eight rebounds. The Deacons Tonia Brown matched her in the scoring column with 15 points of her own in the first half.

Wake Forest scored the first bucket of the second half to increase its lead to six, but the Pack came back to tie the score at 45-45 at the 16:42 mark.

From there the Deacs hit another shooting slump, and State responded with a 13-3 scoring run that spanned the next 10 minutes of the contest. WFU could get no closer than seven points the rest of the way, and State was able to run out the clock, finishing the game with its largest lead of the night at 13 points.

The Wolfpack cooled off from the floor, shooting 38 percent in the second half, but helped its cause by converting 15-of-19 free throws after getting just 4-of-5 from the line in the first half.

Chones finished as the game's leading scorer with 19 points and also posted a double-double with 13 rebounds. Carisse Moody came off the bench to score 16 points in the Wolfpack effort.

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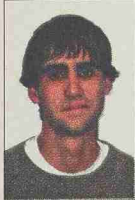
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The Greensboro Coliseum has seen its share of high-quality basketball over the years. The oft-remodeled arena has hosted 18 ACC tournaments, Dean Smith's first ACC title and the 1974 national championship of

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The latest renovation of the coliseum in 1994 pushed its capacity to 23,500. If those walls could talk, they might tell the stories of how capacity crowds looked on as Randolph Childress poured in an ACC Tournament-record 107 points over three games in 1995, or how an undermanned and eighth-seeded N.C. State team made an impossible run to the tournament finals in 1997, playing four games in four days.

But this past Monday on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, more than 15,000 people flocked to that arena — to watch a high school basketball game. A vast majority of those people "ohhed and ahhed" at the skill of a certain 6-foot-8-inch forward — during warm-ups.

It was atypical to say the least, but LeBron James is not your average high school basketball player.

On Monday, I was one of the thousands in attendance in what was by far the largest crowd to ever see a high school basketball game in the same state that has produced, among others, Michael Jordan, David Thompson, Pete Maravich and James Worthy.

Most of us were there to see the hype firsthand. By all reports, James was Tracy McGrady, Michael Jordan and Kobe Bryant all rolled into one. A sure-thing No. 1 pick in June's NBA draft.

After my trip walking around the perimeter of the arena in search of an H2 — the luxury sport utility vehicle that James controversially received as a birthday gift from his unemployed mother — ended unsuccessfully, I entered the arena to find James swishing 40-foot fade-away jumpers from the corner during warm-ups.

He was every bit as big as advertised — a full 6-8 and with a McGrady build. But a mere five minutes into the game, it was apparent what separates him from McGrady, who is probably the best healthy player in the world right now.

McGrady averages almost five assists per game but is without a doubt a pure one-on-one scorer with a shoot-first mentality. On the other hand, James was content nearly the entire opening quarter with setting up his teammates with fundamental, John Stockton-style bounce and chest passes. Certainly not the kind of thing you'd expect from a player with the supposed street-ball creed of James.

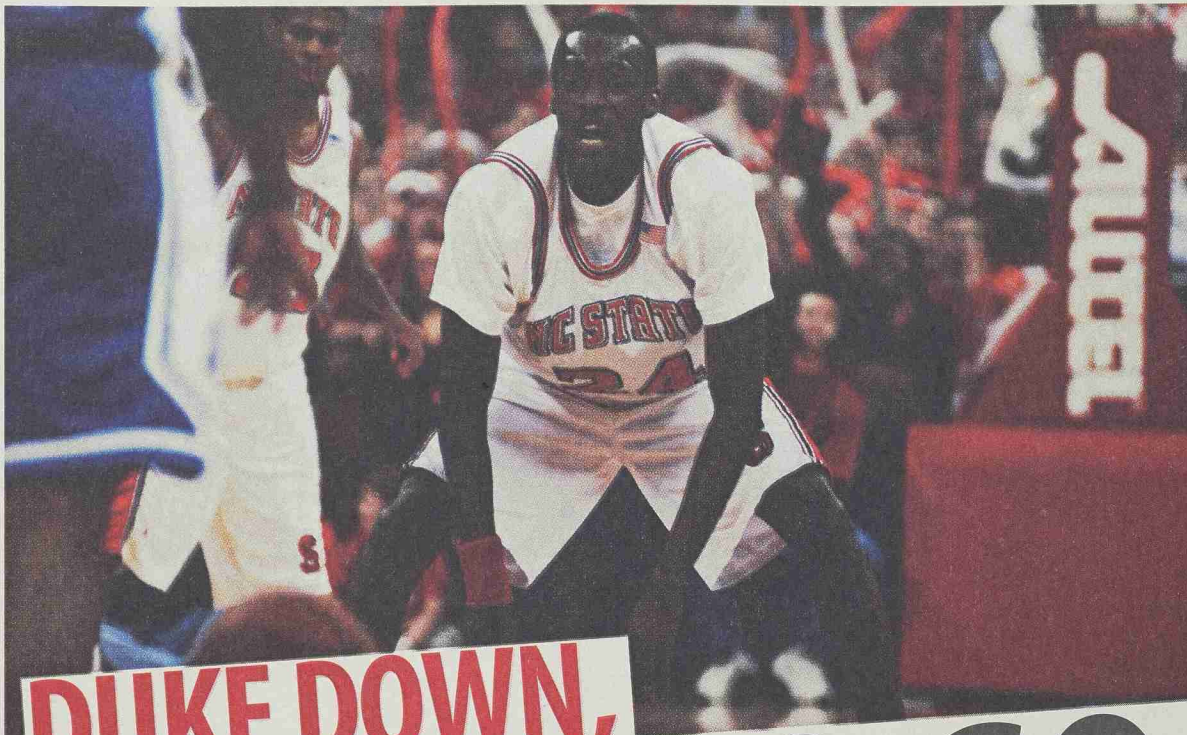
After making only one field goal in the first eight minutes, James then proved he was indeed the proverbial man among boys, even if he was being guarded by blue-chip prospect and North Carolina recruit Reyshawn Terry.

Several times James refused to settle for his jumper, instead choosing to drive the lane on the 6-foot-7-inch Terry, who called James overrated before and after the game, and netted several jumpers.

James finished with more than 30 points, several blocks and a couple of high-flying dunks, but more importantly, he led his national No. 1 team, Akron, Ohio's St. Vincent-St. Mary, to a blowout victory over the North Carolina prep-power Winston-Salem Reynolds.

Amidst all his accomplishments and achievements, however, James has become arguably the most scrutinized athlete in America since he graced the covers of both Sports Illustrated and ESPN The Magazine.

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DUKE DOWN, HEELS TO GO

The N.C. State men's basketball team faces archrival North Carolina after defeating No. 3 Duke.

Justin Sellers
Senior Staff Writer

While much of the country will be gearing up for Super Bowl Sunday, the N.C. State men's basketball team will have its mind set on something a little closer to home: a showdown with archrival North Carolina.

The Wolfpack, coming off an impressive win over Duke, must now calm its celebration and prepare for a super Sunday showdown with Carolina at the RBC Center. Tipoff is set for 2 p.m.

The two teams enter the contest from vastly different directions. Maryland dealt UNC (11-6, 2-2 ACC) an 81-66 loss Wednesday night, as the Heels had few answers for the Terrapin front court of Ryan Randle and Tahj Holden. State (10-4, 3-1), meanwhile, took down a No. 3 Duke team that was looking to get back on track against a Wolfpack club many didn't feel had a chance.

But after the first television timeout of the game, the Pack slowly began to answer the doubts, giving the Blue Devils a solid effort on both ends of the court. Playing well into the night, State once again proved that anything can happen in the ACC, beating Duke 80-71.

"I thought our fans were great tonight," said Pack coach Herb Sendek after the win. "They were electric and there were times where they helped our guys bounce back when we needed to

get momentum."

Sendek was ready for Carolina as soon as the final horn went off Wednesday night.

"You've got to move on and play your next game," said the coach. "We have to stay grounded, and we have to keep working and live up to the things we preach every day."

Last year State, like a lot of teams, took advantage of the Tar Heels' lackluster squad, beating UNC 77-59 in Chapel Hill and 98-76 in Raleigh. The wins were certainly sweet for State — especially since they were the first ones over Carolina since the 1997-1998 season.

The Wolfpack will look to the leadership of senior guard Clifford Crawford and sophomore forward Julius Hodge in an attempt to prove last year's domination wasn't a fluke. State shot 50 percent from the floor against the Blue Devils with help of Crawford, who might have played his best game ever in a Wolfpack uniform. The only senior on the team, Crawford tallied a team-high 21 and connected on 4-of-5 of his shots from downtown.

Meanwhile, the Pack's sparkplug is Hodge, who continues to prove he's among the best players in the conference. Hodge averages 18.7 points a contest, the best mark on the team.

Another advantage for State will be its homecourt, where the Pack has lost only one game this season.

But this year's UNC team is much improved. The Tar Heels have rebounded from last season's dismal 8-20 record. UNC already has wins over then-No. 2



(Above) Julius Hodge prepares to pounce. (Below) Clifford Crawford gets a hand in Chris Duhon's face. Staff photos by Tim Lytvinenko and Matt Huffman

Carolina seeing red

A once promising season has turned tumultuous for the young Tar Heels, and the opposite is true for their Sunday opponent.

Andrew B. Carter
Assistant Sports Editor

Last year, North Carolina saw red. A lot of it. On the Tar Heels' faces it was, the blush of embarrassment. In the mirror, as players questioned themselves after every loss — all 20 of 'em. And especially in its baby blue home last Jan. 23, where the Tar Heels were serenaded to N.C. State Wolfpack chants and cheers as they lost by 18.

It was all part of a misery-filled epic for Carolina, one that couldn't end soon enough. Its worst season since the early days of the Dean Smith era, an 8-20 record was all the Heels had to show by March, which is usually the month in which they show off so much more.

And then the off-season came. Backcourt mates Adam Boone and Brian Morrison transferred. Sophomore Jawad Williams almost did the same. Players were reported as being unhappy with coach Matt Doherty, and a large piece ran in a local newspaper questioned the hiring of the passionate, emotional coach, now in

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DTH/MARKO POLLO

As part of the "Wrap it up when you whip it out" campaign, students are encouraged to wear their sheepskins.

Student Health introduces spirited UNC prophylactic

JACQUE ETCH
Staff Fornicator

Until recently, practicing safe sex and rooting the beloved Tar Holes on to victory were separate activities. Not anymore.

Tuesday, Dr. Lovlan Tyme, head of UNC-CH's Committee for the Prevention of STDs announced the debut of the "Random," a new condom that combines the die-hard Tar Hole fan attitude with the "We're both drunk and I don't know you, so we better use a condom" mentality more and more students at UNC-CH are developing.

The Random features a logo of the UNC-CH mascot and a high-tech polychromatic latex that changes from Carolina blue to white to let the user know when to get a new one.

Tyme says Student Health has been giving away free prophylactics for years, hoping that this would promote the practicing of safe sex among the student body.

But it seems that this wasn't quite enough.

"We thought we had to penetrate deeper into the heart of the problem," said Tyme. "It's really a lack of interest in safe sex that was the problem. With the Random, we feel we've got a solution students can feel comfortable with and take pride in."

So far, student response has been promising. "I can't wait to get out there and, like, use the Random and stuff," sophomore communication major Ima Binbo said.

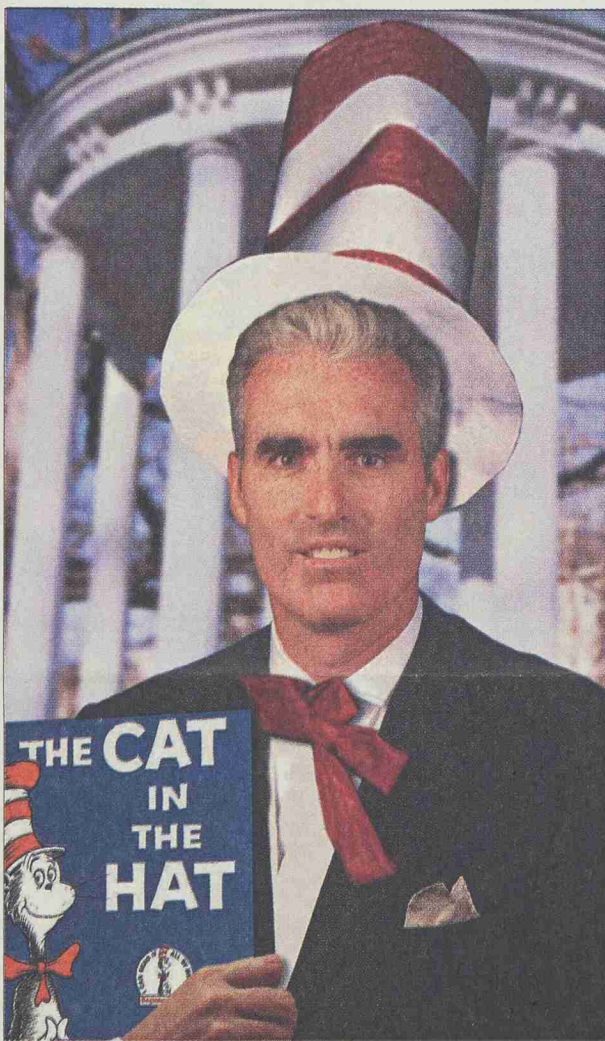
Tyme feels UNC-CH's introduction of the Random is a revolutionary idea that will set a standard in STD prevention for other colleges to match. "This is the kind of idea that would never have worked until the sexual revolution of the '60s," Tyme said. "We're trying to make it so people aren't ashamed to root for their school while they're having sex. Why shouldn't students' love for their school and their functional love for their temporary partners whose name they think they might know go hand in hand?"

But Tyme's Random has aroused some heated protest. Lulu Norton, who runs UNC-CH's Center for Wellness, Meditation, Yoga, Finger-painting, Listening to Kenny G and Irrelevant Semi-deep Musings, says combining such emotionally charged activities as cheering and fornicating is a dangerous mix. "I believe this could drive students to a dangerous climax," says Norton. "This is an irresponsible use of the sacred UNC logo."

Starting Monday, students will be able to get Randoms from Student Health representatives in the Quad. The representatives will be wearing shirts saying, "I got Randomed. Ask me how you can too."

"Even though the holidays are over, they'll make good stocking stuffers and birthday gifts," said Tyme.

Summer reading program chooses Suess' 'Cat in the Hat'



DTH/MARKO POLLO

"Matt in the Hat" D'oherty shows off his favorite book and his favorite outfit.

VEG GROLK
Staff idiot

After last year's nationally publicized brouhaha over UNC-CH's requirement that all incoming freshmen read the "Quran," the UNC-CH Freshman Summer Reading Planning Committee has given careful thought to this year's choice.

Though choosing a relevant work that's intellectually challenging yet less controversial than the "Quran" has proven no easy task, the committee stands firmly by their selection. Marilyn West, head of the reading program's planning committee, feels confident the selection of Dr. Suess' insightful novella "The Cat in the Hat" is just what the program is looking for.

"This is a timeless piece many of our students may have already read," said West. "But we want our students to re-examine the work in light of the subtle layers of postmodern allegory and in reference to the impact it may have exerted on non-Western cultures unique from our own."

Not all at UNC-CH are so pleased with West's choice, however.

"Suess' annoying and unwavering adherence to the rhymed couplet is really quite sophomoric," Dr. Roger Rogerer, professor of 20th-century

OTHER BOOKS CONSIDERED

- I Dress Myself by Timmy McConway
- Quasi-Effective Journalism for Dummies
- Famous Tar Heels Who Never Graduated by James Taylor
- Things I Thought of But Forgot by Charles Kuralt
- Wine, Cheese, UNC and Me by Joe Wolf

poetry, said. "It's almost as if this were written for children."

West and her supporters rebut by pointing to "Cat"'s broad-ranged and multidisciplinary appeal. They say it raises pertinent questions in several areas of academia:

- Philosophy: Is there really a cat and/or a hat? How can one be sure?
- Statistics: Assuming both the cat and the hat do, in fact, exist and no prior knowledge of the cat's behavior, what is the probability that the cat will be in the hat?

- Animal rights: If the cat has the mental capacity to decide he wants to be in the hat, should he, then, also be permitted to choose where and with whom he lives?

- Fine arts: Is Suess' illustrative approach to drawing the eye and the mind away from the violation of realism represented by a talking cat and directing the audience's attention instead to the spatial relation of the cat to the hat successful?

In order to further prevent another installment of last year's catastrophe, the edition of "Cat" chosen this year features forwards by two leading scholars who provide highly divergent interpretations of Suess' work.

"We understand that studying one unilateral perspective of a piece such as 'Cat' promotes dangerous, subjective learning, and [we] made sure to avoid this," said West.

Students seem to be pleased with the selection of "Cat."

"I love 'The Cat in the Hat,'" said Preston Wainscotting III, a sophomore in history. "Counting the times my Nanny read it to me while my mom was playing bridge with the garden club, I've read it over this many times [held up hands to indicate 7]."

Some critics argue that the committee is overcompensating for what turned out to be an infamous selection of the "Quran" last year.

"I feel that the university may be covering their pretentious arses," said English department maintenance technician Lookie MeBum. "Suess is good and all, but he's no Silverstein."

Raelian leader joins faculty as religion, genetics professor

TOM DICKENHARRY
Staff Mudraker

In an unprecedented display of its commitment to diversity, UNC-Chapel Hill welcomed His Holiness Rael — the founder and leader of the Raelian Revolution — to the faculty Thursday. Rael founded the Raelians, a religious sect that believes in science over religion. Rael claims to have been visited by an extraterrestrial in 1974. During this meeting, he learned extraterrestrial scientists seeded the Earth with life.

Clonaid, a corporation related to the Raelians, claims it has cloned the first human baby. Despite the group's inability to provide proper and unequivocal proof to a skeptical world, UNC-CH Chancellor James Mozer announced today the self-proclaimed religious leader would bring a "new and fresh look at old fundamentals of science and religion and move this university into a new era of discovery and enlightenment."

In a press conference, Chancellor Mozer answered questions from reporters about the questionable scientific methods used by the Raelians and if they would have any effect on the teach-

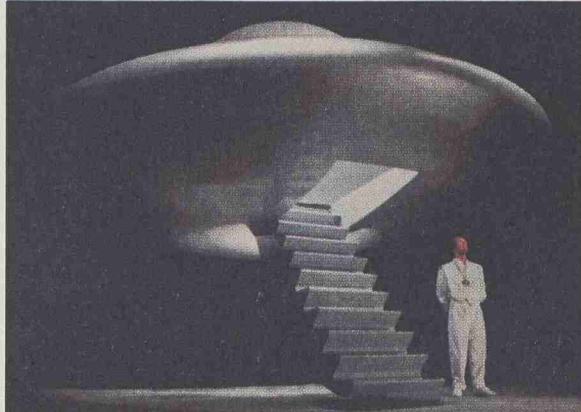
ing at the university.

"I do not expect to have any problems in the wake of hiring His Holiness," said Mozer. "I think this is a great opportunity for our students and faculty to experience a new perspective on the science that we study and teach and the religions that we practice."

Rael was not available for comment, but according to his Web site, His Holiness will be teaching two courses this upcoming fall semester: Introduction to Raelian Thought and Advanced Theories of Human Cloning. He will be using his books, "The Message Given by Extra-Terrestrials" and "Yes to Human Cloning."

University officials are debating the option of requiring incoming freshmen to take the new course on Raelian belief or give them the option to write a one-page explanation of why they oppose it.

In addition to his religion course, His Holiness Rael will teach a genetics course for advanced undergraduate and graduate students and conduct genetic research in conjunction with the medical school. Many faculty members feel this is a bold move for the university to make and welcome the decision.



DTH/MARKO POLLO

His Holiness Rael has stepped off the UFO and onto the Chapel Hell campus.

In addition, they feel the addition of His Holiness will only bolster Carolina's image of tolerance and acceptance of all religions and cultures.

In a related story, the admissions office today extended admissions to include all

cloned humans. When asked if those cloned children of Carolina alumni will get preferential treatment over non-alumni cloned children, the dean of admissions declined to comment.

I don't want to go to school. I don't want to know anything new.

Calvin

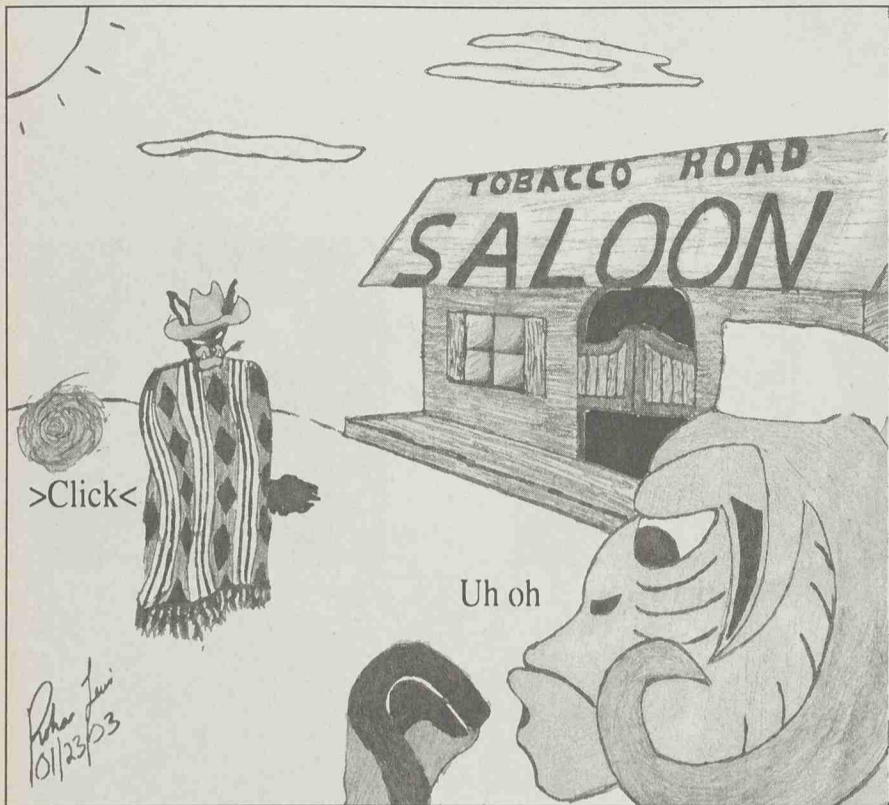
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READER'S FORUM

Students urged to protest war on Canada

Fellow students, we find ourselves at a crossroads in American history. Many of us sit idly by as our government surreptitiously promotes its cowboylike hate mongering. They tell us this is a war we need, that there is just cause, we just don't see it. Nonsense.

It is past time for us to take a stand against the war on Canada. President Bush and his henchman feel they can dupe the American public, and the rest of the world, into thinking this so-called

"conflict" is about nuclear disarmament. Bush won't pull the wool over our perceptive eyes. We all know what all this is really about: Canadian oil.

The Bush Administration's strong ties to Big Canadian Oil have been well documented. The government wants us to send our sons and daughters to die on the frozen tundra of Saskatchewan, and for what? For their precious Canadian oil.

Next thing you know, we'll be stealing their comedians without compensation. Most Americans aren't aware that back during the '80s, we actually provided arms support for the Canadians in their

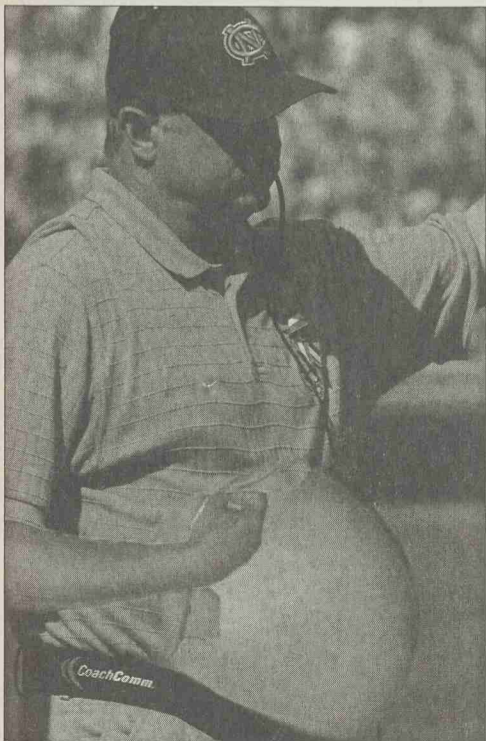
war with Iceland. We must reap that which we have sown, but we must not revert to war. Brothers and sisters, our streams are polluted, our children are starving, what passes for really good weed is no longer what it used to be.

Pick up your drums. Form your circle. We can't let our country force its hatred for peace and its love for treated petroleum onto an innocent country. I'll be driving my SUV to Washington this weekend to protest, will you?

Macon Luvnotwar
Sophomore
Social Studies

Spurts

Buntcake to have baby



DTH/MARKO POLLO

And you thought Buntcake's belly was just a huge vat of lard. Turns out our big boy is having a real live baby!

CHESLEY Q. WINSTEIN
Staph Infection

Move over blubber, you've got company.

Johnny Buntcake, North Carolina's head football coach, announced his pregnancy on Thursday. Notoriously known for his gargantuan, swelling belly, Buntcake now has more than just Krispy Kreme and pork rinds floating about the bowels — he has his unborn child. The baby is expected in July.

"This is wonderful news," Buntcake said from his Chapel Hill home. "Now I get to eat for two."

Buntcake says he has no idea how he became pregnant. His wife, Dawny, doesn't either. But both are happy with how things worked out. The couple hasn't announced whether they are expecting a baby boy or baby girl.

"We'll wait until I give birth," said Buntcake. "I actually prefer the surprise element, anyway. Whether it's an opponent's strong-side blitz or a Darian DurAntz interception or the gender of my baby, I love being caught off guard."

The male pregnancy is believed to be the first in the world since Bill Clinton's in 1995. Buntcake, however, seemed a bit confused when asked how exactly he conceived.

"Well, what the hell do you mean?" he responded when a reporter asked him the details. "Dawny and I have been trying for some time, and I finally missed my friend this month. I

knew when that happened it was time to buy one of those home pregnancy thingies.

"But, hell, let's be honest, I know as much about this whole baby-having thing as I know about how to be a good football coach. Wait a minute. Don't print that."

Dawny Buntcake is just glad she doesn't have to be tied down with having a baby.

"I couldn't handle that," she said between tobacco spits. "I've got too much [stuff] going on, know what I mean?"

Dawny Buntcake is a competitive body builder who also helps her husband recruit for the UNC-CH football team. An avid crotch-scratcher in her spare time, Dawny also enjoys urinating in alleyways and getting into bar fights. But as it is prime recruiting season, any time missed by Dawny could have proven disastrous for the program.

"I'm glad Coach D is able to help out with recruiting," said UNC-CH quarterback DurAntz. "The high school kids love her. And it's true, she really is a great guy."

The cravings have already started for Johnny Buntcake.

"I'm craving some wins for our football team, I'll tell you that," he said with a hearty laugh. "No, but seriously, I crave anything fried, baby. If that mess is fried, it better watch out. I've been eating a lot of the neighbors' pets, too. Hey, I'm pregnant and hungry. Get out of my way."

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Hooray for easy UNC-CH girls

BRANDI KIHOE
Staff Sororstitute

It turns out we Tar Holes do lead the nation in something. Well, almost.

On Thursday, the Really Real Research Group (RRRG) announced its annual "Easiest Girls in the Nation" list. This year the girls of UNC-Chapel Hill came in with their strongest showing ever, breaking the top five.

We managed No. 3 this year, behind perennial winners Florida State and East Carolina. And that's certainly something to be proud of.

But according to RRRG chairman Max Power we could have even had a higher ranking.

"If the cleanliness of the whores — I mean students — at these universities were part of the criteria, Chapel Hill may have topped this list," Power said. "The girls of ECU and FSU are a little more sketch when it comes to STDs. But unfortunately that is not one of the criteria we're looking at this year."

Despite being shafted by the RRRG in this respect, I speak for the overwhelming majority of girls at UNC-CH when I

say we are proud to be listed in the top five. It's a badge of honor and something we can really brag about for the next year. My friends agree. And to show it, we're all going to wear the same color shirts tomorrow.

The report lists several reasons for the Tar Holes capturing such a high honor this year. Among them are the school's low male population, which creates little competition among guys. And basically guys come to the Hell when they need meaningless sex with girls they probably wouldn't touch if they weren't drunk.

"Sure there are plenty of attractive girls at my school," said UNC-Wilmington student Johnny B. "But when it comes to getting ass without having to try, Chapel Hill is the place to go. I get there and suddenly I become so money it's unbelievable."

And we just love guys like that. Any guy who can talk about football or compliment my ass is going to get me. That's the way it should be.

Overall it really comes down to Tar Hole girls being willing to do anything for just about anybody. You can't make a list like the "Easiest Girls in the Nation" unless your campus is filled with such awesome female specimens.

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Jonson and Holms: Where are they now?

CHAZZ PRESCOT MONTGOMERY
UNDERHILL III
Staff of a Shepherd

North Carolina forward Jawadda Williams prepares for every game just like most any other Tar Hole.

"After I get suited up, I put on my head phones and listen to the soothing melodies of James Taylor," said Williams. "It's pretty cool because he sings about going to Carolina in his mind. Sometimes I start going to Carolina in my mind too, but then I remember I'm at Carolina. So that can be kinda weird."

"Then I go and warm up with the team."

But it's what goes on in the locker room before Williams explodes upon the scene of baby blue that truly sets the tone for him to excel.

"I say a little prayer before I go out on the court," said Williams. "I just thank God for everything my best friend did for me while he was here. I'll never forget the last thing he said to me. He says to me, 'Jawadda, if you find yourself being stalked, just let it happen. It's for the better.' Those are the words I live by."

Indeed. Of course you may have already figured out about whom Williams is speaking; it's none other than former Tar Hole forward Wool Jonson.

In his junior season, Jonson soared to new highs in points per game (3.9) and rebounds (2.5), helping the Holes win eight games — numbers Jonson says could have never been achieved without the play of fellow classmate Johnny Holms. While Holms struggled in his junior season — his scoring average dipped from 1.6 to 1.1 points per game — both stars seemed eager to return to Carolina for their

senior seasons. Yet inexplicably, neither Holms nor Jonson joined the team when practice began this fall.

"It was the weirdest thing," said UNC-CH head coach Mott D'oherty. "I was really looking forward to working with those guys for their final year of eligibility, but I'm sorta used to people hating me and not wanting to play under my system. So basically I could care less."

The whereabouts of the two would-have-been-seniors was for some time in great dispute among Chapel Hill's most sophisticated socialites.

Leroy, who plays the trumpet in front of the ATM next to the old theater, insisted for the longest time that space monkeys had abducted Jonson and that Holms had joined the circus. However, Leroy now concurs with cross-Franklin Street rival Slick Willie, who plays the saxophone in front of SubWay, that Jonson is back home in Hickory selling auto insurance and that Holms has started an amateur freestyle walking league in Palm Beach.

Daily Tar Heel was lucky enough to score exclusive interviews with both Holms and Jonson, but neither of the former hoopsters would respond to questions about their new careers. Both were brief in their response, saying they could not answer "such superfluous questions as we prepare for the big game on Sunday."

Neither of the former Holes elaborated on what big game they were talking about, but it's clear that both these boys have joined recreational leagues in their respective towns.

Their former teammates will always remember them.

"Oh my bad," said Williams. "I thought you were talking about someone else. Who's Wool Jonson, anyway?"

Editors Note:

Technician hopes that no one is psychologically or physically damaged by this year's spoof. It's a tradition we like to do. Who cares if the Daily Tar Heel isn't as creative as we are?