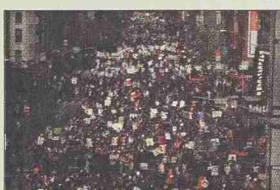


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Iraq joyous over global anti-war rallies

As people across the globe protested over the weekend against a war with Iraq, Iraqi citizens celebrated the opposition, saying that the rallies were a symbol of Iraqi victory.

The international peace rallies came a day after U.S. Secretary Colin Powell addressed the U.N. Security Council with evidence that Iraq was disobeying U.N. resolutions.

Iraqi television, known for its tight censorship, freely broadcast rally footage from cities around the world. In addition, Iraq held its own demonstrations on Saturday. Tens of thousands of Iraqis, some with rifles and portraits of Saddam Hussein, engulfed the streets in several major cities in Iraq pledging their loyalty to their country and leaders.

Bahraini men may have planned to attack U.S. base

After five Bahraini men were arrested in Manama, Bahrain for plotting terrorist attacks on the island of Manama, officials began to investigate whether the men were directing their attacks on the U.S. 5th Fleet base that is housing American soldiers.

After arresting the men, police seized guns and ammunition that is suspected to have been used for carrying out acts of terrorism against U.S. security seekers, said reports. On Sunday, officials were still investigating the details of the men's attack plot.

NATION

U.S. lawmakers pursue high-tech agenda

During its first week the 108th Congress was introduced with approximately 20 tech-related bills. On the top of Congress' list of technology agendas is cyber security, digital piracy, identity theft, spam, copyright protections, and Internet gambling.

Opposing governmental mandates are several industry groups whose priorities include the removal of e-commerce barriers among other things.

Red Cross sets up alternative national disaster center

In hopes of avoiding any potential terrorist attacks by being in the Washington D.C. area, the American Red Cross, which is set up in Falls Church, Virginia, has set up an alternative location in case of an emergency.

The new location, in Walkersville, Md. is near the Camp David presidential retreat.

While the idea of setting up the site has been in the works for several months, it was only recently announced on Thursday.

STATE

Freezing temperatures Sunday, reminiscent of December ice storm

While the temperatures, freezing rain and sleet on Sunday reminded several North Carolinians of the December ice storm, weather forecasters suggest that it will not have the same devastating impact that it had then. In December, thousands were left without power for days.

On Saturday, as the National Weather Service forecasters predicted approximately a quarter of an inch of ice accumulation in the Triangle, road crews and utility workers organized to prepare for the worst.

When it is all said and done, the Triad region is expected to have accumulated roughly an inch of ice on power lines and trees.

On Saturday, Gov. Mike Easley issued a proclamation saying that N.C. could be in a state of emergency.

U.S. House cuts 'First Flight' funding

While the First Flight Centennial Commission had initially requested \$7 million to help fund the centennial of flight celebration at the Wright Brothers Memorial Park, the U.S. House cut its funding for the celebration to \$500,000.

Events were planned by the commission and the park for Dec. 12 to 17 at the park in Kill Devil Hills to celebrate Orville and Wilbur Wrights first successful powered flight on Dec. 17, 1903.

While the park's original funding wish list was \$7 million, it eventually scaled back, requesting \$3 million instead. The U.S. Senate approved \$1 million of that and the House finalized the budget at \$500,000 on Thursday.

State students rally for peace

Students gathered at the Bell Tower then marched to join people from across the state at the Capitol to protest a war with Iraq.

Ayren Jackson
and Brigid Ransome
Staff Reporters

Men wore Army fatigues plastered with bumper stickers that read "Peace For All" and "Unit-

ed We Stand, Divided We Fall." Women, with painted peace symbols on their cheeks and hands, chanted solemnly. Children carried signs and banners saying: "This War is WRONG" and "War, What is it Good For?"

This was the scene in the 1960s when war protesters rallied against a war with Vietnam. But now, nearly 40 years later, the scene has been revived in the form of a modern-day rally against war.

On Saturday, as part of an "international day of action," thousands gathered in Raleigh to protest against a war with Iraq. Hundreds of thousands protested across the country, and globally, millions were involved in the organized day devoted to peace.

Once again, men wore military fatigues covered in buttons and stickers, women painted their faces, and children held signs. But this time the signs

read: "The Bush Team: Weapons of Mass Deception," "No War for Oil" and "War is SO Out."

Experts suggested the day could rightfully be dubbed the largest worldwide anti-war rally since Vietnam.

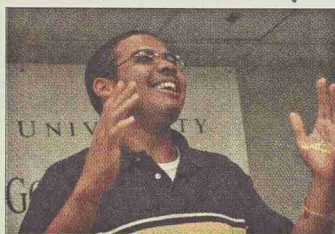
"I have felt helpless, like nothing I could do could make a difference or have an impact, and this is finally something that is part of a worldwide effort that will hopefully have an impact," said Melissa Delbridge, a Duke

University faculty member who participated in the protest at the Capitol building. Delbridge noted that, similar to the protests in the 1960s, students are playing an active role in the demonstrations.

Simultaneously with Raleigh's protest, students at Duke University camped out in front of Duke Chapel to protest the possibility of war.

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Persistence is key to a successful run as SBP, says Anthony



Michael Anthony spends his days in classes, meetings and fighting for his fellow students.
Technician File Photo by Matthew Huffman

Michael Anthony, the current student body president, discusses the past year and his experience in office.

Jessica Horne
Staff Reporter

The following article is part of a week-long series established to profile some of the current student government members. As their term comes to a close, we will highlight each student leader's ups and downs in their respective position. In addition, each student leader will offer their advice for students who may consider running for student government positions in the future.

Student Body President Michael Anthony was elected almost a year ago in a run-off election. Since then, he has learned firsthand how demanding the position of student body president really is.

Even though the position is important, Anthony realizes school should come first. He tries to work around his classes by scheduling them early in the day. A good class schedule allows

him to be in the Student Government office during busier times — times when other students are on campus and out of class.

When he is in the office, Anthony proceeds to go through several dozen e-mails, mail and phone calls. He then goes to the meetings he is required to attend. Some meetings are held during his class times, and when this happens, Anthony sends a proxy to fill in for him.

There are several organizational meetings that Anthony is expected to attend in order to represent the student body. These include the N.C. State Board of Trustees, Student Center Board of Directors, Union Activities Board, Student Media Authority and Undergraduate Academic Operations Council. Anthony also attends the Chancellor's Liaison meeting, Senate meetings and the President's Roundtable meetings.

His nights are busy as well. They are filled with more meetings, socials, forums, banquets and, of course, basketball games.

While he has served as student body president, Anthony said he has managed to accomplish most of what his election platform stated a year ago.

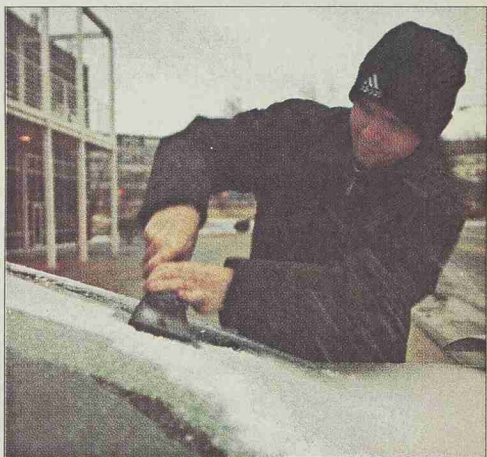
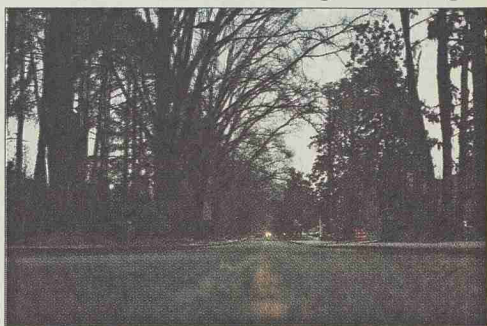
"I didn't do anything this year by myself," said Anthony. "Other students have helped and started events."

Last spring, Anthony promised to fight for a tuition freeze in 2003. So far, the UNC System-wide Association of Student Governments has managed to carry out this promise by getting the Board of Trustees to vote in favor of the proposal.

Anthony has also witnessed an increased student voter turnout, the establishment of the Student Government Department of Community Service, increased legislation within Student Senate and increased work for the SG Im-

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Ice Storm II: Groundhog's Revenge



(Top) The ice storm left most of campus deserted on Sunday. (Bottom) Kelly Blackmon, a senior in Computer Science scrapes ice off of his car on Sunday afternoon. The National Weather Service expects no snow, but ice is expected for most of the Triangle.

Staff photos by Carl Hudson

FIND YOUR PLACE

The following is a list of events to be held this week by N.C. State and its organizations.

Election Books Open

Candidacy filing period begins for student body elections.
Monday, 9 a.m., 307 Witherspoon

Presentation

Donald Bitzer, co-inventor of the plasma screen, discusses plasma screen technology.
Thursday, 7 p.m., 11, Riddick Hall

International Dance Party

Featuring the latest hip hop, Latin, Arabic, Indian, Persian, Asian and house music.
Friday, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., Talley Student Center Ballroom

Campus Cinema

"The Grey Automobile"/"El Automovil Gris"
Thursday, 8 p.m.

"The Ring"

Friday, 6:30 and 11 p.m.
Saturday, 6:30, 8:45, and 11 p.m.

"Spirited Away"/"Sen to Chihiro No Kamikakushi"
Friday, 8:45 p.m.
Sunday, 7 p.m.

Elections Commission gears up for action

The Elections Commission plans for campus elections to be held in April.

Rachael Rogers
Staff Reporter

With campus elections quickly approaching, the elections commission is gearing up and preparing to make this year's elections a success. The elections commission has many responsibilities and must begin its duties early.

"The elections commission is charged with the particular responsibility of making sure everyone on N.C. State's campus knows that an election is going on and to make sure that election is fair," said Garrett Bugg, elections commission chair. "Further, we must find qualified candidates to run."

The commission's duties include recruiting candidates and voters, publicizing elections and meeting with all candidates to discuss rules and regulations,

to regulate campaigning, to run poll sites and to count the ballots and release the results. Several commissioners whose applications were accepted by Student Body President Michael Anthony, will have to accomplish these tasks.

"These commissioners are vital in that they are responsible for planning and executing the entire process," Bugg said.

The commissioners must interact on a daily basis, attend several meetings a week and, in the end, they aim to achieve the goals they set for themselves and this year's elections.

This year, the commission has many goals.

"We must increase voter turnout and mediate between candidates," Bugg said "We intend to have few problems with violations from candidates, and the main goal is to have a smooth election."

Meeting these goals is important because the elections commission wants to have a fair and unbiased election.

"The commission is important because it provides an unbiased voice in the election process," Bugg said. "Our role, after finding candidates, is to say, 'This is the rule. You know the rule. Why did you break it?'"

The commissioners are faced with a challenging task and very little experience.

"All of the members are new," Bugg said. "That is the way the elections commission works."

Few people want to return because it is a rigorous and demanding job that requires long meetings and many hours outside of meetings to accomplish its mission."

Brian Carty, one of the new commissioners, doesn't dispute Bugg's characterization of the work.

"It's a difficult and, probably, a thankless job that requires us to go out and convince our constituents that Student Government can really make a difference," Carty said.

The main challenge is publicity, and at its first meeting,

held Feb. 10, the Elections Commission began working on this challenge.

The commission discussed publicizing the elections using flyers, personal visits, chalking the campus, painting the Free Expression Tunnel, wearing T-shirts, doing a radio show and perhaps broadcasting on the NCSU television channel.

All their tasks must be completed within a \$1,500 budget.

Casey Smith, another commissioner, hopes all of the publicity will help assure the commission that "people run, people vote and they do so with integrity."

The commission also must deal with many time constraints. "The commission is currently working toward an elections date of April 7 and 8," said Bugg.

Other elections commissioners include: Anthony Exum, Andrew Kovalcin, Erin Meagher, and Sarah Schaffer.

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plementation Division. Anthony has also started three commissions: diversity, tradition, and off-campus governance.

"The commissions are not as active as they could be, but they have been established and will be able to grow next year," said Anthony.

The biggest challenge and success for Anthony has been working with the new executive branch, which has proved larger than he had expected.

"I wish I had known more about the dynamics of each division," said Anthony. "If I did, then I would have had a better idea of how each division needed to be staffed. Some divisions do not need a large number of people, and that is something I will stress to the next Student Body President."

Anthony's advice for the next student body president and the candidates who run for the po-

sition is to make sure the position is what you want to do, since it is time-consuming.

"Don't give up during elections," Anthony said. "They can drain you of all your energy, but it is well worth it if you stick it out. The next student body president needs to delegate well, be firm, be able to remove people that aren't doing their job and be confident in their decision-making. They also need to be a visionary, not only now, but also for the future. They need to deal with strengthening the infrastructure of Student Government, but shrink down their staff. And most importantly, don't get stressed over the minute details in the job."

Anthony sums up his thoughts on his term as student body president with a quote from the Theodore McManus "Penalty of Leadership": "That which is good or great makes itself known, no matter how loud the clamor of denial. That which deserves to live — lives."

Heavy hitters line up in support of school in affirmative action case

Maryanne George
Knight Ridder Newspapers

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — An army of educators, politicians, corporation presidents and universities will unveil legal briefs supporting the University of Michigan's race-conscious admissions policies Monday in Washington, D.C.

The list of supporters includes heavy hitters such as General Motors Corp., IBM, Microsoft Corp., Steelcase Inc., the American Bar Association, the AFL-CIO and universities such as Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Columbia and Cornell.

The University of Michigan also will release its own legal brief Monday.

More than 60 briefs signed by more than 300 organizations will be filed with the U.S. Supreme Court by midnight Tuesday.

The court will hear arguments April 1 in two landmark cases filed in 1997 against the University of Michigan by three white

students who claim they were denied admission in favor of less-qualified minorities. The court will issue a ruling by June that will affect college admissions throughout the country.

The briefs supporting the University of Michigan will be disclosed Monday at the American Council on Education's annual meeting in Washington. Beforehand, university President Mary Sue Coleman will be the keynote speaker at a luncheon at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel.

David DeBruin, a Washington attorney, said more than 60 of the nation's largest corporations will file a joint brief to voice their

opinion on the value of diversity. "These are global companies that deal with people of diverse cultures, backgrounds and ideas," DeBruin, who is preparing the brief, said Friday. "It is very im-

portant to them to be able to hire a diverse work force of employees trained in an academic environment that has exposed them to diverse cultures. They share the sense of importance of what U-M is trying to do."

Sheldon Steinbach, the education council's general counsel, said his group, which represents 1,800 colleges nationally, will file a brief signed by about 40 educational organizations.

"The ability to use race as a plus

factor in admissions is critical to achieving a diverse student body that is vital to the educational process," Steinbach said. "Other solutions don't work or succeed, because of the continuation of segregated schools."

Last month, President Bush criticized the University of Michigan's policies as quotas. He said other methods could achieve diversity, such as those used in Texas, California and Florida that guarantee a spot at state universities to students who graduate in the top tiers of their class. U.S. Solicitor General Ted Olson filed a brief on Bush's behalf last month, bringing the total filings of opposition groups to about 20.

This week, more than 100 Democratic members of Congress filed briefs with the Supreme Court supporting the University of Michigan. Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm also plans to file a supportive brief similar to one she filed when the cases were before the U.S. 6th Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati.

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At NCSU, students from the NCSU Student Peace Action Network organized a separate rally at the Bell Tower and a march preceding the activities at the Capitol to gather youth of all ages, including students from throughout the Triangle.

"The war will impact diverse issues and diverse groups of people, and so I believe a diverse crowd of young people should become nothing less than active," said Jared Milrad, one of the organizers for the NCSU rally. "It is a time to unite as concerned youth, and to express ourselves peacefully through our music and voices."

Using music as their benchmark, NCSU Student Peace Action Network organizers tried to unify and motivate approximately

100 participants with anti-war slogans chanted to the hip-hop tunes of Nas, Mos Def, and 50 Cent.

"Hip hop is one thing that we all seem to have in common," said Dasan Ahanu, a student at St. Augustine's College and an organizer with the Student Peace Action Network. Ahanu said that several more events are being organized for the near future, including performances and speakers, for area students to oppose a war with Iraq.

"It is good to see that the students are actually taking the time to fight and utilize their rights of free speech to say that they don't agree with what is going on, and that they recognize that this war is about a lot of political jockeying and not actually about disarming an entire country who we've actually benefited from being involved with and given arms

to," said Ahanu.

Some NCSU faculty members also participated in the students' rally and march.

"I can't understand that anyone would be for a war in these circumstances," said John Mertz, a Japanese professor. "I think that incredible damage has been done by the current administration to Americans' standing internationally, and I think incredible damage has been done to the domestic economy, and incredible damage has been done to the meaning of our Constitution."

The sentiments were the same at the Capitol.

"I wish I knew a lot more about the war personally, but from what I can see, I'm not too sure about us storming Iraq right now," said Mike Anthony, NCSU's student body president. "I'm not too comfortable with us going to war, especially since some of our allies

have problems with us going to war."

More than 50 groups from across North Carolina — under the umbrella organization, the North Carolina Coalition for Peace and Justice — worked together to organize the statewide antiwar rally. In addition, events were also held in Asheville, Boone, Charlotte, Wilmington, Pittsboro and Morehead City.

"Although politicians and political leaders make the encompassing decisions that affect us daily, we can, as Americans, express our voices clearly and peacefully and collectively," said Milrad. "The statewide rally is a unique opportunity for people to speak their minds [and] their hearts, and to have their presence felt."

And antiwar protestors weren't the only ones voicing their freedom of speech on Saturday.

A block away, facing the peace rally, was a group of approximately 100 war supporters. The banter between the two groups grew as the day went on.

As the war supporters chanted "Support our troops," a small group of the antiwar protestors yelled back, "Bring them home!" And while the antiwar protestors held signs that read, "Blessed are the Peacemakers," the war supporters held signs that read, "Blessed ARE the Peacemakers - the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines."

"We don't want war, but if that is necessary we want to support the President and the troops," said Dale, an NCSU graduate and war supporter who chose to keep his last name anonymous. "Looking at the situation, Saddam does have weapons of mass destruction and must be disarmed. If the international community won't do it, we may have to do it, and I think that the president would need to be supported, and our troops that are over there need to be supported."

While the statewide march and rally was organized in hopes of making a statement against war, organizers have planned for the event of war.

After the first bombing, the North Carolina Rally for Peace and Justice has already scheduled rallies in Chapel Hill, Durham and at the Capitol.

"With so much disturbance already present in our violence-torn world, it strikes me as upsetting that the United States of America, who purports to preserve freedom and peace, would do so through aggressive action," said Milrad. "The war against terror is, to me, the war against peace instead; after all, bombs and guns and grenades are symbols of violence and encourage violence rather than eliminate it."

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NATO allies skirt France to approve military defense of Turkey

Daniel Rubin

Knight Ridder Newspapers

BRUSSELS — A month-long impasse that had divided NATO allies over potential war in Iraq ended late Sunday when Germany and Belgium agreed to begin planning for the defense of Turkey should it come under attack.

NATO officials avoided having to obtain the agreement of France, the third and most obstinate hold-out, when they debated the matter in the alliance's Defense Planning Committee, in which France has not participated since 1966.

In a soul-searching test of the alliance's solidarity, the three European countries had been arguing that any preparations committed NATO to a "logic of war,"

which signaled the inevitability of military conflict.

Their reluctance to begin planning — even after Turkey invoked Article IV, which compels the alliance to protect a member that feels threatened — had prompted severe criticism from most of the other 16 members, and caused what its U.S. ambassador called a "crisis of credibility." Allies argued that the delay sent a message of weakness to Saddam Hussein.

Ambassadors from 18 NATO countries met five times Sunday before reaching agreement. A NATO diplomat said it was Belgium that held out longest, arguing that language had to be added to the official documents that made clear that NATO would only be involved in defensive actions, and tying NATO's engagement to approval by the U.N. Security Council of military action.

Belgium, whose government faces national elections in May, finally backed off that position as midnight approached.

The NATO diplomat said that alliance officials made the decision this weekend to shift the debate from the North Atlantic Council, where France has a vote, to the Defense Planning Committee because Germany and France had agreed that they would not budge from their position until after Friday's presentation by weapons inspectors at the United Nations.

Once that deadline had passed, the diplomat said, Germany's opposition ended.

Under the compromise, NATO will begin preparing to send AWAC surveillance planes, Patriot missiles and chemical and biological weapons detection teams to Turkey. Another vote is required before equipment can be

gin moving.

The alliance made no decision to reinforce protection of U.S. bases in Europe or to replace U.S. peacekeepers in Europe with European counterparts so American military personnel can be reassignment to Iraq — two elements that were part of the original U.S. proposal.

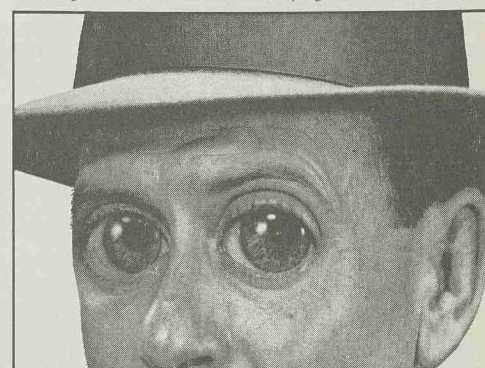
The crisis boiled over Feb. 10 when the three countries officially blocked preparations for Turkey's defense. Later that day, Turkey invoked Article IV for the first time in NATO's 53-year history, but negotiations went nowhere, with Paris, Berlin and Brussels blocking any attempts at compromise.

On Thursday, German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder made it clear that no deal would come until U.N. weapons inspectors made their Friday report in New York. With members of the U.N. Security Council overwhelmingly supportive of more inspections

and imminent war seemingly less likely, there was no longer such a pressing need for France, Germany and Belgium to stall the move toward military action in NATO, diplomats said.

The impasse would not have left

Turkey unprotected. The U.S. has promised to provide any equipment it needed. The Netherlands had agreed to ship it Patriot missiles. Even Germany, while blocking the action in NATO, was readying to assist its ally.



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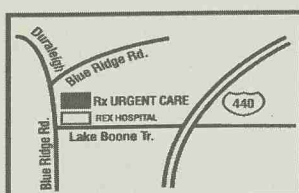
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Save us from the safe room

When the Department of Homeland Security announced a change in the national security threat level from elevated (yellow) to high (orange) on Feb. 7, citizens voiced alarm. Clearly, the U.S. government thought our country was at a higher level of risk, yet Americans were not told any specifics about the meaning of possible threats or given instructions about how to respond.

Now, when the Department of Homeland Security has stated a way for citizens to protect themselves, the advice seems more like a way to settle one's mind than a means to provide true protection.

The federal government is encouraging citizens to create a "safe room" from sheets of plastic and duct tape, preventing air tainted with chemical or biological weapons from entering one's home.

The government also advises people to stock up on batteries and bottled water to keep as supplies in this room.

While some Americans may feel comforted with the offering of a federal suggestion on how to remain safe, the idea that a plastic-covered room can prevent the spread of diseases has been highly criticized, and for good reasons.

If terrorists were to use chemical or biological weapons, they would most likely not affect large areas because chemical agents are only lethal for a brief moment, and no military has ever created a large, drifting cloud of poisonous gas, as pointed out by Gregg Easterbrook in the Feb. 16 New York Times. It would be too difficult to use chemical agents outdoors,

so an agent would have to be directly introduced into a confined area, meaning a "safe room" in lower Manhattan would be of no use if chemical agents were discovered on a subway car.

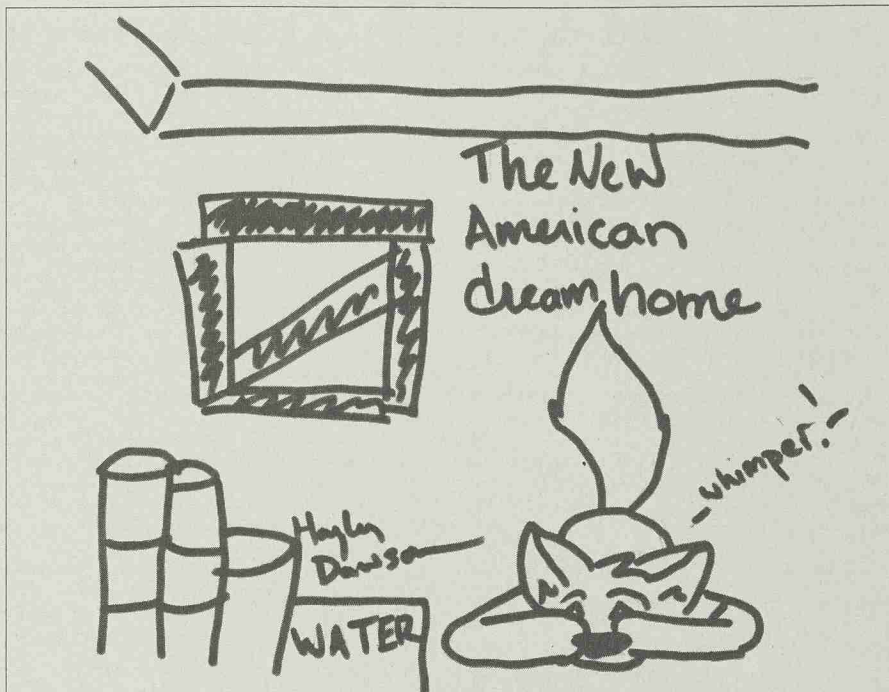
In addition, if chemical agents were directly outside your safe room, sealed off from all air sources, the air supply to the room would begin to run out, meaning a family staying in the room would eventually have to leave and enter the tainted environment.

This is all assuming that the duct-taped room is perfectly sealed in every way from small cracks, vents and openings, which is highly unlikely if assembled in a rush during an emergency.

There are greater threats to the American public, such as bombs or missiles, which would perform more damage during a time of attack. However, maybe people feel hopeless against a bomb and believe they can at least find some protection from a chemical or biological attack, since the effects of a large-scale attack have not been experienced yet.

The federal government should look at the advice it is giving citizens more closely because a "safe room" is not the best option for concerned citizens, yet the government is providing false hope.

A "safe room" may offer psychological benefits for scared citizens, but the government is also adding an exaggerated fear about the capabilities of chemical and biological weapons. Citizens are placing hope in a sheet of plastic to protect them from an attack, all because the government has no better advice to share.



Duct tape doesn't fix everything



Abby Byrom
Staff Columnist

This weekend, as I was running my usual Saturday errands, I picked up a few unusual items at the hardware store. I only have four windows in my apartment, but I bought enough plastic sheeting to completely cover and suffocate my

whole building in case of a terrorist attack. I also picked up a few dozen rolls of duct tape.

I heard duct tape fixes everything in the South, and I figured you could never have too much. Batteries and a month's worth of non-perishable food and water were also on my list. I figured only buying three day's worth might become a problem if I were locked in my duct-taped, plastic-covered apartment building for more than a couple of days. Better to be safe than sorry.

Finally, I bought the biggest and best super-emergency first-aid kit online. They said it was the kind that only the medical professionals use. I thought that might come in handy, in case of a terrorist attack. Then, exhausted after all my work earlier in the day, I crawled into my bed in my room (which, by the way, I have converted into a bomb shelter) and cried myself to sleep out of fear of a pending terrorist attack.

We all know the war with Iraq is a looming possibility — probably just a looming fact. It's going to happen, and

the American public can do nothing to stop it. President Bush is desperately trying to rally support from the nation's citizens and our foreign allies. The problem is, no one wants to get behind a war that causes the United States — or any other country — to live in fear.

Since the fateful day of Sept. 11, 2001, Bush has told us not to live in fear — to go out and do what we normally do and still travel and fly in planes. We were told that if we did not go on like we were not hurt, then the terrorists would achieve their goal: making our nation get on its knees and cry like a baby.

But now, it is not the terrorists who are making our nation panic. On Feb. 7, President Bush's Homeland Security Council decided to raise the national threat level from yellow to orange, the second-highest threat level. We have been warned by Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge to be prepared for any kind of attack by buying the items mentioned earlier and to be aware.

However, we are not to stop traveling and going about our normal way of life. It seems that these instructions scare me more.

The American public is being kept in the dark, and we know it. We don't know what is really going on because officials outside of Washington, D.C., say raising the threat level indicates this is the most serious threat to the nation since 9/11.

But what is the threat? Sure, it looks like Iraq, as well as Osama bin Laden and his

group of yesmen ready to die for their cause, have it in for us. But what about the weapons? What about Saddam? Does Washington know something the U.N. Security Council doesn't?

Ashcroft has said Al Qaeda's interests in biological, chemical and radiological weapons has not declined. What we really want to know is, do they have any?

The U.N. weapons inspectors have just released their report of no weapons in Iraq. Surely they don't believe that there is nothing in Iraq. After Friday's U.N. Security Council meeting, Iraq was issued a cryptic message not to misunderstand the

meeting's message, and allies to the United States could still line up behind our nation and support a war, even without the council finding weapons of mass destruction. Iraq was also urged to show more evidence of weapons of mass destruction. (Yeah, like that will ever happen.)

But, honestly, if they have major weapons of mass destruction, how will we even stop them from using them? A war with Iraq will only heighten the possibility of weapons of mass destruction being used, and I certainly do not think duct tape is going to fix it.

Abby suggests going to Wal-Mart to pick up all of your emergency terrorist-attack supplies because they always have low prices ... always. E-mail her at pabyrom@unity.ncsu.edu.

U.S. would be wise to heed World Court

Staff Editorial
The Lariat
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(U-WIRE) WACO, Texas — The International Court of Justice, the United Nations' court, ruled Feb. 5 that

the United States should suspend the executions of three Mexican citizens on U.S. death row. The 15-judge panel, which has no power to enforce its decisions, has asked the United States for a stay of execution until the court can determine whether the Mexicans knew they had a legal right to contact their government.

The court, also known as the World Court, is trying to determine whether the United States followed the guidelines of the 1963 Vienna Convention on Consular Rights. This treaty grants consulates the right to provide minimal legal advice to their citizens in case of imprisonment. It would be a politically wise move on the United States' part to do as the court has requested. While the World Court won't enforce its ruling, the United States would be prudent to withhold

these executions.

Right now, the United States is capable of anything and everything from fighting a two-front war alone to amassing a dossier on every nation's arms supply. But even if we disagree with our neighbors on matters such as war in Iraq, it would be diplomatic to give way in another matter and concede on a simple stay of execution. Nobody is executed, and the court can investigate to its heart's content.

Plus, regardless of later findings, Mexico can have the satisfaction of knowing that both the United States and the World Court tried to craft a fair deal.

If the United States seeks to continue influencing other members of the United Nations, it would do best to heed U.N. rulings whenever possible. Such small acts of voluntary humility would help reduce resentment toward the United States and increase the United Nations' influence over all members of the global community.

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Help "Save Ed"



Joel Isaac Frady
Staff Columnist

Over time, it's been one of those small things that got shoved down our throats. It wasn't around all that much, but every now and again it would appear during a court show, lawyer movie or during the evening news.

The Statue of Lady Justice, an American symbol designed after the Greek goddess Themis, stands with a sword in one hand and a scale in the other. Her eyes are blindfolded, and frequently there's a banner somewhere in the area that says "Justice is Blind."

For many people, that's reassuring — it's easy to believe that anyone, no matter who he or she is, would get a fair, unbiased trial where the truth is found among all the evidence, and the guilty parties are actually punished.

A recent court case, however, has put a new spin on things: Is justice blind or is justice blinding?

Meet Ed Rosenthal. Author, columnist and self-described "Guru of Ganja," Rosenthal was found guilty on Jan. 31 on three felony charges stemming from his arrest for growing medicinal mari-

juana plants. An AP report even states that "he was portrayed as a major drug manufacturer."

It is now fairly well-known information that Rosenthal was actually growing the plants under California's Proposition 215, which exempts patients who possess and cultivate marijuana for medicinal uses from laws that forbid those activities. He was even growing the plants as an officer for the city of Oakland.

This information, however, was not given to the jury, for U.S. District Court Judge Charles Breyer wouldn't allow the defense to argue the Proposition 215 case, because while

Rosenthal's actions were legal under California state law, they were illegal under federal law. So jurors were never told about the proposition, the fact that the plants were for medicinal use or the nifty little reality that he was actually working for a major U.S. city.

On Feb. 3, some of the jurors began to come forward, expressing regret about their decision in the trial and even stating they felt cheated because they weren't given all the information.

"I feel like I made the biggest mistake in my life," said Marney Craig, a juror on the case, in a Feb. 5 AP report. "We

convicted a man who is not a criminal."

This only backed up what Rosenthal had been saying all along. On the day of his conviction, he had stated to the press that "[The jury] didn't have the whole truth. They didn't have nothing but the truth. They had lies and deceptions and half-truths."

He's also begging all of us to think about one question very clearly. We can't actually approve of a judicial system that convicts a man without bringing out all the evidence. If you, your sibling or your close friend were on trial, you would expect it to be a fair one. At least one where

the defendant is able to speak his case, tell his story and get judged accordingly.

Can we really lay back and let an innocent 58-year-old man face 85 years

—the rest of his natural life—in prison? Can we really stand back while officers of the Drug Enforcement Agency brag about the trial's verdict? DEA spokesman Richard Meyer even stated, "We feel that the people of California have spoken. We're pleased with the verdict. We're happy with what happened today."

If you can stand back and allow this, you might want to re-examine your moral

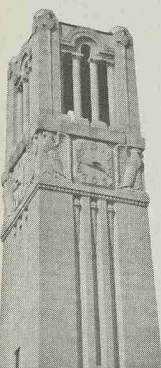
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Don't be fooled by a tuition freeze



Andrew Payne
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Gov. Michael Easley isn't the most popular governor ever in North Carolina. As one political pundit put it, "Michael Easley is worse than former Gov. Greg Cherry, and he was a drunk!"

The public has a perception that Gov. Easley would rather sit in the Capitol Building behind a desk than be out on the campaign trail or talking to North Carolinians. The only press the governor has been receiving is a barrage of articles claiming he stole all the money from local governments.

Easley also failed to get the lottery issue on the ballot last November. During Easley's first term, the state has faced two of its worst budget crisis, tuition has skyrocketed, and state employees haven't been given a raise.

In September of 2002, Easley had a 40-percent positive approval rating with a 55-percent negative approval rating. This was the highest negative rating ever for a North Carolina governor in his second year.

What would you do if you were an un-

popular governor? Perhaps find an issue that you could run on for re-election — an issue that would set you against the General Assembly.

The governor needed an issue that he could campaign on for his re-election bid. The lottery issue, although not dead, is not a matter that will drive people to the polls. The governor needed an issue that would garner a large base of support, and education issues are the best.

But before I get into the details of the "deal," the university system isn't very

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popular at this moment either. Take for example the summer-reading program at UNC-Chapel Hill, where students had to read portions of the Koran. Also, UNC-CH's Chancellor James Moeser has come under fire for offering a costly severance package to the university attorney during a time when the campus was facing budget cuts.

But the controversy hasn't befallen just Chapel Hill; N.C. State has had its share as well. Take for example the Hotel/Executive Conference Center and golf course and the recent firings in the provost's office.

Both the governor and the university

system needed an issue that would put them back in favor with the people of the state — a "tuition freeze."

This is the timeline that I believe occurred. Gov. Easley's staff contacted UNC System President Molly Broad and UNC Board of Governors Chairman Brad Wilson and informed them of the governor's intentions to push for a tuition freeze.

President Broad and Chairman Wilson then went public, informing the entire Board of Governors that they were proposing a "tuition freeze."

In January, the Board of Governors voted to freeze tuition for the 2003-2004 academic year out of concern that the rising costs of universities were putting college out of reach for families.

However, it is the North Carolina General Assembly — not the Board of Governors — that sets tuition rates. The board only recommends across-the-board and campus-based tuition increases to the Legislature, which will unveil UNC System rates in its budget proposals.

What makes the story interesting is that the UNC Board of Governors and Gov.

Easley both know it is nearly impossible for the General Assembly not to raise tuition in light of the state's billion-dollar budget gap. So, in the end, both the governor and the university system get what they want — popularity points.

The university system has gained the public's favor by "freezing tuition," and the governor now has an issue to run on in 2004 as "the champion for low-cost higher education."

If the UNC Board of Governors was really concerned about the impact of rising higher-education costs on families, then why did it just approve fee increases at 13 campuses that averaged approximately 5 percent? Take a look at some of these fee increases at campuses across the UNC System:

- East Carolina University — up 4.7 percent, from \$1,090 to \$1,141
- N.C. A&T State University — up 7.7 percent, from \$1,094 to \$1,178
- N.C. Central University — up 4.4 percent, from \$1,100 to \$1,148
- N.C. School of the Arts — up 4.9 percent, from \$1,235 to \$1,295
- UNC-Asheville — up 5.2 percent, from \$1,291 to \$1,357.50
- UNC-Chapel Hill — up 5.4 percent, from \$984.77 to \$1,038.02
- UNC-Wilmington — up 4.7 percent, from \$1,536 to \$1,608

This list doesn't include a \$75 fee increase at Appalachian State. The student fee increase will generate \$32 million that will go toward improvements at the school's football stadium. The improvements include new artificial turf, a new lighting system, skyboxes and suites.

Items supported by private monies at universities like NCSU, students will fund at App. State. Officials will most likely approve this increase, even during times when the Board of Governors is tired of raiding the pockets of North Carolina families to support universities.

There are some members of the Board of Governors who do care about the rising costs of higher education. It is unfortunate that they, just like the students, are pawns in the political maneuverings of the governor and others.

NCSU's fees are to remain the same for the next academic year. Perhaps our administration and Board of Trustees are the only ones who took the real intent of the tuition freeze to heart.

Andrew knows the UNC Board of Governors all too well; he served on the board for two years. E-mail questions and comments to andrewpayne@wknk.org. Listen to the "Andrew Payne Show" every Tuesday night at 6 p.m. on WKNC 88.1 FM.

Bill Clinton: Hardly the first black president



Decker Ngongang
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Many of my friends are beginning their support of presidential nominees and party leaders. I was recently asked why I wasn't more Democrat or pro-John Edwards for president.

I began some introspection coupled with some delving into the political history I have read, and it became a little clear as to why I, as a black man, was questioning both the party and that "Bill Clinton image."

Chris Rock once called Clinton our first black president and said he displayed black tendencies. I understand the sarcasm of his statement, but I also recognize the seriousness of the statement and the fact that much of black America does consider Clinton "one of our own." Such thinking is both insulting and destructive to black people as we struggle to maintain some influential place in our American political system.

During his initial presidential cam-

paign and his first term in office, Clinton ran as a down-home "bubba character" to which black people could relate. The troubling thing is, black people in the popular perspective have accepted Bill Clinton as the closest thing to a black president we will achieve and have thus accepted his actions and policies.

We were his biggest supporters when moderate and conservative America attacked him. When he was going through troubles with lawsuits and sexual indiscretions, black people showed a level of forgiveness unmatched in history.

Clinton was a great politician. He recognized the vulnerability in a people victimized by 12 years of the Reagan/Bush administrations, and he capitalized on that momentum. Clinton was afforded wiggle room among the black people of America that no president has ever had.

A president in this generation should make it a point to identify and open dialogue on race in this country. A presi-

dent needs to be willing to offer a table for civil and educated debate where the conversation on race could happen. That conversation had not truly been addressed until Clinton came to office.

As Clinton ran his campaign and presidency with an ever-conscious eye on the race issue, he secured his legacy in the black perspective as a hero. He brought prominent black intellectuals and philosophers to the table to tackle growing inequalities present within the racial dynamic of this country. Troublesome, however, is the fact that this was the last step taken by President Clinton.

The "table" was as far as black people would get in his administration.

Clinton allowed the issue, the people and the movement to the dinner table, but he would not let them eat on the meat of public policy.

Don't be fooled by Jesse Jackson's presence at the White House; I believe that was an added attempt to portray Clinton as the friend of the civil-rights agenda. Clinton and Jackson often disagreed, at no

time more publicly than when Clinton signed his crime bill and his welfare-reform bill. Jackson was right on to recognize the harmful effects of both bills, but he wasn't vocal enough to call out the president for playing such a large group of people.

Clinton rested on the laurels of his compassionate appeal to all races, yet his crime bill and welfare-reform bills seemed to target the further stigmatization and imprisonment of black Americans. Clinton appealed us, making statements appearing at the right places to gain our support, while secretly voicing to suburbia that he wouldn't let go of them.

Clinton is a part of a growing trend in politics and at N.C. State. He had good intentions about race but constantly contradicted those intentions with his willingness to play the political game.

I guess it worked because he was voted into office two times with a heavy minority vote. Even after his flawed presidential policies and his personal indiscretions, he is afforded the acceptance of Martin Luther King Jr. in some minority circles.

In looking at the divisive stance our

current president, George W. Bush, has taken on race and the jam he has placed in the door of race relations in this country, I must stand up and say we have never had a black president in the United States and are far from it. I am deeply troubled to think Clinton was our best shot. Among his many flaws in policy (and he might have been one of the more progressive presidents we have had), I hope we will become more critical of our elected leadership and our own political parties.

The Clinton administration was one of the most destructive to American minorities in terms of policies and the fact that it created a false sense of security among America's minorities — something the Democratic Party continues to feed off of today.

I am not saying to go out and vote Republican, but please look at these Congressmen and Presidents' records before labeling them "the first black president."

Decker thinks we all should vote Chuck Amato for president in 2004. Cast your ballot at dngongang@unity.ncsu.edu.

CAMPUS FORUM

Home sweet home

Regarding the proposed Raleigh roommate ordinance: Greetings future homeowners. Trust me, you'll be really proud of your first home, and you'll feel that after all the years of struggle, you're finally "making it." In order to help you to understand the perspective of folks who want to limit the number of people in a dwelling, I have devised a questionnaire. I will assume that most of you were raised in single-family home subdivisions.

Realtors divide Raleigh into "areas" and speak of "desirability" when showing homes to buyers. For example, Area 1, inside the Beltline north of N.C. State (think Glenwood and Carolina Country Club) and Area 7 (north Raleigh) are the most "desirable" sections of town. Area 3 is southeast Raleigh and least desirable. When asked about Area 4 (southwest Raleigh), a realtor told me it was less desirable "because of all the rentals."

Housing cost aside, what does "desirability" mean to you? Ask your parents what they wanted in a "desirable" neighborhood in order to raise you and your siblings. How long would it take you to move back into your old neighborhood and buy your folks' house and lifestyle? Is there a lifestyle distinction between "tenant" and "owner" in a single-family neighborhood?

If you stay in Raleigh and de-

cide to buy a house, where do you realistically think you could afford to live? With an average home cost approaching \$200,000, where do you think you would look inside the Beltline for a "first-time buyer" neighborhood? If the urban core was "undesirable," and Cary was out of reach, would you mind having to move to an affordable single-family subdivision 20 miles out of town, maybe Clayton, and commute?

Regarding that portion of the American Dream called home ownership, exactly what kind of lifestyle would people expect in a single-family neighborhood? Do you think the older neighborhoods around NCSU are crummy and not "desirable?" If so, why? If not, let's say you are married, expecting your first child and buying your first home. Would you be willing to move into a neighborhood near NCSU and buy a \$100,000 house sandwiched between rentals with four or more tenants in each?

Given genuine answers to these questions, I hope you understand we are trying to preserve neighborhoods in Raleigh and around NCSU as extremely "desirable" for future buyers. Welcome to the neighborhood.

Bruce Mamel
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Former Chair
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Advisory Council

Protests hidden in media

Antiwar demonstrations this weekend have been tremendous, with several million people turning out worldwide. In New York City, several hundred thousand turned out, with at least 325 arrested for nonviolent actions of some type, much of which was being in un-permitted streets when police blocked entrances to the permitted ones. In London, somewhere around a million people marched in what is widely being considered the UK's largest demonstration ever. In Rome and Barcelona each, at least a million people marched. Finally, here in Raleigh, at least 7,000 people turned out.

The corporate media, as usual, has been totally biased in favor of wealth and power in the United States when covering these demonstrations. The importance of these demonstrations, already at a level never seen before a war has not even started, was consistently played down. WB22 news at 10 [p.m.], for example, decided that the weather was a more important news story, then proceeded to cover counter-demonstrators nearly as much as demonstrators, even though there were several hundred times more on the latter side.

CNN's main Web site headline was "Antiwar demonstrations delight Iraq," this and the text of the article giving the impression that the main effect (and probably the

purpose as well) of the demonstrations was to build support for the Iraqi despotism.

Similar misportrayals about burgeoning "Anti-Americanism" (far more accurate would be "Anti-Bushism") in Europe and elsewhere are common.

It is classic fascist tactic to portray anyone who does not favor government policies of a stated nation to be "anti" it. This gives the impression that opposition lies in something inherent to nationality, a convenient lie that can be used to fuel more aggression abroad, repeating the cycle of death and further-enriching elite interests. As students, we need to participate more and more in this escalating peace campaign, to create a better society for us and our children, and to force those who control the world to stop their policies of war and death.

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compass, because it's something I can't just ignore. This man has done so much good for his community, a community that refers to him as the "Mother Teresa of medical marijuana."

As it turns out, taking a stand against the decision is easier than you think. Since Feb. 4, more than 9,700 people have sent faxes to their Congressmen through the Marijuana Policy Project, which offers the service online at www.mpp.org. The process, which takes about five minutes, is incredibly simple: Simply type in your mailing address (this is so the appropriate politicians can be selected, and all information is private). Now choose one of the many pre-written letters, at which point it will show up in a text box, and you'll be able to modify it as you see fit.

Once you're done, click a button, and the fax is sent.

It's that easy, and by the time you read this, it's very likely that over 10,000 faxes will have been sent to public representatives — not a shabby number at all.

But still, imagine the impact that it could have if the number of faxes continue to rise. Imag-

ine if every day more and more people send these faxes and start placing little stickers on bathroom stalls that read "Save Ed."

Imagine if waiters and waitresses start wearing little pieces of flair that read "Save Ed," and it starts to adorn the bumper stickers of every car in the nation!

Okay, maybe bumper stickers are a bad idea. But whether or not you believe patients with cancer and other illnesses deserve medicinal marijuana to fight the pain and infection, it is time to make it known that we can't be proud of a country that doesn't even give one of its citizens a fair trial. If this is how the people working to benefit humanity are being treated, how are the rest of us going to be treated?

My fax has already gone through the lines and landed in the fax machines of Senator Elizabeth Dole, Senator John Edwards and Representative Bob Etheridge. My voice has been heard, even if only in the form of a few pieces of paper. Now it's your turn.

Joel promises that he's done being serious for at least two days. But if you're looking to help him "Save Ed," shoot him a line at Joel@hotmail.com.



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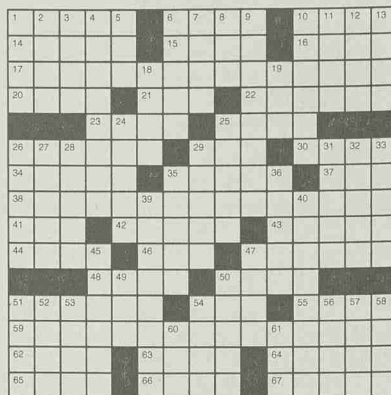
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Taurus
April 20-May 20

Today is a 7. You can see a way around a dilemma that has everybody else stymied. Offer advice, but not your hard-earned money.

Gemini
May 21-June 21

Today is a 7. For every action, there's an equal and opposite reaction. That's what they tell us, anyway. Don't be so busy reacting that you get blindsided.

Cancer
June 22-July 22

Today is a 5. New information helps you prevent an unpleasant scenario. Avoid a mess before it occurs, or at least confine it.

Leo
July 23-Aug. 22

Today is a 6. The rational approach works better than the emotional approach for the next couple of days. Having the facts will help you save money.

Virgo
Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Today is a 6. You'll draw a lot of your strength from your own inner determination. They'll like the results better doing it your way, so leave no doubt about what your way is.

Libra
Sept. 23-Oct. 22

Today is an 8. There's apt to be confusion, but you can help. Don't let your own worries get in the way. Make sure the word gets out.

Scorpio
Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Today is a 6. Friends want to help but could actually make things worse. Don't promise anybody a loan until you're sure how much you have.

Sagittarius
Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Today is a 7. A critical observer could be quite annoying, but don't make a snappy remark. Just take the advice and use it, and she'll think you're really smart.

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Dec. 22-Jan. 19

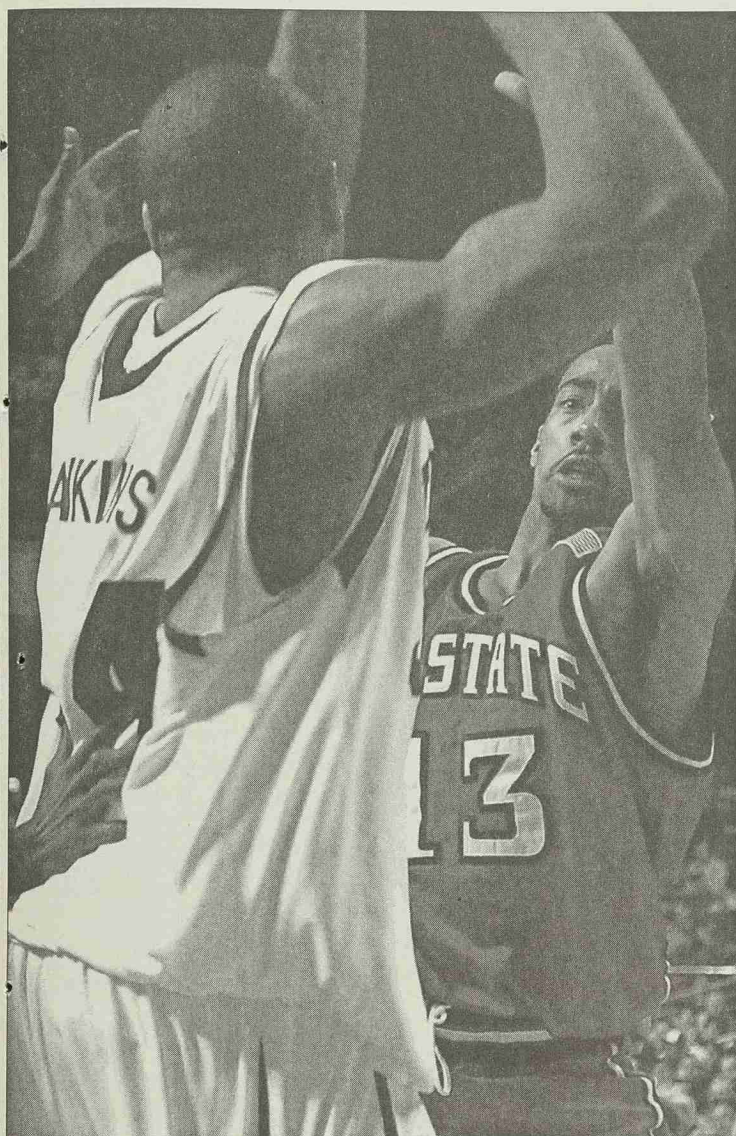
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Jan. 20-Feb. 18

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Pisces
Feb. 19-March 20

Today is a 6. Check on how things are going so far. Are you still within budget? Make adjustments until you get realigned.



Cameron Bennerman plays tight defense against David Hawkins of the Temple Owls. Bennerman also made his presence known on offense going 3-3 in 9 minutes of play. Staff photo by Matthew Huffman

BASKETBALL

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16 points, had 10 turnovers, eight in the game's final 20 minutes.

Temple, meanwhile, was efficiently attacking on offense and doing enough to build itself a comfortable lead. The Owls shot only 37.9 percent but made up for that by ripping down 16 offensive rebounds and hustling for innumerable second chances.

Forward Alex Wesby, held scoreless in the first half, sparked his team in the second with 10 points to go with 11 boards. Maurice Collins led all scorers with 18 and hit all eight of his free throws as the lead widened throughout. And Hawley Smith,

who only scored four points, led the game in grit plays as he gave Temple second chance after second chance.

"You have to give [it to] Temple for playing an outstanding game today," said NCSU coach Herb Sendek. "We knew coming in here we'd have to play exceptionally to win the game. Temple did play very well; we did not."

When State has struggled this year, it's been due to going cold from the perimeter. Such was the case again, as the Pack made just 7-of-27 3-point attempts. Melvin and Sherrill, the two best long-range shooters State has, were each 2-for-7. The Owls hounded both Sherrill and Melvin and generally allowed few open looks. But

State missed the open ones, too.

"I thought they played the kind of basketball that I've seen from watching them," said Chaney, a Basketball Hall of Fame coach in his 21st season with Temple. "They just shoot a lot of 3s. When they're going in the basket, happy days are here again."

They didn't go in Saturday, but that was only part of the problem. State's on-court demeanor was one of hopelessness and desolation. Instead of responding with positive vibes, some of the Pack's players sulked afterward. It was hard to blame them. Asked whether this is that type of loss that can ruin NCAA tournament hopes, Hodge put it best.

"It can't help."

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son was seventh (9:59.72), Abigail Nelkie was eighth (10:08.72), Jenn Modliszewski took ninth (10:09.06) and Michelle Popple was 10th (10:13.66). Ginger Wheeler placed 11th (10:15.89); and Erin Swain was 17th (10:23.63).

Felicia Fant took fifth in the 60

meters (7.55), and her time of 24.62 giving her ninth place in the 200 meters, was just 0.01 seconds away from tying the school record. Nasheena Quick placed 13th in the 60 meters (7.87), while Krystal Neely was 25th in the 60 meters (8.15) and 40th in the 200 meters (26.98). Quick was also eighth in the 60 hurdles (9.12), and Neely 15th (9.37).

In the mile, it was Janelle Vadnais in ninth with a time of

5:06.16, and Leslie Jimison in 16th (5:15.67). Karen Medlin took ninth in the 800 meters, running a 2:22.15.

Teresa Reed finished eighth in the pole vault (11-4) and Allison Weavil was 18th (10). Sheena Dawkins was fourth in the long jump with a best leap of 5.81 meters. In the high jump, April Goolsby finished ninth with a mark of 5-2.

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the lead to 18-6 before Brian Muir recorded a 15-4 major decision victory over Courtney Bird at 174 pounds to give the Cavaliers a 22-6 lead.

State closed the gap to 22-12 when Jon Godwin pinned Scott Mania at 3:49 in the 184-pound match. But it wasn't enough for the Wolfpack, and UVa's Zach Freeday won the final match at 197 pounds with a 5-4 win over Daniel Humphries to close out

the match for UVa

The day before, State had defeated James Madison 26-16. Giamoni, McCollum, Pacitti, Cinton, Harris and Kawa all picked up wins for the Pack. State returns to action Tuesday night vs. Duke at Reynolds Coliseum.

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TECHNICIAN

BASKETBALL

Chaney, zone claim another February victim



Matt Middleton

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — There's something about a John Chaney team playing at home in the month of February.

Temple winning at home in the second month of the year is about as predictable as the streets of Philadelphia being covered in snow.

In fact, since the university opened the Liacouras Center in 1997, the Owls haven't lost a single game there in February. Not one.

And that certainly wasn't about to change Saturday afternoon.

On that afternoon, one when the Philadelphia temperature was just an average 20 degrees, one where a heavy winter storm loomed imminent, Chaney slowly walked onto the floor not really knowing what to expect from his young and largely unproven team.

What he got was a convincing victory that dealt a tremendous blow to the NCAA Tournament chances of another.

Temple entered Saturday with a paltry 7-13 overall record. Sure, the Owls had played their typical nonconference gauntlet of a schedule, but barring a miraculous late-season run, there would be no postseason trip for the Owls for the first time since 1983.

Chaney, who has guided Temple since that 1982-83 season, looked more subdued than ever on the sidelines early on. Assistant Nate Blackwell appeared to handle a fair share of the coaching duties.

But there was still no mistake as to who exactly was the coach of this Temple team. Starting three freshmen, the Owls looked like seasoned veterans in Chaney's trademark matchup zone. Later in the game, the 71-year-old was up protesting a call with a 16-point lead late in the game.

There's no denying he still has passion for the game, and there's also no denying that he put on another defensive clinic Saturday.

"Our team had been a team of players, not a team," the Hall of Famer said after the game.

Those players formed a team for one game at least, holding N.C. State to 54 points on just under 35-percent shooting. The Wolfpack also committed 17 turnovers, including 10 by star guard Julius Hodge.

"We were very prepared for what they were doing [defensively]; we just didn't execute as well as we are capable of," said State point guard Cliff Crawford.

At times, it seemed like the Owls had six guys playing defense. Several times there was the Pack going airborne to make a pass, and then there was an Owl seemingly always there to intercept it.

Save for an early stretch in the first half that saw State score 18 points in roughly eight minutes, the Temple defense was nothing short of dominant.

The Pack was still getting its open looks on 3-pointers, but they refused to fall. A miss usually yielded a Temple rebound — the Owls outrebounded State by 12, including a 2-to-1 advantage in the offensive rebounding department.

"Our zone allows us to defensive rebound over teams that shoot the 3," said Chaney. "But it doesn't show up when teams make the 3." State certainly didn't oblige to that. Twenty Wolfpack 3-balls clanked off the rim, showing again perhaps that the Pack has become a little too reliant on the 3-ball lately.

"They just shoot a lot of 3s, and when they go in, happy days are here again," said Chaney.

But happy days were anything but what the Pack experienced Saturday, thanks to Chaney and his defense — a defense that added another victim to its February list, and a victim whose NCAA Tournament chances were dealt a serious blow.

Comments? E-mail Matt at matt@techniciansports.com

State plays 'owlf' against Temple

N.C. State was outshot, outthrustled and outdone in an embarrassing defeat.

Andrew B. Carter
Assistant Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA — N.C. State would find it a challenging task to duplicate its performance at Temple on Saturday. And perhaps it's the thought that the Wolfpack couldn't possibly play any worse that is the only positive to its 76-54 loss to an Owls team that came in with only seven victories.

The way State played, victory number eight was practically gift-wrapped for coach John Chaney's team, now 8-13.

The Pack (13-8 overall, 6-4 ACC) followed the formula for most of its road games this season: poor shooting, plus bad rebounding, plus inability to score for long stretches of play, equals the predictable second-half collapse and a loss.

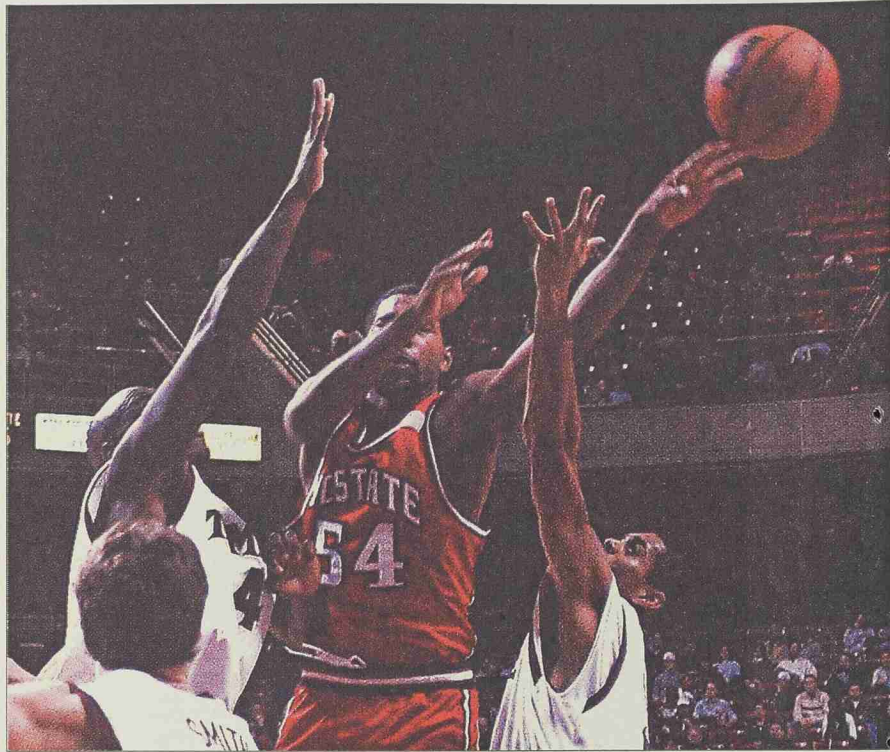
It held true again on a numbingly cold day in the City of Brotherly Love. The Pack shot an unbrotherly 34.6 percent (28.1 percent in the second half), was outrebounded by 12, turned the ball over almost twice as much as Temple and failed to hit a shot for a stretch of 12:11, as the home team turned a seven-point first-half deficit into a rout in front of a delighted crowd of 7,254 at the Liacouras Center.

The loss could seriously damage State come NCAA Tournament time, as this was the Pack's last chance to get a road win outside the ACC.

State is now just 1-7 away from the RBC Center.

"We can't win on the road," said State's Marcus Melvin, who hit two 3s in the game's first five minutes but had just two points the rest of the way.

For most of the first half, though, State looked primed to prove that notion wrong. The Pack was moving the ball well, hitting open looks and doing its



Marcus Melvin fights for the ball against Kevin Butler of Temple. Staff photo by Matthew Huffman

best to dictate pace against a young but disciplined team.

On one play early in the first half, guards Cliff Crawford, Julius Hodge and Scooter Sherrill broke down Temple's matchup zone brilliantly, each penetrating and passing to perfection. Josh Powell wound up with a dunk off a nifty pass from Crawford to end the sequence.

But plays like that one were far too infrequent for State, which could barely make a decent pass or attempt a good shot for the game's last 30 minutes.

Nonetheless, Crawford's two free throws gave State a 25-18 lead with 3:27 to go in the first half, and the Pack seemed destined to lead at the break.

Instead, State didn't score for more than 10 minutes, never recovered from that stretch, and was outscored 58-29 during the game's final 23-plus minutes.

Not even that 29-point margin did justice to State's troubles, however. Numbers, after all, can only tell so much. Regardless of stats, State looked lost against a team that had lost 13 times this year.

"Their coaches made a minor adjustment going into the second half," said Crawford. "That hurt us. We weren't getting the same looks. They did a great job going into halftime and making those adjustments, which really threw us off balance."

State turned the ball over 13 times in the second half, which was four greater than its total of made shots in the same period of time. Hodge, who led State with

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Patterson, Lucas shine in weekend action

N.C. State runners competed across the nation this week, registering a number of impressive performances.

Members of the N.C. State track and field and cross country teams competed this past weekend, with David Patterson and Julia Lucas turning in impressive performances.

Most of the track and field squad traveled to the Virginia Tech Challenge, while a couple of individuals went to Arkansas. A handful of cross country runners competed in the IFTT World Championships in Houston.

N.C. State freshman Julia Lucas earned a chance to represent the United States at the IAAF World Cross Country Championships with a fifth-place finish in Saturday's 2003 Junior USA Cross Country Championship Race in Houston, Texas.

Lucas, a member of N.C. State's 2003 ACC Championship squad, finished the 6,113 meter course with a time of 24 minutes, 25 seconds. Conditions were wet and muddy on the 2K figure-eight course.

Lucas will now have the opportunity to travel to Lausanne, Switzerland, and represent the United States in the IFTT World Championships March 29-30.

Lucinda Hull, a first-year runner at State, finished 27th in the women's 4K senior/open race with a time of 17:16. Freshman Lance Hall finished 49th in the men's junior 8K race with a time of 31:02.

Ex-Wolfpack runners Chris Dugan and Ryan Woods participated in the men's competition, with each placing in the top 12.

At Arkansas in the Tyson Invitational, senior David Patterson had quite an impressive race. Running in



David Patterson had an impressive showing over the weekend in Houston, TX. He ran the 5,000 meter race in 13:56.54, which was good enough to qualify for the NCAA's. Technician File Photo by Todd Lion

the 5,000 meters for the first time this season, Patterson set a new school record with a time of 13:56.54, almost five seconds better than the previous mark. Patterson's time was also good enough to be an automatic qualifying time for the NCAA Championships.

Also at that meet, freshman Jesse Williams placed seventh in the high jump, clearing 6-9.

The rest of the men's squad competed at the Virginia Tech Challenge. The Wolfpack claimed the top four spots in the mile. Ricky Brookshire won the race in 4:09.61 and Nick Mangum took second in 4:11.72, while David Christian was third (4:12.79).

T.J. Giwa finished eighth in the 60 meters running at 6.94, and 13th in the 200 meters (22.15). Monterio Adams was second in the 400 meters with a time of 47.87 and also 21st in the 60 meters (7.04).

In the 3,000 meters, it was Kurtis Marlowe in fifth (8:25.40) and John Henderson in 17th (8:45.45).

In the pole vault David Kessler was State's top finisher in fourth place (4.85 meters), Eric Hoverstad was 12th (4.55), and Justin Farmer took 23rd (4.40). James Rowell finished third in the weight throw with a heave of 19.16, and Randy Cass was seventh (17.60). Cass also finished 10th in the shot put with a mark of 15.16.

The women's squad ran at Virginia Tech, and the Wolfpack's performance in the 3,000 meters was the highlight, with seven runners in the top-10. Junior Kristin Price won the 3,000 meters with a time of 9:28.80, her second NCAA provisional mark in that race this season.

Beth Fonner finished a strong second in 9:42.77, and Josianne Lauber was fifth in 9:55.41. Diana Hender-

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Wrestling splits in weekend action

The wrestling team lost its third ACC match of the season on Saturday, but did pick up a weekend win against James Madison.

Sports Staff Report

CHARLOTTESVILLE Va. - The Virginia wrestling team defeated N.C. State by the score of 25-12 in an ACC dual match at UVA's Memorial Gymnasium. The Cavaliers won seven of the 10 matches and cruised to the 13-point victory over the visiting Wolfpack.

With the victory, Virginia's record improves to 9-5 overall, 2-0 in the ACC. The loss drops N.C. State's record to 5-9 overall, 1-3 in the ACC.

Virginia's Josh Etu defeated LeRoy Harris by the score of 2-1 in the heavyweight class to give the Cavaliers an early 3-0 lead. State's George Cintron evened the match at 3-3 in the 125-pound class when he picked up a 9-3 win over Brian Sticca.

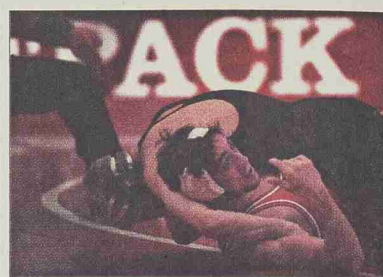
UVA's Joe Alexander gave Virginia back the lead at 6-3 when he took an 8-3 decision over Daniel Pacini at 133 pounds.

The Cavaliers would not surrender the lead the rest of the way and extended their advantage to 9-3 when Bob Seidel picked up a 5-2 victory over Ryan McCallum at 141 pounds.

State cut UVA's lead to 9-6 when the Wolfpack's Jake Giamoni earned a 6-2 decision over Paul Bjorlo at 149. However, Virginia won three consecutive matches after that to increase its lead, starting with Tim Foley's pin of Bryant Reams at 1:24 in the 157-pound bout to make it 15-6.

UVA's Will Durkee earned a 1-1 overtime ride-out victory over Dustin Kawa at 165 pounds to increase

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The N.C. State wrestling squad lost to Virginia over the weekend. Staff photo by Kevin Ritter