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## IN THE KNOW

## WORLD

## U.S. troops may aid Philippines in battle

After a month of discussions between the United States and the Philippine government, the Pentagon reported on Thursday that the U.S. military is planning to allow special operations troops to help Philippine forces in their battle against Muslim rebels.

If the plan works out, it would be the first time that U.S. troops have been authorized to take offensive measures against Abu Sayyaf guerrillas in the southern Philippines.

The operation would include U.S. troops expanding their current role with Philippine forces and fighting terrorism.

## FTC investigates fraudulent cancer treatment companies

The Federal Trade Commission launched an international fraud investigation against companies that claimed to be able to treat cancer patients. The companies that were targeted turned out to be making bogus claims.

CSCT Inc.'s "Zoetron Therapy" based in Tijuana, Mexico, was one of the companies investigated by the FTC.

According to FTC officials, the company was a "sham" and the treatment did not affect the cancer cells in any of the 850 patients who received it over the past five years.

While the federal government's lawsuit is in pending, the U.S. District Court in Chicago has issued an injunction prohibiting CSCT from making the claims, freezing the company's assets and shutting down its Web site.

## NATION

## Florida professor charged for terrorist association

On Thursday a Florida professor, along with seven others, was charged after it was proven that he was the leader of a Palestinian terrorist organization.

Sami Al-Arian, a University of South Florida professor who was described by Ashcroft as the North American leader of the Palestinian Islamic Jihad, was charged with racketeering and other terrorism-related activities.

Al-Arian was arrested with three others.

The other four, who were described as co-conspirators in the 50-count indictment, had not been arrested on Thursday.

## Kentucky plant explosion injures at least 26

According to reports, an explosion and fire at a factory in southeastern Kentucky injured at least 26 people and shocked many more.

The cause of the explosion at CTA Acoustics, an insulation factory, is still unknown.

Officials noted that the explosion took place near a fiberglass-making oven. The company has 561 employees, but only 150 were in the factory during the explosion. All employees were accounted for.

Investigators have begun to look into the exact cause of the explosion.

But according to reports, earlier this month, CTA was cited by a state labor agency for an allegedly serious machinery violation that dealt with safety guards. In addition, in 1993, the company was cited for similar machinery violations.

## STATE

## Heart transplant teen recovering after second surgery

Jesica Santillan, a 17-year-old who recently received a second heart and lung transplant, is currently recovering and doctors are saying that there are no signs of rejection.

Santillan's second transplant comes after her first transplant failed earlier in the week due to a mistake in which doctors at Duke Medical Center gave her organs with type A blood that did not match her type O blood.

A family spokesperson reported that while Santillan is improving, she remains in critical condition and it is still too early to tell if she will reject the new organs.

## Bill filed to assure illegality of physician-assisted suicide

A bill filed on Thursday by two doctors in the N.C. Senate would ultimately clarify the fact that physician-assisted suicide is illegal in North Carolina.

Sens. Jim Forrester, R-Gaston, and Bill Purcell, D-Scotland, filed the legislation that would make it a class D felony for any physician, nurse or other health care professional to prescribe a drug or perform a procedure that intentionally ends a patient's life.

## Chancellor accountability act passes in Student Senate

*Student Senate passed the Tenure of Office Act while the Declaration of W\*A\*R was sent to committee.*

LaWanda Ray

Staff Reporter

As things currently stand, Chancellor Marye Anne Fox may fire any administrator at N.C. State without any accountability for her actions. But at the Student Senate meeting Wednesday evening, Resolution 64, the Tenure of Office Act, was passed by a roll call vote and will ultimately eliminate this possibility.

The bill is designed to give accountability for all administrators. In addition, this resolution will allow the Board of Governors to discuss other student issues.

Several other student issues were de-

bated at the Student Senate meeting.

Because the Raleigh City Council decided to establish a taskforce to further investigate the housing ordinance issue that would limit the number of nonrelated residents in some Raleigh homes, the Student Senate decided to place Resolution 73, the Declaration of W\*A\*R, in committee until the taskforce takes specific action. Student Senate members agreed that the taskforce may, in fact, side with opponents of the resolution.

"If the taskforce's actions are unsatisfactory, the resolution will be brought before the senate again," said Student Senate President Josh Cox.

The senate also voted down Government Bill 01, the Qualifications for Office Referendum Act. This legislation would have given the student body the opportunity to vote on whether or not to

give the Student Senate the power to decide on the qualifications for student government offices during election.

Student Body President Mike Anthony reiterated the food drive efforts and the challenge between NCSU and UNC-CH. In addition, he thanked everyone participating. He urged students to place

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## SENATE SPOTLIGHT

Allison Watkins, a sophomore in the College of Management, is active in COMSAB and is vice chair of the Campus Community Committee. Before she graduates from N.C. State, Watkins says she would like to see senators "become more visible and approachable by the student body." "My job is to bring student issues to the senate. Therefore, I love feedback," said Watkins.



## A CLOSER LOOK AT STUDENT GOVERNMENT

## Student Senate President stays cool when things get hot

*Student Senate President Josh Cox says other hobbies have helped him succeed in his position.*

LaWanda Ray

Staff Reporter

Although many issues brought before the Student Senate are often heated and heavily debated, Student Senate President Josh Cox tries to stay cool under pressure.

His hobbies, though different, all help him deal with the stresses of senate and student life.

"In wood working, you must have patience. If you go through things quickly you will mess up, and in senate you must have patience," said Cox. "Power lifting requires you to train your body to explode, and an explosion of energy can help solve problems."

Cox is also a big sports fan and his favorite team is the Wolfpack. His other favorite teams are those that have NCSU alumni on their rosters. For Cox, sports are "an outlet for stress."

In relation to his easygoing personality, Cox's run for Student Senate president was a very straightforward one. In fact, Cox only ran because he felt he "could do a better job than the other person running."

"He is certainly the most direct senate president we have ever had ... at times he thinks it's necessary to just get the job done, rather than being bogged down by unnecessary procedure," said Brian Tardy, textiles management and a senior senator.

"To be Student Senate president you have to be decisive and quick on your feet," Cox says. His decisive nature is most evident in the "Ten Rules" he established at the beginning of his term and his ability to enact change without having to write much legislation. For him, the hardest thing about his position is "trying to lead objectively."



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"You have to set your opinions aside and push for the greatest gains," he said.

Since he has been in senate, Cox is most proud of having had a hand in bringing back campout, strengthening the role of the student body vice president and aiding in the development of an outer residence council.

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## The Provost Search Committee: a teamwork effort

*After a delay due to the weather, the Provost Search Committee met on Wednesday.*

Cetty Abraham

Staff Reporter

The Provost Search Committee held a meeting Wednesday at 8 a.m., just as the council continues its efforts in deciding application modifications and other details for the provost

candidates in question for the position that was left open by former provost Stuart Cooper.

The Search Committee is comprised largely of faculty members, as well as members from the dean's council and the Student Senate.

Wednesday's meeting covered such topics as where the candidates stand, as well as a review of the applications already submitted. The deadline for all applications is March 1.

A subcommittee has been established to review these candidates and is also responsible for formulating the questions included in the application.

And according to the formulated questions created by the subcommittee, a candidate interested in the position would have to consider such issues as the level of budget and autonomy of the provost and thoughts regarding campus tu-

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## Happy birthday, N.C. State

*Organizers of the annual Founder's Day will try to get students more involved in the birthday celebration.*

Shannon Holder

Staff Reporter

If the Alumni Association gets its way, N.C. State will have a new tradition with the celebration of Founder's Day. On March 5, NCSU will celebrate its 116th year as a university.

"Founder's Day is a remembrance of our school's history," said Russell Laundon, student alumni ambassador and a chairman of the Founder's Day celebration.

Though in the past, faculty and alumni have focused on the founding of the school, this year's committee is trying to bring the celebration to the students. "We'd like to expand the celebration and bring into focus N.C. State's impact on Raleigh, the state and the world," Laundon said.

The faculty is celebrating this year with a dinner and the presentation of the annual Watauga Medal. The award is the highest nonacademic medal bestowed by the school. The medal was created by the NCSU Trustees in 1975 and is given to no more than three people in a year. This year's ceremony will be held on March 10.

There are some plans to get students involved. The association has formed a committee to increase student awareness of the day. The committee has researched Founder's Day celebrations at other universities, and with these ideas, the committee will help make Founder's Day a new tradition on campus.

One thing that the committee is focusing on is to bring students together from all the colleges on campus. "In the future, I would like to bring other aspects of the school together. There are a lot of things going on in the College of Design and the College of Textiles that other students may not be aware of. I think a Founder's Day celebration would bring all of the colleges together to help students have a stronger sense of school pride," Laundon said.

Most students were unaware of Founder's Day. "I was unaware that anything happened on campus to celebrate the school's establishment, but I think it is a good idea," said Ginny Kim, a senior in the College of Textiles.

However, the changes NCSU has made through the years are of interest to students. Kerry Allivato, a junior majoring in English, said, "If Founder's Day focused on many of the transitions our

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## Flipped out



With a rock climbing class in the background, gymnastics coach Mark Stevenson spots Maria Morrison as she performs an elegant forward handspring. Staff photo by Tasha Petty

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## Loss of Turkish bases could prolong war, experts say

*The United States is waiting for Turkey to say whether it will accept an aid package in exchange for access to bases and sea ports.*

Jessica Guynn  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON — If Turkey does not let U.S. forces use Turkish bases for an invasion of Iraq, a war could become longer, more costly and riskier, military analysts said Thursday.

The Pentagon's battle plan calls for a main attack from Kuwait in the south and a second thrust from Turkey on the north. If Turkey does not allow the use of its bases, an armored task force assigned to attack from Turkey through northern Iraq would have to be reassigned to Kuwait. That could delay plans for the war to start in early March.

The United States is waiting for Turkey to say whether it will accept a multibillion-dollar aid package in exchange for access to bases and sea ports. Turkey is demanding additional compensation for the more than \$30 billion in losses it says it accumulated during the 1991 Gulf War and for the subsequent econom-

ic crises that have plagued the country. Opening a second front from Turkey into northern Iraq would divide Iraqi forces and get U.S. forces into the country faster.

"All you need to do is look at a map," said Harlan Ullman, a national security expert at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, referring to the much longer route to northern Iraq from Kuwait. From Turkey, U.S. forces could get to the oil fields around the northern Iraqi cities of Kirkuk and Mosul more quickly to secure them before they could be destroyed by Iraqi troops or seized by Turkish forces or ethnic Kurds.

Turkey also fears that the Kurds, who now control a virtually independent enclave in northern Iraq, might declare an independent state and stir up rebellion by Turkey's Kurdish minority. Leaders of the Iraqi Kurdish parties that control the region say they have no intention of seeking independence, but want to be part of Iraq.

"They (the United States) have gotten more rather than less worried... about keeping the Kurds down and the Turks out," said John Pike, a military analyst with GlobalSecurity.

## COX

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To Student Senate president hopefuls, Cox says, "it's a great position but be ready for anything." He feels that the next Student Senate president should engulf the student body vice president role while not deserting senate. Juggling the two is no easy task, he admitted, because sometimes certain issues take up more of your time than others.

Cox sees himself as being as easygoing and laid back as possible but with a passion that can cause him to seem mean or pushy. As approachable as he is busy, Cox is always willing to

speak to students or take a moment to explain confusing legislation during a senate meeting.

"Everyone respects him, and being a textiles engineer and Student Senate president... I know he can do anything," said Tardy.

From his term, he hopes that the senate will remember to go "through the proper procedures and do all of the necessary research before anything is written to ensure that it is perfect."

To the student body he leaves these words: "Go to every game (revenue and non-revenue), keep your GPA up and have as much fun and meet as many people as you can."

## PROVOST

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ition and fees. He or she will be asked to provide a comprehensive vision for the university. The questions already included in the application packet were reviewed and maintained as guidelines for the decision process.

The closed session consisted of discussion concerning qualifications, competence and performance for appointment according to the North Carolina General Statute.

The Board of Trustees awaits further developments and will discuss the decision process in a meeting scheduled this week.

## FOUNDERS

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school has made through the years, such as going from primarily an agricultural school to a well-established research facility, I think all students would take greater pride in their school."

NCSU was founded as a land-grant institution by the General Assembly in 1887. With the help of the Alumni Association, a tradition of celebrating NCSU's history could help bring a greater sense of school pride and create a little more history for generations to come.

## SENATE

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boxes in residence halls and to bring canned goods to any of the designated locations on campus.

There were several senate committee reports discussed at the meeting as well.

The academics committee reported that the Web site for common credit transfers among universities in the UNC System is now up. Students with a vested interest in this issue should visit the site and leave their stories or comments. This will help ASG decide on a common credit transfer policy. The site to visit is [www.uncasg.com](http://www.uncasg.com).

The Diversity Committee gave a brief account of the peace rally held this past weekend at the Bell Tower. Nearly 100 students showed up in protest of the war on Iraq, and after marching to the capital, they joined hundreds more. The committee is also looking into doing an investigation on the Student Health Center due to complaints that students are being turned away.

The Finance Committee is currently setting up an interview schedule for organizations that turned in their packets for appropriations.

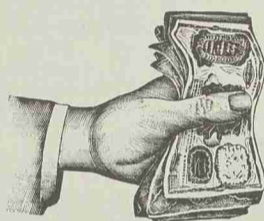
The Tuition and Fees Committee has speakers coming to explain particular student fees on several days. Wednesday, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., they will go over the

Association of Student Government fee and student handbook fee. Thursday, from 6:45 to 7:15 p.m., the student publications fee will be discussed. On March 4, from 6 to 8:45 p.m., the Student Health Services fee, Student Legal Services fee, physical education and recreational sports program fee and the Union Activities Board fee will be reviewed. On March 6, from 6:45 to 9 p.m., the education and technology fee, telephonic registration fee, the Student Center and the Student Center repairs fee will be discussed. Any student can attend, and there are still vacancies open for other fees that students might like to hear about. Questions should be addressed to Student Senator Jamie Pendergrass.

University Affairs reported that a feasibility committee will be organized to see if a campus crime-stoppers program would be beneficial.

All senators reiterated that the annual Night Walk will be held on March at 7:30 p.m.

Students were appointed to the following positions: Brady Carter, freshman senator; Courtney Evans, freshman senator; Jared Husketh, lifelong education senator; Johnny McKethan, First Year College senator; Brian Pressley, management junior senator; Brian Russo, engineering junior senator; Alison Wilder, textiles senator; and Mindie Do, elections commissioner.



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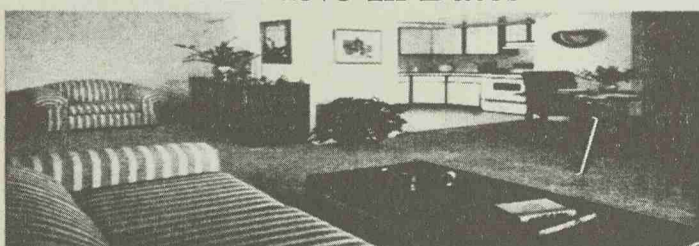
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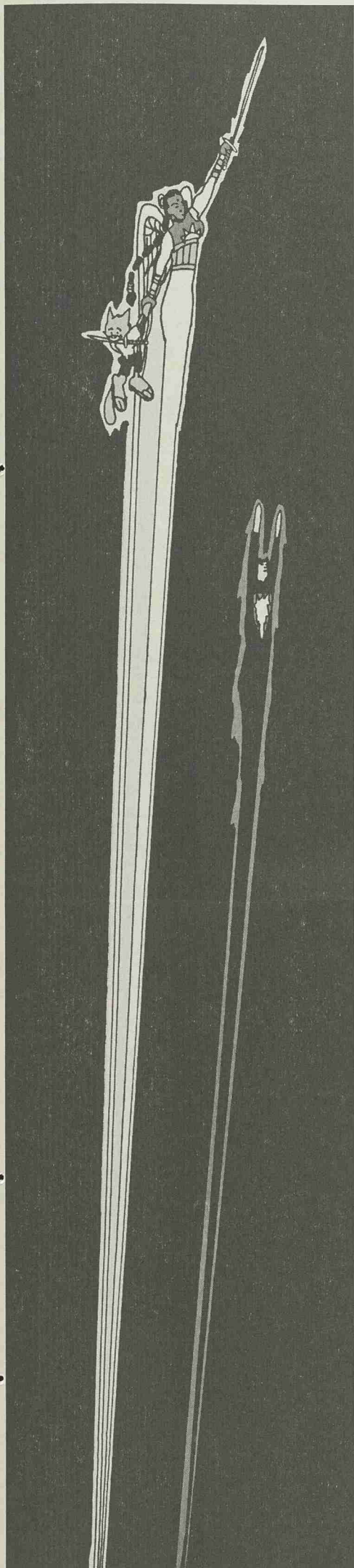
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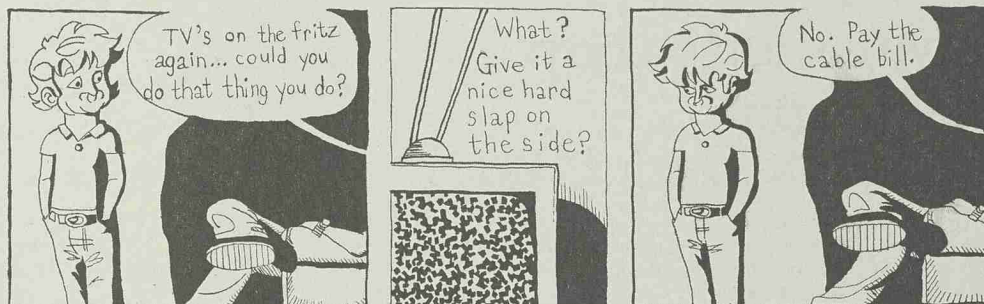


The heroic trio flew through darkness. Staff illustration by Mark McLawhorn

Zathael, Matajuro and Gestalt had been engulfed by the spell of the evil Ja'kaste sorcerers. The swirling darkness swallowed them whole. They tried to beat their way back to the surface of the ebony abyss using all of their strength, but it felt as the closer they got to the top, the deeper they fell back. "Why can't we break free?" yelled Zathael through the darkness towards Gestalt, who held the feline Matajuro in one hand and her sword in the other.

"Truth is," Gestalt replied, "I have a feeling that we aren't even flying. I have the suspicion that we're actually stationary and are being fed the illusion that we're moving." Matajuro looked up at Gestalt and pondered for a moment. He held fast to his sword, which he bit firmly between his teeth. "Well, it's worth a try," Gestalt told the cat, thinking she knew his plan. He saluted her, let go of her hand and fell into the vortex.

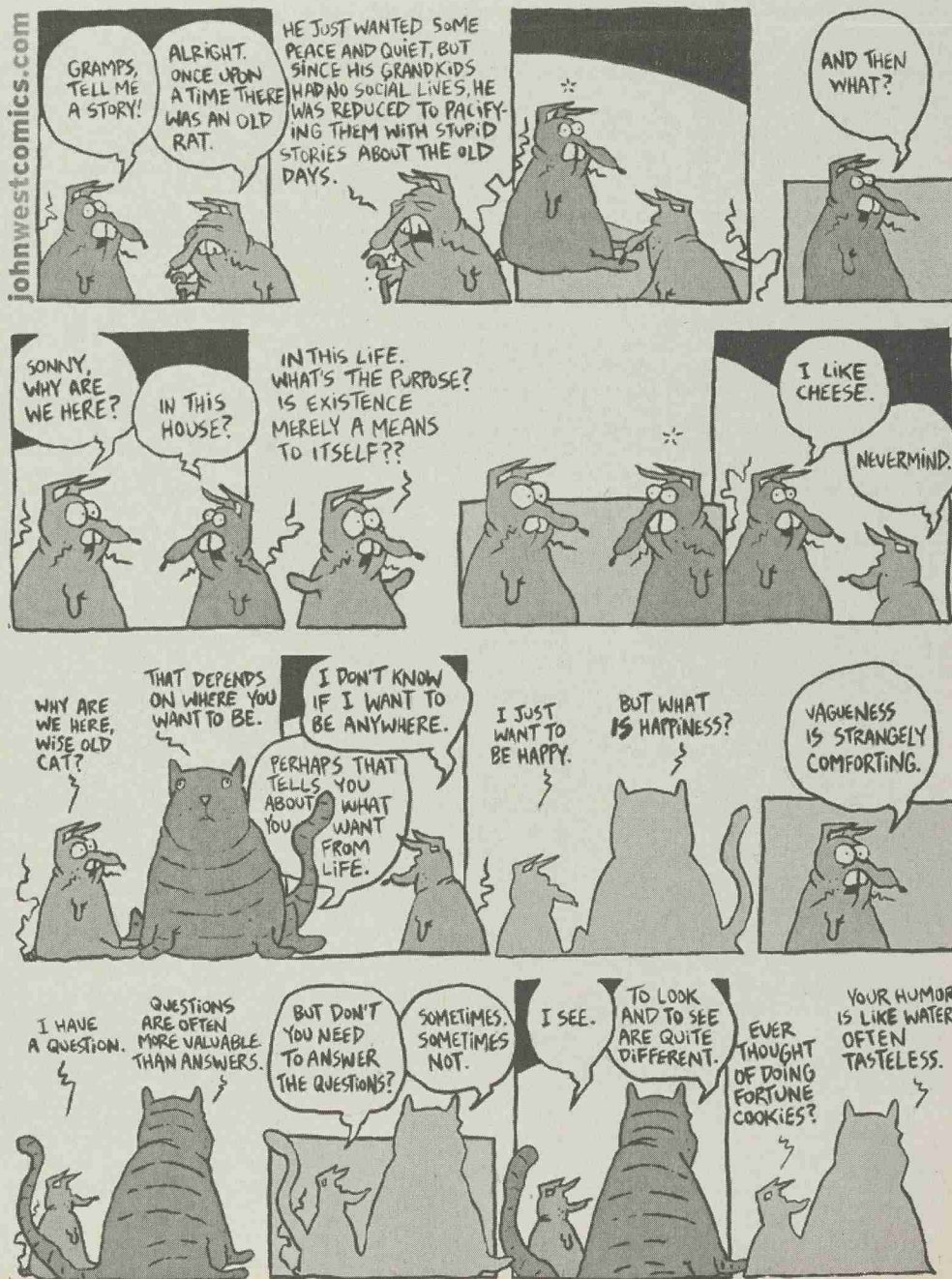
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## TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

### If you want to boycott, do it right

There is no question the French government does not support President Bush's stance on the need for military action against Iraq. But France's decision to oppose the United States is not as motivated by its strong anti-war, pro-peace beliefs as it is strong anti-American sentiments. France itself isn't exactly taking this opportunity to build bridges with other European countries. In a statement Tuesday, French President Jacques Chirac told the European countries signing a letter in agreement with the United States' position on Iraq that the leaders, "missed a great opportunity to shut up."

In response to France's firm stance, many Raleigh-area businesses have instituted a boycott of certain French foods and renamed menu items containing the word "French." Country clubs from High Point to Winston-Salem have removed French wines from the menu selections, and Raleigh's country club is considering the same action.

The most laughable measure, however, was taken by Cubbie's Restaurant in Beaufort, when it took the classic American side order known as French fries and renamed them "freedom fries." French dressing is now referred to as "liberty dressing" in hopes of severing any suggestion of French ties.

When used effectively, organized boycotts can be a powerful financial way to

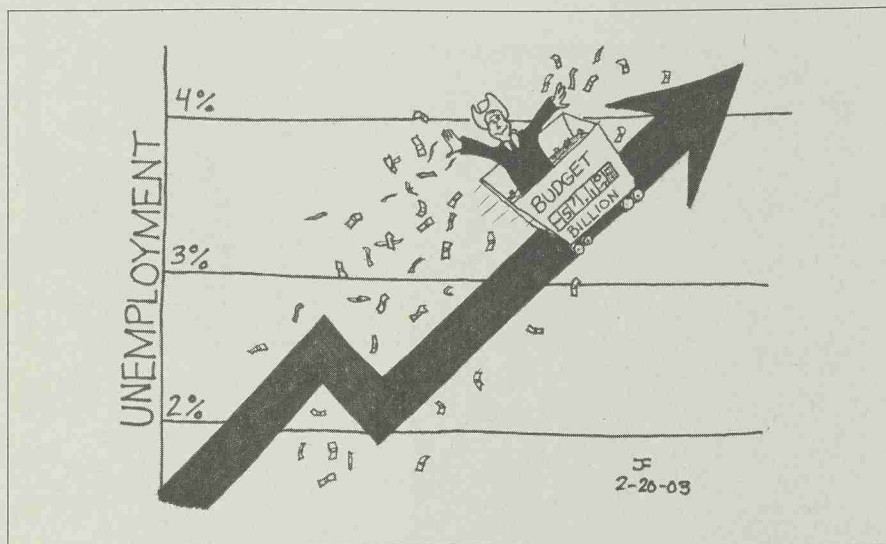
prove the point of protesters. But French fries? Renaming French fries will certainly show those French citizens how deep the disgust of America runs. Following this logic, the boycott needs to extend further, and it should start at N.C. State.

As a university, we should ban the teaching of French classes — all students currently enrolled in these courses should receive an A — and the use of French words all together. Do you have a date planned for the weekend? You better not French kiss, but instead, just spend your amorous hours "sucking face."

On a national level, all Americans need to pull together to boycott French references in American culture. No longer will residential families live on a cul-de-sac. No, the boycott term in place will be "circle street." French bread will descriptively be named "long bread," and hors d'oeuvres will simply be "finger foods."

And for all those precious preschoolers wearing French braids ... these, too should be banned. A four-year-old with a French braid is clearly letting the terrorists win. Even America's military can join the movement — instead of those far-too-French green berets, our military elite can now sport green cowboy hats, in honor of our fine Texan president.

Now, about the Statue of Liberty ...



### The future looms ahead



Michele DeCamp  
Staff Columnist

There has been a lot in the news lately about our potential war with Iraq. It has slowly taken over most of the covers of various news magazines and has almost become as important as Michael Jackson's multiple plastic surgeries. It is looming ahead of us, and I cannot help but be incredibly scared that this may be the first war that I will encounter at an age where I will understand what is going on. All I remember about Desert Storm was that it seriously interrupted my cartoon watching since my mother refused to turn off the news.

I am not at the point yet where I am ready to stock up on duct tape and plastic sheeting, but I also wonder if I am just being incredibly naïve about the potential dangers we might face. Is it possible we may have to stay trapped in our homes for more than just a few inches of ice? The idea we might have to survive without running water and electricity for days due to a terrorist attack is like living in a different era where gas masks and bomb shelters were desirable for our protection.

This is where our generation gap becomes evident; Sept. 11, 2001, was the first and only real disaster I have experienced in my youth. Even that event seemed like a distant nightmare since I did not directly know anyone involved. Yet, I have family members who experienced the frightening realities of our two world wars. They have lived through events that we are only aware of through

our history textbooks.

The end result is that our president is almost positive we are going to war. We will be sending thousands of Americans into battle where they will either be forced to kill others or suffer themselves. Millions of people crowded the streets of every major city worldwide to protest a war with Iraq, but it does not appear that it will deter our government from its current designs. We are going to war.

But, rather than cite more facts and figures about what is going on, I want to examine the emotions that have been running through my mind these past few weeks, because war is just as much about our emotions as it is about the wrongs that may have been committed.

The ironic problem for me is that our government is too confident. President Bush has stood before many groups of soldiers in the past few weeks and rallied them to our government's cause. Many journalists have compared him to a cowboy going his own way as he spreads his rhetoric across the plains of our country. He seems so determined to make this happen, and his self-assurance is almost eerie.

The fact is that we are talking about war. This is not a personal retaliation, it is not a shipment of supplies to a starving nation and it is not a trade agreement with a neighboring country. This is a battle that will cost many lives to both sides. The fact is our president will not be leading our soldiers into battle, so I find it a little disturbing that he does not seem to even hesitate as he moves forward with this plan.

This has nothing to do with the fact that George W. Bush is a Republican. I may not agree with his politics, but I would stand by any president preparing our country for war if I felt like he or she was feeling the full weight of the decision. For President Bush, this may be an inevitable outcome in our relations with Iraq, but any campaign that will cost hundreds of lives as well as millions of dollars should require a little trepidation.

One of the major reasons many Americans say they would not feel comfortable electing a woman to president is because they would worry whether she

would be willing to say yes to war. At this point, I wonder if many Americans would rather have someone disinclined to war than someone who appears to be

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depending upon one. There is something very weighty about serious combat, and I would feel more confident in our current stance against Iraq if one of our top government officials would just stop for two seconds and look a little angst-ridden about his future decision. I do not prescribe to a faith that gives me guidelines for what is right or wrong, but I have no desire for anyone to die unless every possibility has been exhausted. I want to look in the eyes of my president and see concern and fear because that is what he would see in my mine.

Michele is traveling to Washington, D.C., this weekend. Wish her luck at mlhage-ma@unity.ncsu.edu.

### Terrorist T-shirts are a protected right

Staff Editorial  
Daily Mississippian  
U. Mississippi

(U-WIRE) OXFORD, Miss. — It's not surprising that the coming war against Iraq has warranted

protests, but it is surprising that First Amendment rights of those doing so are still being trampled upon.

A high school student in Dearborn, Mich., was told to remove a T-shirt that featured a picture of George Bush and had the words "International Terrorist" above and below the photo. School officials claimed that the shirt made "emotions run high" at the high school, which is predominantly Arab-American. They seemed to be expressing concerns that some sort of unrest might occur due to the shirt.

It seems in times of war that students move to the forefront of protests and rallies. Much like the infamous "Black Band" controversy in American high schools during Vietnam, the "terrorist" T-shirt could spark a debate over a student's right to protest. Given that the town of Dearborn has a high percentage of Arab-Americans, this could draw more national coverage in what will be

a closely watched community reaction.

Unlike the black sashes worn by students to protest U.S. involvement in Vietnam, the Bush T-shirt sends a much clearer and stronger message when worn, regardless of what the student intended. But whether or not you agree with the student's political statement, you can't be angry with an expressed view.

Protestors rallied on the Square this weekend against the war, and even when Bush supporters showed up with signs supporting military action, the situation remained calm. For once it seems, Oxford has shown that politics and protests can go on without incident. We're working toward accepting a variety of views and an exchange of ideas in the city and on campus.

As for the student, if he decides to keep wearing the shirt, he should be allowed in school. Despite problems that might arise from the community, the same rights afforded to us all need to be enforced in Dearborn. With war comes emotion and expression, and both are protected by the Constitution. If war does come, this kind of protest is only the beginning.

### Revenge of the crazy ex-girlfriends



Zack Medford  
Staff Columnist

Love can be a stubborn beast sometimes, my friends. It can make you feel like you can't be any happier, and it can bring you to your knees. Oh, I am no stranger to love. I've been around the block a few times, and I don't just mean that figuratively. I once dated every girl in a three-mile radius from my house. Sadly, I was only eight.

However, I must say in the school of love and romance, I have definitely earned my stripes. It's taken 20 angst-filled years, but I think I have learned the most important lesson of my life: Love can make people crazy. Or more accurately, it can make my ex-girlfriends crazy.

Now, I know what you're thinking. How crazy can these girls be, Zack? Well, I learned that close exposure to crazy ex-girlfriends can be very dangerous. I have the perfect example, and, like all good stories, perfect timing was key to the ensuing chaos. I was taking my ex home one time after eating lunch together (we still were very close friends, ironically), and we were arguing over whether I was allowed to date other people (apparently, the six-month grace period was not long enough to start dating again) when, wouldn't you know it, my cell phone rang.

A nice young lady I had a date with

that night was calling to confirm our rendezvous. Fortunately, my ex was very quick. She managed to save me from having to answer my phone by promptly throwing the phone out into incoming traffic. Then, she proceeded to get out of the car and start wandering the streets. Needless to say, I had to chase after her as she bawled. We were in public, and I didn't want to appear to be a psycho, so instead of grabbing her, I just followed three steps behind her looking sullen. Definitely a high point in my life.

Nowhere is safe from crazy ex-girlfriends, not even my own house. Once, when I was taking a nice young lady back to my parent's house to watch a movie, another ex-girlfriend struck. We walked into the house, video in hand (a VHS copy of "Ernest Scared Stupid," the most romantic of the Ernest movies) and walked straight into the arms of terror.

Every single photo of my ex-girlfriend and I was placed around my room. In fact, altogether, she had managed to dig up 20 different pictures of us together, each in their own separate frames! I was horrified and indeed a little bit scared. I bid my date to stay in the bedroom while I checked the house to make sure that no axe murderers were lurking in the house. Before the door even closed behind me, I heard a shriek. Luckily, my ex-girlfriend had apparently forgotten a pair of her underwear in my room. Apparently, she'd accidentally left it perched

on the ceiling fan. Whoops.

We tried to watch the rest of the movie in peace, but it was no use. My home phone rang continuously for an hour straight; my date was petrified. I knew it was useless, so I drove her home. It was then that I learned my lesson: Crazy ex-girlfriends are crazy.

Don't get all bent out of shape. I don't think that I'm a special case. I don't make these girls crazy — I'm not all that great. No, my friends, it is not I who makes them crazy. I think I've just got crazy-radar. To start saving time, I think I'm just going to start going to the local asylum on the weekends to meet the girl of my dreams.

So, let this be a lesson to all of you this

*Nowhere is safe from crazy ex-girlfriends, not even my own house.*

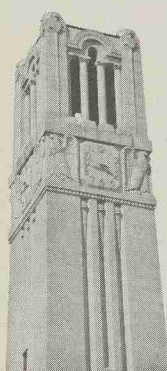
Friday. If you happen to be on a very cute, special, little date, I sure hope you know that person you're eating dinner with really well. I mean *really* well. Look her or him in the eye tonight, over your clam-sauce linguine, and make sure you don't see that fire burning deep inside her or him. One day, that person might very well become your crazy ex-girlfriend or ex-boyfriend.

Zack hopes one day he too can become a crazy ex-boyfriend, but that would require breaking up with his wonderful girlfriend, which would require finding another wonderful girlfriend. Offer to help Zack at zack@zack.com.

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# War not worth more sacrifice

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Texas — Do  
you remember

when your innocence of the world around you was lost? I can remember back to elementary school and the times when I had no troubles; I am sure it was the same for you.

Do you remember when all you cared about was what snack there was today and if the person you had a slight crush on was going to be there? We didn't care that there was a war going on across the world. I just remember my dad had not been home in a while, but I still got lots of presents from him.

Can you remember back to all those free times of your life? You were truly free because you did not have to worry about where your next meal was coming from and how you were going to pay for it. You didn't have to resort to Raman Noodles to keep your stomach from growling during that quiet moment in class. I can remember my time of innocence clearly because I cherish it dearly.

I also can remember when the world stopped being a perfect place for me.

I was in the second grade. I re-

member playing at the Youth Center on the Air Force Base where my mom had dropped me off to play with my friends. But not more than an hour later, all of our parents showed up. But they were not there to pick us up. They were there to watch the news.

All of the moms were sitting there watching the news. They were just sitting in silence, none of them saying a word. So being the nosy kid that I was, I walked up and asked what was going on. My mom had always been upfront

with me when I asked a question, but this time, she did not say a word. So I peeked around her, and there on the television were bright lights going across the sky somewhere in a place I had never heard of. She told me this place was where my dad was.

I then looked more closely at all the women forming this circle and realized there were tears running down their faces. They were all keeping their emotions in because they did not want the kids to know what was happening where our dads were.

After we left, I pestered my

mom with questions. She answered them all, and it made me realize maybe the world out there isn't perfect.

After this, I began to look more closely at how people reacted in certain situations. I began to think back on all the things I had seen but never really processed on a semi-adult level. I looked back on funerals I had been to but thought were just really sad parties. I never really saw it all until

that moment. I am not saying I became totally knowledgeable of all the bad in the world, but that moment of truth shined a lot of light on my life.

I started thinking back on this moment because of the pending war we have coming upon us. I will admit I don't pay attention to all the news about this situation until they interrupt all broadcasts and say we have bombed Iraq. But I remember how the Gulf War made me realize the bad in the world, and it makes me wonder about the kids now. How will this affect them when their dads or moms go off to another place they have never

## Kids left behind grow up fast when the realization of war hits.

# Bush's bling bling

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ITHACA, N.Y. — "Our third goal is to promote energy

independence for our country, while dramatically improving the environment. I have sent you a comprehensive energy plan to promote energy efficiency and conservation, to develop cleaner technology, and to produce more energy at home." — Excerpt from President George W. Bush's 2003 State of the Union Address.

Here's how the President plans to "promote energy independence for our country." He will be adding to his economic stimulus package a loophole in the federal tax code that will make it cheaper and easier than ever before for businesses to purchase large, fuel-inefficient SUV's.

Hooray for energy independence!

Perhaps I'm unfamiliar with this type of backwards logic, but it appears to me that a loophole such as this one — while a noble effort to provide the suburban upper-middle class with more affordable Land Cruisers — would be completely counterproductive to any effort to minimize our dependence on foreign oil.

Deductions and credits exist throughout the federal tax code in

order to either stimulate investment or achieve a social policy. In an effort to encourage business investment, Congress created a law so that business owners could receive deductions for vehicles that were necessary for their businesses, and these deductions were capped at a certain amount. In 1996, Congress created a loophole in which trucks weighing over 6,000 lbs. were capped at a much larger amount. This deduction was intended to aid small farmers by giving them a larger tax break on light trucks and other large vehicles that would be used to transport materials necessary for their businesses.

Congress, however, has failed to address the fact that there are currently 38 luxury SUV's that fall into the category of "light trucks over 6,000 lbs.," including the Cadillac Escalade, Lincoln Navigator, and Dodge Durango.

And President Bush, public policy genius that he is, has proposed to further expand this loophole. The 1996 law capped the tax deduction for light trucks over 6,000 lbs. at \$25,000. The Bush plan

proposes increasing it to \$75,000. Which means that it is far more frugal for a businessman to purchase a BMW X5 as opposed to a Z3.

According to The New York Times: "a business can deduct no more than \$7,660 for a [regular sized car] in its first year of service, \$4,900 in the second year and less in the succeeding years." The Bush plan "will make any luxury SUV's priced under \$75,000 completely deductible in the first year,

while making a \$106,000 Hummer H1 a ridiculous value. Under this plan, small businesses would be able to deduct up to \$88,000 of a Hummer H1 in the first year," reported a press release from Taxpayers for Common Sense, a Washington, D.C., based watchdog group.

Needless to say, doctors, lawyers, real estate agents and countless other businesspeople that are hardly carting lumber to and from their places of employment are able to purchase these luxury SUV's at a significant discount, which comes in the form of a tax deduction.

## It is now cheaper for a small business owner to purchase a Hummer than a Honda Civic.

### CAMPUS FORUM

#### To disagree is not to ignore

Without necessarily supporting President Bush's policies, I have to object to Ben Kraudel's Thursday column, "Bush ignores America." Kraudel quotes Bush disagreeing with the anti-war advocates and then equates this both with being ignorant about the basis of American government and with "flippantly" ignoring voices of millions.

The American system was not engineered to be a pure democracy. It was understood that the effect on policy of momentary public opinion had to be moderated. Secondly, to disagree is not necessarily to flippantly ignore. If Kraudel has reason to accuse Bush of flippantly ignoring the anti-war arguments, he should have provided it.

Kraudel implies no one really supports the potential Iraq war. That's inaccurate. On the right, there's lots of support. Perhaps too much or, at least, too easily given. There's even some support on the left, such as Paul Berman, Christopher Hitchens and Gregg Easterbrook.

Lastly, I cringe at glib claims

that Bush's only motive is personal gain, through legacy or oil. It's all too reminiscent of the sort of groundless attacks made against Clinton for so many years.

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#### U.S. aggression

As we go to war in Iraq, for the most part, the debate remains critically narrow. The most obvious questions consistently go unraised. This is due to a general culture of conformance with certain key ideas, which are very seldom questioned by those who have the power to shape public opinion.

For example, we are demanding that Iraq disarm. One of the first questions we should be asking when making such a demand of another country is, "Would we be willing to do it ourselves?" The United States has several thousand nuclear weapons, and recent defense reports outline plans to use them in first strikes. There is no question the United States possesses a WMD capability far

surpassing that of Iraq.

The United States, unlike Iraq, faces no superpower that is threatening imminent invasion. Yet, our military budget just increased by \$35 billion, with more additions likely in the event that Bush invades. Development for all kinds of new weapons systems is imminent, which would be violations of international treaties had we not already pulled out of them, much to the protest of other countries who are powerless to stop us.

Many in the United States see the United States as the "world's policeman." A policeman is someone, however, who enforces the law. Of course, this is not the only qualification — in repressive situations, someone who enforces the law is better known as "Gestapo."

In this particular situation, it is becoming apparent that one of two things will happen. Either the United States will be able to strong-arm the United Nations, in the face of massive worldwide public opposition, into accepting its demands — or, if that cannot be accomplished, the United

States will simply dismiss the United Nations and invade Iraq anyway. Either way, the outcome is a defeat for decency and a victory for aggression.

But, there is one caveat to this, to say the least, gloomy picture. It is that the American population refuses to allow this to happen — that it rises up and refuses to comply with the demands of the administration. And it may well be that this, and this alone, is our only hope, for a world that is built not on the rule of the strongest, but on decency and international law.

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Roommate ordinance response

I agree with students — the proposed roommate ordinance is unfair, unjust and goes against the basic principles of the United States Constitution.

I recently moved here from Rochester, N.Y. There I attended a four-year school relatively smaller than this one. My college peers and I faced constant battles

Great news right? It is now cheaper for a small business owner to purchase a Hummer than a Honda Civic. Residents of northern New Jersey can finally enjoy a smooth ride through the rough and tumble of the suburban streets!

But wait. There's that whole "Middle-East debacle" going on isn't there? And the U.S. imports 60 percent of its oil. And a Hummer H1 gets 11 miles per gallon. While the Bush administration claims that an increase in SUV purchases will benefit the ailing American economy, they seem to have forgotten the words that were uttered by the President only a few short weeks ago during his State of the Union address. He said: "We should also strengthen the economy by treating investors equally in our tax laws. It's fair to tax a company's profits. It's not fair to again tax the shareholder on the same profits." I'm no CPA but it doesn't seem particularly "fair" that the average taxpayer should pick up the tab for every businessman who decides he needs a new Navigator because he can get it virtually for free. According to calculations by Taxpayers for Common Sense, the tax deduction on SUV's may cost taxpayers up to \$987 million for every 100,000 SUV's purchased

### RULE OF THUMB



#### Duct tape and plastic sheeting

In addition to terrorist-proofing your house in times of orange alert, duct tape and plastic sheeting can be used to patch the hole in your screened-in porch or to make a killer Slip N' Slide.

#### Oil prices

War in Iraq. Gas prices the highest since 1990. It all seems too much like a VH1 flashback documentary. Fortunately, however, there's virtually no chance of our worst fears from 1990 — a Milli Vanilli reunion tour — being realized.



#### Evan and Zora sittin' in a tree

After asking Zora Andrich to "go steady," Evan "Joe Millionaire" Marriott and Zora got \$1 million for their participation in FOX's hoax. They plan to use their money to buy extensions to their respective 15 minutes of fame.

#### Athletic exceptions

The News & Observer reported that last year NCSU admitted two athletes with high school GPAs below 2.0. Note to administration: It's usually not wise to admit people whose GPAs squared would still not be As.



#### Bono and Nobel

U2's Bono, along with more than 150 people, was nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize. Among those passed over were Sting and other rock stars whose egos have inverse relationships with the number of words in their names.

#### Grand Theft Auto 6

A Missouri man stole six cars while fleeing from police — the same ones who were trying to arrest him for a probation violation (yep, from a previous auto theft). But the man is confident he'll be freed as soon as he remembers the cheat codes.



#### Easley campaign

Gov. Mike Easley kicked off his re-election campaign fundraising this week. His plan of action includes taking money from local government candidates and selling lottery tickets to subsidize educating the public about his agenda.

#### AIDS and sex

World Health Organization researchers said Africa's AIDS epidemic doesn't stem mainly from sexual transmissions. After presenting their findings, the group announced their next project: Will fire burn?



#### Colossal Colon

It's polyp-tastic! For National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month, the "Colossal Colon" a giant, walk-through model to help educate people about colon cancer, dropped by UNC-CH. Look next month for the more disturbing "Pandemic Prostate."

#### French boycott

The News & Observer reported that in response to the French turning their noses up at American military action, some vendors are pulling French products. Guess we showed them. Watch them start hating us now or something.

by businesses.

The President also asked Americans during his State of the Union speech to: "Join me ... to make our air significantly cleaner, and our country much less dependent on foreign sources of energy." I'm not too sure how making it more convenient and inexpensive for Americans to use

cars that are particularly fuel inefficient, and hence exponentially increasing the amount of oil we use, decreases our dependence on foreign oil.

A valiant effort, Mr. President, but your thought process, while unique, has failed. Better head to Crawford and re-strategize.

with the town on students living within the community. The police, town officials and school officials hassled college students all the time. It was ridiculous, but this is just simply outrageous.

When push comes to shove, if you are buying a house or even renting one for that matter, before you move in, it is a standard rule to ask about the neighborhood. Even if the real estate agent or landlord lies about it, there are ways of finding out. If you move near Hillsborough Street or Gorman Street, you know what you are getting into. Common sense tells us most of the people complaining about the problem already knew what they were getting into before signing on the dotted line.

College is a time to grow, learn and live. There are so many stressors young students face. Why give them one more?

This law doesn't just affect college students. I am a 22-year-old college graduate working and living in Raleigh. I live with one other person I am not related to, which would be fine under this law; however I have another

friend planning on moving here in June to live with us. This would make things much easier financially. I have been struggling since I moved here with finances, and splitting bills three ways would help me greatly.

This ordinance would affect me, my roommate and several others just like me. If city legislature believes this is going to solve anything, they are wrong — it's going to make things worse.

There are three branches of government; it's not the legislative branch's responsibility to enforce the behavior of college students. If the college students are such a problem, then it's the executive branch — and the police — that need to do more. The time and money being wasted on this proposal should be spent on enforcement in Raleigh instead of creating laws and rules that ultimately will not fix the main issue.

Stephanie Spence  
Raleigh, N.C.

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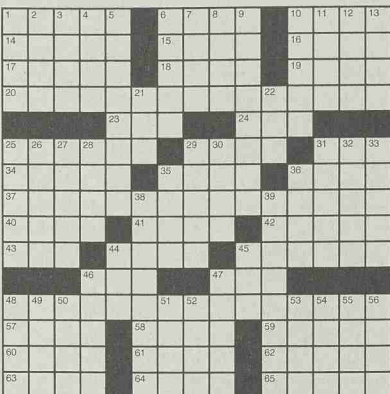
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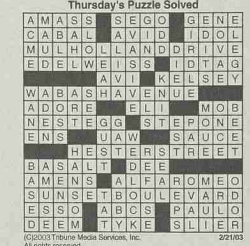
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Taurus

Today is an 8. You and your mate have a secret understanding. You can talk about things you won't share with anyone else. But don't get sidetracked into an alternate reality. Hear a friend's input, too.

Gemini

Today is a 5. There's plenty to do, and enough confusion to keep things interesting. The best idea of the day will be initially rejected. Remember what it is, and try again on Monday.

Cancer

Today is an 8. You'd love to run away with your love to a luxurious destination. There may be a reason or two why you shouldn't, but get as close as you can.

Leo

Today is a 6. Home is the best place for you this weekend, including tonight. Hold a family council to ensure that you're all working together and supporting each other.

Virgo

Today is an 8. A partner with vision helps you stay on the right course. You might have done that on your own, but this is much more fun.

Libra

Today is a 7. Have you made the connection yet between creativity and financial reward? Somebody you love offers reasons why you should. Use that as your motivation to get over the fear.

Scorpio

Today is an 8. Relax with loved ones as you consider your next move. True, there are rough edges to be smoothed over. Make a list of them.

Sagittarius

Today is a 5. Anticipate glitches, and you won't be disappointed. Come up with a few backup plans. Your book learning is going to come face to face with ugly reality.

Capricorn

Today is an 8. You're always there for a friend in need, but don't fall for a sucker deal. If you think you'll never be repaid, count it as a gift instead of a loan.

Aquarius

Today is a 7. Common sense works better than far-flung fantasies now. Stifle your urge to argue, and just take what you get.

Pisces

Today is an 8. You might want to leave a project behind and get out for a romp today. A change of scenery will do you good and freshen your view of the world.

## DUKE

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more on the road to run its ACC season loss total to four — its most league losses since 1997.

Despite the rumors that his team may be down this year, Krzyzewski still believes he has a solid, steady team at his disposal rather than an erratic, up-and-down squad.

"I don't think we've been up and down — we're 17-4 [now 18-4] ... I think we're having a really good year," said Krzyzewski during his weekly teleconference prior to the Maryland game. "I think our team has done a really good job this year. If you have exceptional years and that becomes your benchmark, then someone can look at it as being up and down."

Up and down or not, the nucleus of Duke's team has been anything but steady throughout the season. Leading scorer Dahntay Jones went a combined 3-for-24 from the field in the two games leading up to his 17-point performance at Virginia Saturday.

Big man Sheldon Williams wallowed in mediocrity throughout entire season before scoring a combined 30 points in his last two games. Even heady point guard Chris Duhon has had his share of roller-coaster rides this year, including being benched for the start of one game.

While this team may not stack up performance-wise to his last four or five teams, Krzyzewski may have his team beginning to peak less than a month from the ACC Tournament, an event his team has won the last four years.

"It's not about past seasons; it's about the season you're in," said Krzyzewski.

For the Pack, that could be nothing but good news, because recent history is not going to be on its side Saturday.

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he is officially out of his slump. Hodge has had trouble recently but went 8-of-13 against Florida State in the Pack's last game and scored 21 points. Hodge is not only in the upper echelon of scoring in the ACC but is also ranked high in field goal percentage, free throw percentage, rebounding, assists and steals. Hodge scored 18 points, going 5-of-8 from the field against the Devils in January, but he's been a different player away from the RBC Center this season. In one career game at Cameron Indoor Stadium, Hodge was held to three points.

If State hits a high percentage of its 3-pointers, stops the scoring droughts, and waits for high percentage shots; the second road victory of the season is a possibility. Will it be the team that went without a field goal for a little over a quarter of the game against Temple or the one that managed a victory over the top-10 ranked Blue Devils?

That won't be known until Saturday after 4 p.m.

## TAYLOR

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match than in any other sporting event. It can make the difference between a 4-3 loss and a 5-4 victory.

State's last home match before the ACC championships is next Thursday against Duke. It's an opportunity to learn about a sport you may not know much about, and it's a chance to see one of the consistently best athletic programs at State in action.

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## WRESTLING

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the Wolfpack's second pin of the night over Adam Rees in a time of 4:39 at the 165-pound class.

Campbell came back at 174 when Jon Carlisle pinned Mike Grochowski by a time of 2:40. But the Camels' success didn't last long as the Pack's Jon Godwin answered back by pinning Brian Hocum at 6:48 in the 184-pound class. The Wolfpack would grab two more wins with Daniel Humphries defeating Josh McConnell, 6-2 at 197, and heavy-weight Leroy Harris edging Dennis Campbell by a score of 7-4.

State improved to 7-9 on the season, while Campbell fell to 5-15. The Wolfpack will next head to No. 21 Iowa State for a Sunday afternoon match.

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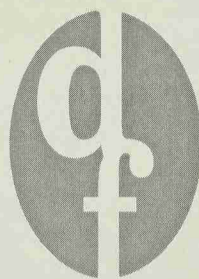
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Clemson expanded the margin to 15 at 56-41 with 7:56 left on two free throws by Stokes. The Pack did not score a field goal from the 18:23 mark until the 7:30 mark, but still stayed in the game thanks to offensive rebounding and free throws.

But, Clemson went on a 12-6 run to end the game. Floyd hit two field goals and Stokes made one and a free throw to give Clemson a double-digit lead and the eventual victory.

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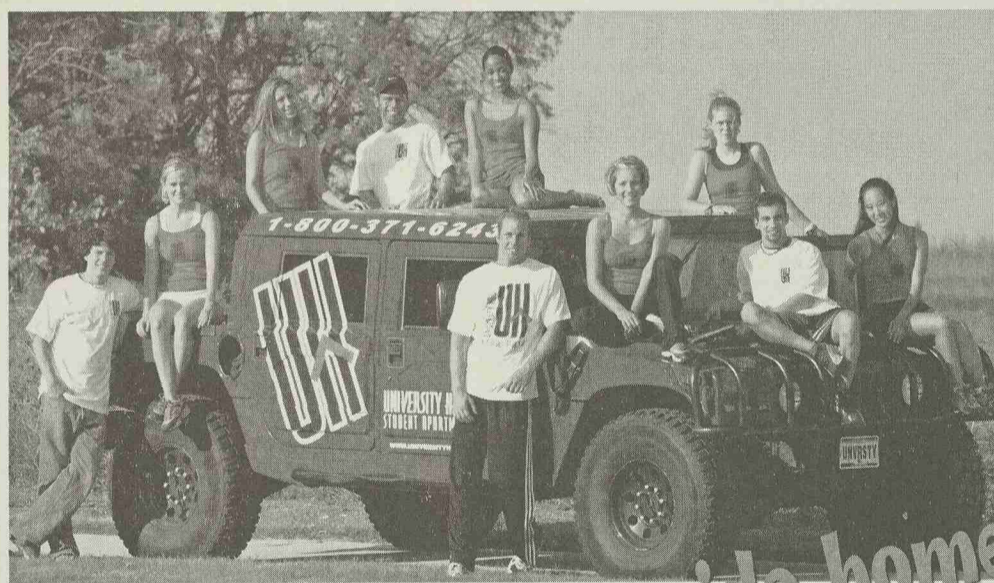
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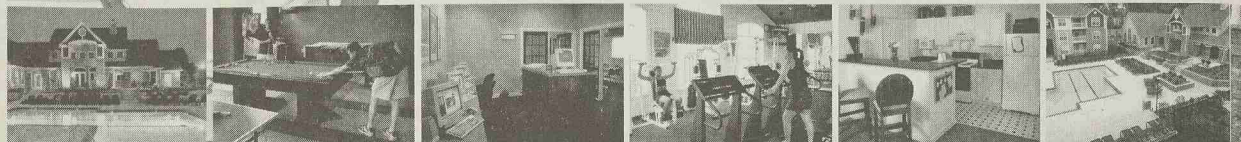
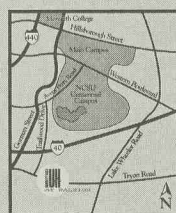
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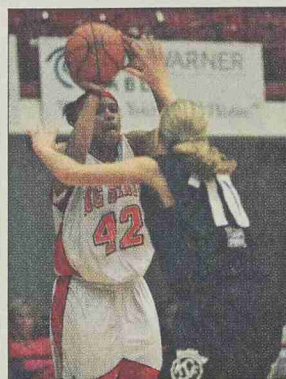
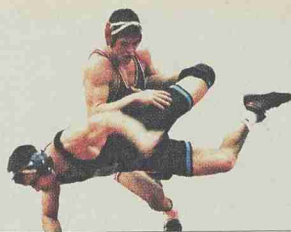
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Wrestling 34, Campbell 11

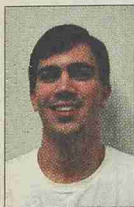
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Amy Simpson and the Pack will try to rebound Sunday. Filephoto by Rob Bradley

## WRESTLING

### Show a little love



Taylor Francis

A week and a half ago, I traveled to Chapel Hill to watch N.C. State take on North Carolina in a wrestling match. I had several expectations as I entered Carmichael Auditorium. I figured the match would be a nail-biter, not decided until the last one or two matches, and I expected a relatively tame crowd of maybe 20 to 30 spectators. I was wrong on both accounts.

When I walked into the gymnasium, I saw the 20 to 30 people I expected to see — in the pep band. I was amazed at the number of people I saw there and sickened by the amount of baby blue I had to endure. I haven't been to some of the major wrestling schools out in the Midwest, but this was by far the largest crowd I had ever seen at a wrestling match — and it was Wine and Cheese University.

As I sat there, suffering through one tough loss after another and watching the crowd rise to its feet and roar time and time again, I began to think about my experiences at wrestling matches. I have been to a few wrestling matches in my years at State, enough to get a feel for the typical atmosphere at such an event.

As much as I hate to say it, there was no comparison.

The matches I've been to at Reynolds Coliseum were sparsely populated, attended more by parents and friends of the wrestlers than by students. There was more red on the hardwood floor and wrestling mat than there was in the stands. And while the action did get intense and the fans did rise and yell support, the numbers weren't large enough to create even a modest level of noise.

In the past 25 years, every ACC wrestling title has been won by either State or UNC-CH, so it's a safe bet that when these two teams meet, something more than pride is at stake. You can also guarantee that you'll be watching two of the best teams in the ACC.

The Wolfpack has won 12 ACC championships since 1976. Twelve ACC championships in 26 years are quite an accomplishment. Especially when you consider that it hasn't been one great team pounding on other weak teams but has simply been consistent excellence from coach Bob Guzzo and his team.

The Pack is struggling some this year because of injuries to key wrestlers — including a potential ACC champion in Kevin Gabrielson and two-time defending ACC Champion George Cintron — but they are still wrestling hard and are making a run at the ACC tournament championship.

Yet, despite all their success in the past and in recent years (back-to-back ACC championships in 2001 and 2002), the support for State wrestling is still embarrassingly small. I never thought much about it until I went to another school and saw the crowds other teams draw.

Some of you out there may not go because you don't understand wrestling or how the points are calculated. Problem solved: The programs at the matches explain all the scoring in detail. By the end of the second bout, you will know a lot more than you did coming into the match, and if you ever have any problems, there's always a wrestling parent or someone else close by who can explain everything to you.

Wrestling is the most intense sport I've ever watched in my life. Take the feeling you have watching the last minute of a one-point basketball game and stretch it out over an hour. That's what wrestling is. One wrong move and you're pinned; one right move and you get the victory.

Because of its intense, one-on-one nature, the roar of the crowd can be as important or more important in a wrestling

## Pack looks to buck Devils, history

Winless the last seven times at Duke, State will try to give head coach Herb Sendek a special 40th birthday present.

### Matt Middleton

Assistant Sports Editor

For a team that has had such a tough time winning on the road this season, Cameron Indoor Stadium is not exactly the type of place that promises to yield a victory.

Since 1998, only North Carolina and Maryland have won ACC games in Durham, and the Wolfpack hasn't escaped the Bull City with a win since the senior-freshman duo of Lakista McCuller and Ishua Benjamin manned State's backcourt — a seven-game streak of futility.

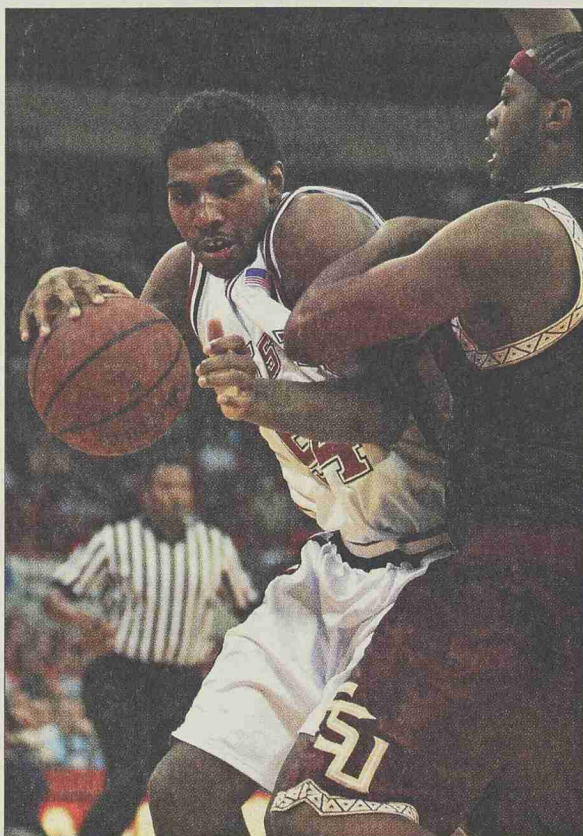
Moreover, that 1995 State victory came during Duke head coach's Mike Krzyzewski year off due to back surgery, which means the Pack hasn't beaten a Krzyzewski-coached team in Durham since 1988.

Adding all this to the fact that Duke has won 26 straight games at home, the Pack (17-4, 7-4 ACC) knows what kind of mindset it's going to take to best the Blue Devils (18-4, 8-4) on head coach Herb Sendek's 40th birthday.

"Coming in on Saturday, we need to be very focused," said forward Levi Watkins. "Being at Cameron Indoor, we need to be focused to try and get this win."

With Duke's win over Maryland Wednesday, the No. 8 Devils won its third league game in a row since losing at Wake Forest. The victory also recreated a logjam at the top of the ACC standings. Through Wednesday, the league's top four teams — State, Duke, Wake and Maryland — were all within a half game of each other.

Just five games remain on the Pack's regular-season slate, and a win over the Devils would give it the ultimate trump card against pretty much every team in



Marcus Melvin, driving to the basket in Tuesday's win over Florida State, will look to have another good game against Duke on Saturday. Filephoto by Jason Ivester

the conference. After hosting State on Saturday, Duke has just one ACC home game remaining — an almost sure-win against last-place Florida State.

With that in mind, the Pack is treating the game as one it must win.

"It's definitely a game we have to have," said Crawford. "We're looking at it that way, and we're going to prepare for it that way."

Last time out against the Devils, Crawford showed just how prepared he can be. Duke's game plan dared the senior from Winston-Salem to shoot the outside shot, and Crawford kindly obliged, hitting 4-of-5 3-pointers on his way to 21 points.

Since that game, Duke has lost twice

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## How State can defy expectations

To beat Duke, the Pack will need to buck several bad trends it has set this season.

### Jay Kohler

Senior Staff Writer

N.C. State has good reason to be wary of the Duke Blue Devils this Saturday at Cameron Indoor Stadium. Duke had beaten the Wolfpack 13 straight times before the Pack won 80-71 a month ago. Now the Devils, who have beaten Maryland in return for the Terrapins victory, are looking for vengeance against a Pack team that has struggled recently.

For the State to be able to claim victory tomorrow, it will have to upset many of the expectations that the team has set for itself so far this year. It's all about the statistics:

**Enjoy the road.** NCSU is 1-6 on the road this season. Going into Cameron is a daunting task in the first place, and the futility that State has had on the road won't be of any assistance. So far this season, Duke is 15-0 at home, and the Devils have won 26 straight overall. The Duke fans, which are usually hostile and loud, will be even louder to prevent a sweep of the Devils by the Pack in the regular season. 1995 was the last time that State beat Duke twice in the regular season.

**Out "3" Duke.** As always, State has lived and died by the 3-point shot this season. But so has Duke, sort of. In all eight losses, the Pack has had a lower 3-point field goal percentage than its opponent has. In the victory against Duke, State shot 43 percent from behind the arc, while the Dev-

ils shot 31 percent from long-distance. In its eight losses, State has shot a combined 27 percent from 3-point range. Its opponents shot 43 percent.

**No stoppage in scoring.** Stopping the droughts is another key the Pack hasn't quite grasped yet. Against Temple, the Wolfpack went more than 12 minutes without a field goal. Temple went a 19-0 run during that stretch, and State was unable to bounce back. In 22 games this season, State has had 23 field goal droughts of over four minutes.

**Make Duke blue again.** Looking at the last game against the Blue Devils, several things stand out. From the field, the Pack shot 50 percent. It has only exceeded this mark in two ACC matches this season, in wins over Florida State and Clemson. The Pack was out-rebounded, but only by a

mark of 33-28. State has been out-rebounded in 8-of-11 ACC matches. State is last in the ACC in offensive rebounds, averaging 10 per game. This is nothing that unusual, as the Pack was last in the ACC last season in offensive rebounds, with 10.4 per game.

**Lose the first half, win the game.** State might also want to think about trailing at halftime to the Devils. As odd as it may sound, the Pack trailed at the half against Duke and Carolina before pulling ahead and winning in the second half. Against Boston College, Wake Forest, Maryland and Virginia, the Pack had the lead at halftime before losing it in the second half.

**Hodge must end road woes.** Julius Hodge must prove that

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## Wrestling crushes Campbell

N.C. State cruised to an easy win after falling behind early.

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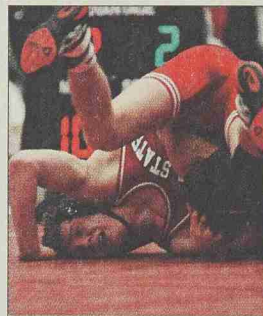
BUIES CREEK — The N.C. State wrestling team earned three pins midway through Thursday night's match with Campbell, helping it to overcome an early deficit and roll on to a 34-11 victory at Carter Gymnasium.

The Camels jumped out to a 5-0 lead after Andy Bricker received a technical fall victory at 5:37 over freshman Brian Cony-

er at 125 pounds. Conyer was filling in for usual starter George Cintron who was out due to knee surgery. The Wolfpack would bounce back, however, when 133-pound Dan Pacetti decisioned Luke Francis, 13-7, and Ryan McCallum earned a 6-1 overtime win over Adam Bricker at 141.

With the match score still close at 6-5 in favor of the Wolfpack, State's Jake Giomani pinned Elliot Berger at 149 pounds in 1:50. NC State's success continued when Scott Garren won by major decision at 157 and Dustin Kawa picked up

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The N.C. State wrestling team will get a test in Iowa. Filephoto by Rob Bradley

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