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#### SARS cases increasing in **Hong Kong**

Hong Kong
♣ Hong Kong has seen a steady rise in cases of SARS — severe acute respiratory syndrome. Although cases of the mysterious flu-like Illness may be decreasing in China's southern Guangdong province, Hong Kong has been reporting a daily double-digit increase in SARS cases. On Tuesday some experts said they fear the situation may get worse. Forty-one cases were reported as of Monday, which brought the territory's total to 883. Hospitals are preparing for a worst-case scenario of 3,000 patients — about four times the current number by the end of the month. More than 2600 people have become sick worldwide, and the death toll reached 101 after Canada reported its 10th fatality. Currently, there are about 150 U.S. cases in 30 states with no deaths.



#### Hussein regime crumbling

According to a senior U.S. Army officer, organized resistance by Iraqi forces has ended in Baghdad in spite of fierce gun battles. On Tuesday afternoon, U.S. warplanes released two satelliteguided bombs on the ruling Baath party head-quarters and the Iraqi Information Ministry hours after targetting Special Republican Guard and Republican Guard headquarters in Baghdad, wild I.S. Army superservers.

Republican Guard headquarters in Baghdad, said U.S. Army sources.

On Monday, a U.S.B-1 bomber dropped four 2,000-pound bombs on a building in a Baghdad residential neighborhood where Iraqi leaders, including Saddam Hussein and his two sons, were believed to be staying. The incident raised questions about whether or not Hussein survived the bombing.

#### NATION

#### Obese children report lower quality of life

Research, led by Dr. Jeffrey Schwimmer of the University of California in San Diego, discovered that obese children rank their quality of life on the same low level as child cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy.

Fatigue, teasing from peers and difficulties playing sports emotionally affect the youngsters.

sters. Schwimmer said his group did not expect to find results of the fat, happy child stereotype, but he said these dismal reports were much lower than expected. "The magnitude... is striking," Schwimmer said. "The likelihood of significant quality-of-life impairment was profound for obese children." The study can be found in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association, in its issue devoted to obesity.

#### North Carolina in fight for Bill of Rights

N.C. Attorney General Roy Cooper asked a U.S. District Court Monday for an original copy of the Bill of Rights — valued at \$30 million — to be returned to the state. The copy is thought to have been stolen from the N.C. State Capitol building in 1865.

building in 1865. In 1995, a lawyer offered to sell it to North Carolina for \$3 million to \$10 million, but the state refused to pay for stolen property. On March 18, 2003 FBI agents recovered the document by posing as a buyer interested in purchasing the document from Wayne Pratt, a guest appraiser on the PBS program "Antiques Roadshow."

#### Evangelical group questioned

A group of 60 evangelical ministers was scheduled to travel to Fort Bragg in late April, but the trip has been put on hold after Americans United for Separation of Church and State questioned the group's intentions.

The trip included plans to help pastors learn about training and empowering people, not about promoting Christianity, the group said. However, the AUSCS believes the group would be allowed special access that exceeds "far beyond what any other group would be able to do," said Joseph Conn.

Rev. Bobby H. Welch, founder of "FAITH Sunday School Evangelism Strategy," believes his group has been misrepresented, saying, "They

Americans United] read something into it that wasn't intended."

## NGHI

N.C. State students soar in a hang glider made of paper



Seven seniors came together to represent N.C. State at Energy Challenge 2003. Staff photos by Tim Lytyinenko

Seven seniors from N.C. State placed first overall in the Energy Challenge 2003 competition, winning \$15,000.

Anna Edens

ang gliding from an 80-foot sand dune can be a frightening experience, but a flight instruc tor at Kitty Hawk Kites, Inc. did just that this weekend in a hang glider that seven N.C. State students made from paper.

Seven seniors represented NCSU in Energy Challenge 2003 — a competition that gave 10 teams the opportunity to each construct a paper hang glider from materials such as corrugated paperboard or linerboard. The team that posted the highest score would win \$15,000.

On Saturday, NCSU team members Jody Moss, Daphne Wang, Josh McCall, Bryan Ransom, Sarah Mertens, Trey Hathaway and Brandon Teague launched their glider from an 80-foot sand dune at Nags Head. Dr. Richard Spontak advised the team.

Gliding was no easy task on Saturday because winds reached 22 mph. But in the end, the team's glider proved successful with a total flight distance of 449 feet, a score that placed fourth among the



Seniors Brandon Teague, Jodi Moss and Sarah Mertens wait for their turn to fly

petitions within the challenge

The NCSU team had two students capable of piloting the glider, Mertens and Teague. Mertens, a senior in aerospace engineering, and Teague, a senior in mechanical engineering, were both sponsored by the competition to pay for Hang-1 (beginner-level) certification. The Energy Challenge sponsored members in each group to receive certification to pilot the gliders, but due to the extreme weather conditions, the expertise of professional instructors from Kitty

"I was disappointed I wouldn't be flying, but I was also relieved because I was worried I would wreck the glider," said Teague who was scheduled to fly in the competition.

"The day before the competition I was practicing with the glider and it took off 20 to 25 feet in the air, went up and then straight down, breaking the frame and ripping the sail. We stayed all night fixing it and got it looking good," explained Teague.

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### Candidates sit back and wait for election results

As students went to the polls, candidates anticipated the outcome.

LaWanda Ray

On Tuesday, weeks of Brickyard campaigning, flyer distribution and studentcandidate presentations came to an end when students headed to the polls to pick next year's student leaders.

Candidates running for different positions displayed mixed emotions about the days. Some felt confident, while others were at peace and some were just downright cold.

Cliff Ray, a candidate for student body president, felt that the rain "may have lowered voter turnout due to the fewer amount of people walking.

But Jason Moody, a candidate for a seat among the CHASS sophomore senate, believed "the rain pushed more people to vote online.

Getting students to vote — either inside their dorm rooms or at one of the many kiosks set up around campus was only part of the challenge for the Elections Commission and the candidates. They also wanted to be sure students were making the right decision.

Mark Matthews, a candidate for the Union Board of Directors and CHASS senior senator seat, commented, "I have no idea" what students are thinking.

"I hope that a large portion of the student body learned about their potential representatives, so they could have the best leadership available," he said.

Most of that burden fell to the individual candidates, who relied on handbills, conversations, debates, Web sites or individual conversations to get their message across.

"Since I haven't had a mass visual campaign, most of my votes are people that I've actually physically talked to," said Dustin Choe, a candidate for student body president. "So I feel that the people that are voting for me know something more than just my name."

Many students said they decided to cast their ballots for the candidate who approached them on campus or around apartment complexes, while offering free food, beverages or a simple handshake.

In retrospect, many of the candidates said that there are a few things they would have liked to have done differ-

We should have had more debates," said Lock Whiteside II, a candidate for student senate president. "It was diffi-

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## Greek Week 2003 starts off with a bang

From April 2 through April 12, the Office of Greek Life, along with fraternities and sororities, participate in a variety of events to promote Greek Life.

**Brigid Ransome** 

N.C. State's Annual "Greek Week" events are well on their way of being dubbed one of the most active in the history of Greek Life. The program was officially launched on Wednesday, April 2 and will continue throughout this week and end with closing ceremonies on April 12.

Adam Culley, the advisor for the InterFraternity Council, said that Greek Week "is a time for students to come together and celebrate sorority and fraternity life at NCSU." Culley also noted that "Greek Week promotes the students in volved in Greek Life to the rest of the

Greek Week is another university proj ect spearheaded by the Office of Greek Life in which all active members of a fraternity or sorority engage in healthy competition, in efforts to obtain the coveted position of Greek Week champion. However, Culley was quick to note that the

very truth and nature of the events of Greek Week, does indeed negate the stigma that many people hold toward Greek Life. "From Service Raleigh to the Body Image Fair to the blood drive, these are not the stereotypical perceptions of Greek Life." Culley highlighted that Greek Week really supports the five pillars of Greek Life, that the fraternities and the sororities model their chapters after brotherhood and sisterhood, service, leadership and academics.

Culley emphasized the important role that achievement plays in the Greek Week events. "The Order of Omega awards are those which recognize an outstanding See GREEK page 3

chapter or one of its members for having accomplished high academic standing," said Culley. "Academics is a big part of Greek organizations, and it is one of those aspects that go unnoticed and truly is a pillar of Greek Life."

Mostly comprised of the social fraternities and sororities, the Greek Week events are broken down into three sections bracketed events, competitive events and participation events. In each event, various points are won and tallied to determine the winner. Delta Zeta Sorority and Sigma Nu Fraternity were the Greek Week Champs of 2002. The bracketed

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"Under the Blue Lights"

## Jazz hits Center Stage

NCSU Center Stage is bringing singer/ songwriter/ pianist Patricia Barber to Stewart Theater this Friday, Apr. 11, at 8 p.m. The Chicago nightclub favorite was labeled by *Down Beat* magazine as the number one female singer that deserved a wider audience and more attention.

Critics claim that her voice can only be described as lushly alto, and her piano styling as evocative. Center Stage representatives affirm that Barber's intelligent, captivating lyrics warrant Boston Globe's title of being "the most talented emerging jazz singer around."

When compared to her contemporaries and those who paved the way before her, she measures up. Barber's name can often be found near references to Bill Evans. Time Magazine took it a step farther when suggesting that if one "[crossed] Diana Krall with Susan Sontag and you get Patricia Barber, whose throaty, come-hither vocals and coolly incisive piano are displayed to a devastating

In many ways Barber is set apart from the rest. Her representatives explain that she "has earned a reputation as a fiercely independent artist who has paid enough dues to creatively call the shots on the kind of albums she wants to make. Thus far, her recording intuition has been impeccable, winning over local fans as well as establishing her a strong support base internationally." This remarkable artist is not only a singer, songwriter and pianist,

but she is also her own producer.
When asked about where she gets her influence and style from, Barber replied that she "[has] been diligent about trying to learn from, absorb and acknowledge the great American songwriters whose songs have been appropriated as repertoire by the jazz masters. And yet, we are all a product of our time, and there are definite aspects of alternative pop music and contemporary classical music on this recording as well.'

Barber's press release claims that she "has been in the vanguard of the new school of female jazz vocalists who in the past decade have been exploring intriguing improvisational terrain beyond classic balladry and bop-infused standards.



Patricia Barber will bring her piano jazz to Stewart Theatre on Friday. Photo by Jimmy Katz/Center Stag

Barber was born in Chicago as the daughter of Floyd "Shim" Barber, who was also a musician whose career included such landmark events as playing with Glenn Miller. Getting her start at the famed Chicago Gold Star Sardine Bar, Barber is now a key player at the GreenMill, a north side club that is a focal point in the Chicago jazz scene.

Barber has recorded seven albums, including two previous full-length CDs with Blue Note/ Premonition, "Modern Cool" (1998) and "Night Club" (2000), along with a six-track EP "Companion" (1999), also for Blue Note. Her major label debut was "A Distortion of Love," on Antilles, in 1992. But for most of her current audience, it all began with "Cafe Blue" in 1994.

"Cafe Blue" took Barber's career to new heights,

making it possible for her to win the "Female Vocalist/Talent Deserving Wider Recognition" category in the 1995 Down Beat International Critics

In the tradition of Center Stage productions, a remarkable production should be expected from Patricia Barber. She will perform her old favorites and new hits of her recently released "Verse," which is composed entirely of original work.

There will a pre-show discussion with jazz writer Owen Cordle at 6:45 p<sub>h</sub>m. There will be no extra cost for the pre-show event. The performance will cost \$7.50 for students and \$17 for faculty and staff. Tickets are available through Ticket Central.

### THE COFFIELD REPORT

### Baby, I never meant to creep you out!



Tim Coffield

Believe me, baby, I never meant to creep you out with my public displays of affection. I just get excited thinking about our fu-ture together — thinking about things like the intricate details of our future wedding, the gender distribution and potential names of our future children, the color and style of the drapes in our fu-

ture dream house, etc.

I sensed it made you uncomfortable when I insisted on hold-

ing your hand and walking you all the way to your seat in your 8:05 psychology class on Monday. I'm sorry, but I can't help it — my feelings for you are so intense! The thought of a moment without you is enough to make me sweat even more than usual (and believe me, that's saying a lot, for my stomach frequently sweats through cotton shirts, regardless of thickness.) I also understand your discomfort may have increased when I insisted on sitting beside you, even though I was not en-

And don't think I didn't notice the sideways glances you gave me as I caressed your soft cheek during the lecture! It hurts my feelings and makes me feel as if you're ashamed of our relationship when you push me away like that. I don't mean to be clingy, it's just that I'm so excited to finally have a real live girlfriend. I like you so much more than any of my life-size inflatable rubber dolls! Even more than Trixie!

I must admit, it stung when you rejected my offer to pop your back zits in class. It stung like lemon juice on deep paper cuts. And I mean *deep* paper cuts, like the thick manila-envelope kind. And I mean *strong* lemon juice, not that Minute Maid rubbish, maybe something made in Russia or wherever particularly strong liquids are made.

Don't think my feelings weren't hurt when you cringed beneath my passionate embrace and deep kiss in the dining hall yesterday — they were. I wish you had-n't turned your face suddenly — I wanted to kiss you on your mouth, not the side of your head. And speaking of the dining hall, I see no problem with two people sharing a bowl of cereal — unlike you. You shouldn't be squeamish about it, that's the kind of thing cou-

I know we've only gone out once, but we really connected — a rare thing, indeed, for a blind date. It was great to have someone to go to the all-you-can eat Chinese buffet with me for a change. Usually its just me and the MSG (sometimes that bowlegged waiter, Cecil, comes and sits with me for a spell, but only when I wear cologne.) I must admit, the sight of you woofing down that pork lo mein really did it for me.

I only wish our night could have lasted longer. It's too bad that you had to get home so soon. But I'm a reasonable guy. I understand that your flowers have to be

watered every night at 8 p.m. sharp.

At least you weren't blowing me off. I admire your fervent dedication to your flora, I really do. I just think it's a shame that those flowers have made it impossible for us to go out again. But I'll deal with it; you're worth it, Buttercup. I am so thankful for the people at campus

flirts.com for hooking us up.

I know you were upset when you discovered that I had e-mailed you a picture of my tanned and muscled cousin, Theo, under the deceptive guise that he was

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### 'South Park' turns 100

It was five and a half years ago when the irreverant, vulgar, disgusting and, well, f—in'hilarious kids of "South Park" first made their way to television screens. Almost all of us were in high school then, and it only took a few weeks before T-Shirts with a dead Kenny or Eric Cartman could be seen

everywnere.
It wasn't long before the "Screw you guys, I'm going home" or "Oh my God, they killed Kenny!" catch phrases got so annoying that the phrase "I'm gonna stab the next mother f—er that quotes that show" in turn became quite popular.

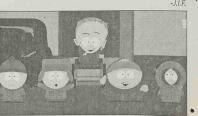
Luckily, "South Park" didn't turn into the quick fad that many had expected to; instead, it made fun of the fact that it was a fad. Then they started to take their running inkes and

a fad. Then they started to take their running jokes and toss them, replacing them with thick parody of modern

society.

For those of us who have grown up with the kids of marks a big event: the 100th episode of "South Park" is airing. And just days ago, creators Trey Parker and Matt Stone renewed their contract through the end of 2005 - meaning that the smart, demented laughs aren't going to end anytime soon. So don't forget to watch tonight; in the words of Cart-

man. "it'll make you feel goooood



FILM

## 'Bend it Like Beckham' brings charm, laughs to the big screen

### **Bend It Like** Beckham

Knightly

Joel Isaac Frady

After last year's breakout hit "My Big Fat Greek Wedding," everyone's been dying for more in the way of small, enjoyable stories about culture and individuality. The call for more has even been met with a sub-par television follow-up to the film, "My Big Fat Greek Life," which has tided only some viewers over

Now, enter "Bend it Like Beckham," a warm, enjoyable comedy with all the elements that pulled audiences toward "Wedding" and then some. It follows Jesminder Bhamra (who goes by "Jess" and is played by gorgeous newcomer Parminder K. Nagra), a girl of Indian origin who has grown up in London. Unlike her sister, who is ready to follow in her mother's footsteps by marrying a nice Indian boy and settling down in the role that Indian girls are supposed to settle into, Jess has other plans for her life

It only takes a glance into her room to tell what it is, too, for adorning her walls are posters, pictures and cutouts of soccer great David Beckham. She's arranged all of these pictures into a mosaic to stare at, even going out of her way to talk to it about her dreams of soccer stardom.

Her parents, however, are a different case. Her parents just want her to start spending more time in the kitchen learning how to cook aloo gobi and at least attempting to look attractive for the boys instead of running around in front of people playing sports with her legs uncovered.

English men made fun of his attire and destroyed his dreams of playing professional cricket.

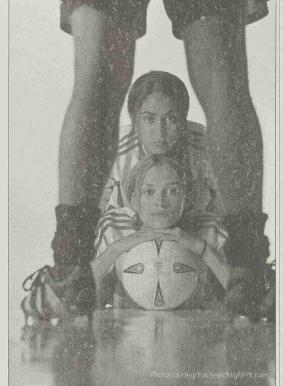
All of this changes, of course, when a local girl named Jules (British knockout Keira Knightly, who was briefly seen in "Star Wars: Episode One") sees her playing in the park and recruits her to play for the local all-girl team.

The twists and turns that this film takes are nothing all that new, even though "Bend it" does manage to mix up the different formulas it works with enough to keep things spicy. It's half-sports movie, so it contains the typical scenes like the rough injury after a big play and the dark, important night game that's riding on her shoulders — until she blows it. It jumps from these elements to her family life, where everyone around her keeps seeing things and jumping to inappropriate conclusions.

While the film itself is teeming with humor and energy - upon leaving the theater, the first note I jotted said that "Beckham" is the charmer that "Greek Wedding" only wanted to be it's the two lead actresses who steal

Nagra is stunning as Jess, mixing youthful good looks with a matu sense of humor and the ability to stay calm and collected when everyone around her isn't making any sense. She's got charm and energy and a smile that's comparable to almost any other actress; for a feature film debut, few others besides Nagra have demanded that kind of attention on

Knightly is an entirely different story. She matches Nagra's girl-nextdoor charm with her classic good looks and unintentional - but undeniable — sexuality. She's got the look of a Hollywood bombshell and the spunk to go with it. If I didn't already know that she's going to be



turning heads in this summer's "Pirates of the Caribbean," this is where I'd warn you to watch for her because you're sure as hell going to see more

The only aspects that really distract from the film (other than the occasional predictability) involve the constant, silly dramas that Jess can't seem to avoid. Many of these little problems are met with humor (Some of the one-liners are good for some great laughs.), but the little problems keep compounding and turning into big-

ger problems with more and more drama - well, it can be a bit much. A time or three, the urge to sit some of these characters down, smack 'em and tell 'em to "stop being stupid" is bound to be felt by even the most passive viewer.
Still, "Bend it Like Beckham" is a

delightful comedy that, even if it is told a bit too "by the book," has the kind of fun characters and interesting cultural comedy that's almost impossible not to enjoy ... even if you don't like soccer.

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After this experience, the group planned to let Teague pilot the craft at the competition. "I guess they thought I had already had my wreck experience and understood why it happened, so I would be less likely to repeat that mistake," said Teague.

"When it gets that windy ...
even the instructors were having
problems with these gliders, because they didn't have time to get
the paper gliders tweaked," said
Teague. He explained that normal gliders would respond better to the conditions, but the
homemade paper gliders were
not as resistant.

Each school received \$2,000 in starting funds to assist with the glider and had eight months to complete the project using common paper chemicals, novel materials and wood chemicals.

terials and wood chemicals.

"Most of the challenge was in planning — taking our idea and bringing it into a reality with no guidelines given. We would sit around in a circle and talk for hours debating ideas," said Moss, a senior in chemical engineering.

"Throughout the whole thing, which started in September, we spent over 1,00 documented hours of testing, making and putting the entire thing together. It went along real smoothly for the first six months, and in the last three, there was confrontation in the group, because people were questioning if it could work. That "actually helped us in the end make improvements," said Ransom, a senior in the pulp and paper department.

"We didn't finish until close to the challenge, and we couldn't test it at all. A pilot from Kitty Hawk had to pilot the glider, and once they flew it everyone was jumping and cheering — it was a dot of fun, and all our hard work paid off. It wasn't a matter of whether or not we won, just that it worked," said Ransom.

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The gliders were judged based on weight, material composition, tear and tensile strength, moisture resistance, recycle content, aesthetics, design novelty and its ability to conform to a required sail area of 191 sq. feet According to Randsom, the group's final score also took into account three reports — a proposal, midterm and final — along with samples of the sail and an on-site presentation.

Before arriving at the competition, the NCSU team had already taken the lead by eight points and was in the lead by nine points after presentations. Overall, they won by five points.

"I really expected our group to do well," said Moss, "and I knew we would come out in the top three. We had the right team dynamics to win with a diverse group of specialties represented. Even one of our teammates has a minor in creative writing, which helped with the proposal."

That teammate, Josh McCall, filled a valuable roll in drafting the reports and proposals for the challenge, an area where previous teams had fallen short.

"I love to write, and I chose creative writing as a minor, but I do well with technical writing as well. Some engineering students steer away from it, but I do have a natural inclination for this. It is something where our advisor had told us previous teams lost points, and I took that as a challenge," said McCall.

Four of the students received senior design credit for the challenge, which was a unique way to not only design a project, but also experience its implementation.

"For me, the most beneficial part of the challenge is relative to what I would have been for my senior design project instead. I would have been on a computer, doing things on paper, and there is no comparison to me between that and the first time I saw this glider fly and not fall apart; that one moment made it worthwhile," said McCall.

The team plans to donate leftover money from the budget to the Pulp and Paper Department, because they helped throughout the whole process, but as far as the prize money, it will be split among group members, explained Ransom.

The program was part of the 100th anniversary of the Wright brothers' first powered flight, and sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy, Institute of Paper Science and Technology and Kitty Hawk Kites, Inc.

Its purpose is to increase interest in science and engineering and promote awareness of energy efficiency, manufacturing design, recycling, waste minimization, package maximizing and pulp and paper industrial processes.

Spartan School of Aeronautics in Tulsa, Okla. finished second, earning \$10,000, and Temple Univeristy finished third and received a prize of \$5,000.

The group of students from NCSU also sponsored a logo contest at Northridge Elementary School, where fifth grader Jacob Odishoo won first place. His logo was featured on the glider, and Odishoo was invited to attend the launch and personally sign the glider before its flight.



The N.C. State team won \$15,000 for posting the highest score in the competition. Staff Photo by Tim Lytvinenko

#### COFFIELD

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me. I apologize, but you must realize I am not especially photogenic. I have trouble keeping my eyes open and in photos my skin takes on the hue of Elmer's glue. I figured that since Theo was family that was close enough. I mean if I worked out and got some sun, it wouldn't be unlikely that I might resemble him.

I've been attempting to contact you by phone to discuss our next date, but I must be misreading the number you gave me. It always connects to some dentist's office in Garner. Speaking of which, remember that broccoli you pointed out in my teeth at the restaurant? It still hasn't disjodged. I think it's melded with my tooth ename!

Anyway, I just wish you'd un-

derstand how it feels when you reject my public displays of affection. It wouldn't be hard to make me happy. When you catch me eyeing you from behind the water fountain at The Atrium, come and give me a hug. When I offer to feed you your dining-hall nachos by hand, don't resist. My hands are frequently clean.

Just remember, no matter how things go with me and you, I will never let you get away from me. Never. I promise.

#### Hugs and smooches, Tim

This war is like refusing to use your contagious buddy's chapstick: It's a hassle, but it'll prevent your infection — unless someone else infects you. Bugles are the tastiest snack food ever! Contact tlcoffie@unity.ncsu.edu

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events (the first and second rounds of these events were held yesterday) consist of kickball, 3-on-3 basketball, tug of war, ultimate frisbee and beach volleyball. Competitive events include lip sync, serenade, bowling, the jeans collection drive and a slamdunk competition. The participation events include the blood drive, the Stomp Fest, a banner contest, a movie night, Service Raleigh, and the Body Image Fair. Therefore, Greek Week generates not just fun activities for participants, but also a large amount of community service projects.

Branan Hackney, the Greek Week chair for Delta Zeta Sorority said, "Community Service increases during Greek week, because of the clothes drives and blood drives. It is a way for the Greek Life to come together and band together to increase our overall morale."

Kimberly Dabney, the president of Chi Omega Sorority also said, "Greek Week is a time where the Greek community comes together, for not orlly fun and games but community service and also promotion of the body awareness week."

Jeremy Barefoot, president of Tau Kappa Epsilon, expressed his regards in terms of the Greek Week events "This is a time to have a good time with your brothers and bond with other fraternities and to hopefully claim the trophy. Our goal is to excel in sports and service and ultimately true brotherhood."

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President Chris Boyd of Pi
Kappa Phi said, "Greek Week is a
time for Greeks to get together
and represent what they are a
part of and also to show the spirit of our organization."

Kelly Bradley, the Greek Week chair for the Office of Greek Life stated that "Greek Week is a event that all chapters look forward to, as they can truly express the individuality of their chapter through various events."

Greek Week events will be con-

Greek Week events will be continuing throughout campus for this week until April 12. For more information, visit the Greek Life office at 1104 Pullen Hall, or the Web site at www.ncsu.edu/greek\_life.

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cult being a freshman and trying to get my name out, but it was a new experience, and I had a great time getting my platform out to students."

Matthews said, he would have "run a more visible campaign. I am running on my record."

But despite that, all said the ex-

perience was unforgettable.

"We've just tried to have a good time," said Choe about his campaign staff. "There's no point in working so hard when you're not having fun."

Amanda Devore, a candidate for student body president, said that she felt that, regardless of the results, she was making a difference.

"I think a lot more people get it. My goal was to make them understand real issues," she said. "I got to hear a lot of great stories from students and even if I don't win, I'll be able to use that."

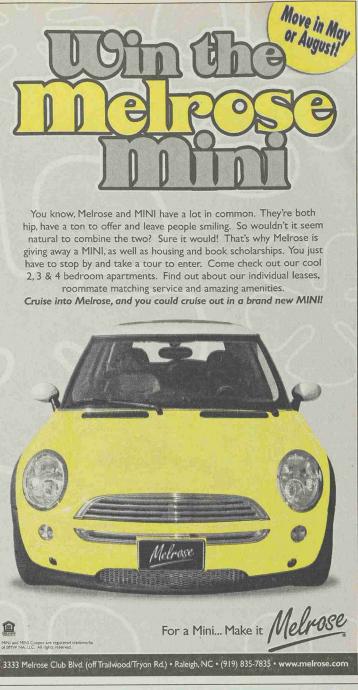
"I have thoroughly enjoyed the experience of the past two months of not only speaking to students, but listening as well,"

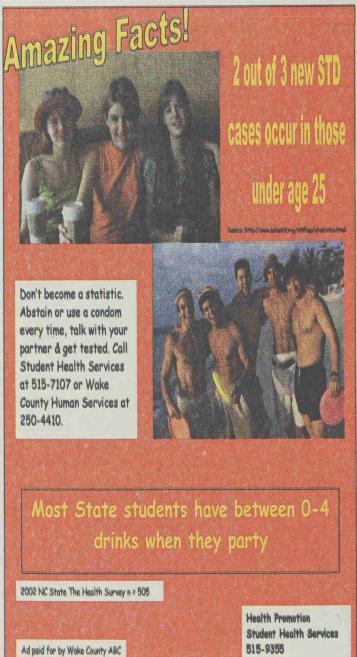
Now that the polls are closed, however, most are just looking forward to life returning to normal

"Sleep and study" are Devore's first priorities.

"Just hanging in there and trying not to think about it," said Choe. "I'm ready to go back into school mode."

[The results of this year's Student Government elections will be announced by the Elections Commission at the Student Senate meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 201 Witherspoon Student Center.]





TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

### Respected chancellors deserve more job security

UNC-Wilmington will be the first school in the University of North Carolina sys tem to have a chancellor with a multiyear contract. Many students may be under the impression that their chancellors have signed contracts for a specified number of years because many of them keep their position for long periods of time. Chancellor Marye Anne Fox has occupied her job since 1998, but she, along with her staff, fall under the supervision of the UNC Board of Governors. This Board has maintained the rule that any senior university officer can be fired at any time. The UNC system's Web site states "Such officers [senior officers] do not have tenure in their administra tive positions." It goes on to explain that "They serve at the discretion of their employer and are not appointed to serve for specified periods of time.

This creates a problem for educators, such as Chancellor Fox, who have absolutely no job security and must be wary of the implications of every one of their decisions.

In some ways accountability can be a wonderful tool for making sure that high-ranking officials do not misuse their position and permanently hamper the progress of their university. However, experienced and decorated educators usually hold chancellor positions, and they deserve a little job security for holding the highest position at their college or university.

Most states issue multiyear contracts, for an average of three years, to their chancellors. It is actually unusual for North Carolina to have held off from using contracts for this long, and it is time for them to join other states in offering guaranteed term lengths to their university officials. The UNC Board of Governors will not be issuing contracts to any of their current chancellors, but UNC-W may have set the precedent for new chancellor-appointees to receive similar benefits.

Two concerns arise from this new ap-

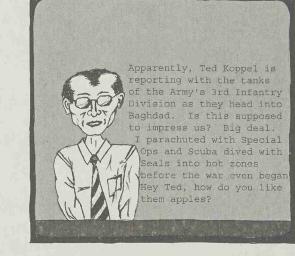
One, many of our chancellors have not held a similar position previously, so they may not do a good job once they have the job. Therefore a combination of the new and old systems may utilize the strongest results. A new chancellor should be hired on a non-tenure basis for the first year and then the Board of Governors or other body in charge can then decide upon the length and type of contract they wish to negotiate. This way colleges and universities will have the ability to fire a new official who is not doing his or her job correctly or with the school's best interests in mind. But once the Chancellor has proven his or herself then they will be given a chance to hold their position for at least a few years time without fear of termination.

Second, large universities, such as NC State, need strong and capable leaders to oversee such a diverse body of students and faculty. The chancellor of a school will be a guiding force in that school's ability to effectively network with its community and alumni. It would be very detrimental for North Carolina's students to have someone in such a power position to not have to worry about accountability for his or her actions. It would be harmful as well for North Carolina's university system to have to engage in lengthy legal battles to terminate contracts with UNC-Chapel Hill or NCSU's

The UNC Board of Governors may find that Rosemary DePaolo, the new chancellor at UNC-W is not the best person for the job, and it will be too late for them to pull her out the position without legal ramifications. The UNC System should have begun issuing contracts to its respected and proven chancellors first in order to see if this would help our state hold on to our best university leaders rather than guaranteeing our new ones luxuries that the others do not have.



Joshua Nowak





## Technician responds...



Michele DeCamp

Every day Technician publishes an editorial on the first page of its Opinion section. Our editorials are campus, local or national issues that relate to the student body at N.C. State. Every night the Opinion Editor chooses a

topic and the editorial board discusses it and comes to a consensus on what stance the writer should argue. Over the past few weeks, our editorials have covered topics ranging from the elimina-tion of priority registration for honor students and athletes to the need for breakfast nooks on campus. And just re-cently we also picked our favorite candidates for the 2003-04 student body president and student senate president

The editorial board, which I am a part of, decided to make endorsements for the two most contested and executive positions of the Student Government elections. We did this because we are N.C. State's major campus newspaper, and we have covered many events related to the executive branch of Student Government. This coverage had given us an idea of the problems that exist within Student Government as well as how some of the candidates had functioned in their previous roles.

Our ability to make unbiased and informed endorsements hinged on whether or not the candidates would be willing to meet with our editorial board the day before the elections began. I would like to point out that every single one of the student body president and student senate president candidates were willing to meet with us for a possible endorsen ent. They knew beforehand that they would have to give us a five-minute speech about their campaign, similar to something they would say to someone in the Brickyard, and then respond to questions from our editors. Every person on the editorial board at Technician was urged to attend, and five of the edi-

tors were able to make the inter-

I know that those who care about Student Government elections usually care a lot, and we have had a lot of questions and com-

ments about our editors' objectivity. I, myself, have received a lot of responses as to whether I was able to look at all four student body president candidates equally when I had already written a column about some of their campaign practices. I can attest to the fact that every one of those editors in that office on Sunday did not go in there with prior biases about the candidates. I was not concerned with who did what in the Brickyard. We asked a few questions about campaigning but only to answer rumors that we had heard concerning the place of certain advertisements. Our

questions centered on what each person would do for the student body.

I know that I was looking for a candidate who did not come off as a typical politician with a lot of action words and not a lot of sincerity. But I found that it was not easy to choose just one. I was incredibly torn on whom to vote for in the student body president election. There were two particular candidates that are stellar examples of how NCSU harbors great leaders, and I am very glad that I got to meet both of them.

When it comes down to it, our editorial board had the opportunity to meet.

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personally with each of the candidates and really distheir cuss platforms. We were able to do it away from the chaos of the Brickyard, and I think that environment enabled us to come up with an

objective choice. I would also like to point out that the five editors present at those interviews are not carbon copies of each other. I have disagreed with them about issues that I have had to cover in our editorial space. However, the majority of our editors felt the same way about the candidates, and that fact speaks to our unbiased approach.

Many students are not concerned with Student Government elections, or they may only be able to talk with a handful of the candidates. We had the chance to

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"There is already a good

program in place to learn

about animals; why fix it?"

Working for whom?

"She is truly 'working for students,' and we believe she is the best candidate for the Student Body President position." (Technician, 4/7/03) To echo the sentiments of others, including the former editor and sports editors of this publication, I have a serious problem with this year's endorsement process. When a statement is made like the one cited above, yet the endorsements were based solely on an in-office interview with no influencing outside factors, then it's obvious that the editorial board is being duped. Wave the impartiality flag all you want, but when people see Miss Devore's campaigners not waiting for other candidates' paint to dry before painting over it, putting impartial journalism next year instead of endorsing whoever lies to them the

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## Majority rules



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It has been fought over since school began, and the Student Senate started making recommendations. It would cost N.C. upon thousands of dollars professors would have to through extensive training to be able

to carry it through. The only real progressive measure it provides is to give students a way to follow their religious or personal beliefs in regards to "harming' animals. You probably already know that I am talking about — Resolution 50 - an act that will be voted on once again in the senate tonight.
What exactly is R-50? It is a recom-

mendation that a committee be set up to investigate alternatives to using dead mimals in our laboratories. It is the hope tive measures, such as computer simulations, models and videos. By doing this, those that back R-50 feel that the university would better cater to students who have problems with using killed animals, for religious purposes, in order to complete the education requirements needed to successfully pass courses in pre-veterinary medicine curriculums.

The resolution throws in a strong comment about how the university claims to not discriminate based on religious affiliation, political affiliation, ethnic identity, lifestyle or other activities unrelated to academic achievement. At first glance, it does seem that students who are op-

posed to using killed animals are being discriminated against. However, they are not forced to participate in the dissec tions. I took Zoology 150 (Animal Diversity) in the fall, and a disclaimer was given out on the first day of lab that made it clear we would be using animals, and if we had any problems with that we needed to speak with the lab instructor to make alternative arrangements. I feel it is important to look at what is best for the whole group instead of the individual or the small group.

Passing Resolution 50 would cost the university and the College of Agriculture and Life Sci-

ences much more money than it is worth for a handful of students who are uncomfortable disanimals. With the budget cuts

that are already occurring, there does other universities in the United States not need to be anymore needless spend- which means there are other schools that ing. There are many students at NCSU cation and want to learn in any way possible. These students that are putting forth the effort to make it through their major and attempt to get into veterinary school could probably benefit more from the money if it was used as a scholarship instead of a model they would never use. There is already a good program in place to learn about animals; if it is not broken,

I work at a veterinary hospital and help the doctors with many different types of surgeries. I have spoken with several doctors about R-50, and they all agree that using the animals in labs to try and learn their anatomy is important before they

get into the "real world" of veterinary medicine. This is because every animal is different, not just from species to species, but within a species itself. No two cats have the same structure internally, and by seeing the differences of the structures, the doctor will have a better understanding of how to treat a future patient with a similar problem. If the doctor only looked at the same model that 25 other students in the lab examined as well, then all of them would see the same internal structure of the particular animal and would think any deviation would be abnormal. Who would you rather have spay

your cat, a doctor that learned on a live cat or one that learned on a model?

This type of resolution has been passed at

provide alternatives to using animals There are very few students that actually want R-50 to be passed and for alternative methods for animal dissection to be implemented. These feelings can be seen by the repeated attempts to send R-50 before the senate, an effort that has continuously failed. Students can help stop R-50 from coming up again by just letting senators know how they feel about

Heather is predicting numerous e-mails about her article will be sent to hrcutchi@unity.ncsu.edu. She will gladly respond to any and all of them.

## All for naught?



Volk

By the time you are reading this, I will have voted in this year's N.C. State Student Body elections - more out of a sense of obligation than out

croscope, of a feeling that though). When the Student Senmy vote, even the outcome as a whole, will make any difference. Every year we have ate debates a a new set of candidates and the resolution same platforms of "raising awareabout diver-"increasing communicasity on camtion between the students and pus until 4 a.m., most average students don't care. When Technician staffers spend hours and hours (until 4

Student Government" and "getting the message out to students that we [Student Government] are here to serve you [students]." Student Government is here to serve us, but there are severe limits about how they can serve us as there are limits to what Technician can do as a college news-

I don't think who wins really matters. Aside from the ability to control how student fees are spent and the student body president's vote on the NCSU Board of Trustees, Student Government lacks true influence on the campus (granted, however, these are two significant powers).

I believe many Student Gov-

ernment officials feel the same about Technician and those who work there. Our situations, or predicaments, depending on how you look at it, are not that dis-similar. But this doesn't mean we shouldn't do our jobs or don't have respect for each other.

Students who become heavily involved on campus often tend to concentrate in one area. Because of sheer time constraints it's impossible to be in a position of influence and put in significant hours in a vast number of arenas. Our Student Government officials - elected and appointed - have chosen to concentrate their efforts in this area. I and most of the other Technician staffers have chosen to concen-

trate in Student Media. But no matter how talented and

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talk with each of the candidates and we wanted to share our findings with our readers. We did not choose one person over another because they dressed better or had a nicer handbill. We decided upon the candidates who presented the strongest platforms and solutions, and we stated some general reasons why in our editorial space on Monday.

When it comes down to it our endorsements ran on our Opinion page. We were not stating that Amanda Devore or Jamie Pendergrass must be elected to their respective positions. The majority of our editors held that opinion, just as most of the board feels that individual states should be allowed to ban cross burning. We do editorials every day, and the only reason some of our peers were incensed about the endorsements was perhaps because we did not choose their favorite candidate. Elections are sensitive events, and the student body is welcome to take our opinions with a grain of salt. However, it is wrong to assume that we are us how we came to our conclusions. We asked the candidates questions, and maybe it is time for our critics to ask us a few as well.

Michele loves her new job and hopes that lots of people will want to write columns next year. E-mail her at michele@technicianstaff.com for more information. Technician also encourages any feedback about this year's endorsement process. Have ideas on how we can improve it? Send it our way.

motivated the individuals are, N.C. State Student Government will always be a college student government, and Technician will always be a college newspaper (albeit it a damn good one considering we publish daily on a staff undetectable

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'governing" power and because Technician does not get the respect from the administration that a regular daily newspaper does, both of these entities are inherently limited in their scope. And by "respect," I don't mean that ly debating a resolution that would recommend alternatives administrators aren't cooperative with granting interviews - they are. Rather, they are not con cerned about hiding important

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from us like they would from the News & Observer.

This does not, however, preclude students' efforts. The people at Student Government truly believe their work matters. They have to, and we need them to. They believe in the power of the voices of students. I (I can't speak for all Technician employees.) believe that it's important for students to have a newspaper that, I hope, provokes thought and intellectual discourse on campus.

Perhaps the general apathy students, me included, have for campus organizations like Student Government and Student Media is a reflection of society as a whole. But, then again, when the General Assembly passes a law, it gets enforced, and when the News & Observer finds problems in the agriculture commissioners' campaign finance records, she gets investigated.

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Both teams look to build on spring success this weekend at UPA Sectional Tournament

Jessica Lanford and Ryan Smith

The competition for ultimate frisbee has always been very strong in both North Carolina and the Triangle. This year, however, has been particularly rewarding for the N.C. State men's and women's club teams, which are riding a wave of excitement generated by hard work, a close-knit atmosphere and success at recent tour-

The men are currently ranked No. 6 in the Ultimate Player's Association (UPA) collegiate ranking, while the women are ranked No. 22 on the heels of their first ever top-20 ranking earlier in the year. Both teams will carry these lofty rankings into the UPA Sectional Tournament hosted by East Carolina this weekend.

The women, nicknamed J‰ga, played stellar ultimate the weekend of March 22-23 at College Southerns hosted by Georgia Southern in Statesboro, Ga. The team entered the tournament seeded No. 4 out of 16 teams. After winning the first two games against Georgia Southern (13-0) and Tufts University (13-1), the team advanced to play in the top pool against the top-three seeds Yale, Wisconsin and Florida.

With most teams boasting 15-20 players each, State had only three subs and 10 players total. Despite the numbers disadvantage, J‰ga did not hold back and went on to defeat Wisconsin 13-6, then downed top-seeded Yale 8-6. J‰ga topped off its undefeated run with a victory over Florida.

After reseeding, the team took its first ever No. 1 seed into Sunday's championship bracket. After wins over Columbia (13-10) and Williams (13-7), State faced a rematch versus Yale. Eight games in two days proved to be too much for the thin Pack, as Yale outlasted J‰ga to win the

For the second time this season, the men's club ultimate team went undefeated over a weekend and returned home as champions of the prestigious Ultimax Tournament hosted by East Carolina. In winning its second title of the year, the Wolfpack was forced to overcome cold temperatures, stiff wind and driving rain, as well as some stiff competition from a nationally ranked field of teams from all over the country.

The Pack entered the tourna ment as the No. 3 seed behind in the national top 10. In pool play, State started out looking sluggish but went on to sweep its overmatched pool by defeating Middlebury College 15-10, East ton 15-2 and UNC-Wilmington

The quarterfinals began on March 30 with State playing a tough University of California-San Diego team. The quarterfinal was actually a rematch of the Ultimax finals from a year ago, a game that UCSD won easily. After falling behind early, the team went on an 8-0 run that put the game out of reach and avenged last year's defeat with a 12-9 victory. The semifinal match pitted the Pack against No. 10 Brown. In a hard-fought game, State responded with some great hustle plays, including a dramatic layout grab by Dave Snoke for the game-winning goal, which was to win 15-13.

The championship game was played against No. 3 Oregon. Despite bad weather more suitable to the visiting Ducks, the Pack had an answer for their highly ranked counterparts and won the match 15-11 to secure their second tournament championship of the season and climb even higher into the national rankings

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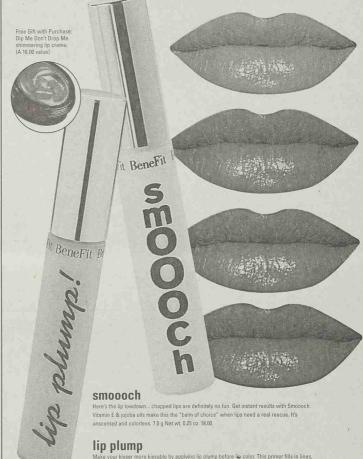
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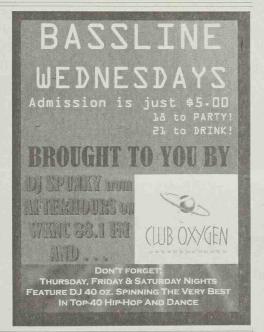
Broughton High School, Hicks saw action on the mound some his freshman year and has again been called upon to help out with pitching duties this season and isn't shabby at that position ei-

Pitching in five games this year, Hicks has earned a record of 2-1 and tallied 13 strikeouts in 16 1/3

innings pitched.

And it is with his recent suc cess that Hicks has given the Pack the weapon it needs to draw closer to its dream of post-season

play.
"I think we're all pretty close," said Hicks. "I'd say all the guys on the team are like my best friends and we're all real close. We all pretty much have the same goals, especially with regards to this season. I think we all try to help each other out and pull together to hopefully get where we



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Sept. 23-Oct 22

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Pisces
Feb. 19-March 20

Today is a 7 What do you think is more effective \_ being pushy, or being passive? For now, you'll attract more bees using honey.



### TECHNICIAN

BASKETBALL

#### Loyalty rewarded



Steve Thompson

The value of having a knowledge-able, loyal college basketball coach was on clear display in Monday night's NCAA tournament final between Syracuse and Kansas.

The two coaches in the limelight, Jim Boeheim and

Roy Williams, are two of a successful, but dying, breed of coaches. In a sport where turnover in the coaching ranks is becoming as common as underclassmen bolting for the NBA, finding coaches that are willing to stay with a single team for many, many years is rare.

Recently in the tournament, such longevity has been rewarded. Lute Olsen and Arizona won the 1997 title. Jim Calhoun and UConn won it in 1999. Mike Krzyzewski and Gary Williams won titles in 2001 and 2002 with Duke and

Maryland. This year was Boeheim's turn. All of these coaches have stuck by their respective colleges for over a decade and each needed at least a decade to win a national title. And more importantly than the titles won, each of these coaches has built a program at his respective school that will continue to succeed.

Recent trends in college basketball suggest that coaches, fans and administrators no longer have the patience to allow for a program to be built. Administrators and fans want a quick fix someone that can come to a school and

quickly lead it to a national title. At North Carolina, Matt Doherty was basically only given one year to succeed with his players, after trying to clean up the mess Bill Guthridge left behind. Despite a bevy of returning talent, the Tar Heel administration felt the threat of a few players transferring was too great to allow Doherty to continue.

Coaches around the nation seem to have caught on to the demands being placed on them. Instead of looking to build a program, coaches look to win and then advance to a better job.

That's what Tom Crean at Marquette wants to do. And fellow Final Four loser Rick Barnes would leave Texas in an instant if a quality ACC school came

Despite the success Wake Forest has had both on the court and on the re-cruiting trail, it now looks like Skip Prosser is going to jump ship after only two years.

Who's got time to build a program? What school is going to allow a coach to build a program?

Schools looking for this quick fix are going to be disappointed. Not only will a team not have prolonged success, but the quick-fix mentality gives rise to Jim Harrick-like coaches that compromise the rules to provide the requisite wins.

Hopefully at some point in time the college basketball world will realize that coaches are the only thing that stabilize programs. And perhaps coaches will learn that a stable program comes with

The UCLA program today is not half as good at the one it had with John Wooden as its coach. Since the departure of Dean Smith, mighty North Carolina has looked mightily ordinary.

While the name on the jersey may not change in college basketball, a program must be built on a mutual sense of loyalty between the coach and the univer sity. That's why Boeheim and Williams have succeeded.

And it seems as though Williams understands this. Three years ago he turned down the UNC job out of loyalty to his players and those at Kansas. Last night, he said, "I don't give a s—- about North Carolina right now." And I believed him.

While it makes a lot of sense for him to take the UNC job, it makes more sense to continue and finish what he has started at Kansas. Williams will never have a legacy at North Carolina that can come close to what he can have at Kansas.

I hope he continues to set an example for the college basketball world by staying loyal to his players and his universi-

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David Hicks slides into third this past weekend against Duke. He had 10 hits in the series Staff photo by Rob Bradley

## Whatever it takes

Junior first baseman David Hicks has reemerged as one of N.C. State's best hitters, as well as aiding with quality innings on the mound.

**Justin Sellers** Senior Staff Write

WHAT Baseball vs. N.C. A&T Doak Field 7 p.m.

The 2003 season has been a special one thus far for the N.C. State baseball team, which finds itself ranked No. 9 in the

latest Collegiate Baseball poll. Gone are the times when the Wolfpack wasn't sure where this season's team would fit in as a follow-up to last year's disappointing 7-17 ACC sea-

This year's revamped version is hoping to turn over a new leaf in the school history books in the same season the school affirms its commitment to winning by opening a state-of-the-art facility the new Doak Field, which will host a game tonight at 7 p.m. between the Pack and North Carolina A&T.

At the root of this season's success has been the camaraderie among the team as a whole both on and off the field. And as a team, the players have managed to surpass



When not playing first base, Hicks also doubles as a pitcher for head coach Elliot Avent. Staff photo by Rob Bradle

many people's expectations already, especially with the roles the pitchers have taken

One of those pitchers, junior David Hicks, is enjoying a fabulous all-around year with the Pack. Primarily a field player, Hicks has also started three games as a pitcher. But head coach Elliot Avent's main use of the left-hander has been at first base, where the Raleigh native is hitting .323 with a team-high 13 dou-

Hicks deflects a lot of his success at the plate to the pitching performance his teammates have given him.

"It's been a lot of fun this year," said junior first base-man David Hicks. "Last year we had a lot of talent and we were pretty good, but this year, we are all on the same page. The pitching has been outstanding this year, especially with [Michael] Rogers, [Vern] Sterry and [Joey]

### **Inside Sports**

Devine who have all just been

The best thing about that is that solid pitching helps you out as a hitter, because you're not always going to be able to hit well against teams like Florida State, so they have been able to keep us in the

Against Duke this past weekend, State not only showed up looking for a sweep it would later get, but it was also looking for some of its hitters who had struggled at the beginning of the year to shine once again. The Pack got exactly that in the form of

Prior to two weeks ago Hicks, who finished the 2002 campaign batting .372, was in a bit of a slump offensively, managing just 17 hits in 73 at bat. But Hicks stayed patient,

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practiced harder and didn't quit swinging, and against then-No. 10 Clemson, he went 5-for-8 at the plate, giving himself added confidence that would soon carry over.

"David got off to somewhat of a slow start this season," said Avent. "Part of that was him spending more time on the mound. It just took him a little more time to get his offensive focus, but he continues to be a tremendous asset to our program"

Last weekend against Duke, Hicks once again became one of the team's strongest threats, racking up 10 hits in three games — five of them doubles — that helped him rack up five RBIs on the weekend.

"I had a pretty good season last year at bat," said Hicks. "At the beginning of this season though, I think I was trying too hard. I wasn't hitting as well as I wanted to, but something that helped was that Coach Avent stuck with me and told me that he knew could hit and to hang in

"So, I kept at it and took some extra batting practice, and during the Clemson series, it started to come back. Afterwards it just seemed like I came away with a lot more confidence and that carried into the Duke series.

But Hicks has meant more to the team than just a solid hitter. A former pitcher for See BASEBALL page 6

WEDNESDAY

#### ACC baseball standings

	Conf.	Overall
Georgia Tech	5-1	24-6
N.C. State	7-2	27-7
Florida State	9-3	31-5
Wake Forest	6-5	20-10
Virginia	6-5	20-10
Clemson	3-3	23-7
North Carolina	4-5	22-11
Maryland	0-8	11-17
Duke	0-8	13-19

#### Today's games

Davidson at Wake Forest, 3 Duquesne at Maryland, 5 East Carolina at Duke, 7 Florida State at Jacksonville, 7 North Carolina A&T at N.C. State, 7 North Carolina at UNC-Wilmington, 7 Virginia Tech at Virginia, 7 South Carolina at Clemson, 7:15

#### This weekend's series:

N.C. State at Wake Forest Clemson at Florida State Georgia Tech at Duke North Carolina at Maryland

### Collegiate Baseball top 25

School	(Record)	Previous
1.Rice	(32-1)	1
2. Florida State	(31-5)	2
3. Cal. St. Fullerton	(27-7)	3
4. Stanford	(20-10)	4
5. Georgia Tech	(24-6)	8
- 6. Arizona St.	(34-7)	5
7. Mississippi State	(24-5-1)	6
8. Louisiana State	(21-10-1)	10
9. N.C. State	(27-7)	12
10. Auburn	(27-7)	11
11. Long Beach State	(20-11)	9
12. Miami, Fla.	(25-6)	7
13. Clemson	(23-7)	15
14. Nebraska	(23-7)	18
15.Texas	(25-11)	19
16. Notre Dame	(20-6)	24
17. Oklahoma State	(21-9)	23
18. Florida Atlantic	(30-8)	25
19. Wake Forest	(20-10)	14
20. Missouri	(23-8)	
21. Baylor	(23-12)	16
22. Richmond	(23-6)	17
23. Florida	(23-9-1)	13
24.Texas A&M	(26-10)	26
25. Arkansas	(25-6)	27

#### League's top performers

ACC Player of the Week J.R. Riley, 1B-C, N.C. State

ACC Pitcher of the Week



## Finishing with flair

Nationally ranked senior Loni Worsley is making the most of her final year in the Wolfpack tennis program.

**Austin Johnson** 

For Loni Worsley, the timing couldn't be

A senior on the N.C. State women's tennis team, Worsley is playing the best tennis of her life right now. With only a few matches left in her career at State, Worsley is doing her best to go out on a

Worsley is in the middle of her best collegiate year, posting a 12-9 singles record (including a 4-1 ACC singles record) and a national ranking in the process. She will look to improve that record today in her final home match as State challenges North Carolina at 2 p.m. at the Cary Tennis Center, weather per-

Worlsey attributes a lot of her recent success to her head coach Hans Olsen, who is in his second season with the

"He's one of the greatest coaches I've

ever had," said Worsley, "He is a great allaround person, he sees the good in every-

Olsen has a somewhat unconventional way of working with his players. An extremely positive coach, Olsen works as much on players' attitudes and mental approach as much he does on their tennis

WHAT Tennis vs. North Carolina WHERE

she goes out. "He's helped me form a better attitude," said Worsley, "Coach coming in has definitely made a difference.

Worsley is also quick to commend her teammates on the way they have played all season. She notes that she has never been on a team that has worked as hard or gotten along as well together as this The hard work and team unity translates into a team with confidence

"Everybody [on the team] knows that we are good enough to win; everybody

knows we can win," said Worsley. As for Worsley's national ranking, she earned that when she defeated Duke's Saras Arasa on March 5, 2003. Arasa was ranked No. 37 in the nation at the time.

One of her best chances to move up the rankings was literally washed away when a 6-0, 6-3 stomping of Winthrop's nationally ranked Paula Takahashi was erased by a rainout. Worsley is currently ranked No. 115 in the nation and admits that it's nice to be noticed but is adds that the rankings mean little.

'Its exciting, especially it being my senior year," said Worsley. "They don't real anything but it's cool

The secret to Worsley's success this year is patience. Instead of trying to blow away her opponent from the start, Worsley prefers to let the match come to her.

I sit back and wait for my opportunities to attack, and then I'll go Worsley. "I don't go out and attack right out of the gate.'

During the summer, Worsley combines her love of tennis with another passion - working with kids. Worsley helps out at a summer tennis program in her hometown of Winston-Salem, a program run by her father John Worsley.

It's like a tennis camp for inner-city kids," said Worsley. "We bring tennis rackets, have little picnics and other stuff.



Loni Worsley sports a stellar 4-1 ACC singles record. Staff photo by Carl Hudson

"It's fun to watch them grow and have fun doing something when a lot of them would have nothing else to do during the summer

Worsley also added that one of the most rewarding things was being able to see the same kids coming back year after year, and in some cases moving on to play tennis in high school.

As for now though, Worsley is focused on finishing her season strong and then trying to make a run in the ACC tournament next weekend, which will take place in Raleigh.