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As traffic increases, drivers must remember to yield to pedestrians. Many complaints come from crosswalks on Dan Allen Drive and Cates Avenue.

Pedestrian near misses on the rise

As streets become crowded with students, drivers need to stay alert.

News Staff Report

No one has been hit by a vehicle crossing the streets of N.C. State's campus yet, but "we have had several near-misses, and we've gotten at least three different complaints in reference to the issue," Jon Barnwell, a crime prevention officer with Campus Police, said.

Barnwell reminds those who drive through campus that they must yield to pedestrians in crosswalks and he encourages pedestrians to use these crosswalks.

The areas with the most complaints on campus are Dan Allen Drive and Cates Avenue, although Campus Police has had reports of complaints on North Campus near many of the academic buildings.

Under North Carolina General Statute 20-173(a), drivers must yield to pedestrians; Campus Police officers will soon begin increased enforcement of the statute and possibly begin ticketing offenders, although Barnwell said the officers "would rather be

proactive before stepping up enforcement."

"The university prides itself on being such a pedestrian-friendly place, and we want to acknowledge that...This is for the overall safety and protection of students in the environment," Barnwell said.

Another cause for concern on campus is bikers who may come close to hitting pedestrians. Barnwell said state law reads that bicycles should be operated on streets rather than sidewalks; he acknowledges that NCSU officials recognize the importance of bike traffic through the university and do not actively enforce the law.

However, "we will enforce it if you are endangering pedestrians," Barnwell said.

He advises that bikers obey traffic signals and acknowledge both vehicles and pedestrians, as well as obey speed limits across campus. "The reason why we aggressively enforce speed limit is because of the amount of pedestrian traffic," Barnwell said.

If you have concerns about speeders or unsafe crossings on campus, you can reach the NCSU Safety Hotline at 515-5445 or call Campus Police at 515-3000.

Tips for

Pedestrians:

- Use the marked crosswalk.
- When in the crosswalk, don't assume vehicles will yield.
- Make eye contact with drivers before stepping out to cross.

Tips for Bikers:

- Obey traffic signals.
- Acknowledge vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

MA FOX 102: A look closer



ROB BRADLEY/TECHNICIAN

Chancellor Marye Anne Fox begins her day with meetings as early as 6 a.m., but still finds time to address student concerns.

[Editor's Note: The following is the second in a two-part series where Technician takes a closer look at Chancellor Marye Anne Fox's background.]

C. Seth Lester
Staff Reporter

If anything can be said about mayors of large and thriving cities, it is that these mayors are unequivocally busy; and as the ostensible mayor of N.C. State, Fox is certainly no exception to the rule.

Our chancellor often begins her days with breakfast meetings as early as 6 a.m. By 7 a.m. or so, while students in and around campus begin to rouse, Fox is well into her daily docket.

Generally it is assumed that such an early start would merit an even earlier quitting time, however Fox pulls double-duty

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Dancing around



CARL HUDSON/TECHNICIAN

Deb Kull, a senior in environmental sciences, dances in the Brickyard.

Computing with CAUTION

After two viruses circulated campus computers, students are urged to install anti-virus software and take precautions when computing.

News Staff Report

The Information Technology Division began blocking infected campus computers from accessing the network and quarantined e-mails with questionable attachments after viruses and Internet worms ransacked networked computers around the nation last week.

The W32.Blaster.Worm and Trojan.Stealth.B, which attack vulnerabilities in the Windows operating system, hit campus just before move-in weekend, spreading quickly and slowing down network traffic. Days later, SoBig.F, another virus, scattered across campus computers sending e-mails and slowing down traffic again but its effect was not as severe.

"Because of the blaster worm the week before, there was a big push during move-in [to install anti-virus software]," said systems programmer for the Information Technology Division, Jeff Webster. "A lot of students paid attention and got anti-virus installed and it helped protect their computers."

For those that did not have virus protection, SoBig.F traveled across e-mail and network shared drives. Once inside the computer, it continued to send e-mails, making computers sluggish and overloading e-mail servers.

Students received notification from their

anti-virus software, if installed, when the virus hit. Once detected, the software attempts to quarantine the virus. Students without protection notice infection if their computer continues to send e-mails or they begin to receive error messages for mail they never sent.

To compensate for the increased network

traffic, ITD stopped accepting inbound e-mails to clear the backlog. By Wednesday, all campus e-mail had been restored to normal.

Computers infected with the Blaster Worm and Trojan Stealther take a little more effort

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News briefs from around the world

NASA plans sweeping changes to shuttle program

Michael Cabbage
The Orlando Sentinel

WASHINGTON - NASA is planning sweeping changes to the space shuttle's operation and management before returning to flight, according to an internal agency road map for safely resuming launches.

The changes are detailed in a 121-page report titled "NASA's Implementation Plan for Return to Flight and Beyond." An Aug. 5 draft was obtained by the Orlando Sentinel.

"The goal is not only to fix the specific cause of the Columbia accident," the report says, "but also to put in place the comprehensive engineering, operational and managerial improvements that will provide the safety assurance required to return to flight and avoid the risk of overconfidence."

Part of the report outlines how NASA plans to respond to five preliminary recommendations made by the Columbia Accident Investigation Board during its nearly seven-month investigation. The rest lists 18 other areas identified by NASA that must be fixed before returning to flight, as well as three longer-term actions.

Many of the actions anticipate recommendations likely to be included in the investigation board's final report, which is scheduled for release Tuesday.

Specific actions in the NASA plan include:

- Changes in the Mission Management Team that oversees shuttle flights;
- An overhaul of NASA's safety

organization;

- A long-term redesign of the orbiter's thermal protection system to make it more impact-resistant;

- An extensive redesign of several areas on the shuttle's external fuel tank; and

- Use of the international space station as a "safe haven" where shuttle astronauts with a damaged ship could live for up to six months while waiting for a rescue flight.

The plan remains a work in progress.

Leno's offer tantalizes, frustrates California candidates

Patrick May
Knight Ridder Newspapers

SAN JOSE, Calif. - To Leno or not to Leno?

That is the question facing the candidates for governor of California.

Jay Leno has invited all 135 of them to be on "The Tonight Show" Sept. 22. Well, not exactly on the show, like his buddy Arnold Schwarzenegger when he announced his candidacy earlier this month. More like in the audience.

Some are plotting their own media events in Burbank, Calif., the same day as the taping, to tap into all the press hype expected around the Leno show. But many others have eagerly replied to NBC, even if they have to pay their way there and back.

Leno "can poke fun at us all he wants, but it's really tough to get this sort of public exposure," said David Laughlin Horse Robinson, a candidate from Bakersfield. "Any time you can get free PR, you're a fool if you don't

accept it."

Diana Foss of San Jose is thrilled to be going. "I see it as a perk of running for governor. How often do I get a personal invitation to go on Jay Leno?"

But others are conflicted. Won't Jay simply exploit them as comic fodder, use them as human props?

Darin Price, a chemistry professor at Humboldt State University, says Leno can stick it up his monologue.

"Hell no, I'm not going," he said. "Why would I pay \$400 to fly down there to sit in the audience and be made fun of? Not only am I not going to respond, I'm thinking of selling my invitation on eBay. It's got a nice little address card and envelope."

North Korea nuclear talks begin Wednesday in Beijing

Michael Dorgan and Warren P. Strobel
Knight Ridder Newspapers

BEIJING - Amid high tensions and low expectations, representatives of six nations will gather in China's capital Wednesday for three days of talks aimed at easing the nuclear standoff with North Korea.

While the outcome is uncertain, the stakes are clear. While much of the world recently has focused on Iraq, Afghanistan and the war on terrorism, North Korea has emerged as the most dangerous diplomatic challenge facing President Bush and other world leaders.

"The North Korean nuclear threat is about as real and serious a threat as we could have anywhere in either the region or the world," Australian Prime Minister John Howard noted during a visit

to Beijing last week.

North Korea is believed to already have at least one or two nuclear bombs, and has reactivated facilities that may soon provide it with more. Even without those weapons, it has the conventional military capability of devastating South Korea and destabilizing Northeast Asia.

Not wanting anyone to forget that, North Korea's government-controlled media last week issued a warning that the country was "ready for both dialogue and war."

Kenneth Lieberthal, the National Security Council's senior director for Asia during the Clinton administration, recently told reporters in Beijing that when the United States contemplated a military strike against North Korea's nuclear facilities in 1994, the Pentagon calculated that South Korea would suffer at least 500,000 casualties - and maybe many more - if war broke out.

"This is not Iraq," he said.

Lieberthal noted that North Korea's military leaders are "masters of concealment" who have hollowed out entire mountains to hide and protect their weapons, putting the outcome of surgical strikes in doubt.

Still, he and many others maintain that the United States can't tolerate a nuclear North Korea, in part because the regime of Kim Jong Il would have no moral restraints against selling nuclear materials to terrorists or states hostile to America.

Going into the talks, the Bush administration is sticking by its long-standing refusal to offer North Korea rewards for not abiding by past nuclear agreements.

- Reports from KRT Campus

Walking with freshmen

Meet Margie Elaine Jefferson, a freshman student Technician followed for her first day in classes.

Nancy Zagbayou
Staff Reporter

With a student body of about 28,000, N.C. State can be an intimidating place for students like Margie Elaine Jefferson, one of the 3,859 freshmen whose first day at the university was on Wednesday.

Jefferson is currently in the transition program, but she plans on becoming a doctor one day.

"I will never forget my first day of school," Jefferson said. "I am the first one in my family to go to college, and with this responsibility comes a little bit of pressure."

Jefferson's day started at 6 a.m. when her alarm first rang, but she struggled to wake up. She finally broke out of bed at 6:30 and prepared herself for the long day to come.

At 7 a.m. she headed for Clark Dinning Hall where she had her most important meal of the day, breakfast.

"I like waking up early for my 8:05, because it is kind of like high school, so I did not have to make such a big adjustment," Jefferson said.

A step ahead of some, Jefferson already knew the locations of her classes.

"The day before classes, I went around campus just to see if I could find my classes. Walking around with friends and going to campus tours with RAs kind of got me used to this place. It just does not seem so big anymore."

After breakfast, Jefferson had her first class, African Civilization, which meets at 8:05 in

Witherspoon. She then enjoyed a small break from 9:20 till 11:40 with friends in her classes who she had met at orientation.

Jefferson and her roommate Ghatna Shah met at 11:40 in the dining hall for a quick lunch.

"We had to rush through lunch because we needed to get to chemistry in

Dabney Hall. We headed to class at 12 o'clock," Jefferson said.

Chemistry 100 with professor Banks seemed a little overwhelming at first.

"When I first walked in the class, I was a little scared because the room

was so big, and there were 200 students in the class," she said.

Professor Banks' energy and sense of humor helped her get over her fear, and she was then looking forward to the next class.

"If they can teach it, I can learn it," said Jefferson about her 17 credit hours load.

Jefferson finally headed back to her room at 2:10 p.m. where she did her

laundry and homework until 5 p.m. Around 5 p.m., Jefferson and two of her friends headed to Carmichael Gym where they made good use of the indoor track and the weight room.

Jefferson's day was not over; she headed to the D.H. Hill Library for a study hall that meets at 7 p.m. from Monday to Thursday.

"During study hall I did my homework, but I was ready to leave at 8 o'clock because I was hungry."

It was about 9 p.m. when Jefferson finally got back to Welch, her residence hall on East Campus. Her first day resembles what many other first-year students experience here at NCSU.

FROM THE BLOTTER

Reports issued by Campus Police

August 23, 2003

12:23 a.m. Traffic Stop - Equipment Violation

A student was issued a citation on Dan Allen Drive for Failure to Maintain a Speedometer in Working Condition. The student was originally stopped for speeding 35 in a 20 mph zone.

1:09 a.m. Medical Assist - Fictitious Driver's License

A student was lying near the Bell Tower unconscious. The student was intoxicated and was transported to Rex Hospital. (Information from hospital: The student is OK.) The student had in his possession a fictitious driver's license with his name. The student will be issued a citation for Possession of a Fictitious Driver's License and will be referred to the university. Housing Personnel

was notified.

1:13 a.m. Traffic Stop - Seatbelt Violation

A non-student was issued a citation on Dan Allen Drive for a seatbelt violation.

1:49 a.m. Alcohol Violation

Three students were referred to the university for Underage Possession. Another subject was issued a citation for Underage Possession. Location was in Wood Hall.

2:11 a.m. Harassing Calls

A student reported receiving an obscene phone call in Metcalf Hall. The student used "69 to get the caller's number. Two students, who were the callers, were referred to the university.

4:25 a.m. Check Person

Two subjects were located on Mid Pines Road on NCSU property sitting on a truck looking at the stars. Both subjects were advised of being on NCSU property and left the area.

4:54 a.m. Noise Disturbance

A student reported that four male subjects were standing in front of a room in Avent Ferry Complex and making a loud disturbance. An officer checked the area but was unable to locate anyone.

8:23 a.m. Traffic Stop

A student was issued a citation for improper passing on Cates Avenue and Morrill Drive.

8:55 a.m. Traffic Stop

A student was issued a citation for a seatbelt violation on Dan

Allen Drive.

2:30 p.m. Fire Alarm

Police responded to Bragaw Hall in reference to a smoke head activation. No signs of smoke fire detected. Cause of activation is unknown. System was reset.

3:01 p.m. Medical Assist

Police responded to Alexander Hall in reference to a student separating her shoulder and requesting medical transport. Wake EMS 8 responded and transported her to Rex Hospital.

8:49 p.m. Suspicious Person

Two male subjects were noticed looking at the Lee Bike Rack. Subjects left area prior to officers arrival. Officers checked the area but were unable to locate the subjects.

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and often works 16-18 hours a day.

Even this past Thursday, the chancellor was up from dawn to much-after dusk. She began with a breakfast meeting at 7 a.m. with Chancellor Moeser at UNC-Chapel Hill, and then was off to a reception and presentation in Winston-Salem to receive a \$1.5 million grant from Wachovia.

After lunch in Winston-Salem, the chancellor was off to Charlotte to another set of meetings. At the end of the day, Fox made her way back to Raleigh around 10 p.m. Her work paid off as she returned home with a huge donation that will be used for programs in the Colleges of Management and Education, and

to aid in the construction of the new Visitor's Center on Western Blvd. and Varsity Dr.

Fox is often engaged in meetings with all sorts of people, including politicians, executives, presidents, teachers and other chancellors.

On Centennial Campus, the chancellor said, "the major plan is to just get through this economic crisis, and we're doing very well."

Despite the drop in the number of companies at Centennial in the past year, the campus employs more students and staff than it has in the past.

Additionally, another venture building, the new home for electrical and computer engineering, is slated to begin construction this year. When completed, students in these disciplines will have class on Centennial Campus,

and Daniels and Withers lecture halls will be completely renovated and devoted to the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Moreover, Centennial Campus is now in the stages of accepting bids from restaurants, convenience stores and hotels and all the pre-sold condominiums are starting to come out of the ground.

Fox also addressed the topic of tuition increases of the past and future. "If we had the same 5 percent [tuition] increase that students had imposed upon them by the [NC] legislature as a campus-initiated tuition increase, we could have used a third of it for financial aid and kept the other two-thirds for school-related expenses," Fox said.

Because the General Assembly levied the higher tuition, the extra money paid by students this year

goes out of University hands and directly into the state budget.

As far as a tuition increase for next year is concerned, the chancellor does not know what is in store just yet. "We've got a tuition task force that will look at that question," Fox said. Much of the decision on whether or not a campus-initiated tuition increase will occur this year relies on what UNC-CH decides to do, as well as the consensus of our own tuition task force.

Students wishing to participate in the tuition increase process are welcome to sit in during a tuition task force meeting, attend the tuition town hall meeting (which is currently still in planning stages) or simply e-mail the chancellor or their student senator.

In January, the chancellor received criticism for terminating the employment of Vice-chancellors Bruce Mallette and Frank

Abrams, which incited the resignation of then-Provost Stuart Cooper. On restoring positive working relationships with the faculty, who censured Fox by a resolution in the Faculty Senate, Fox said, "We've started much more frequent meetings with the executive committee of the Faculty Senate."

Fox said that there have been lots of breakfast meetings and good ideas between the faculty and her.

Among all the criticism, Fox received an outpouring of support during the ordeal, including resolutions of support from seven different groups including the Chamber of Commerce, the Wolfpack Club and the Alumni Association.

Despite the setback in the Office of the Provost last January,

Fox is very pleased with James Oblinger, the new Provost.

"Isn't he great?" she said, denoting the new provost's vision, drive, and enthusiasm. "We are working so well together and there are so many things we can do well. There's a new spirit of corroboration and cooperation between the executive officers."

Fox said, "Get involved with faculty members. Get to know one faculty member every semester very well, so that they know your name and a little bit about you. By the time you're done, you'll have a real strong connection with the university and you'll know your discipline well enough to know what you want to do after graduation."

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to restore.

Both programs are called "exploits" because they attack security holes in all versions of the Windows operating system. Once inside, they cause com-

puters to reboot for no reason, disable some Microsoft Office applications and cause erratic behavior.

To eliminate the problems, users must download a "removal tool" from Microsoft.com. A "patch" can also be downloaded to protect a computer from being infected.

While the Blaster Worm and

SoBig.F produced little more than headaches and frustrations across campus, ITD is trying to focus on preventing the next, possibly more destructive viruses.

They will be enabling virus quarantine on e-mail relays and not delivering e-mails with questionable attachments. Infected computers will be blocked from accessing campus networks. Therefore, if students receive "e-mail rejected" messages, they can assume they have been infected.

Students can take protection into their own hands, according to Webster, by taking a few simple steps.

First, install anti-virus software.

The university offers students free Symantec Anti-Virus software on <http://www.ncsu.edu/antivirus/>. Once installed, Webster encourages students to update definitions and apply OS patches regularly, as well.

These patches can be downloaded directing from the operat-

ing systems Web site and users are often notified when new patches become available.

It is always best to use caution when working on a network or with e-mail, according to Webster.

Do not open unexpected attachments or files that have strange names or types.

"Even if you get a message from people you know, move it out of the way and confirm it with the person," Webster said. "Many [viruses] hunt through files and address books to find e-mail addresses and begin sending messages both ways."

If using Outlook Express, a popular feature on many student computers, Webster suggests disabling preview mode because many viruses can be activated that way.

The university also offers free computer help at the ITD Web site at: www.ncsu.edu/it.



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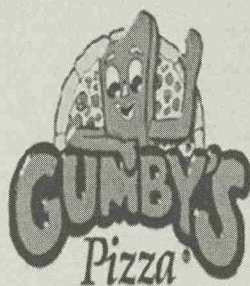
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"Dirty Pretty Things"

*** 1/2

Starring: Chiwetel Ejiofor, Audrey Tautou
Director: Stephen Frears

In viewing the trailer for "Dirty Pretty Things" after seeing the film itself, it became quickly obvious that just because a film plays out differently from its advertisements, it's not always a bad thing. Especially when the trailer contains two minutes of fast, suspenseful music playing under the trailer's narrator, who adds more dramatic emphasis to each syllable than your average sports commentator.

The film advertised in the "Dirty Pretty Things" trailers looked to be one of the fastest-paced, most suspenseful and mindless thrillers ever made. Luckily, director Stephen Frears delivers nothing less than the kind of character-driven morality tale that we've come to expect from him.

Set in the heart of London, the film follows the "the people you don't see." There's Okwe (Chiwetel Ejiofor, a relative newcomer that you can bet on seeing more of), a man who had been a doctor in Nigeria before leaving it to work as a daytime taxi-driver and nighttime hotel clerk. He lives with Senay (Audrey Tautou, the titular character from "Amelie"), who came to London to escape an arranged marriage and has strong feelings for Okwe. Their manager at the hotel is Juan, who runs a very illegal operation that, as he puts it, focuses on delivering happiness.

Okwe's world takes a strange turn one night when someone recommends that he check out room 510, which seems perfectly ordinary, save the water flowing out of the toilet. Upon closer inspection, he finds the reason for the collage: a fully intact human heart.

The kind of suspense that the film builds is exactly the kind we've come to expect from Frears, whether he's working with comedy (his 2000 masterpiece "High Fidelity") or drama ("The Grifters"). His style works surprisingly well for suspense in "Dirty Pretty Things," if only by the way he distracts a viewer. His camera and actors are focused very intensely on the reasons why these characters do what they do; this focus leads the viewer off enough for one twist after another to slip right through the radar and achieve a greater surprise than most directors ever find.

The only complaint with "Dirty Pretty Things" comes in two parts. The film begins rather slowly, almost halting a time or two, but picks up the momentum in such a way that voids that entirely. A dynamic final 30 minutes almost always makes up for a slower first 30; it's the reverse that kills movies. But it's the last few minutes, the minutes that drag on for moments longer than they should, that almost throw the entire picture off.

But when a film is as tense and interesting as "Dirty Pretty Things" is, it takes more than a few slow minutes to derail it. Even if it's not half as action-packed as it's misleading, frantically paced trailer. -JIF

And Now ... Ladies and Gentlemen

*** 1/2

Starring: Jeremy Irons, Patricia Kaas
Director: Claude Lelouch

You may think about skipping another French love story with the all-too-overdone poster, but you might find "And Now ... Ladies and Gentlemen" to be smarter and more exciting than many of its counterparts.

It begins in France, as sly jewel thief Valentin Valentin (Jeremy Irons) decides to buy a racing boat for a journey around the world, leaving his significant other (Alessandra Martines) behind. Meanwhile, after a painful love triangle, a nightclub singer, Jane Lester (Patricia Kaas) also decides to go away, and as fate would have it, they both end up semi-stranded in exotic Morocco with identical symptoms of mild, reoccurring amnesia. Director Claude Lelouch shows a mastery of selective color and framing throughout the beautifully shot film. When the characters begin to zone out with amnesia, the color seems to subtly wash out of their faces.

Irons plays the masquerading jewel thief with a great performance similar to the charisma of Bruce Willis's different identities in "The Jackal," allowing Lelouch to play with the audience's expectations through an untrustworthy narrator, of sorts. Not that there is a narrator or voice-over, but some of the scenes are highly subjective, and clever placement of flashbacks does demand attention of the audience.

Unfortunately, there are several unnecessary subplots that don't seem to contribute much to the overall narrative. The film is rated PG-13, but could almost be PG, for it has minor language, but for the most part, no nudity or violence.

"And Now ... Ladies and Gentlemen" boils down to a dramatic love story with inevitable closure of the narrative in the end, but the setting, cinematography, and character performances redeem the film for those who aren't super excited about love stories. -AN

"Owning Mahowny"

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Starring: Philip Seymour Hoffman, Minnie Driver
Director: Richard Kwietniowski

"Owning Mahowny" is the perfect film for those who enjoy multi-tasking. It's best enjoyed while either eating, talking, knitting, writing, reading, studying, making out, drawing pictures, doing taxes, shooting off bottle rockets or any other combination of activities. Just as long as it's not enjoyed by itself.

To be fair, most films that ask the question "Why" instead of the "What happened" <I>are</I> typically slower than usual ("In the Bedroom," for instance). But it's also worth noting that when compared to "Mahowny," those other, slower films start to look like they might have adrenaline-inspiring forces after all.

Following Assistant Bank Manager Dan Mahowny (Philip Seymour Hoffman, "25th Hour"), "Mahowny" is the true story of a man who not only managed to steal over \$10 million in the early 1980s, but managed to lose it all as well. And that's not even factoring in the losses of dignity, pride and his job, and the near loss of his girlfriend Belinda (Minnie Driver, "Good Will Hunting"), who could easily make back the millions he lost if she could teach the world how to be as extraordinarily patient and forgiving as she is at all times.

The acting in "Mahowny" is so top-notch that it makes the dreary pace seem all the more boring, and pushing the viewer to wonder how great the film could have been with some serious fine-tuning. Hoffman shines as the cheap-skate leading a double life, barely ever raising his voice above a whisper or his eyelid above your average chair. He's just as serious when he cheaply vetoes his girlfriend's dining preference ("Can we get out of there

in less than \$30?") as he is before he loses \$9 million in a matter of hours. He's compelled by gambling itself, not caring so much about winning or losing as much as he is about his ability to keep on gambling.

This insight into the gambler's mind, however realistic it may be, could have easily been made in about an hour, this statement being made after spending at least 30 minutes wondering "Is this going to go anywhere?" The first hour is so boring that when the plot does thicken, it seems like a rushed ending, even though the clock would lead one to believe otherwise.

At the end of that first hour the entire theater was moving around. People were refilling drinks, using the bathroom and shifting to find the most comfortable spot in the seat. Despite the constant rustling of papers, cups and seats, it was easy to not miss anything of importance.

The performance that Minnie Driver gives, too, ends up seeming more like the filmmaker's view of the perfect audience member than an appropriate girlfriend for Mahowny, for if every audience member would loyally stay through such intense boredom and having all of one's personal desires ignored, "Owning Mahowny" could have been a hit. -JIF

The Medallion

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Starring: Jackie Chan, Claire Forlani

Picture a Hong Kong police officer in another country showing up the local police and romancing a little on the side -- yes, that's the plot of all Jackie Chan movies. The Medallion (his eighty-ninth film) barely deviates from what we've seen time and time again. Plot and character development remain shallow, but the gung-ho stunts and fight sequences are still <I>somewhat</I> worthwhile.

Chan plays Officer Eddie Yang who has no choice but to work with the goofy Interpol officer Watson (Lee Evans) in order to rescue a kidnapped boy from a crook named Snakehead (Julian Sands). The boy is the holder of a mythological medallion that bestows life and exceptional powers, and it is this medallion that later enables Eddie to fly around "Matrix" style.

As the film opens, we see some seemingly serious establishing shots, then a cut to a long-haired Yang, who is speaking to and feeding a random dog on the sidewalk, foreshadowing of cheesiness to come.

Substandard, disjointed acting cripples any notion of narrative. The brilliantly named Snakehead never develops into a threatening villain, preventing any audience sympathy towards the comical Eddie or the idiotic Watson. With no element of suspense or character chemistry, it is all up to the wire-harness stunts to carry the film for an hour and a half.

Not helping matters is the unimaginative soundtrack. It's heavily pop influenced and sporadic, going from Avril Lavigne to a remake of "Twist and Shout" with no regard to continuity. The soundtrack even sinks as low as to have slapstick cues at moments; for example, when Chan's love interest Nicole James (Claire Forlani) arrives, the soundtrack becomes abruptly romantic for a brief moment.

And yet, the closing outtakes (the Jackie Chan trademark) do always provide a little final comedic redemption, keeping everything lighthearted and feel-good. -AN

'The Dark Tower' Shines

"The Dark Tower Volume One - The Gunslinger" by Stephen King

Ben Kraudel

Staff Reader

Thirty years makes a difference; best-selling authors may be surprised when they look back on work they did three decades ago. Stephen King set the example over the summer by releasing a new version of the first book of his epic seven-book series, "The Dark Tower." Originally written when King was 22, this new version, revised and expanded throughout, shines a light on what he's learned since 1970.

Throughout the novel, King's imagery is sharper and his story even more entrancing. Inspired by Robert Browning's poem, "Childe Roland to the Dark Tower Came," the beginning of King's epic is as addictive as ever.

At that point where an author has to add just enough without overhauling the entire book, King makes a couple of good changes and several excellent expansions. The craft is much clearer in this version, but the story is what really draws the reader in.

"The Gunslinger" picks up with the story's hero, Roland of Gilead, nearing the end of the first half of his journey. As he chases the story's antagonist, the man in black, whom he calls Marten across the desert, little is revealed about the world of the Gunslinger. Only occasional glimpses of what he is and where he comes from are made clear.

The years leading up to his chase in the desert are a mystery, and remain so for several books, though allusions are made

often. Roland has not always been alone, but he has been by himself in his search of the Tower for quite a while when the story begins.

Set in a world much like our own and yet very alien, Roland is the last of a noble breed of gunslingers. Much like knights, these gunslingers protected and served, but, as King reminds us often, the world has moved on.

Roland's recent memories bring us to the town of Tull, where the man in black left him several surprises, and where the townsfolk sit in a saloon, drinking and singing "Hey Jude." Roland's world is comfortable, yet chilling, like a waking dream.

Like many of King's novels, "The Gunslinger" often seems to whisper inside jokes to the reader. Sometimes these jokes involve King's other books but most of the time they're just about our society. King shows us present day artifacts with Roland's unknowing eyes, and the reader has to wonder if perhaps Roland's past is our future.

Above all else, "The Gunslinger" does exactly what the first book of a series should do: it leaves the reader with a taste of a different world, a taste that lingers and quickly turns into a hunger. King's "Tower" leaves his audience ravenous, and before long all four of the current novels are consumed and the reader is looking anxiously toward November, when King's fifth "Tower" book, "The Wolves of Calla," hits shelves. With the series now complete, and King issuing the books out over the next year and a half, it's a good time to begin the quest for the Tower.

Stephen King developed into a driving force in contemporary fiction a long time ago, but these books remind us why. There are not many stories that explore the unexplainable drive that Roland shows in his search of the Tower. There are fewer written with the experience and story-telling artistry of Stephen King.

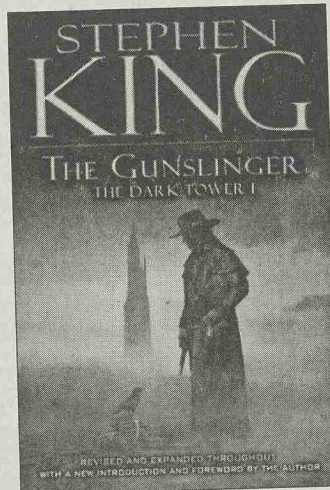
"The man in black fled across the desert, and the gunslinger followed." It isn't long after reading the book's first words that the reader knows they'll be following right behind.

Bargain Bin:

"Eyes of the Dragon" by Stephen King
\$2.95, paperback
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Another of King's early works that is far less horror and for more fantasy, "Eyes of the Dragon" provides a deeper look at his early works as a storyteller. While the plot doesn't provide many twists to which we've grown accustomed, "Dragon" is really a bedtime story for adults. A long-dead queen, a senile king, an evil magician and two young princes make up the main cast of characters, and when the king is murdered and the older prince framed, no one thinks to look towards the wizard. The story flashes a look ahead at places King will visit in his other novels, i.e., the ageless magician sharing the name of the Antichrist in "The Stand" and the kingdom that rings strangely reminiscent of Gilead, with an aged king named Roland.

While no one should read "Dragon" looking for the artistry of language that could only come to King with time, there are moments where it becomes clear why King became America's best-selling novelist. For anyone looking for something to pass the time and take them to a nearly Arthurian world of knights and magic, "Eyes of the Dragon" is an excellent choice.





TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

SEGREGAYTION

OUR OPINION: NEW YORK CITY'S SCHOOL FOR GAY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT FAILS TO MIMIC THE REAL WORLD.

New York City public schools have opened the country's first public high school specifically for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students.

The Harvey Milk School, recently expanded for a cost of \$3.2 million, will accept nearly a 100 students this fall, most of them of an alternative sexual persuasion.

Proponents for the school point out that many of the students that the school aims to attract have a higher propensity to dropout than others because they are targets for harassment.

In a 2001 survey by the Gay Lesbian and Straight Education Network, 83 percent of gay high school students said they received harassment for their sexual orientation. Seventy

percent of the respondents also said that they felt unsafe to go to school.

It is the hope of the NYC Department of Education that such a school will provide for a more comfortable environment for gays while taking classes.

While the attempt is a commendable one, the program essentially accounts to a level of "segregation," and promotes an internal culture that does not mimic the real world.

Instead of fixing the real issue at hand - gay students being bullied in class - taking these high schoolers out of regular classes to an alternative school will do nothing to change an anti-gay mentality of those bullies.

The new school also fails to mirror the world outside the class walls. Rarely will any of these students encounter a situation in public society that will afford them the comforts

that this school purports. Indeed, there is no gay college for these students to continue their education.

The students at "regular" schools will be the lesser as well - as they will be denied the experiences of working with those with differing lifestyles.

The resources expended could be better spent in anti-discrimination efforts and programs such as Gay/Straight Alliance found in many regular high schools to foster understanding between two groups.

While the reasoning behind this school is noble, the reality is that the students will not get a "real-world" education. They will not experience a diverse range of experience that their straight counterparts will; interacting with students with varying backgrounds. If the idea behind education is to expand horizons, Harvey Milk High fails to do that.

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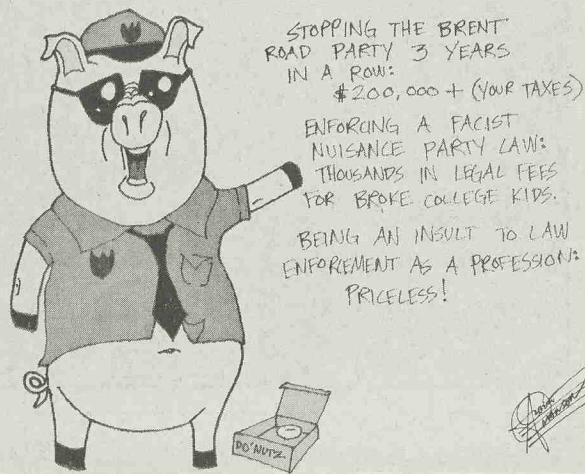
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THERE ARE SOME THINGS MONEY CAN'T BUY. THE RALEIGH POLICE DEPARTMENT ISN'T ONE OF 'EM.

Cash rules everything around me

Readin', writin' and 'rithmetic--all being threatened by budget cuts. Matt Campbell tackles tough teaching styles with a shrinking budget

Chances are that you are reading this paper while sitting in class; avoiding the already nauseating drone of a new professor who is lecturing out of your boring textbooks. Gee, this sure is awesome. Well, we are all in the same boat. No worries though because after class we can all go enjoy the sunshine, play our favorite sports, and enjoy the scenery by taking out your camera or sketch pad. Any other extracurricular activities are to be left out of this column. But imagine you can't go and do those things. You don't have the time, money, or resources. Instead you will walk over to your next droning professor only to have it end with work due for said droning professors.



Matt Campbell
 Staff Columnist

Schools across the country are feeling the effects of a slumping economy; facing budget cuts across the board. When money is hard to come by, something has to go. In college we see classes cancelled and programs and organizations nixed. In the lower grades, the all too common trend is the disappearance of physical education, art, and music programs. Mixed in with the fact that these programs were sparse anyway, as well as the pressure of the No Child Left Behind Act, students have the pleasure of learning in an environment absent of creative teaching methods and physical activity. So while no children are left behind, it seems as though no children will be getting ahead either.

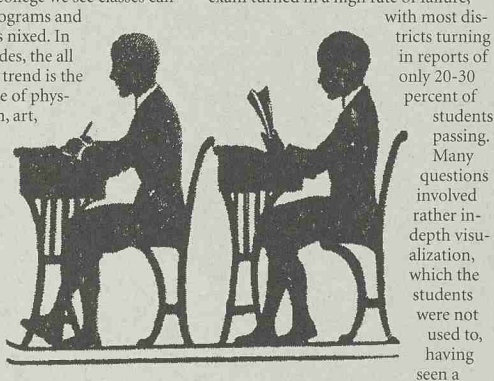
Budget cuts are also affecting the purchase of new computer software, new editions of textbooks, and toilet paper. Ah, toilet paper, one of those luxuries in life that you really start to take for granted. Some states have to cut back on school staff especially nurses, cafeteria staff, and classroom aides. Administrators are facing multiple responsibilities and teachers have more classes, with more students in each but are without proper educational supplies.

In a time where creative learning techniques are being shown as more beneficial than other approaches and ADD is being diagnosed more than condoms are given out in the brickyard, students are facing a straightforward school setting, with higher standards and departments fighting for the bare minimum of funding. The only consistency is the fact that teachers would be better off getting

paid in a currency of small snacks and shiny rocks. Hooray for status quo!

This is a drastic reality for schools that have tried to keep their students in an unrealistic utopia full of school uniforms and gym classes without dodge ball or anything else that would be considered "competitive". Now schools can't even afford the ball. While schools are trying to level the field by raising standards and implementing rigorous testing, the nation on the whole is falling behind other countries in many educational categories. It's somewhat ironic to see in a time of intense patriotism. I guess we don't have it all right, Commander.

Higher standards plus the lack of educational funding has not only affected out of the classroom activities as the effect has reached inside the classrooms as well. Teachers are forced to abandon the use of creative tools in the classroom such as art supplies and computers and if they do choose to use these methods, the money is coming directly from them. Higher standards and poorly funded classrooms had much to do with last spring's testing debacle in New York state. High school students taking the Math "A" statewide Regents exam turned in a high rate of failure,



more direct, kamikaze teaching style. We have always been told that there is more to school than what you learn in the classroom and I am a firm believer in that statement. These latest trends will soon show that not only are athletics, arts, and social interaction and part of the school environment, they also make the system that is school work. Many students get out of bed everyday because of gym, recess, or band practice. That is what motivates them to go to school and motivates them to learn and succeed in the other courses. Educational funding should be the last thing to be cut, in fact, it should never be cut. Don't steal away kickball or art class. Let us keep naptime and music programs and, for Pete's sake, give us some damn toilet paper.

If you are ever in a financial bind, this column can serve as a nice replacement for toilet paper. E-mail Matt at viewpoint@technicianstaff.com with anything you want to say... except for complaints about the rough texture of said column

Recalling the media

With everything happening in the world, it seems the media can only focus on the California recall election. Andrew Dugan explores this discrepancy in coverage.

Summer vacation and relaxation maybe coming at a close for many, but the bulk of the mainstream media organizations are still lingering in their lawn chairs, basking under the hot California sun.

It's a place they have been virtually all summer. Indeed, a few cases have momentarily asked them to divert their attention elsewhere: political melee in the

U.S. House that resulted in the unjustifiable expulsion of some Democratic lawmakers, the continued struggle with North Korea, tragic bombings in Israel and Palestine help remind the media to keep track of the so called "road map" to peace, and, of course, Iraq-- that bothersome country that so often calls on media pundits to stop focusing on the candidates of the California recall and remember we have troops stuck in a very volatile and dangerous environment.

But these distractions are temporary, despite the media's notable attempt to immortalize the care free spirit of summer and make it immune to seasonal changes. There is much debate, most of it quite intense, whether the media carries a liberal or a conservative bias or, though few espouse this last classification, none at all. Each side has an ample amount of examples to support their hypothesis, as proved by the various thoughtful books produced on the eternal question, such as Slander by Ann Coulter and What Liberal Media? by Eric Alterman. Read, if you like, and decide,

if you can.

There is a more general bias in the mainstream media, as exemplified by the media's irrational and ubiquitous coverage of the California recall this summer, and that bias is in favor of all things absurd. This summer the media made us all focus on an election that would bear no consequence to a great many of its viewing audience simply because a Hollywood actor may once again take the reigns of California (the Regan revolution began here). In the summer of 2002, the entire country was warned of a great child-napping epidemic that was greatly exaggerated and even the summer before that the media focused highly on shark attacks, of all insane things, even though the number of overall shark attacks had actually decreased from the year before.

As I have suggested before, the media does not limit their indulgence to the summer. That would be far too austere for their spoiled tastes. Consequential and historic news is all too often sacrificed for stories that, though frightening or humorous, are isolated and possess little to no historic implication. A common presidential speech may make it into the back of the pages or enjoy very little air time on television, but the whole public will know if he chokes on a pretzel for a few seconds. A close and almost unpredictable race for a presidential nomination may be now in full swing, but that fares poorly when stacked up against an unscheduled gubernatorial race that features an actor as one of the candidates. Most of all, news about politics-- a realm many in the news industry believe their viewers or readers to unintelligent or uninterested to keep up with-- can only rarely be more pressing than news

dealing with the mind boggling realm of entertainment.

No one can blame the executives of the various news organizations for sticking to the stories that will draw the greatest amount of readers or viewers-- they are, after all, businessmen and women and they strive to increase the bottom line. But that itself is the problem. While a true democracy cannot deny the private sector the right to publish whatever they deem newsworthy, does it have to limit the news exclusively to the that industry? The British Broadcasting Corporation has long been held in the greatest esteem by professional journalist and social commentators for its insightful news coverage. The BBC is funded by the government of Britain, which is usually a recipe for state run media that only aims to indoctrinate rather to inform, but the BBC is granted full autonomy. The BBC's independence has been irrefragably proven over this past summer, as the news organization played in instrumental role in breaking the stories about the false British information that used to help convince both the American and British public that their countries should go to war with Iraq. Surely, Tony Blair wishes he had more control over the BBC right now. America has a few public funded broadcast companies, but none have the resources to provide the exhaustive news coverage the BBC performs.

This is just one possible solution that might help redress the hysteria of our present day media. It seems as that principle has become a bit difficult for them to recall. Perhaps, then, we recall them, so to speak.

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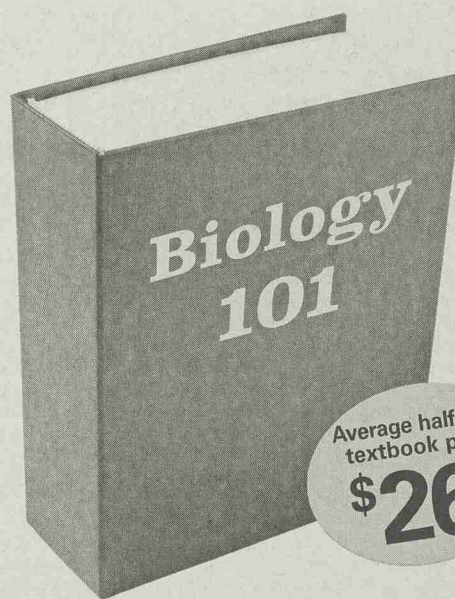
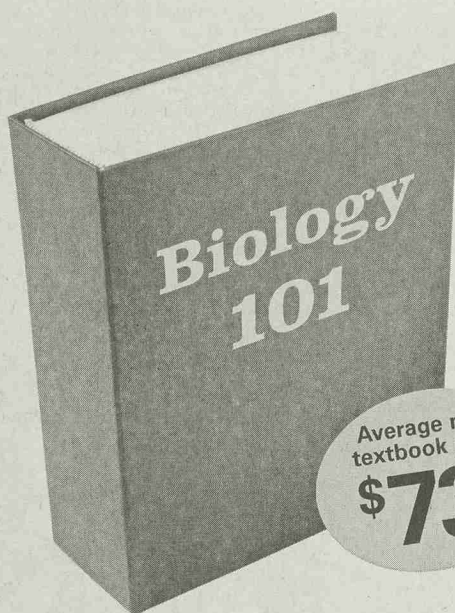
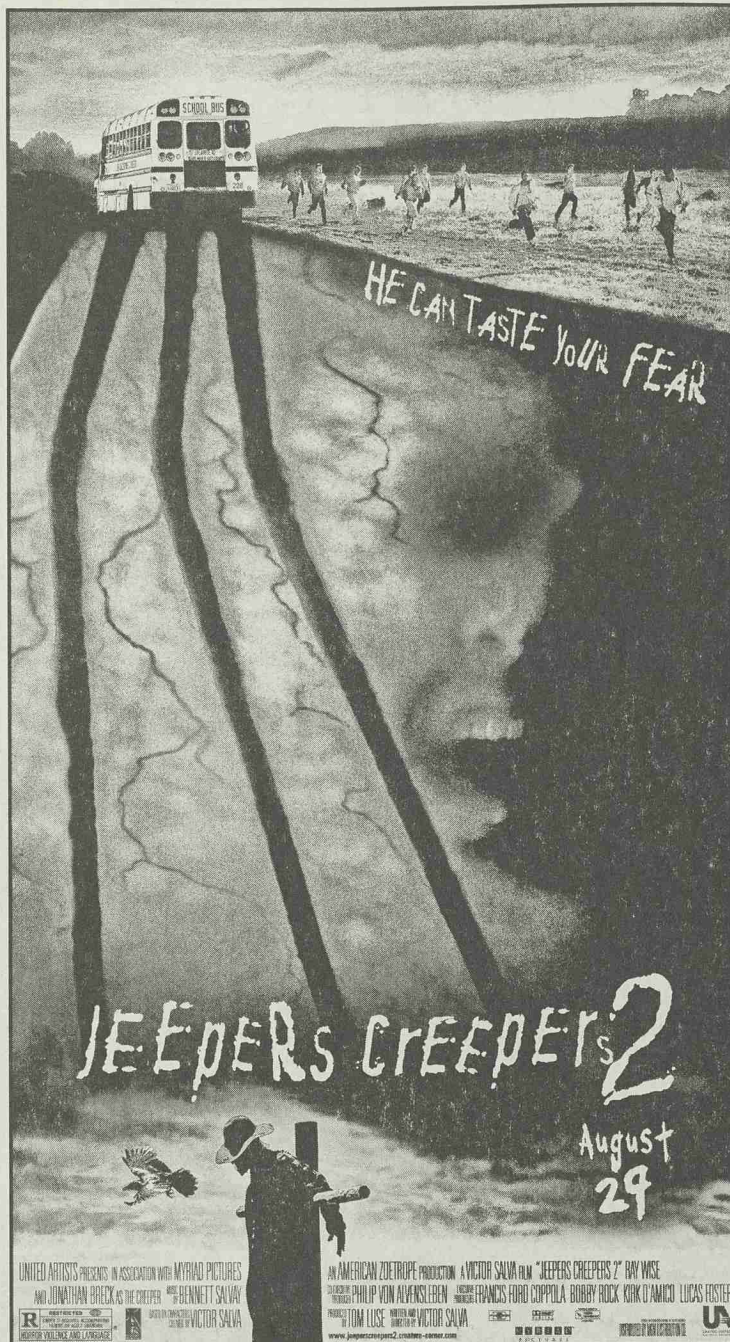
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Lou Holtz.

That Chuck Amato played on N.C. State's best football teams in the late 60s -- at least teams that were the best before he came back to his alma mater to coach some 30 years later.

You need to know that N.C. State likes turning history into

pavement. See Riddick Stadium. You need to know there's more than just football and basketball.

That gymnastics and cross country and track and golf and baseball and women's soccer are and have been competitive.

You need to know State's men's soccer team hasn't always been this bad - it went to an NCAA Final Four just over a decade ago.

You need to know the origin

of "Cardiac Pack." About the moment that sent a million screaming fans to the Brickyard one early April night in 1983.

You need to know the significance of "Don't ever give up." And you need to know how to get around Siberia on foot. Cause if you fail, that's where you'll be.

See you at the exam.

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graduates."

Frede also knows she has more responsibilities besides wins.

For one, she'll be counted on as a leader on and off the court. She's also expected to pass the torch to the younger players who will take over the libero position after she leaves.

"[It's] a position that doesn't

get a lot of ink," Byrne said.

"It's not a position that, from a spectator's view, probably gets as much recognition as a hitter might with kills, but it's amazing how a defensive player can really lift the team and lead, especially with the big momentum changes that this game has that the defense can start.

"It's an extremely important position in our program. People can lead in this position and with her being a senior, she knows

what needs to get done for the team to be successful."

This may be the season the Pack crawls out of the ACC cellar. And while Frede isn't going to make any promises, she does feel that State can win some matches.

"I think we have a good chance of beating anyone in the ACC," she said. "If we come out fired-up and ready, we can jump on any opponent. Every time out, we'll have to play like it's our last game."

Schedule
Football vs. Western Carolina, 8/30, 6
Women's soccer @ Charleston Tournament, 8/29-31
Men's soccer vs. Georgia Southern, 8/30, 2
Cross country @ adidas Invitational, 9/13

Scores
No games scheduled

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A study guide

Suppose N.C. State enacted a new graduation policy.

Couldn't get a degree until you passed a basic sports history exam.



Andrew Carter
Staff Columnist

conversation last week in the Brickyard:

Henchman: Who is David Thompson?

Brickyarder: Wasn't he that guy who scored the winning shot in '84?

Henchman: It was 1983, and no, that's not him.

Brickyarder: Didn't he do that "Never give up speech thingy?"

Henchman: Not to my knowledge.

Brickyarder: Oh yeah, I know him. He had an afro. Wore No. 44. Played in the ABA. Right?

Henchman: I've had enough. My boss doesn't pay me enough to deal with this. Give me your wallet.

See. Ignorance is not so bliss. Not with my henchmen walking about, and not with this impending sports history exam. It's time to get prepared. Therefore, you need to know:

About David Thompson. The greatest college basketball player in ACC history. This is undebatable. Led N.C. State to the 1974 national championship and was three-time ACC player of the year. He had the hops of a steroid-enraged kangaroo. Took the game of basketball above the rim, even in an era in which the dunk was illegal.

The old timers will say, "He could take a quarter off the top of the backboard and leave two dimes and a nickel." But did you know he could also take two eggs and a block of cheddar off the top of the backboard and leave an omelet? The man had that much hops.

About Everett Case. Imagine reality television without "Survivor." Imagine the science of breast implants without Pam Anderson. Imagine poor sportsmanship without Bob Knight.

Multiply all that by 11, and that's ACC basketball without Case. Because his N.C. State teams were so dominant in the 1950s, other area programs (North Carolina and Duke) put a premium on basketball. Case practically signed the Declaration of Independence for the ACC when it formed in 1953.

About Reynolds Coliseum. Host to the first 13 ACC men's basketball tournaments and home to many of the greatest players in ACC history, Reynolds stands a living museum. Go in there and breathe the air sometime - it still smells like 1970s popcorn. Close your eyes and see the memories. Walk around and hear the old chants and C.A. Dillon on the mike. Sit in the last row of the upper deck, and imagine what used to be. Feel the mystique. Leave with your ears ringing, as millions did over the 50 years it was home to N.C. State basketball. Better yet, go see the women play. Bonus points if you can explain in three pages or less why the men should have never left.

About the Wolfpack's simple gems. You need to know who Kay Yow is. And that Kay is in the Basketball Hall of Fame. That Lou Holtz coached N.C. State football before he became

Volleyball

yearns for consistency



AUSTIN GRAY/TECHNICIAN

The volleyball team works through drills at a practice earlier this week.

An influx of youthful talent and veteran leadership may help bring N.C. State volleyball back into ACC contention.

Memie Ezike

Staff Writer

It is something no team ever wants to experience, but losing was a chronic pain for coach Mary Byrne and her N.C. State volleyball team last year.

A plague of injuries, coupled with an inexperienced team and bad breaks, doomed the Pack all season.

It is tough for a group of competitive, dedicated players to go through a season with 32 losses and winless in the conference. Yet, there is an evident feeling of optimism prevalent among the NCSU volleyball program for the 2003 season.

The team feels it will perform much better this year, thanks in part to an experienced nucleus of players, strong depth at all positions and a successful 2003 spring season. Eleven players will return from last year, providing valuable experience. Most importantly, the team is motivated with the disappointment of last season's 3-32 record driving it forward.

The team began preparing last January for this season. Byrne and her players dedicated much of their time to improving the intangibles they did not have last season.

"We needed to work a lot with the chemistry of this team; we needed to work a lot with the leadership of this team," Byrne said. "There's definitely been much more of a commitment with this team and accountability for the players to be successful this fall."

The Pack's arsenal for this year includes four new players, three of whom are freshmen. Byrne expects them to make a significant imprint on the upcoming season.

"Paige Gilliam is a junior college transfer from Iowa Central, and we expect her to have a large impact on our team with her experience, athleticism, and competitiveness," Byrne said.

"Julia Reis, a freshman who comes to us from Brazil, also has a lot of experience at setter that we will need."

At this point, Byrne was quick to note the team's deep bench still has a lot of inexperience that it must work through.

"Most of our players on the court still have only one or two years experience, so I don't feel we are where we want to be yet," Byrne said. "As the season goes along, we should get stronger with each match."

The injury bug bit the Wolfpack hard last year. Three

of the Pack's leading players, middle blockers Sarah Ensminger and Maya Mapp and right side hitter Amy Cochran, all went down with some form of injury.

However, Byrne is confident that this year, her team can continue to succeed, even if struck by injury.

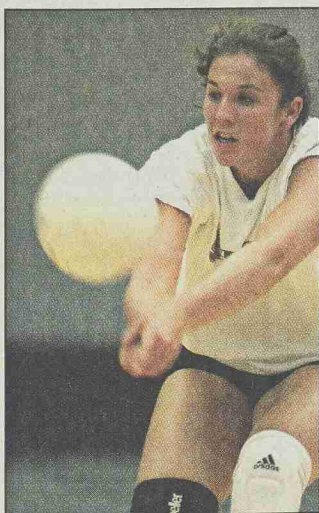
"Anytime you lose a player, it is going to impact your team," Byrne said. "However, I don't think injuries will impact us this year as much as they did last year because of our depth. We are taking measures this year to stay healthy."

The competitiveness within the team has been evident this off-season, for Byrne has not yet been able to hammer out a starting rotation, although the team's first match is this Friday.

"It's been pretty competitive. We may go through the first two tournaments changing lineups and playing people at different positions," Byrne said.

"Hopefully, by the beginning of the conference season, we will have a steady rotation that we can rely on."

The Pack's season kicks off against the University of Buffalo in Buffalo, N.Y. on Friday. Byrne summed up her team's goals in a simple set of three words: "Consistency, strength and wins."



Caroline Frede.

Frede, veterans hungry for victories

Caroline Frede leads a team ready to end the N.C. State volleyball team's futility.

Jay Kohler
Senior Staff Writer

Unfortunately for the Wolfpack faithful, N.C. State volleyball has become synonymous with the futility of Duke football and Florida State basketball.

Under head coach Mary Byrne, who took over for Kim Hall after the 2000 season, State has gone a combined 9-53 over the past two years.

Last season, the Pack finished a miserable 3-32, which includes a 0-16 record in ACC competition. Even so, Byrne and her team are hopeful -- and hungry. Especially the seniors.

Crystal Shannon and Caroline Frede, two of State's three seniors, have yet to see a season in which the Pack has won more than 10 games.

In fact, since Shannon and Frede have been at State, they have witnessed just 18 wins and 75 losses.

It's difficult for a player like Frede to keep on fighting while it seems like the Pack cannot get its head above water.

"At first it's kind of tough to keep practicing and pressing

and not winning, but the team still has that strength and willingness to go out and play, so we still believe we can beat anyone as long as we show up to play," Frede said.

"Now that I'm leaving, I feel that it's very, very important for me to win but I'm also helping for the next few years."

A senior from St. Charles, Ill., Frede had success in high school. Her team went to the conference championship every year, including a showing in the state quarterfinals.

At State, she has been a defensive specialist. This led to her becoming the libero player for State when the position was added to the volleyball team this past year.

"That's the role that she fills in our program," Byrne said. "There are matches in which she has had some incredible defensive play."

That really lifts up the team when you have those types of plays. We expect for her to strengthen her play in this role for her senior season.

She has worked hard in order to reach her goals for this year. She'd definitely like to see some wins before she

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