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UNC proposes personnel program

So far N.C. State and UNC-Chapel Hill refuse to support the proposed computer program.

Cetty Abraham
Senior Staff Reporter

A new computer program has been proposed for all 16 UNC system schools, and its students are going to have to foot the bill.

The new system would serve as a warehouse for storing administration data for the UNC schools, allowing them to input and store information in an identical format. In addition, the schools would be easily able to share this information for such things as Human Resources, Records and Registration, and finances. This readily available information is also necessary for the Board of Governors, Board of Trustees, the chancellors, and would have to be condensed in a format for the General Assembly.

The system overhaul would run about \$22 million.

Jonathan Ducote, President of the ASG, sees the proposed computer system as part convenience, part necessity. "While the systems that are currently in place at each campus vary from one another, they've been working to date. Why change something that's been working so far?" he says.

Most problematic with the proposal is timing. The UNC administrators have been trying to get funding for the project for some time. The proposal was first brought up to the General Assembly in October 2000, but was not fulfilled because of the high cost of the project in light of statewide budget cuts. However, the issue is now in the hands of the Board of Governors, which is soon expected to approve of the system overhaul.

N.C. State has so far refused to go along with the new computer program. It recently implemented its own system to manage administration functions, and the process of mastering the program took a few years. UNC-Chapel Hill also does not plan on going along with the system change. According to Robyn Render, Vice President for Information Resources and CIO, the school does not feel that the system meets the needs of a large research institution. "The two schools also describe the proposed program as disruptive, since they are not easy to learn, or use," Ducote states.

Ducote also points out that it doesn't matter if NCSU doesn't comply with the new computer system. "President Broad has said that it doesn't matter if NCSU doesn't use the same system; the end-products -- that is, the reports -- simply have to match in format as the other campuses," he states.

The price to pay for each individual campus would vary according to the student population. For NCSU students, this could translate into a \$300 increase in tuition per student to cover the re-engineering of the existing system. The problem is that students are being made to pay a fee for a service they would not directly benefit from themselves. Still, Render believes that the benefits are numerous and warrant a change. "The campuses using the system will have a set of common business rules and be able to share information and support the system, saving effort, time and money," she states.

Render maintains that the system overhaul will be necessary. "In addition to modern technology and functions, the new system will enable more self service, web based interaction for students, faculty and campus employees," she elaborates.

The system overhaul would only take place in the next 3 to 4 years. Ducote's main concern is that the technical nature of the proposed system might make it hard for people to understand it, thereby discouraging any debate. "Still, the issue will need to be brought to public attention," he states. The General Assembly will have the final say in the project, and can even decide against UNC students being forced to fund it.

University Housing responds to students' mold complaints

Administrators speak out after students allege mold was found in their rooms.

Ben Akroyd
Staff Reporter

Despite claims by a few students that mold was found in their dorm rooms, administrators say they take extra steps and precautions to prevent excessive mold and mildew growth in the dorms.

The standing policy of University Housing is to service heating/air conditioning units four times a year in residence halls. The service includes cleaning the unit, changing out the filter, fixing any visible problems and putting an algae-retardant tablet in the condensation pan.

The policy "meets or exceeds the equipment manufacturers' recommended maintenance schedule" and has been in place for at least two years, according to Associate Vice Chancellor for Housing Tim Luckadoo.

In an earlier Technician article, former Wood Hall RA J Christopher, said he suspected his filter had not been changed regularly. He outlined his concerns, as well as

health problems his residents had experienced, in a memo to University Housing in October 2002.

In the memo, he said, "It was apparent that the filter was at least a year old."

Luckadoo said that is simply not possible.

Every year, housekeeping does an in-depth cleansing of every room on campus; referred to as "deep-cleaning" by University Housing employees, he said. Also, ten days before students move in to the dorm rooms, RAs go room to room checking for any problems - mold and mildew included.

When students move in, they fill out a resident check-in sheet. Residents write down any pre-existing problems on the sheet and turn it into the RA. Any serious problems are immediately addressed.

At some point during fall semester, fire fighters go to every room to inspect it to make sure they meet fire code. Luckadoo said that they also keep an eye open for obvious problems in the dorm rooms.

Over winter break, RAs are instructed to once again go room to room and check for problems. They check for a variety of things at this time, including any problems with excessive mold.

During spring semester, firefighters again check the rooms for fire code violations, with an eye out for any serious problems in the room.

Upon room checkout, RAs check the rooms for any damage or problems. Anything they find is addressed by housekeeping or facilities.

In Avent Ferry, where occasional flooding is a problem, flooded rooms have their carpets removed, and dehumidifiers placed in the rooms for a week. After that week, new carpet is installed.

Gary Thompson, assistant director for facilities for University Housing, said "we have spent tens of thousands of dollars in buildings increasing CFM [changes in air flow per minute]." Increasing CFM helps decrease the likelihood of mold growth.

Tim Blair, assistant director of housing for East Campus, said that the primer for paint used in Wood Hall is designed to help with moisture issues. Excessive moisture on walls is conducive to mold growth.

Upon publication of the Technician's article on mold concerns on



RAY BLACK III/TECHNICIAN

Cleaning equipment left outside a dorm room in Wood Hall on Monday. A student in the room had filled out a work request that his room had mold growth on the walls. Numerous rooms and air conditioning units in Wood Hall have been cleaned in recent days. Only two cases of mold have been found.

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Faculty senate discusses campus safety and tuition

Chancellor addresses issues brought up at the previous meeting.

Charles Duncan
Staff Reporter

Chancellor Marye Anne Fox addressed campus safety and tuition and budget issues at the Faculty Senate meeting on Tuesday.

Fox updated the senate on safety concerns that were raised at the last meeting. Fox has asked N.C. State Public Security and the Campus Police Chief to appoint a committee to address issues of campus safety; the chancellor's

office will also appoint members. This committee will provide input on effective community security measures, including the pros and cons of security devices such as video cameras, access cards and requiring people to show identification to access certain resources.

Fox noted possible problems that could come from increased security, such as restricted movement on a land grant university, possible negative academic effects from restricted movement and privacy issues.

Fox has asked this safety committee to make a recommendation within 90

days.

Fox discussed a possible tuition increase in upcoming semesters, but made a distinction between a tuition increase initiated by the university as opposed to an increase initiated by the North Carolina legislature. An increase initiated by the university directly increases the university's budget. An increase by the legislature, however, has no effect on the university budget and will decrease state spending on the university.

For the university to initiate a tuition increase, the university must get approval from the state legislature. Last year, NCSU was

denied a request to initiate a university tuition increase by the legislature.

Fox said the university is under "political pressure to increase enrollment," which would increase the university's budget.

Attendance problems on Friday due to the adverse weather policy were also brought up at the meeting. One professor and member of the senate estimated that approximately only six out of 26 students attended class Friday. This was characterized by the senate member as a "communications concern" between the university and the students.



PETE ELLIS/TECHNICIAN

Chancellor Fox speaks of tuition increases for enrollment funding at Tuesday's Faculty Senate meeting.

Campus Police ride-along

Officer responds to a 911 call that proves to be a false alarm.

[Editor's Note: Throughout the next month, Anna Kroyer will join Campus Police on ride-alongs each week. She will report the occurrences of that day and introduce the officer that she rode with to the student body.]

Anna Kroyer
Staff Reporter

On Sept. 17, Corporal Robert Guy worked zone 250, which includes the N.C. State vet school, stadium area, research farms and all other neighboring campus properties. The campus is broken into patrol zones and officers are assigned to different zones daily.

Guy conducted several patrols of his assigned zone from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. When coming into campus, he would also stop at other parking lots and areas to assist other patrol officers.

The goal of Campus Police is to cover everything, to monitor all areas of campus and be aware of any possible criminal activity.

During parking lot patrols, Guy explained his personal experiences in vehicle and property theft. He said that students with nice stereos often unconsciously advertise their expensive equipment by simply playing it loud. Even with tinted windows and hidden equipment, if someone is playing their music loud, it is obvious to criminals and you become a potential target. People will often sit in parking lots or cruise around looking for target vehicles to follow into a parking lot.

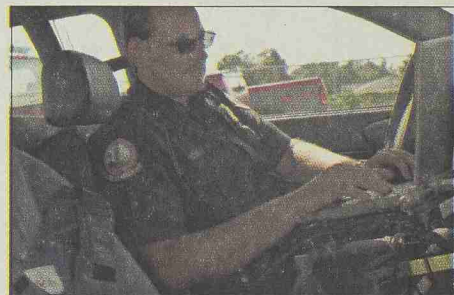
Around 3 p.m., Guy responded to a 911 hang-up at the vet school. These calls are common with the standard "9" dial out number on campus. Guy said that often a fax machine will provide the correct number combination and then pause long enough to warrant a response from Campus Police.

"Do we mind coming? No! It is our job. I'd much rather come out on a false call and nobody be hurt, than to find someone hurt by the bad guy," Guy said.

This call cleared by the time Guy arrived at the parking lot of the vet school's small animal clinic. Guy had responded code two - efficiently without lights and sirens. During the day, the amount of people make the vet school less of a target, but Guy explained how he likes to pay visits to these further reaching areas during off hours to ensure safety of students, faculty and staff who will work late into the night or on weekends.

Discussing campus safety, Guy said that the biggest problem tends to be students living in a carefree world. Students often prop doors open in dorm rooms or let in people that they do not know.

"If you are not responsible for your own safety, if you do not take the extra steps to protect yourself, there is nothing I can do to help you," Guy said.



ANNA KROYER/TECHNICIAN

Corporal Robert "Bobby" Guy is a day patrol officer and field training officer with the NCSU Campus Police.

Meet Officer Guy

Corporal Robert "Bobby" Guy is a day police patrol officer and field training officer. Guy's typical duties include patrolling parking lots, buildings and other campus areas looking for possible crime. He said that they do most of what typical police officers do. Yet, Campus Police work as a team to protect the various groups on campus, students, faculty, staff and visitors. Response to concerns and suspicions

of building liaisons is another duty of patrol officers.

In 1999, N.C. State Campus Police hired Guy as a patrol officer, after he completed basic law enforcement training in 1998. Before coming to NCSU, Guy was a Harnett County Correctional Officer.

The difference between being a correctional officer for the state and a patrol officer for

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Sept. 17, extra steps were taken in Wood to make sure that any mold problems were addressed.

Christopher, the RA who spoke as an unidentified source in the Sept. 17 article, resigned from his position.

"Before no one was listening," he said. "Now I have everyone's attention."

The timetable for filter replacement was moved up a week. RAs were instructed to ask all their residents if they wanted their rooms to be checked for any mold or mildew problems. Students in seventy-seven rooms said yes. Housing investigated the seventy-seven rooms, and found two instances of problems with mold, which were immediately taken care of, according to Luckadoo.

In the case of Jamie Pendergrass, who complained to Technician that a work order he submitted on Aug. 25 was not responded to for eight days, Luckadoo said that maintenance did, indeed, come to his room the day after the order was received.

Luckadoo said the reason that Pendergrass was not aware of this is because the crew did not leave a note indicating they had been in his room.

It is Housing's policy that maintenance crews leave notes telling residents when they have been in a room, and detailing what they did. The reason given by University Housing for the absence of the note was that the maintenance crew had run out of forms.

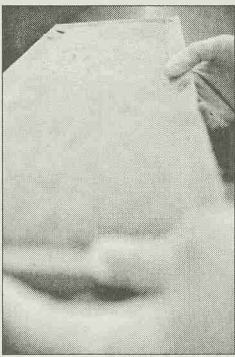
"It's understandable that the maintenance crew may have been out of their forms, however what prevented them from leaving a note on my dry erase board?" Pendergrass said.

Administrators in University Housing stressed that the air conditioning systems throughout campus are self contained, and not linked through a duct system.

The major problems with mold that NCCU had with mold that prompted them to close down two dorms were largely due to problems with the duct system. The ducts allowed the mold to spread throughout the building.

NCSU dorms do not share air the way some NCCU dorms do; each dorm room's air is self contained, say NCSU Housing officials.

Luckadoo admits there has been a slight increase in incidents involving mold this year, but attributes it to the higher than normal amounts of rain this summer. Blair stated that with the excessive precipitation, "it's taken the building a little



BEN AKROYD/TECHNICIAN

A dirty air conditioning filter from Wood Hall room 209h. An earlier caption identified the filter as a year old based on Former RA J Christopher's memo to University Housing. Luckadoo said this was "simply not possible." The filter was removed on Oct. 7, 2002.

longer to equalize."

Thompson said in regard to mold in Wood Hall, "Do we encounter mold? Sure we do, like any other building in the south [we have to deal with mold]...but we jump on it."

There have been six work orders concerning excess mold turned in Wood Hall since students moved in this year.

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NCSU was clear to Guy. He said that the impact made on people as a correctional officer was not as positive.

"At a campus setting, we have a lot of positive effects. We don't just sit in the car all day and pa-

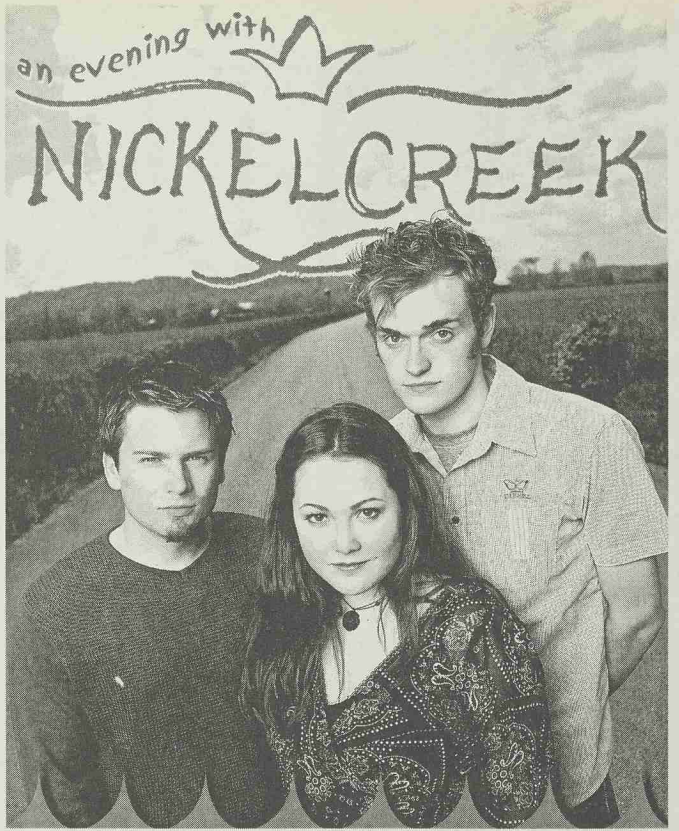
trol. We have interactions with the students. It is not always arresting the bad guy," Guy said.

Currently serving as a Campus Police patrol officer, Guy said that patrol officers were recently given more duties in investigations. At the crime scene, they will initiate investigations and then pass the information on to the investigations division. Guy was in the investigations division

of Campus Police from Dec. to April of this year.

"You guys are our future leaders. If you don't have the right foundation, then who's going to be taking care of me one day? This is the greatest time of your life. As a father, as a husband and as a police officer, I'd like to see everyone be safe. Being responsible is the key."

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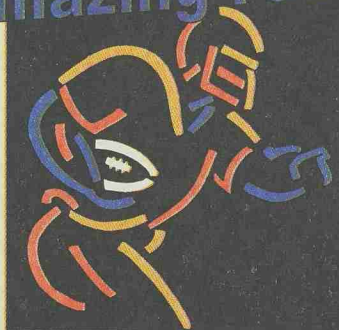
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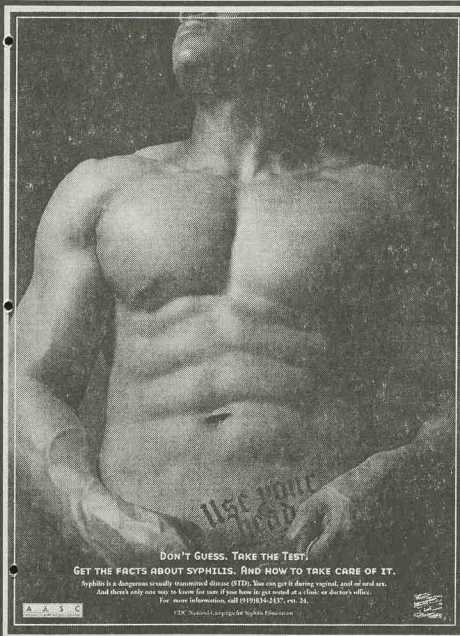
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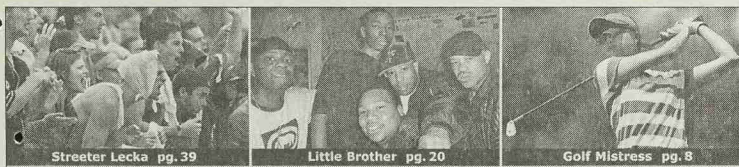
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A DAY IN THE LIFE

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UNIVERSITY DINING CHEF BILL BRIZZOLARA COOKS UP COUNTLESS MEALS FOR THE UNIVERSITY.

Story and photos by KATIE BRANNAN

A day for Chef Bill Brizzolara, executive chef of N.C. State, is no cakewalk. Chef Brizzolara works long hours, both in his personal kitchen on the fourth floor of Talley Student Center, as well as in countless kitchens around the university, including the Atrium, Murphy Center and the chancellor's residence.

Last Wednesday was no different, as Brizzolara began his day at 5 a.m. In his kitchen, he began preparing for two big events that would take place later that day: a Wolfpack Club luncheon with guest speaker Chuck Amato and a dinner at the chancellor's house for the Board of Trustees.

The dining hall owns and operates two 1988 pickup trucks for moving people and food from one end of campus to another. They also have larger trucks that look more like U-Hauls to transport food in warmers that are about six feet tall. At 10:30 a.m., after an intense five hours of preparation for the rest of the day, Brizzolara left for the Murphy Center in one of those trucks.

The luncheon for the Wolfpack Club was scheduled for 1 p.m., and Brizzolara had a great deal of work to accomplish before that time. At the Murphy Center, Brizzolara, along with a team of five people, began to put the lunch together.

As the preparation for the luncheon wore on, some parts went smoothly while others were a

great deal of waste. Who better to receive these leftovers than the caterers themselves?

Even though the luncheon was expected to have as many as 100 guests, only about 75 people were in attendance. The absence of 25 people left a huge excess of food, and the leftovers made a great lunch for the entire staff of the luncheon. Even after the staff had its fill, there was still quite a bit of food that had to be thrown out.

Washing it, cutting it, preparing it, cooking it or tasting it, Brizzolara is surrounded by food from dawn until dusk. He claims that being around food all day prevents hunger. Instead, he drinks Diet Coke all day; in fact, he probably drank about a case on Wednesday alone.

Although University Dining has a group of people who takes their leftovers to a food shuttle or food bank, university catering does not. Again, legalities prevent it.

After a successful luncheon, it was time for Brizzolara to head back to his kitchen in Talley. In his kitchen, Brizzolara has several tall warmers and coolers, along with a lot of space for dry storage. However, the only walk-in cooler in the building is on the lowest level. The lack of space for cooling is the only part about his kitchen that Brizzolara does not like - but he does have an elevator conveniently located in his kitchen.

The people who have offices around his kitchen are the constant, willing guinea pigs of Brizzolara's dishes. Brizzolara often asks them to sample his newest dishes, and they enjoy helping out the school's executive chef by providing him their opinions in exchange for tasty snacks.

The rest of Brizzolara's afternoon was dedicated to preparing for the chancellor's dinner at 6:30 p.m. and returning missed phone calls and e-mails in his office.

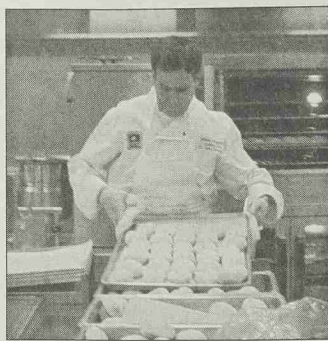
At about 5:15 p.m. it was time to leave for the Chancellor's residence. This time, two trucks were needed. One truck was needed to take the food, and one was needed to take the chef. Both the trucks were loaded and left for the dinner.

At about 5:30 p.m., Brizzolara arrived at the chancellor's residence with plenty of cooking to be done. Immediately, he put the chancellor's staff to work. Some put the salad in bowls, some prepared the garlic bread and some garnished the souffle with whipped cream, chocolate shreds, strawberry quarters and mint leaves.

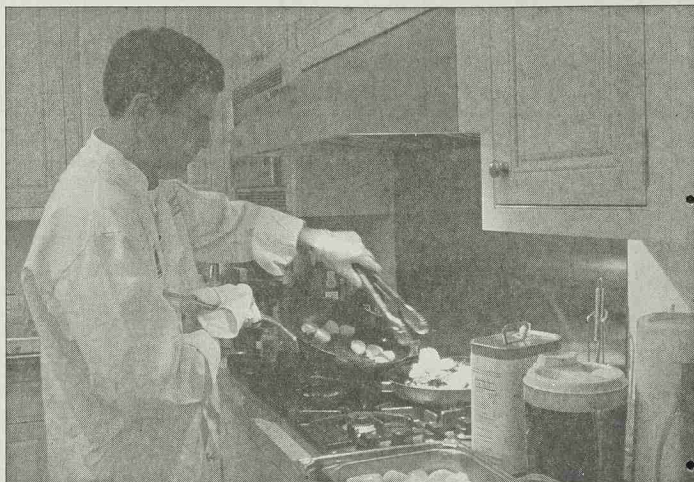
Once again, Brizzolara was in good spirits. He joked with the chancellor's staff and never once showed any signs of stress, despite the approaching deadline. And at 6:25 Brizzolara was putting the finishing touches on a scallop dish, the final item to be cooked.

Brizzolara recommends preparing any type of seafood at the site of the meal, claiming that this will prevent the fish from drying out.

Despite some doubts from the staff at the chancellor's house, dinner was served promptly at 6:30 p.m. The menu included homemade ravioli, chicken teriyaki with wild rice, scallops, a scallop dish, garlic bread and pumpkin souffle, which was a huge success.



Bill Brizzolara is the university's executive chef, catering to university guests and the chancellor.



Brizzolara cooks meals for the chancellor in the kitchen in her home. On this day, he is preparing homemade ravioli, chicken teriyaki, scallops, garlic bread and pumpkin souffle.

At about 7:30 p.m. Brizzolara returned to his kitchen, cleaning up from the day's activities and planning and preparing for the day to come. Around 8:30 p.m., Brizzolara called it quits.

Not all of his days are as busy as Wednesday, but many are. Of his hours, Brizzolara says "there are feasts and there are famines." It is not uncommon for him to work an 80-hour week, and it is not unlikely for him to work a 40-hour week. Brizzolara's hours depend on the number of events planned, and Homecoming week was definitely an 80-hour plus week.

In addition to all the hours Brizzolara puts in catering, he also likes to offer the students some incentives as well. Every Friday during lunch he does "display dining," planning a special meal at Fountain and preparing it in front of the soda machines. Some of his prior meals have been a sushi bar and a crepes bar, and some of his ideas for future display dining are a fiesta bar and a hummus bar.

Brizzolara is also the advisor for the cooking club here at N.C. State. His club meets regularly - once or twice a month, depending on his schedule. At the meetings they talk about many of the fundamentals of cooking, including sanitation and techniques.

Brizzolara is also in charge of the meal prepared before home football games for the chancellor and friends. For each game he tries to prepare something unique, except for the Carolina game. This coming Saturday, Brizzolara will be serving the same entree he has prepared for the last five years: chopped lamb.

Even though the student body got the day off for the hurricane, Brizzolara and the emergency dining staff had to work harder than usual. The emergency dining hall staff is so important that University Dining will send someone to get them

if they cannot make it to work.

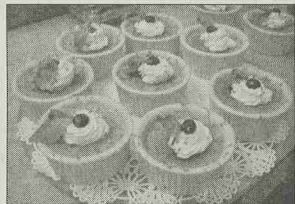
When the power goes off and restaurants close, the dining hall experiences a surge of people that they must be prepared to serve. While the students may have been excited about a day off, the emergency dining hall staff didn't join in their jubilee, knowing that a very long day was in store for them.

With the impending Hurricane, Brizzolara wasn't sure what the next day held in store. Although there were a slue of events planned - some as small as a coffee break, others as large as a meal for a class reunion - it was unclear whether they would still be going on. If they were cancelled, Brizzolara would possibly have to open Fountain in the morning.

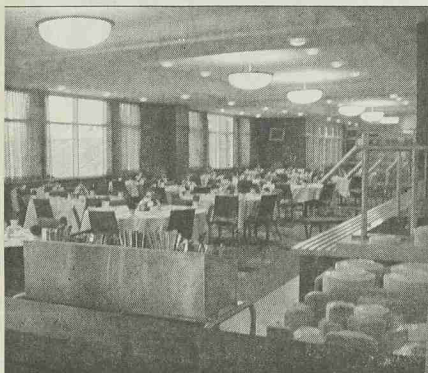
Even though the school year is definitely significantly busier for Brizzolara, his summers are just as important. During the time that students have off, he spends his time reviewing the results of the surveys students took from the previous semester. After reviewing the surveys, Brizzolara determines which dishes are popular and

which dishes will remain for the following school year, taking into account the advice he receives from the surveys. He adds new recipes for foods that the students suggest and modifies recipes to make sure people with food allergies and special considerations feel welcome at the dining halls. For this exact reason, margarine is served throughout campus, instead of real butter.

Brizzolara is passionate about his cooking. He wants everything associated with him and the school to be the best that it possibly can be. Even the smallest details are important to him - whether it is the garnish on a dessert, or the production of display cooking.



Pumpkin souffle.



The Murphy Center before the food is served.

little rough around the edges. Brizzolara is very particular about his catering - especially the presentation. He has a mental picture of how everything should look and knows the necessary steps that must be taken to achieve that image.

Even though everything didn't go completely as planned, Brizzolara was in good humor the entire time. He never once became stressed or upset with anyone, responding to every problem as if it were a minor inconvenience, even joking about them. He kept the entire group calm, preventing anyone from stressing out.

On the menu for the luncheon was a spinach salad with sun-dried tomatoes and pine nuts with a raspberry dressing, chicken stuffed with brie and apples in a red wine sauce, accompanied by glazed carrots, wild rice and finished off with an elegant chocolate mouse torte with strawberries and whipped cream.

One of the benefits of working in the catering business is the leftovers. Legalities prevent

HUMOR

Dating: A religious experience

I'd been praying pretty damn hard to the ol' Father Above the past couple weeks, requesting that He set me up with a hot date. My faith was high; seeing as how He's both all good and all powerful, I figured the Good Lord would do me a favor and "hook it up." Besides, as I reminded Him in my nightly bedside prayers, he certainly owed me after all the times He's screwed my family over, with



Tim Coffield
Staff Columnist

His blessing our genes with the diabetes and male pattern baldness that run so rampant among us.

After two prayer-filled, yet nonetheless lonely weeks, I must admit I was on the verge of renouncing the faith on the grounds of a rather unfair and mean-spirited deity. But then! Lo and behold - the Big Fella came through in the clutch.

Honestly, I would've preferred to actually meet the girl before our first date, but when I received a response to my personal ad on www.soulmate.com, I shrugged, tossed a silent "thank God" skyward and found my faith renewed.

To show my appreciation, I tucked in my shirt and went to church. I made sure to sing all the hymns, even the really slow and depressing ones, so as to please the Lord to the max.

As for the girl, her name was Kelly and we rendezvoused at Darryl's. She had brown hair, big arms and an enigmatic tendency to tone every sentence like a question ("So I, like, got this Kate Spade bag at the flea market on Saturday? And I like know it's real because my friend had a real one and this one is like the exact same as hers, even the inside?").

She wore a little blue T-shirt with the words "Dump Him" embroidered on the chest. Aside from designer bags, her favorite subject was women's rights and she didn't hesitate to enlighten me with her female-empowering doctrines.

"So I mean it's so dumb they wouldn't let women play on that golf course, you know?" she said. I agreed that indeed, it was dumb - she really was attractive.

"And women only make like 75 cents for like every dollar that men make! I mean, even though more girls have college degrees and stuff? I thought this country was about equality?" She had an excellent point, I told her - and excellent hips, I told myself.

But she really was opening my eyes to the injustices forced upon the women of America. The more she talked, the more I came to see her side of the issue.

"I mean, we haven't even had a girl president yet, like what's the deal with that? I mean, men are the ones that start all the wars, you know? Girls wouldn't kill each other!"

It briefly crossed my mind that, no, females would likely not engage in physical warfare with one another, instead they might choose to whisper about foreign leaders behind their backs, and maybe start some venom-

ous international rumors concerning President So-and-So's secret bulimia or Dictator Such-and-Such's tendency to "borrow" clothes and "forget" to return them - but then I realized that this was a sexist generalization, a product of my mind's skewed masculine-bred view of the world.

To prove to me that, despite their relative pacifism, women were certainly not lacking physically to men, Kelly and her big arms challenged me to an arm wrestling match. I chuckled at her cute determination. After she slammed my arm to the table with a force that rattled our plates, my chuckling had ceased.

She continued on, touching on all subjects pertaining to the widespread national mistreatment of women, from "traditional family structure" to the inherent sexism in the inclusion of urinals in men's restrooms.

Before long, I deeply regretted my prior misconception that God was masculine in nature and vowed henceforth to refer to Her Majesty with the correct gender pronoun.

Believe you me, she hoisted me right up onto her equality for women wagon - I felt like a new man. By the meal's end, she had me vowing to organize a downtown march protesting the shameful discrepancy between paychecks of equally qualified men and women.

So caught up in the spirit of equality was I! Then the check came; grinning, I suggested we split it, you know, as a symbolic gesture of gender equality. Her eyes went wide; she turned red and made a little grunting noise, paused, then rifled through her genuine Kate Spade and produced a crumpled 20. She muttered something about "what a gentleman" I was.

She hasn't returned my calls; I am unsure of the status of both our relationship and the downtown protest, though I suspect the worst. In the meantime, I'm back to praying again, placing my faith in God, hoping that next time, She will provide me with a more successful date.

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NO MORE BROAD POWERS

OUR OPINION: BOARD OF GOVERNORS SHOULD NOT GIVE MOLLY BROAD POWER TO GRANT LEAVES FOR CHANCELLORS.

It seems like nothing is going right for Molly Broad and the UNC system under her control.

In the past year, Chancellor Marye Anne Fox was censured by her own faculty for firing two administrators in the Provost's office. James Moeser, chancellor of UNC-CH, was under fire for giving his former legal counsel a large severance package. Just in the past few weeks, Appalachian State University's chancellor, Frank Borkowski, stepped down after checking himself into an alcohol rehab program. And ECU Chancellor William Muse stepped down under allegations of misuse of federal funds.

N.C. Central University has a mold problem in four of their dorms that will cost \$20 million to repair. Fayetteville State University can't keep their books straight and the School of the Arts has

been violating state surplus regulations.

All in all, Molly Broad has her work cut out for her. No doubt she needs all the help she can get. There is a resolution coming before the UNC Board of Governors that will give Broad the power to place university chancellors on leave for medical reasons and for neglect of duty. She already has the power to hire and fire chancellors with the Board of Governor's approval. But this new extension of power seems a bit too far to invest in one person.

First, every university has a board of trustees that governs their general policies. The chancellor of the university sits on the board of trustees. It should be, and is, the job of the board to police their own administration. If the chancellor is not doing a good job or is neglecting his or her duty to the university, the board of trustees should take action before the UNC system has to. Since the General Assembly authorized individual universities the power to increase tuition on each campus, the board of

trustees has a greater responsibility to the taxpayers of North Carolina to look after the administrators running the 16 constituent campuses.

While there is a need for executive power to be vested into one person and one office, there is also a reason the Board of Governors exists. It is so that one person does not have total autonomy over the entire UNC system and can hire and fire whomever the president chooses.

If a chancellor is not doing their job or is handicapped in some way from doing the job of running a university and the board of trustees doesn't deal with it, then it goes to the UNC Board of Governors. Then and only then should Broad act with the blessing of the Board of the Governors.

It is not that Molly Broad would abuse the power if given to her, it is a simple check and balance that should be in place to protect all universities and to ensure more college home rule.



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Diversity not just in numbers

Is N.C. State diverse?

No, I say this in regard not only to the actual number of minorities compared to the Caucasian majority on campus, but also in regard to how students interact.

It is so easy for all of us as students to quickly blame the school itself for us not being diverse and being able to count the number of African-Americans, Native-Americans or Asian-Americans

on our hands.

Even if the minority became the majority of students next semester, we still would not be diverse. The Atrium would still have a group of African-American students over here, a group of Caucasian students over there, etc.

As far as diversity on campus, we are dealing with a two edged sword. First, NCSU's number of minorities on campus are overwhelmingly unequal to those of the majority, and second, students are not diverse enough in regard to their social activities and organizations on campus.

I agree with Jason Elder's comment on diversity where he said, "The mistake most people make is believing that diversity is represented in numbers." It is true that there are only a handful of African-Americans in meteorology, chemistry or aerospace engineering, but we as the minority will always be unequal in numbers compared to the majority.

The importance is not actually how many of this group or that group is on campus, but what is this group and that group doing? How can we make our voices heard on campus being part of the minority?

What I am addressing to all minorities here on campus is that it should be our obligation to learn more about Student Senate for one. The senate is that main funnel for minorities to be able to put their voice out to be heard on campus. Last year, out of the 60 seats available for the senate, only about 45 of those seats were actually filled.

Being part of a minority on campus, it is easy to complain and say that the senate is composed mostly of the Caucasian majority on campus. Most students that are on the senate did not have a candidate to run against for that position.

The senate meets every Wednesday night at 7:30 p.m. in Room 201 of Witherspoon, so all students should make an effort to attend those meetings.

There are two misconceptions about the senate which should be addressed:

1) All students are welcome to attend these meetings and voice their opinions, not just members of the senate

and

2) An African-American as student body president is not the only position an African-American can hold on the senate.

Jason Elder also said, "A lot of people jump at the chance to get the prestigious education that NCSU offers. However, we don't get the mix and assimilation that true diversity details." As students on campus, we all need to step out of our comfort zone and network with each other.

Make friends of different ethnicities and stop trying to bring up color when you mention friends you have. I cannot stand when a white person might say, "I got two friends that are African-American" or when an African-American might say "I got two white friends." True diversity and friendship does not involve the color of skin, just the desire to intertwine with each other.

Networking means that a white student majoring in business should come out to an YBE (Young Black Entrepreneurship) meeting or a black student attending an Entrepreneurship Club meeting.

Most of the time, all of us are guilty of sticking within our own comfort zones, hanging with friends who generally share our skin color.

All of us as students need to make our social lives more diverse on campus. Making friends of different ethnicities and cultures is a key factor in attaining diversity within your college experience.

It is sad that I can walk in the Atrium and pinpoint each group in the same building all separated. When we all graduate, let's graduate from NCSU with a Ph.D.

in diversity; therefore, understanding people of different races and cultures.

Students from all over the place attend this school, and most of us are only here for the school and not the people. The people are what make this school what it is; this school would not be a school without its students. In order for us all to achieve diversity, we must make it a way of life.

Workshops or even a course will not teach us what diversity truly is. Diversity is a self-effort in which all of us at NCSU are going to have to make. We can blame NCSU all day, but this argument is one that will never go anywhere.

After you read this column, practice diversity with a sincere effort. Walk up to someone who does not look like you in a class of yours and introduce yourself. If that person rejects your introduction, that is their own loss. If all of us as students get acquainted with at least one student of another ethnicity a day, eventually this entire campus will truly become diverse.

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Of sound and fury

This past week, the once mighty but diminished Hurricane Isabel exerted her destructive winds and waters on the eastern seaboard. Rarely does

such a display of raw force fail to inspire awe and wonder at the strength of nature. Nature's power is seemingly limitless, capable of replenishing the earth, altering the face of the planet in cataclysmic upheavals, and

changing the course of history. It is impossible to look at our planet without a sense of amazement at the self-sustainability and awesome power of our environment. The question that inevitably arises concerns the nature of the existence of our planet, galaxy and universe.

Did a series of chance occurrences over a period of billions of years culminate in the current state of harmony and order on earth, or was the universe and all within it designed and created by a divine hand for a greater purpose?

If we choose to believe that the earth gradually evolved into a hospitable residence for the human species through the widely accepted evolutionary theories of the Big Bang and abiogenesis, then we commit ourselves to a logically contradictory position.

The Big Bang hypothesis revolves around the theory that billions of years ago, all the mass within the universe came together into one tiny ball and then exploded, gradually settling through the years into galaxies and planets. From all of this came the Milky Way galaxy, which through time settled into order and gave birth to planet Earth.

According to the theory of abiogenesis, planet earth was then a primordial soup full of inorganic materials,

which through time and interaction with the environment spawned organic organisms that slowly evolved into more sophisticated creatures through millions of years.

In order to believe the Big Bang theory, one must undertake a suspension of disbelief, similar to that needed for cinematic experiences.

The Second Law of Thermodynamics states that nature tends to gravitate towards a state of entropy or disorder. If this is true and we trust the laws of nature, can we truly believe that all matter in the universe naturally came together, exploded outward and naturally settled into the perfect combination in the Milky Way galaxy for life to naturally form on earth from nonliving material and naturally create an inhabitable environment for human life?

Belief in evolutionary theory rests on a string of hypotheses, which are no more stable and no more scientifically provable than creationism. It takes a true leap of faith to believe that life could emerge from nothing, and eventually multiply and flourish into the teeming flora and fauna we see now.

When viewed through this light, is creationism any more unbelievable than evolution?

Before you read any farther, set this paper aside for just a minute, stop what you're doing, and take a look at the natural world around you. Can the everyday beauty of the earth displayed in the endless diversity of plant, animal and human personality indicate anything but intelligent design in creation? How could such infinite variety and intricacy arise through sheer luck to create a working, functional planet? What are the odds of so many spectacularly beautiful places on earth arising through chance, and if they did not develop randomly, what does that tell us about their creator?

Maybe, with these questions, you will be inspired to challenge your conceptions of the true origin of spe-

cies, and raise questions about the validity of a supposedly scientifically sound theory which relies so heavily on beliefs which cannot be confirmed; i.e. faith.

Just like creationism, adherence to the doctrine of evolution requires a trust in things unseen and unverifiable through mere sight and senses. But unlike the faith in creationism and an intelligent architect of the universe, evolutionism limits life to being merely accidental and meaningless.

If we are here through sheer evolutionary process, then our ultimate existence is no different than that of unthinking plants and animals, set by nature to provide only for the continuation of the species; if we exist by virtue of a benevolent creator who has a plan for all humanity, then we most certainly have hope and purpose in life.

If my stance comes off as simple-minded and grossly ignorant of the actual scientific details and explanations about the subject of evolution, I apologize for my lack of "enlightenment," but I am a simple man. My views on this issue are admittedly lacking of scientific knowledge; I do not claim to know all the details about the intricacies of metaphysics, thermodynamics, biology, chemistry and evolutionary theory. What I do draw upon for this examination is the law of logic and common sense.

If we were placed on this planet through a "crash-bam-boom" scenario rather than purposeful design, then William Shakespeare was correct in his observations when he used Macbeth to say, "Out, out, brief candle! Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player that struts and frets his hour upon the stage, and then is heard no more. It is a tale told by an idiot, full of sound and fury, signifying nothing."

Tommy would like to thank a friend for their conversation that inspired this column. E-mail him at viewpoint@technicianstaff.com



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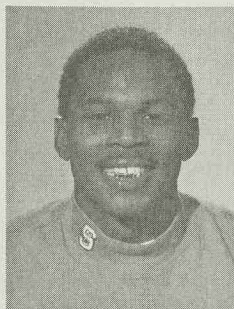
Washington suspended indefinitely

Sophomore receiver Richard Washington was suspended indefinitely from the football team for breaking team rules Tuesday, according to head coach Chuck Amato.

"We're getting all the pieces together," Amato said. "It's a privacy thing and I can't go any further than that."

Washington sat out all of last season by NCAA rule as a partial qualifier and was also suspended for the team's season-opening game against Western Carolina.

In the three games since, Washington has caught 17 passes for 188 yards and two touchdowns. He also recovered a blocked punt in the end zone against Texas Tech for another score.



Richard Washington

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family was in shock, but coping well with Lunsford's death.

"The entire football program extends our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to Jason and his family," Bunting said.

Brown, a center from Northern Vance High School, started 12 games last year for the Heels and allowed only two sacks. In the weight room, he set school records in each of the last two seasons for offensive linemen in the squat (709 pounds) and power clean (413 pounds). A preseason candidate for the Rimington Award, Brown was not available for comment on Tuesday, though he returned to the practice field.

"[Jason] wants to get on with his business at hand this week with his second family: Carolina football," Bunting said. "He's a great young man. He represents everything that Carolina is all about. He's very bright, a great

student, comes from a great family, and it's just tragic."

The news of Brown's loss came less than a week after the death of Lewis's grandfather.

The junior tailback spent Friday mourning the death of his grandfather, John Lewis, with his family in Winston-Salem. Lewis joined his teammates in Madison, Wis. late Friday night and missed the funeral, but racked up a personal- and team-best for the season with 82 yards rushing.

Lewis said the memory of his grandfather inspired him.

"While we were playing they were burying my grandfather so that just gave me more motivation to go out there and play harder," Lewis said. "I was not only playing for my team, but I was also playing for him because I wasn't there with him while they were burying him."

Lewis hopes he can be a comfort to Brown.

"When he gets back we're going to sit down and talk," Lewis said. "I know it's hard to go into a big game when you've lost someone

in your family. I know how that feels, and I'll be able to console him."

The Tar Heels experienced a similar streak of tragedy two seasons ago.

Current quarterback Darian Durant and former signal-caller Ronald Curry both lost loved ones in November of 2001. Durant said the support system at UNC helped him through the death of his stepmother that season.

"They do a great job around here of [taking care of you when a tragedy occurs]," Durant said. "The main thing they do is try to keep your mind off of it. As long as you have guys around, joking with you and trying to keep your mind off of things then it's really hard to think about what's going on."

Like Lewis, Durant chose to play the week of his loss and excelled, setting freshman records against Wake Forest with 361 yards passing, four touchdowns and 24 completions.

Lewis and Durant think Brown

will bounce back with a strong performance as well on Saturday against the Wolfpack.

"There's no doubt in my mind that Jason will come out this week and try to hurt someone," Lewis said. "I already know it. That's his mentality."

As for that talk, Lewis said he will take Brown out to dinner on Thursday night.

"I'm going to let him know that things like that happen and you have no control over it," Lewis said. "God takes one person's life but he also brings another into your life to replace that loss."

Lewis's sister, Danisha, recently gave birth to a baby boy, Adha.

"My nephew's taken my grandfather's spot because that's the spot he had to fill," Lewis said. "Things like that happen and they turn out for the best."

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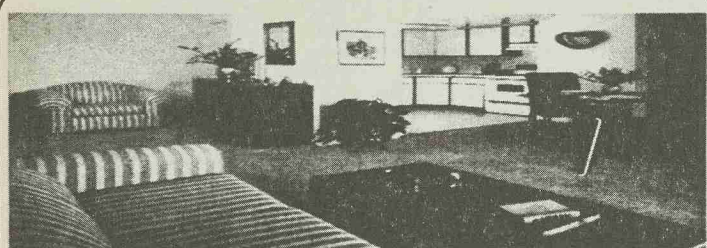
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near tears when State lost to Carolina. Since dad played for the Buffalo Bills, Ritcher lived in up-state New York for half the year, then would return to Raleigh in early January to complete his school year.

"It was kind of cool," he said. "I got to have two sets of friends."
His North Carolina friends, many of them Tar Heel fans, always seemed to call Ritcher whenever Carolina beat State. Others would harass him at school the next day.

"I remember going to school as a little kid after State had won or lost and either getting on Carolina fans or feeling like I was about to cry because they were getting on me so bad," Ritcher said. "You learn to dislike Carolina at a real young age growing up a State fan."

Now, Ritcher is a kind of teacher to his teammates, an expert in the field of rivalry passion. With so many team members from out of state, Ritcher makes sure every one of his teammates understand the importance of State-Carolina.

"When you're out on the field, you'll know," Ritcher said. "Jed Paulsen, we were talking about it, and he said at first when he got here he didn't care. He didn't know how big it was."

But now Paulsen, who's from Missouri, knows. So do all the other out-of-towners; the guys from Florida and Georgia and Pennsylvania.

"We got a lot of Florida guys, but they understand this rivalry," said State linebacker Freddie Aughtry-Lindsay. "The guys that have been here with me, they understand this rivalry. The only guys who don't understand it are

probably the younger guys who have just gotten here."

They will.

Switching allegiances

Like many North Carolina boys, Aughtry-Lindsay dreamed Chapel Hill dreams.

"Growing up, I was a Tar Heel fan," he said. "My whole family was. I loved the Tar Heels - I had all the uniforms and coats and everything. Once I got to high school and I started getting my letters and I visited Carolina, it didn't feel like that's where I needed to be. Something didn't click with me."

From the moment he signed to play in Raleigh, baby blue has been banned in the Aughtry-Lindsay house.

"My mom got rid of all that," the linebacker said. "We don't have blue in the house anymore, it's all red."

Aughtry-Lindsay isn't alone. Many of his teammates grew up UNC fans, and just about all of them were recruited by the Tar Heels. One, redshirt freshman A.J. Davis, even committed to play at Carolina before changing his mind at the last moment to sign with coach Chuck Amato and the Wolfpack.

Davis, from Durham, grew up with the rivalry two steps outside his door. He remembers watching Dre Bly and Torry Holt battle in 1998. In his mind, State-Carolina is on par with the top college football rivalries in America. And, after being sidelined last season with a broken leg, he's anxious to play against the Heels for the first time.

"Everybody gets hyped up for their rival game," Davis said, an electric smile growing on his face. "It's always been a big game. North Carolina-North Carolina State. Two big-time schools. Two big-time football programs. All of us have been looking forward to

it. We're real anxious to play."

Davis, who received a lot of heat from media and fans for spurning the Heels on national signing day in 2002, isn't expecting more animosity than normal. In fact, he's friends with many of the Carolina's players. He won't even talk junk to them on game week.

"I don't talk much junk anymore," Davis said. "I'm a humble person. I talk junk on the field, I don't like to beforehand."

A.J. needs not to worry, there's always someone to pick up the slack.

"Oh, I'm going to talk trash," Aughtry-Lindsay said. "I don't really care if they're going to talk back to me. I'm going to say what I got to say and do what I've got to do throughout the whole game."

Aughtry-Lindsay said he's been talking smack to anyone who's been willing to listen this week. Why not? This kind of game only comes around once a year.

"Oh, they'll be some trash talking," he said, laughing. "But you know, it's part of the game. I'm a talker. That's the way have to play ball."

Coaches feel it, too

Amato remembers the summer before his freshman year at N.C. State, back when he didn't know the difference between UNC and Chapel Hill High School. The Pennsylvania native grew up around big-time college football, but he had no idea what playing in the middle of it meant.

"I remember coming here as a freshman, and all the players talked about was Carolina because it was the opening game," Amato said. "The year before, N.C. State went to the Liberty Bowl, North Carolina went to the Gator Bowl. Before they even said, 'Hey, how'd your summer go?' it was, 'What do you think about the Heels?'"

"And I really didn't know there was a difference between the two schools, but I found out real quick."

Amato learned over the next four years that the State-Carolina rivalry compares favorably with all the greatest in college football. After all these years, Amato still has several fond memories of participating in State-UNC games, his fondest coming in 1967. That year, the Pack knocked off Carolina 13-7 at Carter-Finley Stadium en route to a 9-2 season, the school's finest until Amato lead his alma mater to an 11-3 record as coach last season. In 30-plus years, Amato believes the game has only gotten bigger.

"Rivalries are rivalries," Amato said. "I'm sure it's gotten bigger. The stadiums have gotten bigger. It was big for that era, and it's big now."

Carolina coach John Bunting, a Tar Heel linebacker from 1969-71, is more blunt.

"Ain't no different," the coach said. "Can't stand 'em. Wanna beat 'em. It's the same thing. It's a great feeling and a great rivalry. It's special."

Both coaches know how their players feel, too. Both know how important the game is for bragging rights, recruiting. Seems like each one has a personal interest, too, though getting them to admit that proves tougher than getting a confession out of O.J. Simpson.

"This is big, this is really, really big," Amato said. "And it's passed down from generation to generation."

"That's the game we got to get. It's such a meaningful thing, because you put it on the line for three or four hours, and you can't do a thing about it, no matter what happens, until next year."

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attempted spike that cost the Pack a potential point. That run forced a State timeout, but it was not enough. From that point on, Georgia Tech dominated behind its huge frontline.

"We can do a much better job with that, but sometimes we try to be too perfect and that takes us out of our rhythm," Byrne said.

Both teams followed the same script in game two. The teams played evenly early on with Tech holding a slim 7-5 margin before a 5-0 run put it ahead for good. The closest State would get the rest of the match was four points at 17-13 before another run put the Jackets ahead by ten.

"I don't want our team to think that anyone else can dictate our performance on our side and take us out of our game. We let Tech do that the first two games by playing tentative," Byrne said.

After intermission, a new and improved Wolfpack team showed up and it put a scare into the Jackets and almost came away with a victory. The Pack came out strong and hung with Tech the whole match, staying on top and even leading by a score of 17-15. State never gave up another big run and was able to make the game much closer than the other two.

"Between the second and third game it was like our whole mindset changed," setter Crystal Shannon said. "We decided we were going to throw in the different plays, that we were going to execute different things."

Despite the loss, the volleyball team remains optimistic about its upcoming matches.

"I feel very confident we can get an ACC win," Shannon said.

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Until it finally happened. On Sunday, Santiago Fusiler scored the first goal of his career on a perfect feed by Federico Peria from John Queely. Aaron King scored another and State beat Clemson. For the first time in over 1,400 days, State won a conference game.

They didn't just win the game, they took over the game against a top-25 team.

Sure, it's just one game and Tarantini and his players will say they expect to win every game, but now it's a reality.

"It's not about if we can win, anymore," said assistant coach Oronde Ash. "Now we know we can compete and win in this league."

As the clock ran out, Tarantini left the field. He didn't speak to the media. He didn't want to steal the spotlight from his players.

"I want the players to celebrate," Tarantini said. "I don't want myself to be the focus of the celebration."

"Players win the games." That's true, but it takes a great coach to make them believe they can.

Now I believe him, too. Jon can be reached at 515-2411 or jon12page@hotmail.com

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Georgia Tech 3, volleyball 0



TECHNICIAN

Believing is addicting

At the beginning of any season in any sport, coaches ooze optimism.

It doesn't matter if you're coaching the New York Yankees, the dorm's flag football team or the company softball team - if you don't believe your team can run the table (or at least don't tell your players they can), you probably won't be coaching too much longer.



Jon Page
Staff Columnist

When the season starts, optimism is everywhere. If it were a drug, every coach in America would be higher than Philip Rivers' completion percentage. You could buy it on every street corner for a dime, that is, if it weren't already growing on trees or falling from the sky.

Before his N.C. State men's soccer team played a single game this season, George Tarantini stood on the playing surface at Method Road Soccer Stadium after practice, drenched in sweat. He was dealing optimism.

And I wasn't buying it. The coach said his team would attack, fight hard and compete in the toughest soccer league in the country.

"The greatest thing about coaching is at the start of a new season, everybody has a chance, and I think we have a great chance," Tarantini said. "We believe. Regardless of what everybody tells me, I believe that we can win. Otherwise, I wouldn't be doing what I'm doing."

I wanted to believe him.

But I didn't. For all his optimism, I was equally pessimistic.

I couldn't believe him. Not considering State was winless in the ACC since October of 1999. That was four years ago. Four!

Think about everything that can happen in four years.

Clay Aiken pulled off the ultimate reverse. He went from looking like a 13-year-old girl to being the desire of every 13-year-old girl in America. State's football team became a pre-season national title contender. And - gasp - even more amazing, rumor has it some people actually graduate from college in that amount of time.

And yet, somehow, four years went by and State didn't win a single soccer game. Not one, measly, stinkin', game.

But then, I saw flashes of brilliance.

The Wolfpack opened the season at home with a 4-2 victory over Georgia Southern. State battled back from a 2-1 deficit late in the second half behind two goals from sophomore Aaron King. A last minute goal by Martin Cini stamped an exclamation point on the game.

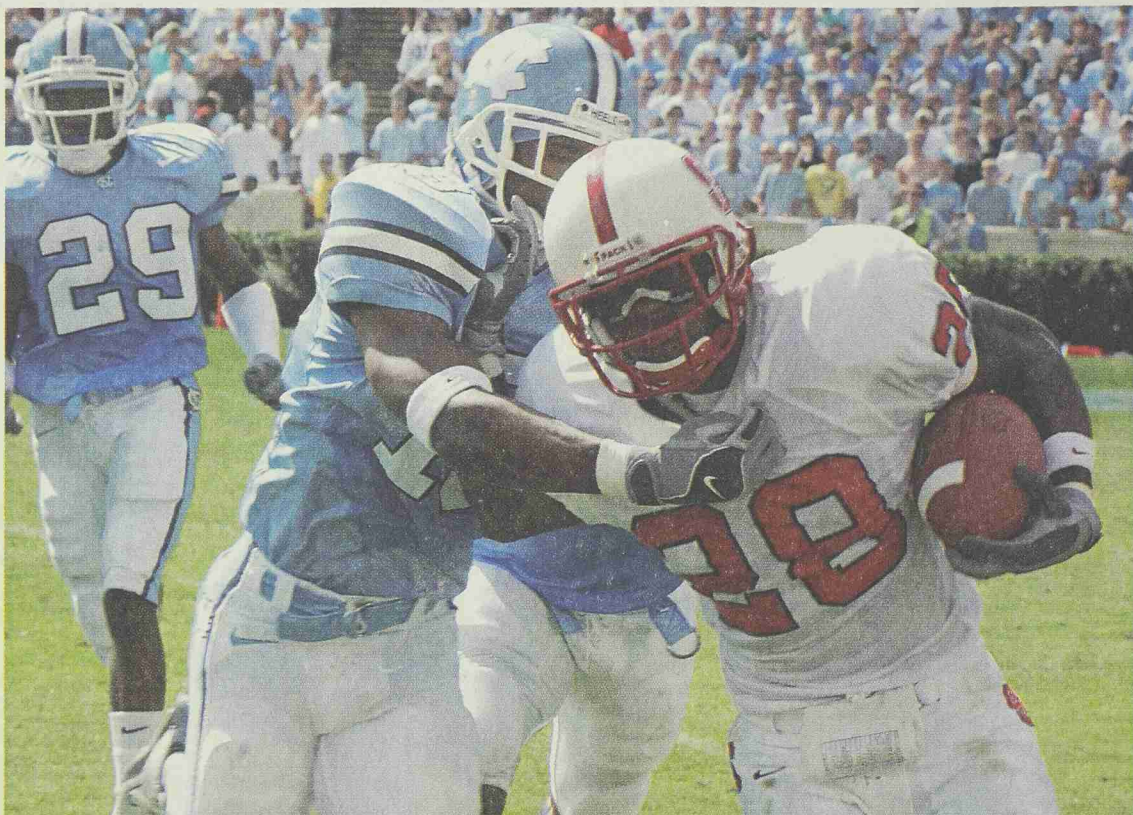
After Cini's goal, Tarantini turned to me and smiled, the look on his face almost saying, "See. I told you this year would be different."

I almost started believing.

Then State reeled off two consecutive losses. A victory over Gardner-Webb softened the blow, but additional losses to Maryland and Temple followed. I settled in for a long season.

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Old-School HATRED



TECHNICIAN FILE PHOTO

Lamont Reid is brought down by Tar Heel defenders in last year's game, a 34-17 Wolfpack win. State is a 20-point favorite in this year's contest.

The N.C. State-North Carolina rivalry has gotten bigger and better over the years, players and coaches say.

Andrew B. Carter
Deputy Sports Editor

It — and everyone knows what "it" is — splits houses, divides spouses, makes boys and girls who are best friends hate one another for two weeks and sits there, 364 days a year, sometimes longer or shorter, and says, "Look at me, I'm the biggest game of the year, and if you lose me this year, it's going to stink to be you for a while."

It — and everyone knows what "it" is — mocks the losers and spoils the victors. It makes kids want to stay at home and fake illness. Or, it makes kids want to go to school Sunday,

just to gloat to their classmates a day early. It makes businessmen avoid the water cooler, or hover around the spot wearing a smile as big as that weekend's game.

N.C. State vs. North Carolina.

If rivalry games could talk, this one would require a muzzle. It might have the voice of Gilbert Godfrey — in your face, annoying, but you just have to listen. It won't go away. It's been around forever, or, at least since 1894. Wolfpack vs. Tar Heels. The stories, the history, the drama. The T-shirts. The bumper stickers. The people. Anytime there's T-shirts made over a football game, it's special. Imagine if the game could come alive, tell of its past. Of postgame fights and last-second field goals and goal-line stands. Of

all the pain caused to millions over the years, just as equal to the joy produced.

And so it comes again Saturday; N.C. State vs. North Carolina, two schools separated by 20 miles of highway and 2,000 miles of hate. It's one of those ageless, priceless college football rivalries — oblivious to team records, point spreads or history. It's passed down from generation to generation, from team to team, from player to player.

"It's Carolina," Wolfpack tight end John Ritcher said. "That's all I can say."

Some are born, others taught

Son of former N.C. State All-American Jim Ritcher, John knew the basics of life from birth: breathe, eat, sleep, despise everything Carolina, breathe some more, take naps, play football, hate the Tar Heels, eat something, shower, breathe, boo Carolina.

So you're saying John Ritcher, raised by a mean offensive tackle and a one-time N.C. State cheerleader, grew up hating the boys in baby blue?

"Yeah," Ritcher said. "Honestly, yeah. It's such a big rivalry."

Even bigger for the guy who, growing up, could be pushed

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Carolina players mourn for teammates' families

Jon Page
Senior Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL — The losses keep coming for North Carolina - and unfortunately, they aren't just on the football field.

In the last week, the families of juniors Jason Brown and Jacque Lewis suffered unexpected deaths.

A day after the Tar Heels (0-3, 0-1 ACC) gave up 38 points at Wisconsin, Brown learned that his older brother, Lunsford, died serving the United



Jason Brown

States in Iraq. He was an intelligence officer working outside a prison complex in Baghdad. As of Tuesday, officials at Carolina were uncertain what branch of the military Lunsford represented.

Bunting and Corey Holiday, assistant athletics director and former wide receiver, drove Brown to Henderson on Sunday and spent the day at home with Brown and his family.

The UNC coach said the Brown

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Pack can't swat Jackets

The volleyball team struggled early and fell to Georgia Tech at home.

Taylor Francis
Staff Writer

With the men's soccer team garnering a 2-0 victory over Clemson this past weekend, N.C. State's longest ACC losing streak now belongs to the volleyball team.

It hasn't won a conference contest since 2001, but hoped to end that streak Tuesday night against No. 5 Georgia Tech at home. The visitors had other plans, as the Yellow Jackets won the first three games of the match 30-14, 30-18, and 30-27.

During the match, the Pack (6-8, 0-1) did its best impersonation of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde. Georgia Tech (12-0, 1-0) won the first two games easily, but the third match showed a completely different N.C. State team — one that held a lead through most of the game and pushed the No. 5 team in the country to its limits.

"I thought we played a little tentative in the beginning because we know Georgia Tech has got some nice players and they're a great team," head coach Mary Byrne said. "I thought we did a much better job coming out in the third game and playing our game."

State started out strong in the first match, not allowing the Jackets to jump out to a quick lead.



Melanie Rowe places the ball over the net in Tuesday's loss to Tech.

But after an Adeola Kosoko spike pulled the Pack within one at 5-4, Tech went on a quick 4-0 run

highlighted by a collision between Kosoko and Melanie Rowe on an

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HISTORY OF A RIVALRY



1972



THE SCENE: N.C. State head coach Lou Holtz brought his first Wolfpack squad into Kenan Stadium in the third week of the season. Up 19-10 at the half, the lead changed hands several times in the second frame before the Pack drove for a potential game-tying score as the final seconds ticked away.

THE MOMENT: Holtz, who won the ACC's coach of the year award that season, was always one for surprises, and instead of kicking the extra point, he elected to go for the win on a two-point conversion. His decision backfired when the attempt was no good. The Tar Heels went on to win the ACC that year, while Holtz's next team would win the ACC title.

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