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Tuition Task Force

A \$300 student tuition increase will go towards financial aid and measures to enhance "academic excellence.

Tyler Dukes

The Tuition Task Force reached a conclusion yesterday on the issue of campus-initiated tuition changes, vot-

ing 12-2 in favor of an increase.

The final decision, which will be formally presented to Chancellor Marye Anne Fox at the end of the week, provides for a \$300 increase in tuition vides for a \$300 increase in tuition every year for the next three years. Revenue generated by the increases will be channeled into financial aid and another broad category dubbed "academic excellence."

This latter category includes funding for the Graduate Student Support

ing for the Graduate Student Support Plan, or GSSP, which is a financial aid package designed to attract graduate

students to research and teaching assistant positions. In addition, this por-tion of revenue will provide funding for "academic enhancement," which will be used to add sections and seats to many classes in all of N.C. State's academic disciplines.

"It [academic excellence] rounds out the possibility to refill a position of tenure track faculty members, to provide assistantship money to TA's and to provide the opportunity to hire non-tenure track faculty members," Provost and Task Force co-chair James Oblinger said. "This will specifically ad-dress shortfalls in sections and seats."

The remainder of academic excellence monies will go toward faculty and staff support, which will raise faculty salaries and attempt to retain professors and staff leaving the university for better offers elsewhere.

"Fifty four percent will go to Academic Excellence," Oblinger said. "GSSP will come off the top, so to speak. The re-mainder will be two-thirds for academic enhancement and the rest will be faculty and staff raises and retention

The financial aid portion will encompass 46 percent of the revenue and will be used to contribute to current finan-cial aid resources for need-based scholarships and grants. This allocation follows the trend of past campus-initiated tuition increases, which have historically contributed up to 50 percent of their generated revenue towards financial aid and often left faculty salary completely

out of the equation.
"Our staff employees have had one permanent increase in the last three years equaling \$625," Vice Chancellor George Worsley said. "The university did make that commitment [to financial aid and students are foremost in

Much of the committee's discussion concerned the distribution of the tuition

The first motion to this effect, presented by student committee member Amanda Devore, called for zero percent

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Almost all of the orange markers that are telltale signs of construction are gone from the Cates Ave. entrance to the newly constructed, five-story addition to the Coliseum Deck.

Coliseum pay lot now open

Department of Transportation expands the lower level of the Coliseum parking deck to allow for more vehicles.

Blair Wicker

The N.C. State community has 149 more parking spaces to choose from in the Coliseum deck pay lot, according to the Colseum deck pay lot, according to the NCSU Department of Transporta-tion. Transportation opened the addi-tional pay lot spaces on Oct. 20. "We want to move traffic away from Dan Allen Drive," Greg Cain, assistant director of parking, said. According to Cain, it would have

been difficult to make the new spaces into permit spaces due to the configuration of the deck, so the DOT decided to make more pay lot spaces available to

the community.

Two other pay lots are available on campus, one behind the Student Health Center and another on Dan Allen Drive. All three lots have times during the day that they are typically full, but this has not happened in the Coliseum lot since

"I used to have to leave a lot earlier for class so that I could find a parking space, but since the extra spaces in the pay lot have opened it has been a lot easier," Lauren Bailey, a junior in sociology who frequently parks in the coliseum

who frequency particles pay lot, said.

The coliseum pay lot is open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., Monday-Thursday, and 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday.

It still costs \$1 per hour to park in the color and \$6 per day.

Transportation has also created a faster method of payment in the Coliseum pay lot with the "Wolfpack Exit Express." This new method allows students, faculty and visitors to exit the pay lot quicker because they can pay for their parking through a machine. through a machine.

This machine is located in the northwest corner of the pay lot and accepts cash or credit cards.

To accommodate for the pay lot traf-

fic and the Wolfpack Exit Express, a new exit emptying onto Cates Avenue was also created. This exit has three lanes, a parking attendant serves one lane and the other two are for the Wolfpack Exit

Open House participants consider event a success

High school students interested in attending N.C. State visited campus on Saturday with their parents to learn more about what the school

Rachael Rogers

aturday, N.C. State welcomed prospective students and families for a day of events focused on the university. Open House annually sees more than 8,000 students and their families who travel from near and far

to get a glimpse of the campus and an overview of the various programs offered at NCSU.

Shortly before 9 a.m., the campus snortly before 9 a.m., the campus was buzzing with students and their parents gearing up to speak with admissions officers, various university departments, student organizations and student ambassadors, who led campus tours.

"Open House is a year-long process where we have committee represen-tation from different departments on campus and we discuss everything from transportation, facilities to make sure tables and rooms are reserved, entertainment to make sure visitors see

tilty to make sure it's advertised on our Web site and in news articles. It really is a year-long event," Vern Granger, assistant director of admissions and chair of Open House, said.

Open House events primarily take place in Talley Student Center and Carmichael Gymnasium, but events are held throughout campus, with engineering demonstrations taking place near Engineering Row and residence halls open on both West and Central

"Different academic departments are

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Construction workers build on the future sight of Wolf Village apartments.

Village opens in fall 2004

Shannon Holder

A new housing option will be available for upperclassmen and graduate students in fall 2004 as N.C. State's first apartments open, complete with a volleyball court and computer labs. The apartments will have four separate bedrooms, two full bathrooms, a living room, a kitchen and a washer/dryer unit. Barry Olsen, residence life coordinator for Wolf Village, said that student interest in the apartments is soaring.

"I have seen a lot of interest with students and parents who have called and asked about the apartments," Olsen said. "A"lot of people have looked

at the models. We are really commodate 430 students. All excited. We have had a huge number of students who have shown great interest.'

There is a model apartment that students can view behind Lee Hall during designated tour times, which are listed on the University Housing Web site.

"I would encourage students to check out the model apartment, and there will be an on-site model available to see in January," Olsen said. "They should check it out."

Wolf Village will be located on the corner of Western Bou-

levard and Gorman Street.
The first phase that students will be able to occupy consists of three buildings that willac-

eight buildings are slated to be open by fall of 2005, with accommodations for 1,200

'If the price is right, I would consider it," Eddie Van Winkle, a junior in French, said. "I think it would be exciting to check out the new place, to check out the new place, checking out the price, utilities and location. It gives students another option."

According to Olsen, rates

are proposed to be \$2,140 a semester, or roughly \$450 a month. Though slightly higher than residence hall rates, the apartment costs take in account the washer and dryer

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The College Inn calls upon history

The Wolfpack Club is bringing another housing opportunity to students this fall.

Kate Renner

The College Inn may sound like a cheap place for N.C. State parents to stay when visiting their

children, but this building is actually a brand new residence hall for students. The Wolfpack Club is building an apart-ment-style residence hall near the intersection of Avent Ferry Road and Western Boulevard. The College Inn's location will allow students to live in non-university apart-ments and still be close

to campus.
"The facilities will be state-of-the art and as nice as any facility of its type in the country," Bobby Purcell, Wolfpack Club executive director, said. The Inn, which is currently under construction, will have private bathrooms, study eas and a workout area.

Purcell estimated that the complex will cost close to \$21 million to build.

The residence hall is located on the site of the former College Inn Motel, which was then converted into the Stroud

Wolfpack Center.
"I think that naming the new hall after the old

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Pack readies for stretch

football team knows that the last three games have huge bowl implications.

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A DZ victory



Autumn Teal and her Delta Zeta teammates celebrate their 13-8 win against Chi Omega in the Intramural Flag Football Championships Monday night.

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There's no dorm life off campus, you actually have time to study

-David Sheehan (off)

[Having] my own room is

-Myra Haberneck (off)



The food is right upstairs

-Brittany Blair (UT)

The convenience of being near classes

-Lainie Hinkle (on)



I'm around all my friends

Paul Mobley (on)

You're close to all your classes on campus

-Savannah Poole (on)



I like the convenience of nearby classes

Thomas Walterdorf (on)



You spend more time studying, not as much time hanging out with friends

-Vesna Tosanovic (off)



-David Carbonell (off)

OUSING

College Inn Motel brings a sense of history to N.C. State," Andrew George, a junior in business management, said.

The 440-bed residence hall will be open to any NCSU student and will be ready in fall 2004. The Wolfpack Club has hired JPI, Inc. to construct and manage the Col-lege Inn, which is similar to other projects the construction company has administered throughout the country. Once they finalize details, the Wolfpack Club Web site will have sign-up informa-tion for interested students.

Callie Bush, a freshman in first year college, said, "It's nice to see the Wolfpack Club get involved in other ways at N.C. State, rather

than just sporting activities."
Purcell expects students to be able to view room rates and leasing options some time in early November, JPI, Inc. also plans to set up an office for students to visit to inquire about the apartments in the coming months. VISIT

represented here, study abroad, admissions, financial aid and student organizations. It gives the students and parents an op-portunity to learn anything they would want to know about N.C. State. It's our premier university recruitment yield opportunity,

Carmichael Gymnasium and Talley Student Center hosted undergraduate admissions, academic colleges and university department presentations. While meandering around these two locations, students and parents could ask official representatives from each area questions about the admission process or what it is like to be a student.

"It's a great time for students and their families to visit campus and talk to everyone they need to talk to in one day. The October date is good because it gives time after school starts for us to get the word out and for enthusiasm to build," Kay Leager, director of enrollment management for the College of Engineering, said.

Parents find it convenient that they can get all of their questions

"We were impressed. We learned things we didn't know existed here. They answered all of our questions and we learned more about First Year College, making N.C. State a more entic-ing choice for our daughter since she is applying undecided," Megan Louya of Charlotte said.
In addition to the booths set

in Carmichael and Talley, students were encouraged to attend information sessions and visit residence halls, the library the dining facilities and student organization booths. Parents and their students were also encouraged to take part in a campus tour led by NCSU Student Am-

bassadors.

Alison Miller, a freshman in engineering, worked the booth for Circle K in hopes of doing her own bit of recruiting. "We are out here to show people that we do have service opportunities!

Extra and invite them to be rest. at State and invite them to be part of Circle K. We've had a lot of interest with rising freshman who were involved in Key Club during high school

Officials hope that this year's Open House was a success, and one way to gauge its influence is to monitor how many students

will decide to make NCSU their

college destination "I was debating between here and Chapel Hill, but after this visit, I really like the atmosphere and it seems like a really good place to be," said Lindsay Davis of Charlotte. Her friend, Jamie Mathis of Charlotte, agreed, "I like the location of the campus. It's my first choice. I thought Open House was well-orga-

nized and everyone was very

prepared."
Other parents and students also felt Open House was a success for

'I've been here many times before," said Johannes Kuuskos-ki of Wilmington. "Open House was nicely set up and organized. Information was easy to find.
Their presentations were done nicely and everything was easily

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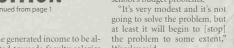
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of the generated income to be al-located towards faculty salaries and retention funds. This motion was defeated 8-6.

"I would really worry about the signal that would send to faculty," said Physics Department Head Chris Gould. "With zero tuition increase going to faculty, I would riew that as a significant morale

After the decision to allocate 54 percent of the generated revenue towards academic excellence, Student Body President Tony Caravano made it clear that a further breakdown of this figure was necessary to ensure that the money would be efficiently allocated to alleviate present budget

"I'm not willing to sign off on a recommendation to the Chan-cellor if we haven't talked about where the rest of the money is going to go," Caravano said. The final motion was passed

with an overwhelming majority with only Caravano and Devore in dissention.

Although the proposed increases will help lessen the effects of the recent budget cuts, Vice Chancellor Worsley explained that cam-pus-initiated tuition increases are not the ultimate solutions to the school's budget problems.
"It's very modest and it's not

Worsley said



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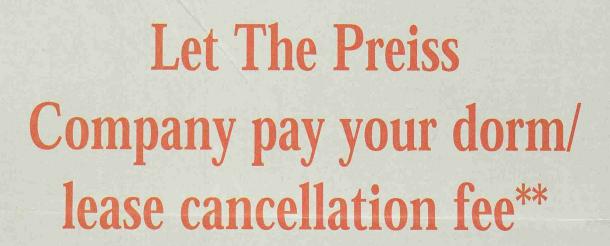
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ark, a senior, lounges back in his hooked-up adobe, complete with an entertainment center and the vital coffee table.

apartment shopper's guide

Jake Seaton offers his advice on finding the perfect apartment for you.

Jake Seaton

When the time comes for you to decide where you want to reside for a semester, or even an entire year of your college life, it's also time to step back and take a look at the options bequeathed upon

The first consideration, of course, is the planned number of roommates you are expecting. If you are going to live with three other people you definitely wouldn't want to live in a single bedroom con-do with one bathroom, you might actually want to think about trying to find a four bedroom house or apartment that has four bathrooms. Now, while it may sound fun to live with three other peo-

ple, do you really want to have to put up with a full house when you are trying to study for exams? But if you hap-pen to be one of those lucky people to find the apartment that offers rooms with acoustic insulation for recording booths and have vault privacy doors, then more power to you. However, in my personal experience, I've found it very difficult to live with one other person in my room, let alone three other people in the same dwelling. You never know though, maybe you know the perfect group of people that enjoy late night study sessions that are powered by black coffee and in-depth discussions.

After deciding on how many people you want to share your living space with, it is time to discuss the price range you are willing to pay for your humble abode. Unless you have an unlimited budget pretty much count North

Raleigh and Cary out, but if lege student then the housing provided in the campus area with prices ranging from the upwards of \$800 per month for a single bedroom, single bathroom apartment to an \$1195 per month payment for a four bedroom, four bathroom apartment, there is little pricing that has not been covered. It's just a matter of availability that could pose a problem. Next you need to consider

the neighborhood you want to live in. The neighborhood is a key factor in determin-ing the price range and the amount of schoolwork you will actually complete. If you are willing to look out your bedroom window during the heart of winter and see tennis shoes with ice-sickles dangling from the power line that gling from the power line that runs into your complex, then you might be able to find a pretty "nice" place that is fairly reasonably priced. But with this tennis shoes home also comes the obnoxious neigh-bors that live above you. Then again, if you can drown out the sound of the guy above you getting it on with his girl-friend, then this may be the route to consider. I, for some reason, find it difficult to concentrate while two people are getting busy in, what sounds like, my bedroom. I'm not sure if it's jealousy or disgust, but it definitely makes physics homework - especially for CHASS major that much

Cleanliness might be your next priority when trying to find your "dream" college home. Some companies find it easier to just clean and groom their complexes once a month, while some might have caretakers in the yards every day. If you don't mind

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Decorating with style

Joel Isaac Frady points out a variety of ways to liven up your living space.

Joel Isaac Frady

Finding a good apartment is just the first step of the housing issue, and it's not even the fun part. Once you finally get through the piles of paperwork and red tape, and find yourself standing in a few bare rooms with white walls, the fun part

While never succeeding in the art of decorating apartments, I have picked up a few pointers and simple, commonsense ideas that everyone should take into consideration

Are things easily breakable?

Easily breakable items, like a vase or crystal glasses, just don't belong in the college student's abode. There is too much energy and stupidity that's going to go on for those items to remain in one piece, so it's best to stick with plastics and other hard-to-

The Coffee Table

Every living room needs a coffee table. Very few living rooms without one succeed. They're easy to come across, too, no matter what your price range is. Some people even get creative and make one themselves. If you opt for the latter idea, please be careful with the tools. No coffee table is worth losing a finger over The Walls

You have to have some-thing on the walls, if only to detract attention from the scuffmarks. Posters are the easiest way to cover them, but it can be hard to find one you won't get sick of looking at in two weeks. Dartboards are always fun, too, but the abil ity people have to aim poorly will put holes in the wall. Giant quilts or blankets with Japanese or Indian art on them are quite

popular; if you pick the right one, it can be a colorful, relaxing addition.

The Floor

While carpet, linoleum and wood make acceptable surfaces on their own, the occasional mat, rug or bean bag can prevent the room from looking bare. Over time, stains are bound to appear, investing in a steam cleaner is the easiest way to keep the floor from looking abused no matter how bad it really gets it.

The question "curtains or blinds" has been confusing people for many decades, and will probably continue to. This is sad, because curtains are the way to go. Blinds look goofy and don't do the best job keeping light out at night; but curtains can be adjusted to let in as much light as you want, and they come in enough colors and sizes to satisfy most any

Lava lamps never go out of style. Who knew that something as simple as a hot bulb and special chemicals could make the most attractive light in the house. Watching the

"lava" go up and down is just as entertaining as a fish tank, and you never have to worry about anything dying.

Furniture
When it comes to couches, remember this: comfort is everything. If it looks good, that is a nice perk, but what is the use in looks if you can't fall asleep on it for hours. The same goes for love seats and recliners. Other than the coffee table, a dining room have the space, but if not the coffee table works. These pointers are few, but

the keys to properly fixing up an apartment are here. The little details aren't, but they were yours to figure out to begin with.



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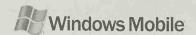
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OUR OPINION: WHILE PARENTS SHOULD BE INCLUDED AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE WHEN THEIR STUDENT IS SEEKING PSY CHOLOGICAL HELP, THE STUDENT'S RIGHT TO PRIVACY SHOULD BE MAIN-

The New York Times reported recently about a debate that many universities are struggling with: should colleges inform the parents of a student that is suicidal? There have been cases in the past few years that have brought this debate to the forefront of academic discussion. A student at New York University jumped off a 10-story building and his parents never knew anything was wrong. Another student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology attempted suicide before and the university knew about it. Eventually she committed suicide and now her parents are suing the school. The case is awaiting trial.

It is a gray area that has no easy answers. On one hand, parents have a

they do. Most parents would stop at nothing to prevent their child from taking their own life. On the other hand, once a student turns 18, they are legally adults and are afforded the same privacy rights their parents enjoy. Medical records are kept confidential and can only be turned over to a third party if the student consents. The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 guarantees a student's records, be it academic or medical, are kept secret, even from their parents if they so choose. If a student is seeing a psychologist

or counselor on campus, the counselor should do everything to help their patient, including intervening if the student tries to commit suicide. The counselor can urge the student to tell their parents, as it is common practice to get family members involved with it comes to depression therapy. They can even refer the student to a psychiatrist

for medication, but a counselor cannot and should not inform the parents, even if the student is suicidal. The student should do so on his or her own free will.

As hard as it is for universities to act as "in loco parentis", meaning in the place of parents, when it comes to curfew laws, universities also have a legal obligation to uphold the law and keep information about their students secret. Even if this means parents are kept out of the loop, the university must abide by

However, they can urge students to let their parents know what is going on. At N.C. State, the Counseling Center is free to anyone that is in need of psychological counseling. Health Promotions also has programs that inform students

about depression and suicide.
But beyond this, the university cannot do much more and cannot be held liable for a student's death by suicide. In the end, it is the student's life and choice.

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Why I love living on campus

Tommy discusses his reasons for why on-campus life beats any other and provides exactly what he needs.

You really can't beat on-campus life. Of course, people are always going to have something to complain about in the residence halls, but if you re-

Tommy

ally cherish and appreciate the privilege that we have been given by being here at N.C. State in the first place you realize how good we re-ally have it here on

campus. Location, location, location

Staff Columnist When you get down to the nitty gritty, you really can't beat living on campus for a lot of reasons, but one of the most convenient and practical purthe most convenient and practical purposes for staying in the residence halls is their proximity to everything you need. Anything you need is within a 10 minute walking distance. Need to go to the gym? Step outside and take a left at the recycling bins. Hungry? Talley is right around the corner, and the C-stores are open until midnight. Classes? Go straight through the Free Expres-Go straight through the Free Expression Tunnel, you'll be there before you

No worries about parking before

Sometimes when I'm strolling down Sometimes when I'm strolling down Hillsborough Street taking a look at the big beautiful world around me on my way to class, I can't help but look at the clogged street full of students desperately searching for a parking spot or shaking their fists at the red lights, without letting loose a cruel little chuckle. See, when you live on campus, you don't have to worry about the hassle of finding that diamond-in-the-rough parking space at the last minute or leaving your apartment an hour before class to assure yourself of a spot. All you have to do is roll out of a spot. All you have to do is roll out of bed five-10 minutes beforehand, brush your teeth and be on your way with

Late night pizza and philosophy

Another great thing about on-cam-pus life that no one should ever take for granted is discussing the meaning of life while chowing down on a barof lite while chowing down on a bar-becue chicken and bacon pizza from Papa John's with your buddies on the hall. Nothing is better than being able to walk out of your room and persuade a couple hall mates to pitch in a couple bucks to buy some pizza. You get that much desired late night snack at a discount price and the enjoyment of the inevitable fellowship that cheese this country from the theory of the inevitable fellowship that cheese and pepperoni seem to stimulate. If you haven't discussed utopian society or "DuckTales", "TaleSpin" and "Darkwing Duck" over an extra large pizza, they great head that the strength of then you haven't lived my friend, you

You have to love the random cookouts sponsored by all the student or-ganizations. There has been many an occasion where I haven't been enthusiastic about eating at Fountain or the Wolves' Den only to have my day made

with the scent of burgers and franks drifting into my window from Tucker Beach. I even know one guy who sur-vived a couple weeks without using his meal plan due to the abundance of free food floating around campus. Hillsborough Street

Hillsborough Street
Knock it all you want, whine about
how it's not aesthetically pleasing to
your refined tastes, but Hillsborough
Street is a darn good place just a couple
steps away to go to for food, relaxation and studying. I Love NY Pizza,
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Smoothie and Amore's are all excellent
breaks from the monotony of University Dining meal options. Also, if you brownine and miners aft at exterior breaks from the monotony of University Dining meal options. Also, if you are ever in need of a break from your hectic day, take a visit to Global Village. The coffee and tea there are better than anything you could ever get from Starbuck's and you get service with a smile from the friendly manager and workers there who actually remember each customer's daily drink. Global Village is perfect for studying and relaxing with the jazzy tunes playing in the background and the homey cushioned chairs begging you to take off a load. Overall, Hillsborough Street may not be the flashiest strip, but it definitely has some quality establishments.

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Community

There is just something about living together with a bunch of guys or girls that brings people together.

When you live in close quarters and share common goals such as education for instance, friendship is inevitable. I've never formed tighter bonds than those made by neonle who have lived those made by people who have lived together in residence halls. Everybody knows everybody else, and

there are really no strangers. In many cases, it is like the small town community that many are familiar with from back home. If you need some butter for your pancakes, ask Forrest next door; if you need someone to proofread your paper, ask Matt down the hall. Diversity

Another incredible part of living on campus is the diversity of personalities that you have the privilege of interacting with every day. Living in a residence hall is like being a kid in a toy store; there is always something new to do. If you are up for sports, trot briskly down the hall to the "Active Guys" room; if you're up for vegging out in front of the tube or computer screen. Gamers." Up late writing a paper and need a break? Go down the hall and say hello to "Insomniac Guy," he is al about how you plan on spending the upcoming years here at NCSU, I hope that this column helps you appreciate how well you have it here on campus, or convinces you to come back and spend the rest of your college years in residence hall. As for myself, I will always remember the good times and the memories made in the residence halls

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Living off campus is super awesome cool!

Zack Medford expresses his enthusiasm about the luxuries of off-campus living.

Living off campus - the beauty in complexity. I grew up in Sullivan Dorm and got my first taste of on-campus living. I dined in Fountain



Zack Medford

dining hall, washed my clothes in the laundry room and showered in the communal bath. Sure, it was awesome being so close to every-thing and getting to sleep later for classes. Moving off campus my

sophomore year was definitely a huge improvement. moved out I promised myself to stay in one place for the rest of my college career. No more packing up my TV, computer, clothes, sheets, etc. I would stay in my new apart-ment for life. Staying put is a big plus because instead of feeling like just another transient student trapped behind four walls, you actually have a place to call home

The space is luxurious. After living in a cramped dorm room for a year, I had forgotten what it felt like to be able to stretch out my arms. Now, not only do I have a room all to myself, I have a kitchen, living room and even a den. We have a huge TV in the living room and a nice leather couch to

spread out on and nap. We have pots spread out of anit hap. We have pots and pans to actually cook something BESIDES microwave Ramen noodles. Don't get me wrong, I cook plenty of Ramen - I just don't HAVE to any-

Having a kitchen and a full size Having a kitchen and a full size refrigerator helps out a lot. We cook steaks on the Forman grill, pasta on the stove, and we have even been known to bake a few batches of white macadamia nut cookies every now and then. Everything has its place in the kitchen, which is nice. Instead of digging around underneath my bed digging around underneath my bed digging around underneath my bed for the one, clean bowl in the house, I just open up a cabinet. We even have a dishwasher, which has certainly saved me from more than one case of food poisoning. The nicest part about our kitchen though is the giant, heavenly halogen light that illuminates the

room, Beautiful Halogen, I can even wash my clothes! You don't know happiness until you know how nice it is to have a washing ma chine down the hall. Sundays I simp turn on the Panthers game and throw a load in the machine. Granted my lazy behind often forgets to rotate the wash, and I fail to fold fairly frequently, but it's still a pleasure hink about how easily I could do the

room before, I'm sure you know how disgusting we can be, I am no excep-

tion. I am as dirty as a pig on filth-day at the fair. Having my own bathroom is a big plus however. Sure, it doesn't get cleaned all that often. Sure, there's fungus growing on the floor. But at least I know it's MY fungus!

least I know it's MY fungus!

I have always enjoyed the company of the opposite sex, and now that I live off campus, I finally know what it's like to stay up until 1 a.m. talking to a girl. In person for once, not online! It's nice to not have to worry about "boy hours" and "curfews." It kind of makes you feel grown up.

Moving out on your own is defi-

Moving out on your own is defi-itely a huge step into adulthood. You don't have your mom or an RA tell-ing you to keep it down (this time it's just the police). You can go out as late as you want, wake up at 3 p.m. and int, wake up at never be bothered. Your roommate's alarm clock wont wake you up four hours before your first class, and his constant studying won't stop you from slipping into the warm grasp of lady dreamland. You have to grow up sometime, and every spirit yearns for independence. So, I say celebrate liberty. Celebrate America. Move off campus when you're ready, and free vourself from the shackles of oppres-

Zack loved living on campus as well as off. So please don't write him mean letters if you work for housing - his boss made him write this. E-mail Zack at viewpoint@technicianstaff.com

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GUIDE

a pile of garbage at the foot of your stairs every morning or the smell of rancid meats emanating from your neighbor's garbage bags that they placed outside their door two weeks prior, then low cost housing is definitely for you. Well, once again, I find that a bit difficult to live with. I prefer freshly cut grass, trimmed trees and bushes and frequently emptied garbage receptacles - I may be prissy when it comes to where I live, but I think I live very well.

The final consideration for your housing hunting needs is your landlord. Once you have developed a list of possibilities for where you may want to live, start asking around to your friends and acquaintances about what they have heard about the landlords. Living in a lush complex is an awesome

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concept, but that is devoid if your landlord is a member of Workers' Party. At the same time, you probably wouldn't want to live under a landlord that gives his tenants free reign because you *know* that there will be at least one person in the complex who wants to use the power lines as a zip chord in a naked, drunken rage. In all real-ity, if you can't be happy with the way your landlord chooses to run their complex then you probably will not be happy living in that complex, so mark

ing in that complex, so mark that off your list. Well, there you go, from my personal experience of apartment shopping and the various locations in which I have lived, this is the definitive list of what the state of the property of the p to consider when looking for you ideal residence. I may like my milk served in a crystal wine glass on a silver platter, but that doesn't mean that a mason jar on a crate won't do.

GILLIAM

quicker than those other middle blockers."

Junior middle blocker Maya Mapp has helped Gilliam adjust to the changes. Playing the same position has also allowed Mapp to help Gilliam adjust to the new

style of play.

"I talk a lot with her about playing the middle, most notably teaching her to 'talk to your setters,' Mapp said. "As a middle blocker, even though she is playing with new players, she had to learn how to get the ball.

"She has adjusted really well to the changes, especially during

to the changes, especially during preseason play."

Mapp is excited about Gilliam's

progression at NCSU.

"It is always difficult to make changes," Mapp said. "But when Paige learns the different techniques and moves required for our style of play, she will become an even greater force in the middle."

Gilliam has also enjoyed the company she has received from

her teammates

"They are so much like the teammates I played with in Iowa," Gilliam said. "They are really easy to get along with and

really outgoing.
"It makes playing at State so much fun."

VILLAGE

unit and a full kitchen. All utili-ties and ResNet Internet service will be included in the price. Each bedroom will also be furnished.

"Students will have a full living room, including a couch, coffee table, an entertainment center and more," Olsen said. "Depending on the type of apartment you have, you might have bar stools or a dining room set. You could easily add a few touches from

home."

Beginning Nov. 15, apartment sign-up will be available via the Internet. Only people who will be a junior or higher in the fall of 2004 will be eligible. Olsen offered students ties to INVIO SOUR fered students tips to try to score a new apartment.

"Individuals should organize themselves in groups of four. Once that occurs, students identified as roommates will receive confirmation e-mails. Then everyone's name is sent to a database," he said. "If anyone in your group is pulled to receive a

room, the entire group gets to stay at Wolf Village."

Olsen hopes to have an equal number of juniors, seniors and graduate students living at Wolf Village. University Housing is also offering off-campus students a chance to return to campus.Ben Stepp, a junior in zoology, looks forward to trying to get an apartment at Wolf Village.

"I think that the apartments are a good way for older students to get away from dorm life," he said.
"But it still gives you the advantages of being near campus and

giving you all the resources campus has to offer."

Olsen agrees that Wolf Village will appeal to students looking to

move away from dorm life.
"I think the uniqueness of Wolf Village is that you have an upperclassman experience," Olsen said. "You have all the benefits of living on campus and having the

benefits of having some privacy in your own room." He added, "It's like the best of both worlds."

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win out no matter what." Low bowl or not, a bowl game is a bowl game, according to Pack coach Chuck Amato. And any time a team plays in such a contest, it's another opportunity to play on national television, another chance to advertise the program and another positive to

use for recruiting purposes.

"It's a reward," Amato said. "A bowl game is a reward. Any bowl game. And it's important for those young men [to experience a reward].

Becoming a team

Lawson has seen a change in the Wolfpack over the season, particularly off the field.

He's seen the guys develop into

a real team. "In the beginning, there were a lot of cliques," Lawson said. "You had your kickers over here, your receivers over there, your running backs and fullbacks. Now, we're

coming together."

Lawson has found a special friendship, too, with State long snapper Danny Young. It's not often that a linebacker and a long snapper become buddies, but Lawson has found a bond with the zany special teamster. "And he's crazy," Lawson said.

"You need to hear what comes out of his mouth.

"But there are no cliques any more. We're all together, we talk to one another, we hang out with one another. I'm proud to say I'm a part of this team. Lawson says the thing he has

treasured most have been the small reminders that he is a part of something special.
"I'm on the defense bus [on trips]," Lawson said. "Just to hear us joke together - that's a

moment.

The T.A. report At almost every media gathering since the beginning of the season, Amato has spent at least 10 minutes answering questions

about oft-injured running back T.A. McLendon. Last week, McLendon had his

knee scoped twice and sat out the Duke game. He's doubtful for Saturday's clash against Virginia, and Amato said freshman Reggie Davis will likely start. The coach did have some good news about McLendon, though.

Well, he's gone six days without an operation," Amato said, attempting to say it with a straight face. "I just hope there's not another doctor who wants a vacation.

After that, the coach — and reporters, for that matter couldn't contain the laughter.

Bad memories Both Lawson and Cotchery shuddered at the mention of last season's 14-9 loss to Virginia. The players still think about that game, one that featured the top two quarterbacks in the ACC — State's Philip Rivers and Virginia's Matt Schaub, who was voted the ACC's Player of the Year.

Despite Rivers and Schaub quarterbacking their teams, the game turned into a defensive struggle in rainy and cold Scott Stadium.

"The cold, the rain, the wind," Lawson said, sharing what he remembers most about the game. "I remember tackling somebody and thinking it hurt me more than it hurt them just because of my numb fingers banging up against their shoulder pads." Cotchery said the Cavaliers

were among the hardest-hitting teams he has faced.

"Those guys were hitting last year," Cotchery said. "And plus it was cold and rainy. Any hit that I was taking, I was bracing

Most of all, Lawson said Virginia taught State a lesson last

"There were some mistakes that we made," he said. "And we can't make those again ... we went in there not ready."

ANDREW

Based on previous stats and awards alone, Hulius obviously

gets the nod over Faymond. You'd think it'd be the same in the case of Hodge and Felton, too, but it's not.

Because the media hates Iulius

Hodge. Not like this is any surprise. In fact, it's as non-surprising as the collapse of the Cubs and Red Sox. Writers also gave Hodge the treatment after his freshman season by voting Georgia Tech's Ed Nels ACC rookie of the year. Nelson has since been a bust as a sophomore and transferred, never to be

heard of again. That year, even Ray Charles could see that Hodge was the obvious choice for freshman of the year. It's that jerseyism thing
- it goes both ways. Media sees a No. 24 jersey with "N.C. State" written on it, and they go into vulture mode.

Writers dislike Hodge almost as much as opposing teams and players hate Hodge.
"Julius Hodge will never win

player of the year in this conference," one longtime ACC sportswriter snarled at me when told him I couldn't believe Fel ton had been chosen the league's

best player. I tried to talk some sense to this guy, tried to explain to him why Hodge might be a better choice than Felton as player of the year, at least at this point.

The man wouldn't listen 'Too many people hate him,' he said.

Hate. It's such a strong word. But you know, at least there is some love in the sports writing

Just too bad it's focused all on

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Jerseyism

Wasn't it Ferris Bueller, American icon, who once said, "Ism's in my opinion are not good — a person should not believe in an ism, he should only believe in himself"? Bueller is brilliant. And it's true,



Andrew B. Carter

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Add another:

Jerseyism. It's defined as followed, ac-cording to Wil-lis (Webster's

Jerseyism (n.) - 1. the belief that a team's uniform or jersey accounts for differences in human character and ability and that a certain team's jersey or colors makes it superior to other teams.

2. Discrimination and bias in me-2. Discrimination and bias in media coverage based on team name and jersey, preference given to members who wear or affiliate with said team name and jersey.

Ask fans of any college or professional team in the country, and they'll cite jerseyism almost as much as officiating, poor coaching decisions and the angle of the moon in relation to the tides as reasons to why their team is struggling.

why their team is struggling. But jerseyism is a serious offense. It happens legitimately with only a few teams or players. The Yankees. Michael Jordan. Notre Dame. And, in ACC land ... North Caro-

I'm not a big believer in media onspiracy and bias theories, but something is wrong when literally every third question at ACC basketball media day — regardless of who is asked — is one of the following:

a.) With Roy Williams coming into

the league, how does that, like, affect you and stuff?

b.)Carolina has a new basketball coach. His name is Roy. Are you

c.)So, now that Roy Williams is coaching the Tar Heels, do you think you'll ever win another game against UNC, ever?

We all know Roy Williams is a great coach. But Sunday, in Greensboro, the ACC sports writing com-munity shared one big Roy-lovingparty-fest-thingy. It might have been more satisfying to the media than the lasagna and chicken buffet. But that's not likely.

If that case of jerseyism wasn't enough, there was more. The pre-season ACC Player of the Year vot-

ing.

Yeah, yeah, I know.

Preseason rankings and awards

e-much substance as a bow carry as much substance as a bowl of Spam. I get it. A first-place rankon spann. 1 get it. A first-piace rank-ing before any games are played is less valuable than Monopoly money. 100 and a spot on a preseason all-star team, you'd be able to buy 1,000 autographed glossy photos of Bob Saget priced 10 cents each. 1,000? Really?

Still, even though it means less than a politician's word, media cov-ering ACC basketball shafted N.C. State junior Julius Hodge in the league's annual vote for preseason player of the year.

Instead of anointing Hodge with the award's prestige, voters selected electric North Carolina point guard Raymond Felton.

No doubt about it, Felton is special. He's explosive. Quick. When he gets hot, call the fire department. But he's also raw. Out of control.

The only reason Felton got the nod is because, on his jersey, he's got the words "North Carolina" written in pretty blue or pristine white. The writers want to see UNC succeed this year so desperately, they convinced themselves into believing Felton would be a better selection as preseason player of the year

Let's see, one guy, we'll call him Hulius Jodge, averages 18 points, six rebounds and four assists and is a near unanimous selection for first team all conference, Another, we'll call him Faymond Relton, averages 13 points, four rebounds and eight assists and is a third-team all confer-

ANDREWsee page 6

impact to the N.C. State midfield with her toughness and dedication Joe Overby

Mandela Schumacher-Hodge strolls off the practice field at Derr Track, soccer bag in hand and a big grin on her face She laughs in friendly conversation with coaches and fellow players. To someone who has not watched the N.C. State women's soccer team play this season, she may not have the most intimidating

Freshman Mandela Schumacher-

Hodge has provided an immediate

of appearances. Schumacher-Hodge is probably no taller than 5-foot-2. She is only a freshman, playing in the best women's soccer league in the country. She is very approachable and light-hearted, as her smiling face

would indicate.

But do not be fooled by this charming demeanor; Schumacher-Hodge is one of the most aggressive and competitive players on the field.

"She will out-hustle, out-fight anyone,"

assistant coach Michelle Demko said. "On the field, her personality is very competitive. She always wants to be the best."

In order to become the best, Schum-

acher-Hodge has tirelessly worked to improve her skills. She voluntarily comes to almost every practice 30 minutes early to work with assistant coaches on improving certain technical aspects of her game. On top of that, she stays after practice to discuss how she can improve upon skills the team worked on during drills.

"She works hard during practice and is very dedicated," senior co-captain Adri-enne Barnes said, "When she first came here, she impressed me with her hard work ethic and love of the game."

Schumacher-Hodge earned a starting

spot at midfielder in September in a match vs. Delaware and has not looked back. She knows, however, that she can-not become complacent even though she

has a starter's role.
"You have to come ready to play every day because there is always someone behind you that wants your spot," Schumacher-Hodge said. "I'm always there pushing myself and when I see my teammates there working hard it just motivates me even more." Schumacher-Hodge has started every

Schumacher-Hodge has started every match since her starting debut against Delaware and made an immediate impact for the Wolfpack. In her 12 starts, she has

recorded two goals and two assists.

But her contributions extend far past the stat sheets.

"She has made a great impact from the beginning." Demko said. "She has played such a huge role for us in the midfield, winning balls, keeping possession for us, linking the defense to the forwards. For her to come in as a freshman and do that for us, is outstanding."

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Schumacher-Hodge attributes a great deal of her success on the field to passion for the game and confidence. She said that much of her confidence comes from participating in the Olympic Development Program, a regional all-star league for high school soccer players.

"You're playing against the best girls in your region," Schumacher-Hodge said. "There are a lot of girls who are just as good as you or better. An important part of soccer is playing with confidence. And I really learned that from the Olympic Development Program."

During most of her early days in soc

cer, starting at age 4, Schumacher-Hodge played in boys' leagues. Doing so, she said, had a tremendous effect on her play.

"There's the group of guys who either really hurt you or who are afraid to touch you because you're a girl. But I'm



All smiles off the field, Mandela Schumacher-Hodge plays each match with her game face ready

Pack readies for home stretch



Troy Graham (27) and Victor Stephens sandwhich Duke running back Chris Douglas Saturday. Graham, Stephens and the Pack could wind up in one of six bowls.

Team knows last three games have huge bowl implications.

With three games remaining on its schedule and right in the middle of a four-way tie for second place in the ACC, the N.C. State football team knows the range of postseason

team knows the range of possesson bowl game possibilities. In about two months, the Wolfpack might be in Boise, Idaho readying for the Humanitarian Bowl. Or it could be returning home from Orlando, Fla. and the Tangerine Bowl. Or it could be in Atlanta, or Jacksonville, Fla., or ... Well, the Pack could be anywhere, really.

automatic berth in a Bowl Championship Series game, the league has affiliations with five bowls and every

one is wide open.

That's why the Wolfpack sees its last three games, starting Saturday afternoon against Virginia at Carter-Finley Stadium, as three separate opportunities to better position itself for an upper tier postseason game, such as the Gator Bowl or the Peach Bowl.

we get through every "That's how we get through every day," said Wolfpack receiver Jerricho Cotchery. "To know that we can still be in position to go to a great bowl. That's how we get through mat drills, and all the long meetings — to know that we've still got some great goals ahead."

The race for second place in the ACC is clouded, with four teams — State, Georgia Tech, Virginia and Clemson — bunched together with 3-2 conference records. A fifth, Maryland, is 2-2. Florida State can clinch at least a tie of the league championship this weekend with a win over Clemson.

Historically, the ACC's secondplace team has the inside track on gaining an invite to the prestigious ator Bowl, which then leaves the third place team with an almost guaranteed spot in the Peach Bowl. That didn't happen last season, as a fourth-place N.C. State team, at 5-3 in the conference, earned an invite to the Gator. A pair of 6-2 ACC teams. Maryland and Virginia, went to the Peach Bowl and Continental Tire Bowl, respectively

"The way we play determines what bowl we go to, that's way we look at it," said linebacker Manny Lawson. "If we win out, there's telling what bowl we go to. But if we fall short, there are some low bowls we could go to, and we don't want any of that.

So our main focus right now is to

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Gilliam having fun.

The junior college transfer from Iowa has made her presence felt on the Wolfpack volleyball squad.

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Paige Gilliam's goals are straightforward and unrelenting.
"I want to get at least 15 block attempts per game,

attain a good hitting percentage and get at least three blocks per game," she said.

There are many ways to describe the multi-faceted volleyball player.

She is a transfer from Iowa Central Community College, a junior majoring in communications with a desire to work in public relations. On the

court, she is a feared middle blocker who has stepped up as a leader for N.C. State volleyball; she is a com-petitor who wants to bring the ways of winning back

In learning how to be a leader in community college, I feel that I can bring a winning attitude to State and hopefully rub it off on the other players," Gilliam said.

In her first year in Wolfpack country, Gilliam has already contributed to the performance of her team. She has seen action in nearly every game this year, including a clutch performance against North Carolina, in which

she recorded nine blocks, third all-time in N.C. State history against an ACC opponent.
Gilliam, like fellow Wolfpack teammate Julia Reis, started her athletic career playing basketball. However, in seventh grade, her athletic career took a sharp turn toward volleyball, and she hasn't stopped going

"One of my teachers played volleyball a lot, and she really got me into it," Gilliam said. "I started playing in the seventh grade, and since then, I have really learned to enjoy the sport.

As with any junior college transfer, the transition to Division I can be challenging — not only on the playing surface but also in the game of life as well.

"Actually, there are not many changes that I had to make between community college and life here at State," Gilliam said. "You are more on your own, and I have had to gain more study habits."

Gilliam has also had to adjust on the volleyball court with the upgrade of competition in ACC play

"In community college, I was usually the tallest middle blocker in the league. Here in the ACC, however, I am considered one of the shorter middle blockers," Gilliam said. "I've worked on my speed so I can become

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