

MONDAY JANUARY

Raleigh, North Carolina

new year, new resolutions to break

Students often make plans to change their bad habits, but being successful requires motivation.

Kristen Healey

Ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three, two, one, happy New Year! Corks popped, people cheered and the music brought moves along, the New Year's traditions continue on.

No matter where you celebrated this New Year's Eve, it was hopefully as fun as James Lamberth's

holiday.

Lamberth, who is majoring in science education, said, "I visited the great city of Atlanta where my cousin lives. After the peach dropped, an Atlanta custom, I went to my friend's party on the top of a building in downtown. top of a building in downtown

People have been celebrating New Year's Day for 4000 years. It was first observed in ancient Bab-ylon, and the holiday fell on the day when the first new moon after the vernal equinox could be seen, which was in March. Eventually, the first day of the New Year was moved back to Jan. 1 with the use of the Gregorian calendar.

Celebrating the new year isn't only about big parties with a lot of food and dancing into the early morning hours, it is also the time

for New Year's resolutions. The Babylonians also began this an-cient practice. One of their most popular resolutions was to return borrowed farm equipment. Now, in 2004, New Year's resolutions are much different, but they still stick to the same principle - to improve oneself.

Among N.C. State students alone, there are several attitudes toward New Year's resolutions

FROM THE EXPERTS

Instructor: Erin Minor Instructs: Step Aerobics, Extreme Cardio, H20 Works and AbSolutions

Why are health and fitness important?

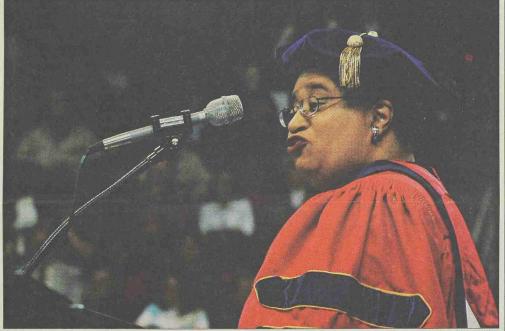
By working out and eating right, people tend to feel better about themselves. People's self esteem

What is your favorite way to stay in shape? Leading and participating in group fitness because it's interactive and

What is the best way for students to lose weight for the new year? Eating a healthy diet and exercising regularly is the best way for ANYONE to lose weight. NCSU recreation offers group fitness that will fit everyone's

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Jackson urges graduates to push'frontiers of impossibility'



Shirley Ann Jackson delivers the commencement address at graduation ceremonies. She used examples from the Wright Brothers and her family to encourage graduates to aim for the stars.

Keynote speaker Shirley Ann Jackson left graduates with words of advice, but Philip Rivers stole the spotlight.

Michele DeCamp

The number of seniors present at the university-wide graduation ceremony on Dec. 17 suggested that several of the 2,853 graduates

decided to sleep in. However, many students were able to use the ceremony as a chance to get one of their fellow graduates' autograph - Philip Rivers.
Rivers did not speak during the graduation, and when Chancellor Fox named him as one of the interesting seniors during her remarks, he only stood up for a brief moment. Yet the second all the degrees had been conferred, he was unable to walk down the aisle to shake hands with his coach Chuck Amato without stopping surgest times to take nictures with fans and sign.

several times to take pictures with fans and signing programs. A handful of different television crews were also present to ask Rivers about his feelings regarding graduation. Rivers had voiced his excitement regarding graduation as the date

"Graduating means a lot. It's certainly some-thing that I've been striving toward all along. To be able to see the end and get it done along with the success I've been able to have in football makes it even better," Rivers said in a news

services press release.

While Rivers and Amato both drew crowds after the ceremony, Shirley Ann Jackson, president of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI), was the keynote speaker at the ceremony. Jackson has earned acclaim for her work as a theoretical physicist and for becoming the first African-American woman to head the Nuclear



Tamara Smith, graduating with a degree Tamara Smith, graduating with a degree in business management, carries her balloons after the completion of cer-emonies. Her sash celebrates her African

Regulatory Commission, earn a Ph.D. from MIT and to run a research-driven national university. Her main focus in her address was for students to "push against the frontiers of impossibility. Jackson took advantage of the date, Dec. 17 to mention another pair of scientists who had made a major stride a hundred years ago.

"One cannot fly into the state of North Caro-

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rattles students Campus Police encourage shoulders. "I don't like walking on campus students to take caution

Armed robbery

when walking alone on campus at night.

Lucy Tatum

Hundreds of students walk through the Free Expression Tunnel daily. Students can be found there painting, skating or just conversing with their friends at all hours of the day. "The expression tunnel is an

"The expression tunnel is an everyday place for students," Amber Howard, a sophomore in psychology, said. "You expect it to be safe there?

It was unsafe, however, for one student walking through at 2:44 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2003. Two male subjects, one 9, 2003. Two male subjects, one carrying a handgun, robbed the student, striking him on the left side of his head and taking his cash, a pack of gum and his keys. After making it back to Metcalf, his dorm, and calling Campus Police, the student was taken to Rex hospital. The robbery has left

some students looking over their

at night anyway," said Mike Carroll, a junior in business management. "I'm usually pretty alert, but now there's even more reason to be.

Lieutenant Rick Potts of Cam-pus Police says that although incidents like this are rare, there are things students can do to stay safe.
"If you travel in pairs, you're

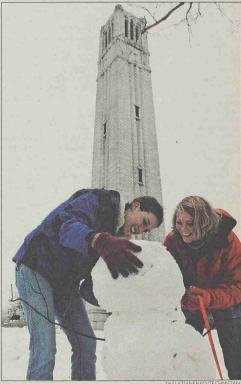
tess likely to have a problem," Potts said. "Most crimes happen later in the evening, so students should be extra careful at night."
Potts also said that if students

are concerned about their safety, they may contact Campus Police

to request an escort.

While no arrests have been made, Campus Police welcomes any information about the assailants. Of the two black males, one was 5'6" and wore dark clothing and a hood, while the other was 5'9" and wore a hat. Anyone with information regarding this crime may contact Campus Police at 515-2498.

SNOW DAY



Clara Wortham (left), a junior in Biology, and Katie Newell, a junior in English, put the finishing touches on their snow-man in front of the Bell Tower Friday afternoon. Raleigh woke up to a blanket of snow on Friday morning after a la night storm dropped 2–3 inches on the ground. Flurries continued throughout the day.

When Vic O'Janpa was a kid he liked to break stuff. He would receive me-chanical toys for Christmas and would Now he has finished a large step in the process of becoming educated in the construction of buildings and bridges. But before he got his bachelor's degree in civil engineering at N.C. State and entered his master's program in construction management he had one

Building

a future

Fall graduation speaker Vic

O'Janpa accomplished a lot throughout his college career, and

his future looks just as bright.

Michele DeCamp

more step to make. He had to walk up to a microphone and serve as his fellow graduates' speaker at the fall graduation And like most inexperienced graduation speakers, he was a little scared. The first thing that he did when he stepped up to the microphone was to apologize

for his public speaking skills.
"Public speaking is a recommended elective for civil engineers. I elected not

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WORLD

Iraqi security forces lack training, equipment, support
The Iraqi forces that are supposed to assume control of the nation's security are suffering from inadequate training, poor pay, equipment shortages and a serious lack of public support.
The Iraqi forces, billed 'the new Iraqi army, the Iraqi police and the Iraqi Civil Defense Corps,' may not have enough time to prepare for the transition to Iraqi rule at the end of June, when the American military is planning to begin pulling out of towns and turning over primary responsibility for security to Iraqis. And they may not be up to the job off insurance in successingly sophisticated guerrilla insurgency that's killed more than 200 U.S. soldiers since President Bush declared the end of major combat operations in May. operations in May. - KRT Campus

- KRT Campus

Iraqi Governing Council changes
stance on senior Baathists
In a move that could reflect a softening
of the American-led coalition's attitude
towards senior members of Saddam
Hussein's Baath Party, the U.S.-appointed Iraqi Governing Council announced
on Sunday that it would allow senior
Baathists to appeal their job dismissals
or retire and receive pensions.
Council member Ahmad Chalabi, a
Pentagon favorite and committed antiBaathist, made the announcement at an
afternoon news conference, calling for
an end to revenge killings of Baathists
and describing a two-judge appeals
process that will reinstate some of the
32,000 Baathists.
- KRT Campus

North Korea urges U.S. to accept nuclear freeze offer A day after showing American delegates its "nuclear deterrent," North Korea marked the anniversary Sunday of its expulsion of U.N. weapons inspectors by resolving to bolster its self-defense against a possible U.S. nuclear attack. Yet as the isolated communist North Yet as the isolated communist North kept up its typically harsh anti-Ameri-can rhetoric, North Korea's official KCNA news agency also urged Washington to accept Pyongyang's offer of a freeze on its program as a first step toward resolv-ing the crisis over its atomic weapons

NATION ->

Cold blamed for at least 3 deaths in

Northeast
The bitter cold that gripped the
Northeast through the weekend and
iced over roads was blamed for at
least three deaths, including that of a

without heat. The man, whose identity had not been determined Sunday, died of hypothermia early Saturday, said Jeff Moran, a spokesman for the Philadelphia Health Department. Temperatures in the city had dropped to 4 degrees that morning.

Boston archbishop urges Catholic lawyers to combat same-sex marriage
Archibishop Sean P. O'Malley urged Catholic lawyers on Sunday to oppose gay marriage, saying the institution of marriage and the family are under assault and attorneys need to help protect them.

"The social cost of the breakdown of family life has already been enormous," O'Malley said at the annual Red Mass, which is dedicated to judges, lawyers and others in the legal system.
"It's not a question of live and let live, it's a question of live and let live, it's a question of right and wrong," O'Malley said.

-Wire Reports

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Sept. 11 memorial artists refine

Even before a winning design was picked for the World Trade Center me-morial, complaints had rolled in about the eight finalists.

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Family groups said none adequately conveyed the horror of the 2001 terrorist attacks that destroyed the twin towers and killed nearly 3,000 people. Architects said all eight left them cold. A public poll of 15,000 people drew more negative than positive responses.

-Wire Reports

Group calls for vote on center

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A Wake County political group and at
least two elected leaders say the decision on whether to build the proposed
\$200 million convention center and
totel complex in downtown Raleigh
should be made by the voters.
Leaders in the Wake County Taxpayers
Association are calling for a vote before
any hotel and meals tax money is spent
on the project. City Council member
Mike Regan and Wake County Commissloner Phil Jeffreys are supportive.
- The News and Observer

Some jobs go wanting in N.C.
When President Bush last week proposed temporary legal status for immigrants working illegally in the United States, he repeated an oft-heard complaint: There are some jobs Americans simply won't take.
In North Carolina, that seems to be true in the worst workplaces. Jobs in crop fields, slaughterhouses and seafood processing plants have traditionally

Employers and workers give a variety of reasons why U.S. citizens have increasconditions, cultural changes and global economics. - The News and Observer

Capture of Saddam shocks students, world

Students react to the news that the former Iraqi president was captured by Coalition forces.

Ana Pardo

A few students turned to CNN and caught the news. Others heard it on the radio or read about it on the web. American troops had captured former Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on Dec. 13.

Hamza Hendawi with the Associated Press (AP) reported that Saddam was found hiding out in a hole in the ground outside a farm in Adwar, on the outskirts of his hometown

At the same time, students at N.C. State had just finished with exams and were heading home. While the capture took place thousands of miles away, the news still stunned students.

"I was very surprised when I found out that Saddam Hussein was captured, but I was also happy for the people of Iraq because he needs to be punished for the conditions he placed upon his own people," Carlina Simmons, a sophomore

in biological sciences, said. The capture signaled the end of an intense eight-month man-hunt for the ousted leader. Hendawi also reported that Hussein was found armed with a pistol but did not attempt to fight or

"I'm surprised we caught him because I would have thought he would have committed suicide or gone down in a vicious resistance like his sons, rather than allow himself to be captured... I can't help but wonder how fair and impartial his trial will be, given that his execution is pretty much universally regarded as a 'fait accompli.'

- Abraham Rash, history graduate

escape when discovered

Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez described Hussein to the AP on the eve of his capture as "a tired man, a man resigned to

Hussein had been in hiding since March 2003 when American soldiers invaded Iraq and took control of his Republican Palace in Baghdad. It was then that the U.S. military ilso placed a \$25 million bounty on his head.

In video footage released to the press, Hussein appeared dis-oriented as a doctor examined him and took DNA samples to confirm his identity. His long beard was shaved in order to compare his face with photos taken before the U.S. invasion.

The AP also reported that upon hearing the news about the capture, many Iraqi citizens took to the streets in cities throughout Iraq with guns, firing victory shots into the air.

NCSU students held a wide variety of opinions regarding the significance of Hussein's capture and the impact it will have on Iraq and the rest of the

While some were optimistic about Iraq's future, other students viewed the event as a time to reflect on the broader

political picture.
"It didn't surprise me, but it also doesn't really matter," Brenn Hill, a senior in psychology, said. "Iraq isn't the only region in the world with a terrible dictator, and we should all remember that it was the United States who put Saddam there in the first place. Instead of feel-ing good about tearing down a brutal dictator, we should ask ourselves, 'Why have we put so

many in power?"

Many students feel that Hussein's capture will boost Presi-dent Bush's odds of re-election in the upcoming presidential

"I think it was a lucky break for Bush," Abraham Rash, a graduate in history, said. Curtis Lane, a senior in indus-

trial engineering, also thought

President Bush's re-election, and possibly boost the U.S. economy as well.
"With [Hussein's] capture, the

run for the presidency might be more in Bush's favor. Plus now the rebuilding will start, and I know firsthand that means more American jobs to send stuff over to Iraq," Lane said. "The company I worked for last semester stopped a layoff of 600 people just because of government involvement in rebuilding Iraq.'

Hussein's future has yet to be determined. Hendawi wrote that Amnesty International is pushing to have him declared a prisoner of war, while Iraqi National Congress leader Ahmad Chalabi insists that Hussein must be tried in Iraq's newly established tribunal system.

Rash offered a gloomy pro-ection of Saddam's possible

'I'm surprised we caught him because I would have thought he would have committed suicide or gone down in a visuicide or gone down in a vi-cious resistance like his sons, rather than allow himself to be captured." Rash continued, "[Hussein's] war crimes tribunal will probably be a mess, if it isn't handled with kid gloves. I can't help but wonder how fair and impartial his trial will be, given that his execution is pretty much universally regarded as a 'fait accompli' [an irreversible accomplishment]."

NEW YEAR

Some believe they are extremely important, and some don't give it a second thought.

For those who choose to make goals for the new year, the most popular resolutions seem to be those where people choose to become more healthy, for example, to lose weight, to quit smoking or to eat better. Whatever the resolution is, however, it is always an individual choice.

T.J. Murray, a senior in en-vironmental engineering, said that his resolution this year is to play more Ultimate Érisbee because it gets me in shape."
"New Year's resolutions are a

reminder of what you want to do," Murray added.

Some students wonder whether resolutions should come more often than just on

'It's silly to make New Year's resolutions because people should spend every single day of their lives bettering themselves instead of setting only one day aside for it," said Season Hughes, a junior in English.

She also said that her resolu-tion for this year is "to marry Prince William," although she knows this might be difficult. "This one is hard to abide by, but I'm studying abroad in London this summer, so who

However vou may view New Year's resolutions, the first day of the year signifies the start of something fresh

To many people this new start is just what they need to get off the couch and take action to

look deeper into their lives. "New Year's resolutions are a way to improve your life," John Fuller, a sophomore in aerospace engineering, said.
"But usually people set resolutions to stop habits which they
have already tried, therefore it is mostly unsuccessful.'

Several people have described ways to make New Year's resolu-

Some suggestions are to simplify the resolution, word it carefully, make a plan and write it down. Cari Maroun, a junior in

biochemistry, said, "I have made plans to work out at least 3-4 days a week. I have only one class on Tuesday and Thursday so I have decided that I will go early to campus and work

Maroun had one suggestion for people who want to stick to their goals this new year: "Get

FITNESS

Do you have any helpful tips for a healthy year? Set out specific times in your schedule to work out. Make it an appointment time that you can-

Any wise words?

Staying in shape is the best thing a college student can do. It relieves stress, gives you extra energy and keeps you feeling young.

Instructor: Kerl Morris Instructs: Yogalates, Extreme Car dio and Jump out of Bed

Why are health and fitness important?
I used to have strange stomach problems. When I started to exercise more than they did with any of the medicines the doctor had me try. Exercising can make you feel much better whether you are sick, stressed or even bummed out.

What is your favorite way to stay in shape?
Fitness classes definitely!

What is the best way for stu-dents to lose weight for the

sense to lose weight for the new year?

Set reasonable goals, Get yourself into a routine, or you will end up unmotivated and on your couch watching reality TV shows all night with a bag of Oreos.

Do you have any helpful tips for a healthy year? Grab a friend that wants to get healthy with you. It's easier if you motivate each other.

Take a few minutes each day to relax. Close your eyes, take a few deep breaths and just let go.

Instructor: Sandra Soliz Instructs: Step and Cardio Fusion and a Women and Strength Training

Why are health and fitness important? It is a great stress reliever, and it keeps you healthy and young both physically and mentally.

What is your favorite way to stay in shape?
Hove teaching my classes, running and strength training.

What is the best way for stu-dents to lose weight for the new year? Stay active by attending the group fitness classes because they keep you motivated and eat healthy.

Do you have any helpful tips for a healthy year?

Don't make losing weight the primary reason to come and work out. Do it because it's good for you mentally and physically and because it's fun!

- Kate Renner, staff reporter

POLICE BLOTTER

12:49 a.m. | Traffic Checkpoint

12:53 a.m. | Assist Other Agency

was not affiliated with the university. 4:16 a.m. | Suspicious Person

A non-student was issued a trespass warning after being found sleeping on the bottom floor of Tompkins Hall by

8:25 a.m. Traffic Speeding for exceeding the posted speed on Yarborough Drive.

8:25 a.m. | Safety Program
A sergeant conducted a safety pro-

gram at the Morris Building.

9:45 a.m. | Safety Program
A sergeant conducted a safety program at the Park Shops.

10:54 p.m. | Check Person

An officer three times observed a Nissan parked in the C Lot of E.S. King

The vehicle was unoccupied, and had a registration that came back on a dif-ferent vehicle. The vehicle came back non-student, whom the license plate an Escort with this plate to a subject who was leaving for Mexico. There were various tools in the vehicle. No follow-up.

11:43 p.m. | Traffic Stop
A student was issued a citation for exceeding the posted speed limit on Dan Allen Drive at Sullivan Drive.

2:02 p.m. | Orientation

2:12 p.m. | Traffic Stop Sign

5:30 p.m. | Special Event
Two lieutenants and two deputies reported to work the Women's NCSU/
UNC basketball game at Reynolds. The game ended around 9:00 p.m. with no incidents. Attendance was estimated hetween 1.500 and 2.000 between 1,500 and 2,000.

7:24 p.m. | Check Person

An officer observed a brown Chevy truck parked near the surplus area in the Dearstyne Complex. A non-student was parked waiting for the surplus sale to happen Friday morning. No problems noted.

7:47 p.m. | **Safety Hazard**A security officer reported a drop off in the brick pathway in the Court of the Carolinas. The drop off was 6-8 inches. Facilities was notified, and came out to put up cones to mark the area.

8:02 p.m. | Assist Other Agency

12:28 a.m. Traffic Checkpoint

that they had no call back number. No problems noted.

Officers conducted a driver's license checkpoint on Dan Allen Drive at CCPL Lot. Two verbal warnings were given for expired registrations.

FUTURE

to take it," O'Janpa said at the be-

ginning of his speech.
Yet he knew that no one would care if he took an extra long pause or stumbled over his words of encouragement.
"I've got a sympathetic audi

ence. I'm speaking on behalf of my peers," O'Janpa said in an interview before graduation day.

O'Janpa got the chance to speak

to his fellow graduates with some help. He found out early on in the semester that he would be the valedictorian of the civil engineering class, and shortly after-wards David Parish told him that wards David Parish told him that they had nominated him for the student speaker position. "I was scared to death," O'Janpa said about the nomination pro-

said about the nomination pro-cess. He spent all of fall break working on a speech that ap-plauded NCSU's achievements over the past year and thanked the families and teachers that helped the graduating students. Then he had to convince a few judges that he could represent the student body on graduation day student body on graduation day. He got the call that he had been chosen on the same day that he interviewed for the position.

"I think I left footprints in the floor of my apartment, I jumped so high," O'Janpa said. He didn't begin his college career at NCSU. After being re-

ected for the Park scholarship, O'Janpa decided to go to UNC Wilmington and enroll in their 🐞 2+2 pre-engineering program. He was able to stay close to home and get his general requirements out of the way. He was also able to pursue one of his passions boating.
"I got to spend an extra two

years in Wilmington, and that's great because I'm a beach bum," he said. His future goals are still tied to the water. "My dream is when I retire to sell the house, buy a little boat and cruise the loop." Eventually O'Janpa made his way to Raleigh and matricu-

department. Only a few days after moving to the capital city he met his future girlfriend of two years, Susan Watson. She has watched O'Janpa stay up late and work on his schoolwork, juggle part-time jobs to pay for his education and living expenses and learn his trade through his

ongoing co-op experience with Choate Construction. "Being the girlfriend, you want to go do stuff, but you can't. It definitely paid off for him," Watson, who is pursuing her master's degree in history education at NCSU, said.

Choate Construction offered O'Janpa a chance to figure out his future career goals. Former Choate employee Brian Armstrong, O'Janpa's mentor, came to his graduation. Armstrong's presence at his big day is just one reflection of O'Janpa's ties to the company. Co-op students are supposed to alternate regular semesters with full-time work at their respective companies, but he was able to arrange to work part-time with Choate during his off-semesters to gain more experience and help pay his bills.

"It's been great to come out of college and say that I've got three years experience in my field," O'Janpa said.

Paying the bills was always a part of his college experience.

O'Janpa's parents were not able to contribute to his tuition or his living expenses, so it was his responsibility to earn money for tuition and his bills. In some ways, Vic believes that added responsibility made him into a better student.

"If Mom and Dad had just said 'send us the bills,' then I wouldn't have learned as much. I wouldn't have tried as hard, I wouldn't be . as mature as I am now," he said.

However, all that hard work didn't make getting up in front of all those parents and students any easier. O'Janpa only faltered once when he had to pause a moment threatening to spill as he wished his fellow students success. He ended his five minutes with

statement that applies as much to his own future in construction as the future chemists, writers and teachers gathered in front

When we walk outside this university, let's show the world what we can do."

GRADUATION

lina on the eve of December 17 without thinking of another North Carolina first. Flight had been considered the standard of impossibility. The Wright brothers were the first aeronautical engineers and they helped to boost the technological revolution that has marked the last 100

years," Jackson said.

Throughout her speech, she posed several questions that some of the students in attendance may try to answer in their

careers.
"How much of the body can we replace? What is consciousness? Could human beings live forever - would we want to? What should humans eat?'

Jackson urged graduates to set a standard for excellence for themselves out in

the workplace.
"In the global community in which we live, inclusiveness and tolerance are key. It is in your power to be a leader - to set an example," she said.

Jackson also tapped into some of her family's advice as well.

Her grandfather would say "aim for the stars, so you can reach the treetops. If you do not aim high, you will not go far."

Students did not unanimously praise Jackson's address.
"It hink she's probably a very nice and

"I think she's probably a very nice and distinguished person, but I couldn't hear her very well," Krystal Doward, a biological sciences graduate, said.

However many students enjoyed her words of encouragement and advice.

"Me being a physicist, I thought her ad-dress was very inspiring. She definitely set the standard for me as an African-American physics student," Beverly Clark said. Clark graduated with a master's in

Even students outside of the sciences thought that she had fulfilled her duties

thought that she had fulfilled her duties as the keynote speaker.

"I thought it was appropriate. She was very insightful - to live your life and have fun with it," Ryan Holbrook, a business management graduate, said.

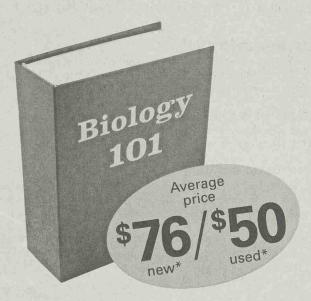
An event that had begun with students donning caps and gowns in the RBC parking lot ended with students rushing off to their department graduations, but the college deans and university adminthe college deans and university administrators made it official - N.C. State had nearly 3,000 new alumni.



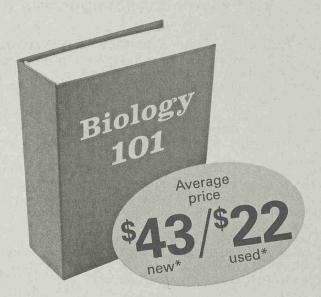


TIM LYTANIENNO/TECHNICAN Alisha Bynum (above) hangs on to her mother, Milele Bynum, as they watch Milele's husband Vincent during Fall Commencement at the RBC Center. Vincent Bynum (left) takes part in the turning of the tassel after coming back to college from a 20 year absence and finishing his last two semesters gaining a B.A. in Sociology.

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Natural selection.

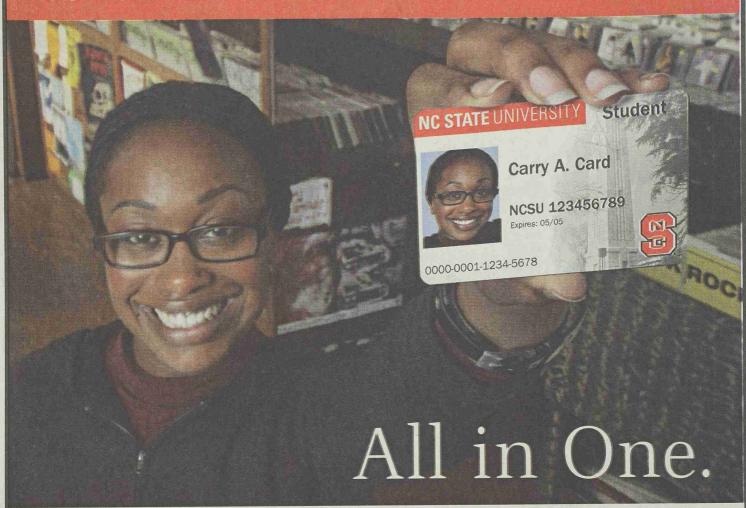
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It's Your Student ID. It's Your ATM Card.



AllCampus ID Cards Have Been Distributed. Wachovia On Campus To Activate ATM Feature.

North Carolina State University and the AllCampus Network Office have issued new AllCampus ID Cards to all Students, Faculty/Staff, Affiliates, Visitors, Contractors, Gym Users and others who require on campus identification.

Before Picking Up Your New AllCampus ID Card, Visit www.ncsuallcampus.com To Find Out If Your ID Has Been Printed

WHEN WERE NEW ALLCAMPUS ID CARDS DISTRIBUTED?

Cards were distributed at various locations throughout campus in December. Students who did not pick up their card at one of those locations should pick up their card in the Witherspoon Multipurpose Room from January 12-16, 2004. After January 16, 2004, all pre-made IDs will be available for pickup in the West Dunn Building.

WHEN DO I START USING MY NEW ID CARD?

It was mandatory to start using your new card on January 7, 2004. At the start of business on that day, all old AllCampus ID Cards were rendered inactive. You may continue to use money for the library copier program at DH Hill stored on the "skinny" stripe of the old ID card until depleted.

WHAT DO I DO IF I WAS NOT ISSUED A CARD?

With the issuance and distribution of over 33,000 new AllCampus ID Cards, some cards may not reach the intended individual due to unforeseen circumstances. For those people for whom information required to pre-print a new card was incomplete, ID stations will be set up during the month of January to create your new AllCampus ID Card. See the chart below to see where ID stations will be set up should you need to have one produced.

January 7-31 Carmichael Gym

January 7-31 DH Hill Library – Room 2310 Erdahl-Cloyd Wing

January 7-31 AllCampus Office – West Dunn Building January 7-14 College of Veterinary Medicine

January 7-14 Partners I Building – Centennial Campus Room 1500

January 12-16 Witherspoon Multipurpose Room January 15-16 McKimmon Center

GET THE NEW NCSU ALLCAMPUS CARD

LINKED TO YOUR WACHOVIA ACCOUNT FOR BANKING.

- 1. Open a Wachovia account.
- 2. Link your new NCSU AllCampus Card to your account and Select your PIN
- 3. Use your new AllCampus Card as an ATM card

Sign Up for a Wachovia account and Link your card on campus or visit any

Wachovia will have representatives on campus to open accounts and link cards.

WHEN: January 12 - 16

WHERE: In the Multipurpose Room of the Witherspoon Center

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GO TO THE MOON AND TO MARS IS A BOLD STEP IN LEADING AMERICA OUT OF THE GLOOM OVER THE ECONOMY AND

It is time to go back into deep space. For 30 years, the American space program has been stuck in neutral.

The last moon landing was in 1974. Since then, a fleet of "space trucks" were built to ferry satellites and build a permanent space station. Two of them have been destroyed at the cost of 14 astronauts and billions of dollars. NASA has no vision. But this week, George W. Bush will give them a vision and it is in a bold shade of red.

The president will announce a new mission to reinvigorate the lethargic • space program. He wants to return to the moon and establish a permanent base there. Then he wants to go to Mars, the nearest planet to us. Mars has already been in the news because of Spirit, the rover that began transmitting images and data back to NASA a few days ago. From the pictures released, Mars is desolate place, but there is hope that life once flourished there.

This plan, if followed through, is what America needs to jump start it into a new era. Imagine it: a permanent moon base would serve as launching platform for a mission to Mars and a scientific outpost to research the use of radiation floating around in space that could be harnessed as a renewable energy source.

And just like the Apollo program gave us Tang and Velcro, a renewed space program will flood the consumer mar ket with spin-offs, like rechargeable fuel cells and batteries, more reliable communication systems and better building materials to make skyscrapers safer.

Think of jobs that would be created for a project like this. With many technology engineers out of work, there is a prime group of people to pull employees from.

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and Mars will bring the country together behind a common goal.

Politically, the country has never been so polarized. Corruption in business, an overcautious government and a general paranoid feeling has taken its toll on America. We need a mission to rally behind again.

The war on terrorism, though necessary, only brings casualties and destruc-

The space program is designed to empower human beings to create, not destroy. In the shadow of war, unemployment and general distrust, we need something to believe in again.

Back in the 1960s, the first moon landing brought the world together like nothing in history.

People were transfixed in front of the television as Neil Armstrong jumped off the lunar rover ladder.

Nothing like that has happened since. It is time to go back.

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Life isn't fair!

Heather Cutchin shares her thoughts about parking expenses.

Who said life was fair? Obviously, the transportation department does not think it is, since they fined a girl \$40 for making a mistake (which I corrected immediately after



Heather Cutchin

I realized it was not an appropri-ate place to park)! Furthermore, it was at the begin-ning of Christmas break, when there were plenty of parking spaces open I even spoke with the officer after I moved my car. The ticket was

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written at 8:22 a.m. I got to my car at 8:23 a.m. The officer saw me move my car, but said he could do nothing about it.

ing about it, that I should petition the ticket. My petition was denied, and N.C. State strikes again, like royalty that taxes the poor and gives to the rich. Where is Robin Hood when you need him?

The City of Raleigh is gracious enough to provide a limited number of parking spaces behind Hillsborough Street. Folks that have to drive to campus can use these spaces for two hours, but you had better believe you will get a ticket

you will get a ticket if you are parked there any longer. However, these tickets are \$6, and while I cannot afford this expense often, it does not close my bank account to have to pay it! NCSU is gracious enough to provide pay lots where students can park while in class. The problem with this is that it costs a dollar an hour at a max of six hours. This multiplied by five days a week is \$30 a week If you do five days a week is \$30 a week. If you do this the entire semester, you will have spent over \$500 in parking alone! Add in tuition and fees, then meal plans, housing and other bills...college does seem like it's for rich kids.

Some argue that if you are going to spend that much for parking you

might as well buy a parking permit. These cost around \$300 and can be used throughout campus. But there is no guarantee that you will find a space to park. It almost seems like the best option would be to work for NCSU, because faculty and staff get free park-

ing in great spots - right? Wrong! The faculty has to pay too (What a wonder-ful thing. Paying to go to work.), and with the new system that might be coming into effect, faculty members that work in different areas of campus will end up paying even more to obtain permits for all the places they work. So if you are a faculty member on main campus but happen to teach a class at Vet School, you will have to buy a permit for both campus and Vet School. Not very fair, if you ask me.

With all of these parking problems though, NCSU still has chosen to "enhance" campus by building over parking lots or turning another parking lot into a garden in an effort to beautify campus. This means less parking spaces, which means fewer permits to sell to students, which means more students

riding the

Wolfline, and you all already know how I feel about the Wolfline these days...

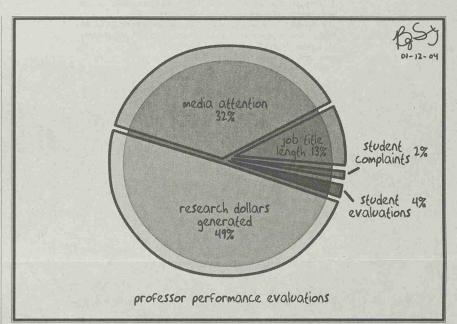
What is to be done though? There is no way to provide parking for all of the students on campus. NCSU would either have to build a seven-story parking deck or just pave over a couple of buildings, Pullen Park, the practice football field, Reyn-olds Coliseum and maybe Talley Stu-dent Center, just for good measure. The students that

live close to campus can get off their lazy bums (myself included) and either walk or ride bikes to class. Those that live far away can just learn how to fly. Parking ticket fines could be reduced, but that would not be helpful for me since I don't care to pay for parking at all.

I know I am not the only one to ever

get a parking ticket due to my ignorance of the system. Those of you that are in the same boat can stand beside me and watch the \$7,000 or more in fines that the transportation department collected float away. (The \$7,000 figure was for the fiscal year ended June 2002.) Just do not rock the boat. Being wet and miserable really is

To tell Heather all about your parking woes, e-mail her at viewpoint@technicianstaff.com.



The North Korea divide

Andrew explains the Korean situation and why the United States hasn't gone to war over nuclear weapons.

Proponents of the recent United States-Iraqi war, otherwise called Operation Iraqi Freedom, proudly an nounce that the hostile action taken on part by the



Andrew Dugan

U.S. government was certainly bet-ter than doing nothing. Though all could agree that the Iraq of the past must have been dealt with firmly, some observers might be a bit flabbergasted by the new

and austere rules of diplomacy: submission or war. It's not, however, a matter of whether that Hussein, who now finds himself a prisoner (though being treated far better than his previous malcontents), deserved to be removed. One would be a fool to say that he didn't. But there is a defining characteristic, at least for U.S. diplomacy that is not unknown for indulging in the art of real politic, as to establish whether a nation should directly face the awesome power of American might. The nation must pose a direct threat to our wonderful republic or our allies and interests.

It is still somewhat debatable whether Saddam's Iraq presented such a threat. For sure this nation would long endure even with his presence, but he was a threat, a mitigated one for sure, to our ally Israel and our few friends in the Middle East. It might be fair to say the debate as to the urgency of this past war will continue for some

Be that as it may, it has already been mentioned that the Bush' administration manner of conducting diplomacy is a bit more engaged than that of the preceding Clinton administration, to put it modestly. In some aspects, this had been a good

thing. Bush, at least for some time (pre-Sept. 11, 2001) was more realistic with the rising challenge China, who is no friend to this country, poses but now the president feels fine with acquiescing to the loathsome leaders of this country. Moreover, Bush has taken a policy of complete disengage-ment with the troublesome country of North Korea, known as the "hermit

This policy went unnoticed for some time, even before the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001 rightly brought America's attention on terrorists and entities that transcended national borders. Still, the time of nation-states has not yet expired, despite the premature declarations of some academics that we have entered that brave new age, whatever exactly that is. All the same. North Korea has made headlines off and on for the last year or so with its proud announcement that, yes, it does have nuclear weapons or the capacity to make them, despite treaties it has signed that explicitly forbid them from specializing in such enterprises.

Sure, North Korea became a mem-ber of the "Axis of Evil," but unlike Iraq which felt a great pressure from the United States and Great Britain culminating with its invasion and even Iran which was featured a war of words with the superpower up until the recent tragic earthquake which shook the tone of diplomatic language, North Korea simply got the cold shoulder. Nothing was really coming out of the conferences, which were characterized by the cold rela-tionships between the North Korean and American diplomats.

North Korea has now tried to give America the short end of the stick by allowing an unofficial delegation of U.S. experts to inspect nuclear facili-ties. Their findings have not been assuring: according to the Washington Post, the experts have provided "the first confirmation that Pyongyang

has produced the key ingredient for nuclear weapons." The Bush administration seemed almost unimpressed

replying, "it's the same old game."
And what a world destroying game it is. To be fair, it is quite understandable that Bush has put himself in such a gridlock. There are very few options with a country like this. But as Nicolas Kristof reminds us: "North Korea balances its budget by counterfeiting American \$100 bills, so counting on its scruples not to sell a nuclear warhead to terrorists seems a dangerous bet." If one was concerned, not with out cause, that Iraq might sell the less dangerous weapons it possessed to terrorists, one should be terrified by the aims of North Korea. There's the rub, it's not a true worry of nuclear war with the Hermit Kingdom that has analysts losing sleep. After all, may so called 'realists' in political scientists comfort themselves on the fact that possessing a nuclear weapon makes a nation invulnerable to attack, because of the obvious consequence, therefore all nations should own the deadly weapon. However, economics can be a deadly game, and there lies the problem. Bush should concentrate on negotiations with the North Koreans that ensure a verifiable end to their nuclear programs, enforced by constant and unannounced inspections.

Yes, North Korea will more than likely ask for an assurance that the United States will not encroach on the country, which some purists here might liken to the Soviet-Germany Nonaggression Treaty in the late 1930s. The analogy is weak and the stakes are high. The United States cannot liberate all terrorized populaces from their despots but, as the world leader, it must make certain these despots are in a position to enforce their terror on the world.

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DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR:

PAT THOMAS/LB

from a disappointing loss to Georgia Tech in early October, coach Chuck Amato and players spoke defen-

sively of their defense. Amato tried to use sta-

tistics to explain the failures and inconsistencies of his defense, which at the time ranked among

the bottom of the ACC. Linebacker Pat Thomas, though, thought better than to make excuses. Instead, he made plays. Lots of them.

During the Wolfpack's midseason four-game winning streak, Thomas made impacting plays often late in the game - in every victory.

Against Connecticut on Oct. 11, Thomas forced a fumble that teammateFreddieAughtry-Lindsay returned for a touchdown. In the same game, he pressured Husky quarterback Dan Orlovsky into throwing an interception Lindsay returned for the gamewinning points.

Five days later, in a nationally televised Thursday night game against Clemson, Thomas preserved the Wolfpack's two-point lead on back-to-back plays late in the fourth quarter. First, the junior linebacker sacked Tiger quarterback Charile Whitehurst. Then, he tipped a Whitehurst pass high in the air, which was then intercepted.

He did all that with a right hand that hurt so bad it needed X-rays after the game.

Never much for words and always soft-spoken, Thomas acted as if his performance was expected after State's 17-15 vic-

"The offense struggled at times," he said. "But when it struggles, the defense has to step it up and that's what we did."

Thomas stepped it up once again over the next two games, making sacks late in victories against Duke and Virginia that halted opponents' drives. For the season, Thomas had a teamhigh eight sacks and was second in tackles with 119.

Honorable mention: ROV Andre Maddox; LB Freddie Aughtry-

UNSUNG PLAYER OF THE YEAR:

SEAN LOCKLEAR/OL

Sean Locklear smiled before he added them all up.

"Well, there were five on offense and then defensive tackle and end, so that makes seven, said the senior, as he tallied up the number of positions he's played during his four-year Wolfpack career.

Four years. Seven positions. Never once getting to run with the football. No wonder the firstteam All-ACC play of Locklear goes relatively unnoticed.

Until the Tangerine Bowl.

In a move that paid homage to the unselfish Lumberton native, offensive coordinator Leo Mazzone ran a play that gave Locklear a chance to run with the ball.

In the second quarter of a bowl romp over Kansas, quarterback Philip Rivers rolled to his right. then turned around and tossed a throw-back screen to an awaiting Locklear, who had lined up as a tight end.

I told coach if we were going to practice it, we have to run it, Locklear said.

When they ultimately did, big No. 54 lumbered for

a first down, only to have the play called back for — ironically

enough — an illegal block.

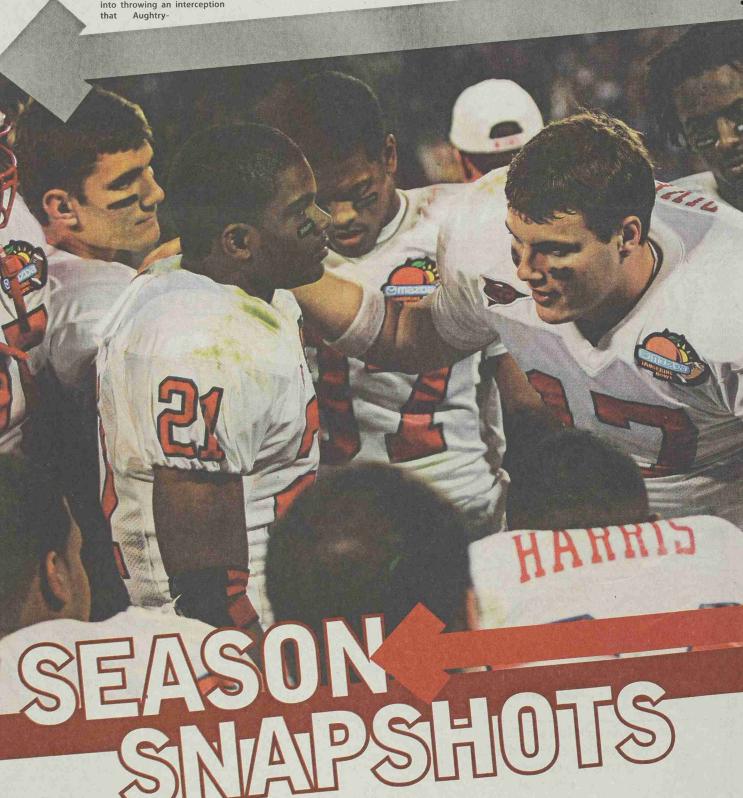
Locklear spent the later two ears of his career throwing legal blocks of his own from all over the offensive line. Since being moved over from the defensive line, Locklear has played virtually every position on the line except center, rotating back and forth between guard and

And even in his final game, he was still praising his fellow seniors and enjoying their moments instead of basking in his own, well-deserved glory.

was more emotional for Philip and Jerricho just for all the things they have done," he said following the Tangerine Bowl.

Honorable mention C Jed Paulson; P Austin Herbert





OF THE YEAR:

a. mclendon's late IDOWN RUN AGAINST VIRGINIA

For one night and one play on the first day of November, T.A. McLendon made people remember what they might have forgotten.

Hampered by injuries, McLendon played healthy for one of the few games all season when Virginia came to Carter-Finley Stadium for an ACC game that had huge implications. A Wolfpack win would keep conference title hopes alive, and would resurrect talk of a top-tier bowl game.

After three hours of magnificent play from quarterbacks Philip Rivers and Matt Schaub, the Wolfpack and Cavaliers stood deadlocked at 37. With the type of game Rivers engineered — 29-of-34, 410 yards, four touchdowns — few would have expected the Pack to run in

the game's deciding moments. But with under 30 seconds to play, Rivers handed off to McLendon, who bounced off a Virginia defender, cut

right and streaked 38 yards for the game's winning points.

As McLendon scampered to the end zone, teammates hopped up and down on the sideline and a sellout crowd of 53,800 provided Carter-Finley with its most electric, frenzied moment of 2003.

After the game, with his hair a mess from players rubbing his head in celebration, Pack coach Chuck Amato asked: "Think having a healthy No. 44 makes a difference to this football team?" Just a small one.

In the Pack's next two games close losses to Florida State and Maryland - McLendon had two costly fumbles. And prior to the Virginia game, the sophomore had missed over half the season with an assortment of ills.

But in the heat of a 38-yard sprint to the end zone, McLendon made ev eryone remember how just a year before he was ACC Fresh man of the Year and first-team all-conference.

Afterward, a reporter asked McLendon at what health percentage the sophomore played.

"I'd say 100 percent," he said. "Wouldn't you?"

For one night and one play. Honorable mention: Freddie Aughtry-Lindsay's interception return against Connecticut; Tramain Hall's fourth-quarter touchdown reception against Florida State; Hall's first touchdown against Western Carolina.

HONORING A LEGEND

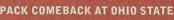
N.C. State paid homage to its greatest player ever by retiring his jersey in an emotional ceremony before the final home game of the season. Philip Rivers, accompanied by his entire family, wore a graduation cap and held his jersey high above his head while many that filled Carter-Finley Stadium clutched Kleenex and wined their eyes. and wiped their eyes.

COTCHERY & RIVERS ONE LAST TIME

One more time it was Philip and Jerricho. Rivers and Cotchery. Philly Cheese and J-Co. The All-ACC duo exited the field arm-in-arm in the fourth quarter of a blowout win, but more spectacularly they left by giving the team its third bowl win in their four years, both setting Tangerine Bowl records in the process.

TRAMAIN'S FIRST TD

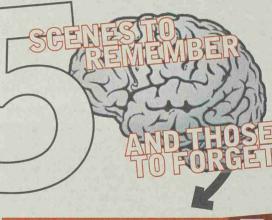
For three years Tramain Hall had waited to don the Wolfpack red, so perhaps it was some sort of justice that he only had to wait four plays to find the end zone. Hall caught the first — f o u r passes of State's season-opening romp over Western Carolina, the last of which was for a six-yard TD.



Down 17 points nearly midway through the fourth quarter, the much-anticipated game was surely over. State was punting and the reigning national champs were on their way to another win. But the nine minutes that followed an OSU fumbled punt were the most magical of the entire season, as State rallied furiously on the shoulders of Philip Rivers to force overtime.

DEFEATED STATE GETS OVATION AT FSU

Fate had once again dealt the Pack the cruelest of hands. This time the multiple-overtime setback was at the hands of perennial ACC champion Florida State. Still, the modest throng of Wolfpack supporters gave their team a standing ovation that echoed throughout Doak Campbell Stadium as, heads held high, the team slowly filed off the field.



FALL OF GOLDEN

First, the Florida native was sent home from the Tangerine Bowl for unspecified disciplinary reasons. Then, he left the team for good following Christmas. The brash and cocky cornerback was the recipient of the AI Michaels Award for putting team before self in 2002 but endured a difficult and maligned 2003

MELEE AFTER MARYLAND GAME

Before the game Maryland players scuffled with the N.C. State marching band. After the contest, the Terrapins left the field by being showered with debris. In between Maryland beat State for the fourth time in as many years and their 16 points in the last seven minutes boiled over State's season-long frustrations on Senior Day.

THE ENTIRE WAKE FOREST GAME

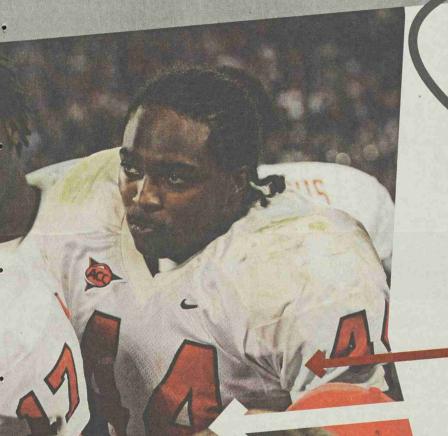
As unexpected as it may have been, the Wolfpack's second game of the season foreshadowed many woes that would plague the team throughout the year. WFU had its way offensively against a confused State defense, which was not helped by the team's virtually nonexistent running game. These were problems even 433 yards passing from Rivers couldn't overcome.

RUSHING EFFORT AGAINST GT

Negative eight yards. That was N.C. State's rushmy errort against the Yellow Jackets on Oct. 4 in Atlanta. Moreover, only one State player — senior Cotra Jackson — finished with positive yards rush-ing, while four others were in the red, contributing to a 29-21defeat.

McLENDON ON GOAL LINE IN OHIO STADIUM

With 105,000 people watching in one of the hallowed venues in college football, State came literally inches short of downing the defending national champs. In the third overtime, T.A. McLendon took a pitch and was stuffed just short of the goal line by Will Allen to preserve a 44-38 Ohio State win.



OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR: RIVERS/QB IP

During N.C. State's pre-bowl preparations, Brian Clark thought he'd give it a

After all, it couldn't really be that hard. So Clark, a sophomore wide receiver, got under center and tried to run some

got under center and tried to run some quarterback "just to mess around."
"I was sitting there trying to read the defense, and it's hard; it's easy on film, but when you have just seconds to make a decision...man," he said.

Such was the task Philip Rivers was given 51. times during his four years in

times during his four years in a Wolfpack uniform.

By now the num-bers that are a product of his success are almost comical.

-No. 1 in the nation in passing efficiency (170.5) and completion percentage (72.0) his senior

-No. 2 nationally in total offense (353.8 yards a game) and yards per attempt

nearly every school career and singleseason passing record broken -holder of 15 ACC records

as the fact so much of his accomplishments went unnoticed. Rivers didn't make any of the primary All American teams despited equipped the primary All American teams despited equipped the primary All American teams. drowning his peers in the stat book against

a tougher schedule. His feats, however, didn't go unnoticed his feats, however, didn't go unnoted by those who saw him the most. Rivers was voted the unanimous ACC Player of the Year and called the "best [quarterback] we've ever faced" by the most prolific winner in Division I history, Florida State's Robby Rowden.

Even his teammates, people who saw him everyday, seemed to constantly be in awe Bobby Bowden.

of his heady play. "It still amazes me everyday, not just how he throws the ball and stuff but just how smart he is," (Clark said. Honorable mention WR Jerricho Cotch-

ery; OL Sean Locklear



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Graduation, my way

I'm not really sure who the graduation speaker was at the procedure last month. Was it Phil Donahue? Phil Jackson? Dr.



Middlleton

of the above? Of course, wisely, ab-solutely no one thought of asking me, but just in case I had this speech ready and it'd be a shame to

have it go to waste, so...
Dearest graduates,
You probably have no idea
who I am. Perhaps unbeknownst, many of you have undoubtedly used my writing to drool on while slumbering in class, to shield your hair from that unexpected rainstorm or — if I was lucky — to alleviate the boredom of a Wednesday lecture on solid mechanics.

But I'm here today to, if noth

ing else, try and leave you with some memories.

I realize that a good part of you are not sports fans, but I'm willing to wager that at some point during your four or so years here in Raleigh, you managed to, sober or not, stumble your way through the gates of Carter-Finley Stadium.

If indeed you did, you saw first-hand that N.C. State has now officially become a school in which football has trumped basketball as the fans' pre-

So allow me to, if you will, be the speaker of the masses — the voice of the N.C. State students — for just this once.

We came to those Carter-

Finley Saturdays to experience the pleasure of the ordinary. It's funny how the simplest of things at a football game can be the pictures vou remember forever Like the way J.J. Jones cockily struts before a booming John Derany kickoff or how you always seem to hold your breath at the same moment each time No. 21 looms beneath that moon-high punt.

We came to that same spot in the fairgrounds lot to party like it was 1999 without having to worry for one second the loathed Officer Bowen would be making an appearance to — gasp! — prevent college students from having a good time.

We also came to watch the every move of the greatest. To watch him sit back in the pocket in knee-high red stockings and

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Tangerine nothing but sweet for Pack

Behind 653 yards of total offense, N.C. State rolled Kansas in the Tangerine Bowl for its third bowl win in four years.

Austin Johnson

ORLANDO, FLA. - Philip Rivers made sure he ended his college career a win-ner. The senior quarterback threw for a Tangerine Bowl record 475 yards and five touchdowns as N.C. State blew away Kansas 56-26 Dec. 22 at Florida Citrus

By the time the fourth quarter rolled around, the game became more of a national showcase for Rivers and se-nior wide receiver Jerricho Cotchery as both had their careers prolonged in order to set various bowl and school

Despite a 30-point lead and an out-come that was all but given, both players were left in the game until Rivers had broken the Tangerine Bowl record for passing yards and Cotchery had made his 200th career reception. After Rivers threw a career exemplifying 11-yard strike right on the numbers to Richard Washington, State coach Chuck Amato called timeout and motioned his two

seniors off the field to a loud ovation. Rivers earned game MVP honors for his record-breaking effort - his third bowl game MVP trophy in four bowl

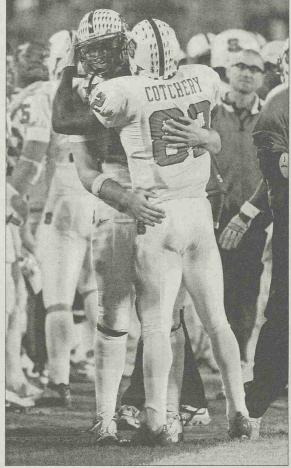
"For what they've done I thought they deserved every accolade and every record we could possibly get them, Amato said.

Cotchery finished the game with 13 catches for 171 yards — ending his career with 200 career receptions and over 3,000 yards receiving. Cotchery's game was a far cry from his last Tangerine Bowl in 2001, when he caught only a single pass for negative one yards before spraining his ankle in a loss to

'Last time I came down here I had a real bad experience," Cotchery said. "I just wanted to surpass that."

The welfack lost two games early.

The Wolfpack lost two games early in the season, one at Wake Forest and another in a triple-overtime thriller at Ohio State. The Pack then rebounded to win six of its next seven games and put itself in position to capture the ACC title by winning out.



Philip Rivers embraces teammate Jerricho Cotchery after the pair exited the Tangerine Bowl — their final game — in record-breaking fashion.

But State was never able to close the door on its final two opponents, as heartbreaking losses to Florida State in double overtime and Maryland in the last minute of regulation squashed dreams of an ACC title and turned high expectations into high disappointment when a bid to the lower-tiered Tanger-ine Bowl was all that was left.

"You set your goals so high...we wanted to win every game," Rivers said. "When it doesn't happen and you have a month before the bowl game you have to stop and say this is the last one [and] prepare like it's the national championship."

Rivers and the rest of the Wolfpack offense made a statement early on, scoring touchdowns on their first three possessions. Only an illegal block in the back and a holding penalty on consecutive plays kept the Pack from an absurd streak of seven straight touchdown

Senior punter Austin Herbert didn't get to take the field in his final game until there was 2:35 remaining in the third quarter. Rivers was able to sit in the pocket for most of the game and dissect a Kansas defense that primarily

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Culmination for a couple

Philip Rivers and Jerricho Cotchery had a fitting goodbye in their final game in Wolfpack uniforms.

Matt Middleton

ORLANDO, FLA. - How's that for a farewell? ORLANDO, FLA. - How's that for a farewell? Playing in their last game ever at N.C. State, Philip Rivers and Jerricho Cotchery gave coach Chuck Amato just one thing to worry about all night at Florida Citrus Bowl Stadium — whether or not the two seniors had sufficiently broken various school and Tangerine Bowl records.

After they had done so, Amato called time-out with 7:48 left in the fourth quarter with the Pack holding a 56-26 lead that would be the final score in a game that had been decided long before.

Arm-in-arm they walked off the field to a standing ovation before embracing their head coach and virtually everyone else on the sideline. Cotchery would be the recipient of a Gatorade shower minutes later, while Rivers found a way to avoid it.

"The ultimate goal was to get the win but to go out with great numbers while everyone was getting satisfied," Cotchery said. Rivers made sure of that one final time.

All he did for an encore to a career that saw him become arguably the best player in Wolfpack history was throw almost as many touchdown passes as incompletions, completing 38-of-45 passes for 475 yards.

And somehow the record-breaking senior

found even more marks to eclipse. Starting at quarterback for the 51st time, Rivers tied the school record with five passing scores, broke his own single-season record for passing attempts in a season and set five Tangerine Bowl records in his third bowl-game MVP

performance in four years.
"There's no better way to go out than this game, especially on the offensive side of the

ball," Rivers said.
Still, Cotchery wasn't about to be outdone. The soft-spoken senior who has comfortably stood in Rivers' shadow throughout the entirety of his All-ACC career became just the second player in league history to amass 200 career receptions and 3,000 career receiving yards. Florida State's Peter Warrick is the only

other wideout to accomplish the feat.
"Sometimes the attention I get overshadows him," Rivers said. "It's not fair because I get it only because of the plays he and the other

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Road Work

State moves to 2-0 in the ACC with a road win at Florida State.

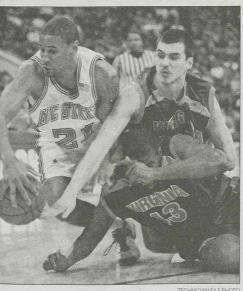
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Typical trip to Florida State,

typical results.

Fortunately for N.C. State, this is a good trend it can learn to enjoy. The Wolfpack won its 10th straight game over Florida State 58-53 Sunday in Tallahassee. The win was also the Pack's fifth consecutive win at Leon County Civic Center and its third straight win on the road in ACC play dat-ing back to last year.

State, which lead for nearly the entire afternoon, had its lead evaporate with 1:34 left in the game when FSU's Al Thornton nailed a 3-pointer. After a timeout, State answered with its eighth 3-ball of the game, this one by Levi Watkins, who had 13 points on the afternoon, to



Levi Watkins made a key 3-pointer to secure a win over Florida State.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

igers down Pack

The women's basketball team's loss to Clemson latest in line of frustrations for ACC winless Wolfpack.

Forward Lakeia Stokes led Clemson in points, rebounds and assists for the fifth time this year to lead the Tigers to a 77-64 win Sunday after noon at Littlejohn Coliseum in ACC women's basketball action

The loss dropped the Wolfpack to 8-9 overall and 0-4 in the ACC, its worst league start ever, dating back

worst league start ever, dating back over 25 years. The Pack first played in the ACC in the 1977-78 season, going 11-1 in ACC play.

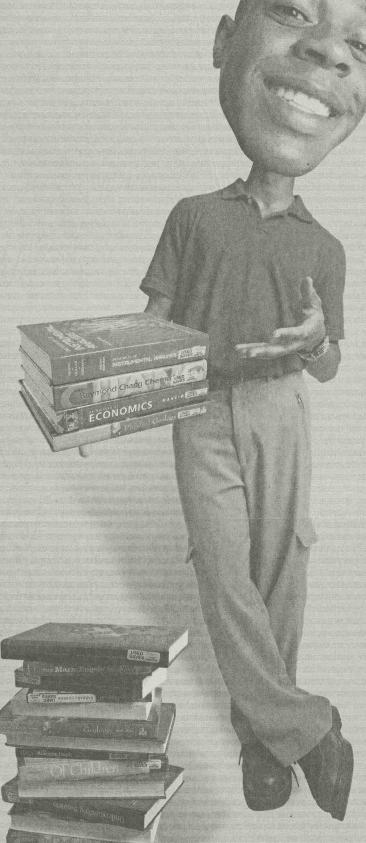
After Sunday's game, State has dropped its first four league decisions, including losses to Wake Forest and Maryland, the preseason No. 8 and 9 teams in the ACC. The other loss was a heartbreaking one-point loss was a heartbreaking one-point home defeat at the hands of North

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Despite Kaayla Chones' efforts, State is now 0-4 in the ACC.

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regain the lead at 55-53.

FSU (12-3, 1-1 ACC) would not score again, turning the ball over on its next two possessions, while free throws by Julius Hodge and Engin Atsur sealed the win for State (9-2,

Hodge paced the Pack with 15 points and Atsur added 11, including the first eight State points of the game. Hodge also held preseason first-team All-ACC member Tim Pickett to just 10 points on 30 per-

cent shooting.
Raleigh native Anthony Richardson led FSU with 12 points but commit-ted a costly offensive foul in the last

State led 30-25 at the half, the first time it has led at halftime on the road all year, but the Seminoles quickly made it 30-29 in the second frame. Hodge finished a three-point play early in the second half to end a string of seven consecutive missed

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set up two easy state ouckets in a two-minute span. State's lead then grew to 50-42 after a Hodge 3-pointer when FSU went on an 11-2 run before Watkins'

State travels to Duke Thursday at 9 p.m. for a matchup of ACC

Women's basketball: What you missed

The good Well, there's not much. Hall-of-Famer Kay Yow led her team to a two-point win over 8-6 Indiana in mid-December.

Indiana in mid-December.

The bad Take your pick. At least two of the four ACC losses might have been foreseen, but a home loss to perpetually cellar-dwelling Wake Forest is a head-scratcher.

The ugly Just when the Pack head it to head the head

the ugly just when the Pack had its breakthrough win all but sealed, UNC got a lay-up with six seconds left to steal a one-point win at Reynolds Coliseum.

Outlook Yikes. The road doesn't get any easier for the Pack, who

now possess a losing record at 8-9. State still has to play No. 1 Duke twice, all but guaranteeing the team at absolute best a six-loss ACC season.

Next up vs. Virginia, Thursday

WOMEN

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Ashley Key led the Pack with a career-high 18 points off the bench Sunday, including five 3-pointers. Marquetta Dickens added 13 points and five assists, while Kaayla Chones added 10 points and five rebounds for State

for State.

The Pack trailed by just six at the break, but a 14-5 Tiger run to end the game sealed the victory.

Men's basketball: What you missed

The good Somehow, with his detractors nipping at his heels, Herb Sendek has his team 2-0 in the ACC heading into Duke. In

other words, in prime position to make a run at what would be a third straight NCAA bid.

The bad State dropped just one game over the between-semester break, but it was a dismal one. South Carolina downed State 58-55 in Columbia, S.C., as State was pounded on the glass and committed 16 turnovers.

The ugly The noise level at the RBC Center for the big win against BYU was nothing short of church-like. In the initial stages of the game, it was so quiet one could hear the instructions of not only Sendek, but his assistant coaches. Outlook With road tilts against

Duke, Maryland and UNC coming up in the next month, State needs to defend its home court against Clemson and Georgia Tech to hold serve in its quest for an NCAA invite

Next up at Duke, Thursday 9

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James Martin kept the dangerous Kansas offense and quarterback Bill Whittemore (4) in check.

BOWL

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chose to drop back into zone instead of bringing blitzes.

The rushing offense was also effective when the Pack actually chose to run. T.A. McLendon carried the ball for 72 yards and two scores

on just seven carries.

Kansas was able to move the Ransas was able to move the ball on the Wolfpack defense though, combining for 463 yards of total offense. Fresh-man cornerback A.J. Davis — who had a key second-quarter interception as well as several solid kickoff returns blamed the performance

on the defense going so hard during practice all week. "We came out kind of flat [defensively] because we had been going at each other all week," Davis said.

Amato was forgiving of his defense for now, noting that it was extremely young and in-experienced — but he made sure to point out the defense couldn't afford to repeat this year's performance.

"Most of them had never played in a bowl before," Am-ato said, "But we've got to get tougher...we've got to get more demanding on our defense."

The defense will return all its

bowl starters next season, but will be without cornerback Greg Golden who started most of the season but was sent home from the bowl game for disci-plinary reasons. He does not plan to return to the team.

The offense not only loses Rivers and Cotchery, but versatile lineman Sean Locklear as well. Sophomore Jay Davis as well. Sopnomore jay Davis and freshman Marcus Stone will compete for the starting quarterback job next season, while a horde or wideouts will combine to fill the void left by Cotchery.

As the clock wound down during the final plays of the bowl win, Clark spoke to Cotchery.

"I was telling Jerricho on the sidelines, now I know exactly what I need to work on," he said. "We're already ready for 2004 and to keep the tradition

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Rivers found Cotchery 13 times that evening for 171 yards, as Cotchery also broke NFL All-Pro Torry Holt's school records for career receptions and 100-yard receiving games, finishing with 200 and 15, respectively. Cotchery also set school bowl-game and Tangerine Bowl records for receptions and re-ceiving yards

ceiving yards.

To ensure he did just that Rivers threw 12 passes in the fourth quarter of the blowout — six Cotchery's way — before the timeout.
Then, slowly, as if they had been

expecting it the entire game, the 6,000 or so red-clad State fans that journeyed 600 miles from Raleigh, rose to their feet, their cheers echoing throughout the half-empty stadium.

It was one final moment of elation for the two to soak in, one final winning moment in a season that had far too few.

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	Sacks-yards		1-6	0-0

Scoring summary

First quarter NCSU - Washington 45 pass from Rivers

(Kiker kick), 13:58; KU - Gordon 23 pass from Whittemore (Brooks kick), 10:41; NCSU - Washington 14 pass from Rivers (Kiker kick), 8:43; NCSU - McLendon 1 run (Kiker kick), 1:23.

Second quarter
KU - Brooks 28 field goal, 4:01; NCSU McLendon 3 pass from Rivers (Kiker kick),:45.

Third quarter

KU - Green 11 pass from Whittemore (Brooks kick), 10:45: NCSU - Clark 40 pass from Rivers (Kiker kick), 7:24; NCSU Davis 10 run (Kiker kick), 6:03; KU - Beck 39 field goal, 3:42.

Fourth quarter

KU - Whittemore 9 run (pass failed), 14: 18; NCSU - Cotchery 21 pass from Rivers (Kiker kick), 12:57; NCSU - McLendon 26 run (Kiker kick), 10:06

Individual statistics Rushing NCSU - McLendon 7-72, Hall 3-40, Davis 5-28, Rivers 3-20, Jackson 3-7, Locklear 1-5:KU - Green 14-87. Whittemore 17-84. Gordon 3-36, Simmons 1-9, Randle 5-4. Passing NCSU - Rivers 37-45-475, Davis 1-1-6; KU

Whittemore 20-41-243, Green 0-1-0

Receiving

NCSU - Cotchery 13-171, Washington 7-97, McLendon 7-44, Clark 5-90, Hall 4-46, Williams 1-27, Hawkins 1-6; KU - Rideau 9-109, Gordon 4-73, Green 3-30, Johnson 2-21, Anderson 1-12, Simmons 1-(-2).

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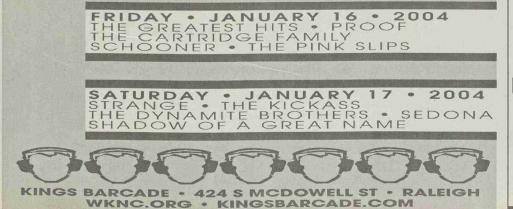


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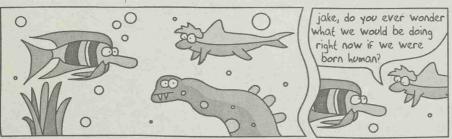
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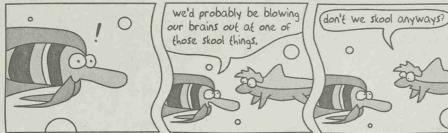






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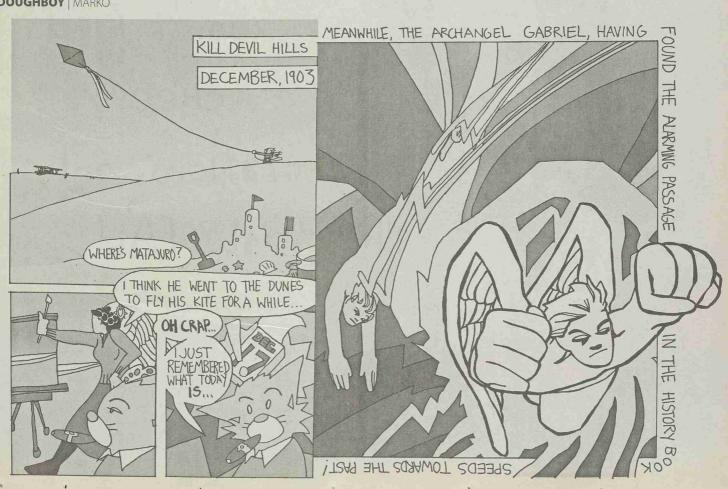








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