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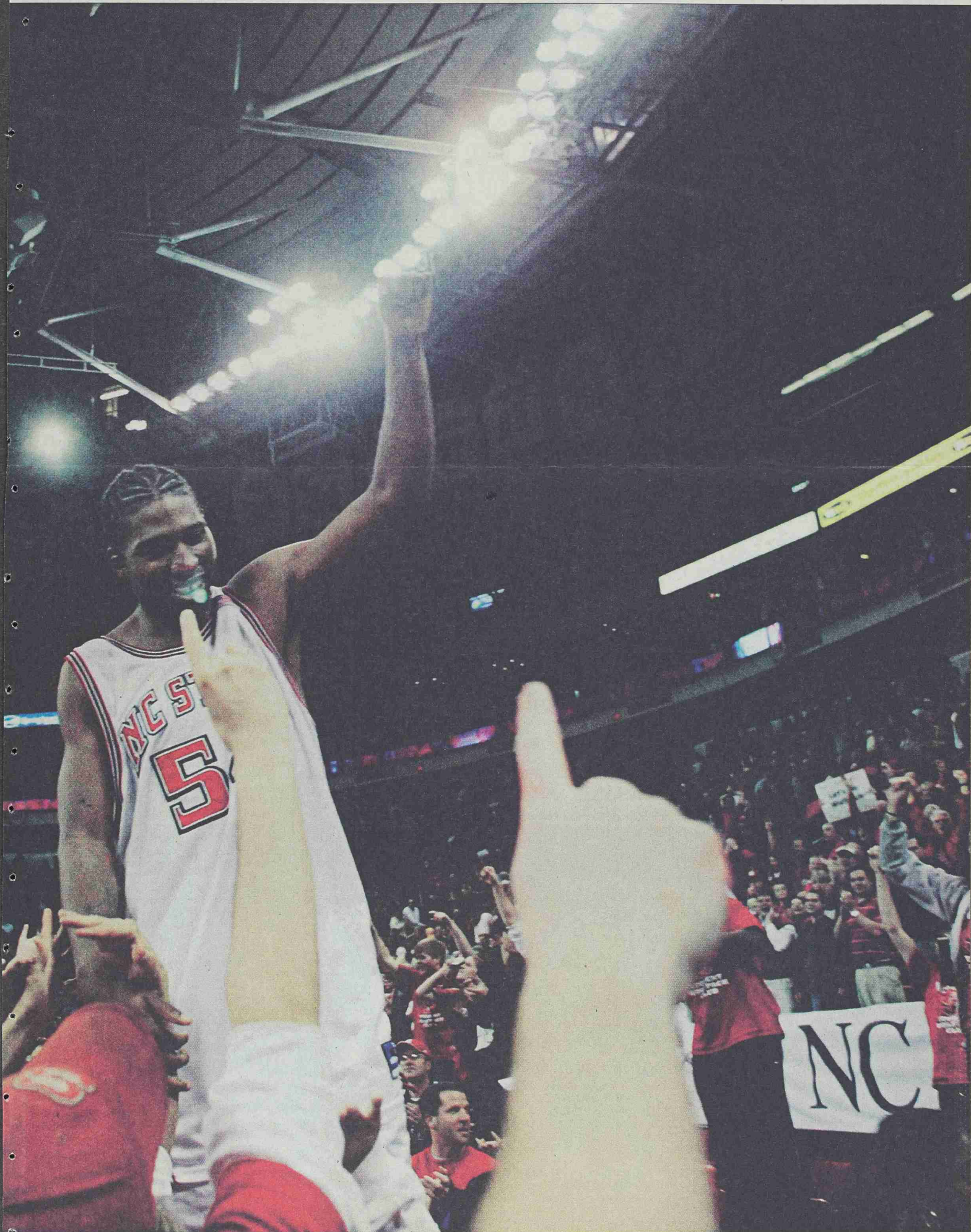
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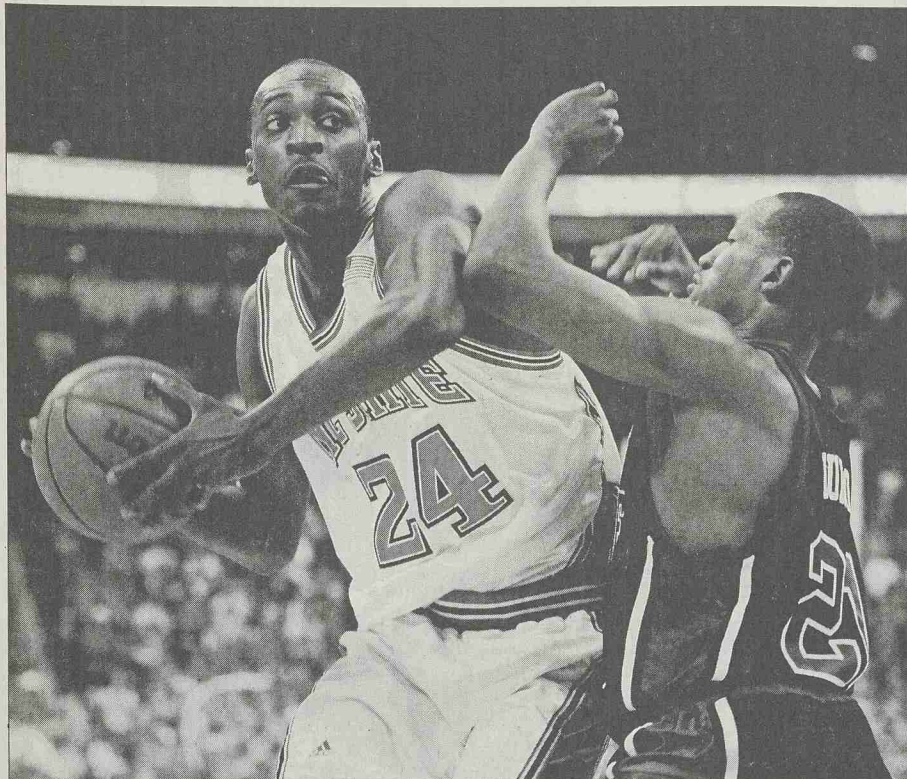
# STUNNER

**N.C. STATE STOPS TOP-RANKED DUKE 78-74 TO REMAIN UNBEATEN AT HOME**



Marcus Melvin stands proudly above the RBC Center's scorer's table, celebrating N.C. State's win over No. 1 Duke with his fellow students. Melvin scored a game-high 18 points and also added 11 rebounds.





Julius Hodge drives his way past Duke's Chris Duhon during State's 78-74 win Sunday at the RBC Center.

TIM LYTVINENKO/TECHNICIAN

# OUT-DUKED

Matt Middleton  
Sports Editor

Julius Hodge didn't think twice. With students piling all over him and roars echoing throughout the building, he eluded the celebrating throng and ran straight to his brother Steve, high-fiving and hugging him before seeking out a special fan.

Hodge grabbed his 6-year-old nephew, D'Juan Taylor, and paraded him around the court while soaking in every last moment of N.C. State's 78-74 win over No. 1 Duke Sunday night at the RBC Center.

"I just saw the little guy out there and I wanted to give him some shine, some love," Hodge said after the game with little D'Juan remaining by his side innocently oblivious to what his uncle had just done.

Hodge scored 18 points and made the game-clinching free throws with four seconds left to give the Wolfpack (16-5, 9-2 ACC) its fifth-consecutive ACC win, the longest such streak since 1974 when the team went undefeated in the league and won its first national title.

The win was coach Herb Sendek's second over a team ranked No. 1, having also defeated top-ranked North Carolina in 1998.

"This is obviously a very special moment for our basketball program," Sendek said, stating the obvious.

A victory that appeared imminent with a little more than minute left as hordes of students began surrounding the court's perimeter turned out to stretch on for longer than State would have liked.

Trailing by eight with 55 seconds left, Duke (21-2, 10-1) chipped away at State's lead with free throws and a 25-foot 3-pointer from J.J. Redick until a Sean Dockery layup cut the lead to two points with seven seconds left.

Hodge then coolly sank a pair of free throws to ensure the celebration would take place.

State, which led for all but 20 seconds of the entire game, fought off several Duke rallies in the second half. The Blue Devils cut the lead to under four points five times over the final 20 minutes.

Chris Duhon hit back-to-back 3-pointers shortly into the second half to cut the lead to just a bucket, but Hodge scored on the next two possessions to re-up the lead.

"Whenever they got close, Marcus [Melvin], Scooter [Sherrill] or myself made the big shot," Hodge said.

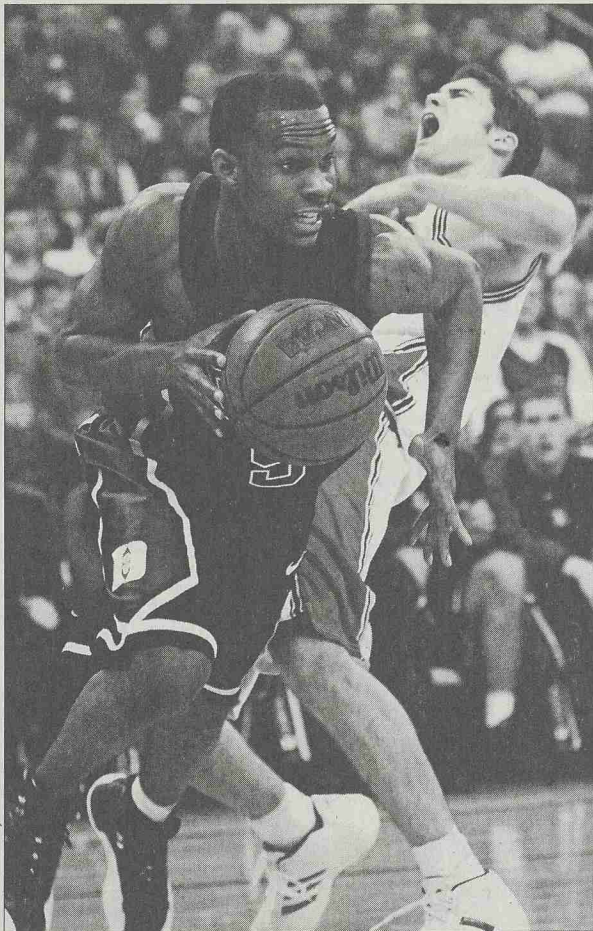
Melvin added 18 points and 11 rebounds and combined with fellow inside presence Ilian Evtimov to have the Pack out-rebound the Devils 35-27.

"They did a good job on the boards and out-rebounded us in the first half," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "They were able to dictate the style of the game that was played."

That included holding Duke to 26 first-half points, tying its lowest offensive production of the season in a first half.

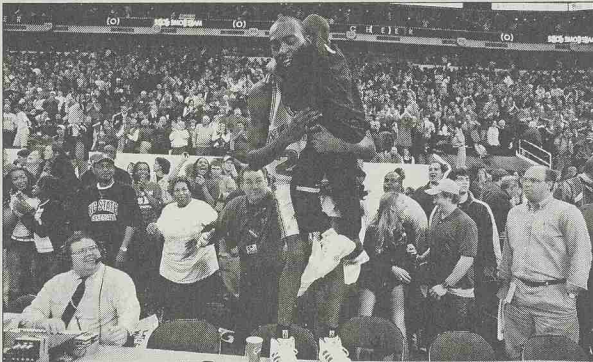
State held Duke to just a single field goal — a Redick mid-range jumper — over a span of nearly nine minutes in the first half to stretch its lead into double digits.

Redick, the object of many foul-tongued tirades from the partisan State crowd, netted a game-high 28 points on 8-of-15 shooting.



State's Enjin Atsur tries unsuccessfully to draw a charge against Daniel Ewing.

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Julius Hodge cradles his 6-year-old nephew, D'Juan Taylor, while celebrating the win.

TIM LYTVINENKO/TECHNICIAN

The Devils answered back with eight points in the final 1:30 to cut into State's lead and make it 36-26 at intermission.

State committed 11 turnovers in the first 20 minutes but made good on 5-of-6 3-pointers, including a trio from Melvin.

After the break, State forced Duke into 10 turnovers and connected on 17-of-21 free throws to card its third victory over a ranked team this year.

"We're out here beating ranked team after ranked team, winning big games,

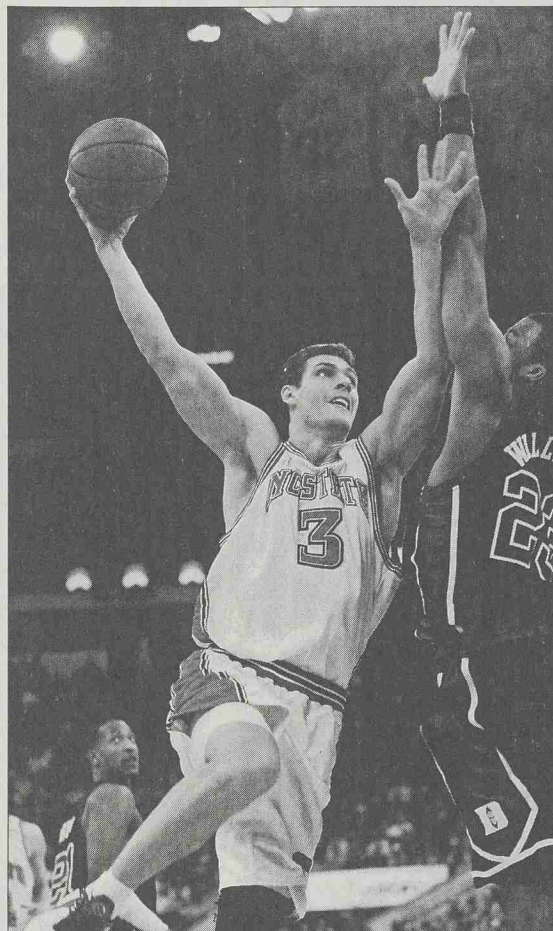
making the big plays...we're hard to kill, like cockroaches," Hodge said.

The Wolfpack's junior star then palmed the head of his nephew with a slender left hand before turning his direction to a discussion of how his jovial relative mirrors himself.

"He came in here before all you guys came in and asked [Julius], can I get a basketball?" Hodge said. "The guy's hungry just like me."

"And I'm going to keep it that way."

## Evtimov stands tall against Duke



TIM LYTVINENKO/TECHNICIAN

Ilian Evtimov connects for a hook shot over Duke's Sheldon Williams.

**ILIAN EVTIMOV'S TOUGH PLAY INSIDE AND HIS ABILITY TO DRIVE TO THE BASKET HELP PROPEL STATE TO THE UPSET.**

Austin Johnson  
Staff Writer

N. C. State forward Ilian Evtimov took his familiar position at the top of the key, holding the ball and looking for the open cutter Sunday night. But top-ranked Duke was ready for the plan of attack and kept State's cutters from getting open.

So instead of making repeated bounce pass to the open man, Evtimov put the ball on the floor and drove against Duke's center tandem of Sheldon Williams and Shavlick Randolph.

"I've been practicing that lately [driving to the basket]," Evtimov said. "I found myself playing against bigger guys, so I just tried to take advantage of that situation."

Evtimov was able to drive early on Williams, taking advantage of the slower player to get good looks inside the lane. He also showed Williams a few post moves, hitting a seldom-seen jump hook early in the first half over the Duke center.

Randolph had similar problems guarding the sophomore at the top of the key.

"He definitely gave us a lot of trouble tonight," Randolph said. "He was tough because he could drive by you but if you played off of him he could hit the 3."

Both Duke players stayed in the faced of Evtimov, trying to take away his 3-point shot. Their tight defense gave the Bulgarian native plenty of opportunities to dribble past them, and he took advantage.

But Evtimov scored only five first-half points because of three missed shots right around the basket. On one of those drives he got Williams up in the air with a beautiful pump fake but short-armed the shot, clanking it off the front of the rim. On another one he had a clear layup but put it up too strong against the glass.

A few bad shots inside didn't keep Evtimov from continuing his driving ways after halftime though. Whether it was Williams or Randolph, the undaunted Evtimov kept putting the ball on the floor in the second half. He scored on two more hook shots — one with each hand — and was consistently able to get past either

player to either score or draw defenders his way.

Evtimov finished with 15 points on 5-of-12 shooting, with all five of his shots coming off jump hooks or layups. He was also perfect from the free-throw line, hitting two crucial shots from the charity strike with a minute left to extend State's lead.

Both Williams and Randolph were frustrated all night on the offensive end as well. The smaller Evtimov was able to keep the two from getting open looks in front of the basket and keep them off the boards.

Williams, who averages nearly a double-double, was held to only four points and seven rebounds, while also committing four fouls. In thirteen minutes, Randolph had four points and zero rebounds.

"We knew going into the game that we would have to really battle," coach Herb Sendek said. "Marcus [Melvin], Ilian and even Levi [Watkins] had really good games for us."

Along with Melvin, Evtimov helped give State a decisive advantage on the boards. Evtimov finished the game with seven rebounds, and the Wolfpack pulled down a total of 35 for the game compared to only 27 for Duke.

As he made his way back to the locker room through a sea of ecstatic State fans on the court, Evtimov received plenty of high-fives and congratulations for his job in winning the battle inside.

"That's a tough match-up for a big man and he took advantage of that tonight," Randolph said. "He outplayed both [me and Williams]."

### State's wins over No. 1 teams

Feb. 15, 2004  
N.C. State 78, Duke 74

Feb. 21, 1998  
N.C. State 86, North Carolina 72

Feb. 23, 1986  
N.C. State 76, North Carolina 65

Jan. 4, 1995  
N.C. State 80, North Carolina 70

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## Lecture educates on history

Julia Dice  
Staff Reporter

This year celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Brown vs. the Board of Education ruling to end school segregation on May 17, 1954. February also celebrates Black History Month. During this month, African-Americans are recognized for their accomplishments and achievements throughout American history.

Last Thursday evening, the African American Cultural Center and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. sponsored a lecture given by distinguished attorney Julius Chambers on Brown vs. the Board of Education. The Lawrence M. Clark lecture took place in Witherspoon Hall at the African American Cultural Center from 7-8:30 p.m.

Lawrence M. Clark, the man who gives the lecture its name, is a former associate provost, professor emeritus of mathematics education and currently a professor in African studies. Clark came to N.C. State in 1974, and, during his time here, has been a major activist on campus and in the community with a desire to increase African-American student enrollment.

Chambers, the speaker, is a veteran civil rights lawyer and a former chancellor of North Carolina Central University. He was also the attorney for the plaintiffs in the Swann vs. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education U.S. Supreme Court ruling in 1971. This ruling led to federally mandated busing and helped integrate public schools across the country. Chambers also co-founded a law firm in Charlotte in 1964 that is credited with influencing more civil rights laws than any other private law practice in the United States.

Chambers mainly focused on Brown vs. The Board of Education throughout his lecture, a pivotal case in which it was decided unanimously that "separate but equal" was unequal and therefore unconstitutional. For many African-Americans, including Chambers, this meant that they could fulfill their dreams. This affected Chambers' personal goal at the time, which was being the president of his local bank in his rural North Carolina hometown.

"When Brown vs. Board of Education was passed, I thought that left more opportunities open for me and other African-Americans," Chambers said. "But I soon came to find that I was wrong."

However, Chambers explained that soon after judges made the ruling, people began scheming on how to ignore or get around the decision. Even South Carolina came up with the idea

## Political debate heat things up

*A debate between College Republicans and Young Democrats warmed things up in the Bragart Activity Room Thursday night.*

Ben McNeely  
Staff Reporter

Facts, figures and barbs flew through the air as the College Republicans and the Young Democrats held a debate on current political issues. The First Year College

Resident Mentors program sponsored the debate and the dinner provided before. About 50 students attended the event.

Five panelists participated in the debate, which featured questions posed to the group by moderator Tony Solari, a visiting lecturer in political science.

Matt Spence and Lauren Welch represented the Young Democrats while Brian Onorio [a Technician columnist], Nathaniel Price and James Wallace represented for the College Republicans.

The debate started with a question to

the Democrats asking whether or not John Kerry is a sure Democratic nomination for president.

"We are only a fourth of the way through," Welch said.

"It's not an election about war or abortion. It is an election, in the South at least, about jobs. It's an election about domestic issues," Spence added.

The Republicans retorted that the main issue of the election is national security and that George W. Bush was doing a good job at protecting the coun-

try. They added that Kerry, while in the Senate, voted seven times to cut defense spending.

"It is alarming to me what priority the Democrats are putting national security," Wallace said.

"It is a low priority."

"Polls have shown that a majority of Americans believe the Republicans and President Bush handle national security better," Price added.

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Students run rampant through the Free Expression Tunnel in celebration of Sunday's upset win over the Duke Blue Devils. Despite wind chills in the twenties and sleet, the riots still went on last night.

## RUN FOR VICTORY

*Students ran to the Bell Tower to celebrate N.C. State's victory over Duke.*

Jessica Horne  
Deputy News Editor

"Uh, guys? Where are we going anyways?"

"Dude! Who cares? Just keep running!"

Among the cheers of "Wolf! Pack!" a throng of students ran frantically to the red-lit Bell Tower last night after N.C. State's win over Duke.

While students on television could be seen trying to get past the security guards to rush onto the basketball court during the last seven seconds of the game, those who did not get tickets to the game were doing some celebrating of their own.

"We saw the clock run out and we ran out to Central Campus," Matt McCarn, a senior in electrical engineering, said. "There is always something going on here when we win a game."

As McCarn and his friends watched,

students began to pour out of the residence halls with toilet paper in tow. Soon, the trees near Tucker Beach were covered with the double-ply streamers.

After the toilet paper ran out and the cheering died down, students began to look around and wonder what to do next. Someone cried out, "Off to the Bell Tower!" and without hesitation the crowd began to run towards its goal.

People began to slip and slide as they ran through places where sleet had accumulated, only to regain their balance and start yelling at the local news crews who had started to set up on the sidewalk on Hillsborough St.

Rounding the corner by Patterson Hall, one could see students pounding on car windows as traffic slowed to a stop. Car horns blasted in unison with the students as they began their chants again.

"This is insane!" exclaimed Aaron

Crech, a sophomore in textile technology. "I hope all of the people in their cars are N.C. State fans...if not, I would be pissed if people were beating on my windows like that."

But the adrenaline rush from beating the number-one ranked team in the nation appeared to bring out everyone's school spirit, even the scary side of it.

One guy started yelling, "See? This is what your kids in college do!" while he began to dance in front of a car containing what looked like a couple of frightened parents.

Shouts of, "My nipples are getting hard over here!" could be heard coming from the group of shirtless guys near the Bell Tower.

Other students were shaking up bottles of beer and making them spew all over the road in what some called a celebratory statement, and what others

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## Vietnam exhibit opens

*"Requiem" is now being displayed through the spring at D.H. Hill.*

News Staff Report

The photography exhibit "Requiem," as part of an international tour, will be on display at D.H. Hill Library until the end of May.

The exhibit features over 150 photographs by the men and women who died while covering the Vietnam and French Indochina wars.

Of the 135 photojournalists included in the exhibit, the work of European, American, South Vietnamese and Cambodian citizens is displayed along side that of North Vietnamese and Vietcong photographers.

The exhibit has been shown in Tokyo, Hanoi, New York City and Ho Chi Minh City among many other cities around the world.

George Eastman House International Museum of Photography and Film, who put on the tour, described the exhibit in a press release as "a demonstration of what war did to the people who suffered and the soldiers who fought."

"The messages conveyed by the photographs of 'Requiem' explain, decades later, in very clear terms, what really happened in Vietnam."

Horst Faas, the chief photographer for the Associated Press in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War, and Tim Page, a freelance photographer from England organized the exhibit.

The exhibit is open to the public on the first floor of D.H. Hill and can be seen during the library's normal hours.

Students, faculty and staff will need a current NCSU ID card to get in after 10 p.m.

## Vigil for peace takes place despite weather



Peter Gilbert (center) and Garreth Wilson Short (right) sing Let It Shine in an anti-war protest Sunday night.

Charles Duncan  
Senior Staff Reporter

Despite rain, hail and a winter storm warning for the better part of North Carolina, almost 35 people gathered at the Bell Tower Sunday for a candlelight vigil on the first anniversary of the largest anti-war protest in history.

Over 140 cities around the world held vigils or demonstrations yesterday, most with better weather. Attendance at large demonstrations is hard to determine, but the Feb. 15 2003 protest attracted millions of people world-wide and 500,000 in London alone, the BBC reported.

Raleigh joined the world in its protest last year, attracting over 2,000 people to a march around downtown and finally to the governor's mansion.

Thirteen black umbrellas, symbolizing the 13 North Carolinians who have died in Iraq, were set up below the Bell Tower, facing Hillsborough St. Roger Ehrlich, one of the demonstration's organizers, in talking about the 13 umbrellas, said, "Let's just hope we won't have to come back and add more [umbrellas] next year."

Not all of the planned speakers were able to make it, but Raleigh City Counselor Mary Watson Nooe and two oth-

ers spoke to the small crowd packed into the tent.

"The better part of my public and private life has been spent standing up for and working for the rights of groups of individuals who have been discriminated against," Nooe said.

She continued by describing the plight of her husband, a Muslim in the post-9/11 atmosphere of discrimination and security.

Looking back over the actions against the war, Nooe said, "Today we seem to be vindicated."

The group struggled to light a brass oil lamp, but eventu-

ally they managed to light the lamp in the middle of a circle of people standing in the tent.

Two members of the NCSU Campus Greens attended the vigil, Elena Everett, a senior in multi-disciplinary studies, and Brad Goodnight, a junior in computer engineering.

Everett said she and Goodnight were very familiar with demonstrations in front of the bell tower. "Brad and I were standing out in the cold for Sunday night vigils every week from the beginning of last year until March," Everett said.

"Until the bombs started falling," Goodnight said.

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called a waste of alcohol.

No matter what the students were doing on Hillsborough St., many seemed to agree that this was a unifying event for the school.

"What else would you rather be doing after a win against Duke?" asked Owen Jones, a freshman in first year college. "Me? Well, I like to run down Hillsborough St. with a thousand of my closest friends."

Cops trailed behind the mob of pajama-wearing students making their way down Hillsborough St. to "keep the peace" as one campus police officer said.

Many of the newer students exclaimed that this was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, while

veteran students could be seen running at the back of the crowd, laughing at the antics of what they called the "newbies."

This type of experience is one that Student Body President, Tony Caravano, hopes to make a tradition for NCSU students.

"The Duke game was just the beginning. For the Carolina game, it will be bigger and better," Caravano said. "I just hope that we save events like this for the big games and not over do it."

For students who had gotten tickets to the game, the road back to school was filled with traffic problems.

"We had to sit in the parking lot for an hour," Chris McFadden, a junior in business, said. "Last year we beat Duke at home when it snowed, and this year we beat Duke at home when it snowed...two cold days in hell."

Once the screaming and cheer-

ing dies down, once traffic is able to get through the student-made road blocks, and after the soggy shoes and socks worn by the crowd leads to a nasty cold in the morning, some may wonder why they even started running to begin with.

But some students say it doesn't matter why you did it, but that you did it in the first place.

"Memories like this will be with me always," Marcus Bumgardner, a sophomore in biological science, said. "This is going to be the stuff I tell my grandkids about. I may not remember what I learned in chemistry 10 years down the road, but you better believe I'm going to remember this for the rest of my life."

News editor Michele DeCamp contributed to this report.

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The floor opened to questions from the audience. Joni Everette, a junior in biological sciences, asked what the political parties are doing to make our country better and to help the underprivileged.

Welch answered for the Democrats.

"I've campaigned for John Edwards. He supports a health care

system that gives everyone free health care until age 21. He also has a plan where if a college freshman works 5 to 10 hours a week, their tuition is paid for. There is also an option that tuition could be paid for throughout your college career," Welch said.

"The Democrats have outlined, organized plans."

The Republicans touted Bush's No Child Left Behind program as a way of improving schools that are not teaching their children to read by the third grade.

"I think the Democrats are

bringing up good points, but they can't support their argument," said Everette, who describes herself as leaning toward the right.

"It seems the Republicans have more facts and figures to support and prove their case."

Everette is also a Resident Mentor in FYC.

"I think this is important to let the students know what the political parties stand for and then let them decide for themselves," Everette said.

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claiming they could not segregate but didn't have to integrate.

"This was a very distorted view of thinking, yet people went along with it because they wanted to find whatever loophole they could to make sure their schools didn't integrate,"

Chambers said.

Toward the end of his lecture, Chambers said that racism still occurs. African-Americans are still at times not being paid or being promoted equally and there is still prejudice keeping them from achieving what they could if things were truly equal as our constitution intends.

Dawn Parkins, a freshman in First Year College, sees Black His-

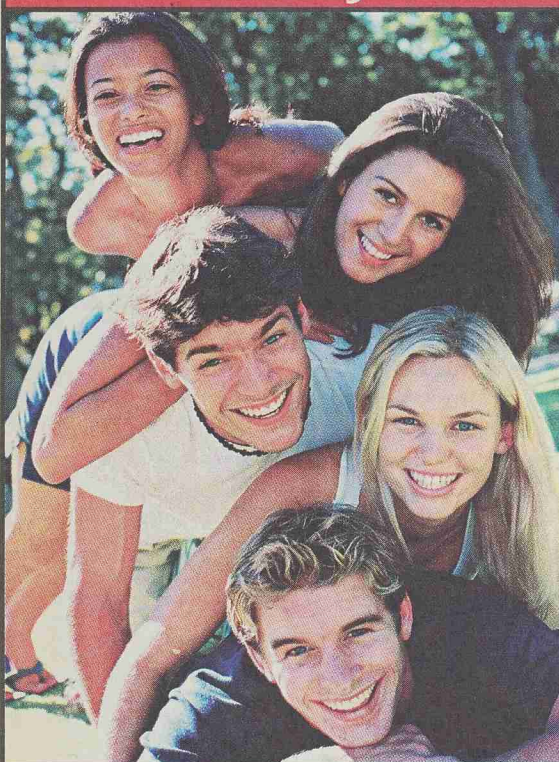
tory Month as very important.

"The majority of people don't truly know all that black people have contributed to the world and this is a good chance to let it be known to everyone," Parkins said.

On a closing note, Chambers said, "We haven't made as much progress as I wish we had. However, the bottom line is we all can learn to be respectful to

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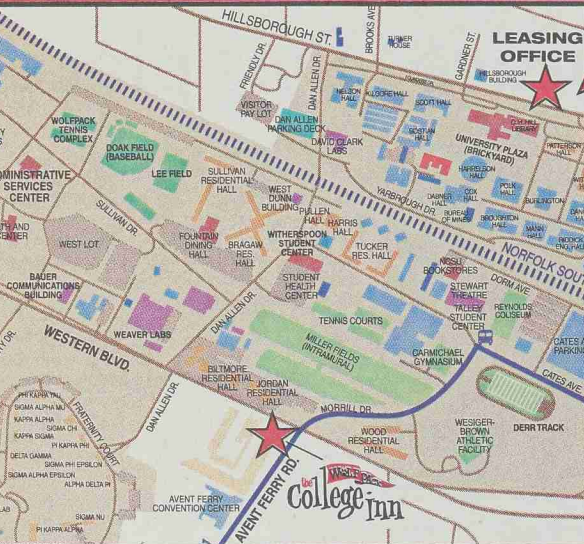


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## DISTRIBUTE TICKETS EVENLY

**OUR OPINION:** STUDENT TICKET DISTRIBUTION MUST BE OVERHAULED IN ORDER TO GIVE STUDENTS WHO CAMP OUT THE BEST POSSIBLE SEATS AT THE DUKE AND UNC GAMES.

It is almost March Madness time again, and seats to ACC basketball games are becoming hot commodities.

Most, if not all, of the big games at N.C. State have already sold out and student tickets are up for grabs 90 minutes before every game. For the big games, Duke and Carolina, die-hard Wolfpack fans can camp out for good seats or try their luck through the voucher system.

Students that camp out are supposed to have seats saved opposite those reserved for the Student Wolfpack Club. Athletics told this to Student Government representatives last year and this year.

And both years, Athletics have given those sideline seats in the RBC Center to

voucher holders.

It is time for Athletics to start treating students fairly when it comes to ticket distribution.

Last year, students camped out and received a random distribution of seats between the sideline and seats up in the 300 levels. Many students felt cheated, and rightly so, because many were under the impression they would have sideline seats.

This year, the same promise was quoted to Student Government and again, Athletics gave out seats behind the goal. Some tickets were for the sideline but many seats went to winning voucher holders, leaving the campers with seats all over the arena, but not the seats promised.

It is obvious that not everyone can have seats close to the court at all basketball games. The RBC Center is not Reynolds Coliseum, where every seat has a great vantage point of the court. Athletics also has to save seats for season

ticket and regular ticket holders.

But students are what give the arena its hectic, fun atmosphere. And as annual investors in N.C. State and its Athletics Department, students are not getting a fair return on their investment.

Athletics looks at numbers and sections of seats. Students see it differently. They see games as a chance to cheer on their team and get as close to the players as they can.

Thus, the fans that are devoted to the Pack camp out, with the impression they will get the best possible seats - on the sideline.

But when campers open up their envelopes and see they are stuck up in the rafters at the RBC Center, it cheapens the overall experience.

Disgruntled and alienated fans have pulled under professional teams.

Athletics needs to work with Student Government and reserve as many sideline seats for campers before the UNC-Chapel Hill game.

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## What I like about U (NCS that is)

Christin Liverance likes N.C. State and she tells you why you should too!

There are a lot of negative things we can say about N.C. State. The parking situation on campus sucks, the Wolfline buses are never on time and there are more bricks around than I'd ever care to see in one place. However, there are also many things I like about NCSU.

We Viewpoint columnists like to complain a lot, in case you haven't noticed. Usually we direct those complaints, in some way, toward the university, but I know, deep down, we all love it. So, I would like to take this time to pay tribute to the red and white and list some things I love about being part of the Wolfpack.

First of all, I have a weakness for cowboys. Ladies, you have to admit, there's something so very sexy about a man with rough hands, tanned skin and a southern drawl. If there's one thing that isn't lacking at NCSU, it's cowboys. We have all seen them, the "Ag" majors, the boys from Hickory and Farmville in their worn blue jeans, flannel shirts, dusty work boots and green John Deere caps. They're the sweet ones that still hold doors open for us girls at the Atrium and wink and smile at you when you say hello. God bless those Southern boys. Grrrrr baby, very grrrrr.

Another thing I like about NCSU is the Court of the Carolinas (aka Court of North Carolina). I think it is one of the most beautiful places on our campus.

I'm also an English major, and it's near my favorite buildings on campus, Tompkins/Caldwell/Winston Halls. Just wait until the weather starts to get warm and sunny again, this spring and take a walk over there. There are green, rolling hills that are perfect for lounging on, away from the noise and chaos of the Brickyard. It's a really relaxing spot and a great place to de-stress and get a tan during a break from classes.

When you stop to think about it, NCSU also has a very wide variety of majors. I, for one, started out as a

biology/pre-vet major and ended up in the English department.

Many people move from one end of the spectrum to the other as they get to know themselves and climb the higher education ladder. NCSU is a great place to do that.

Can I also just say I love that our school mascot is a wolf. A wolf is one of the strongest, smartest, most graceful and beautiful members of the animal kingdom.

Woe to all those who forget that if you mess with one, you have to deal with the entire pack.

On a different note, I actually kind of like Hillsborough Street. Granted, a few things need improvement, but what I really think needs some applause is the selection of places to eat a good lunch. NCSU's main road provides a nearby place to go for a cheap bite to eat between classes when you want to escape the crowded Atrium and don't feel like waiting in line at the Wolves' Den.

Stop in at the Golden Dragon for some cheap, hot Chinese food. Run up to Mitch's for a great sandwich and maybe an afternoon brewsky to wind you down. Grab a bagel at Bruegger's, a slice of pizza at Amore's, a smoothie at Planet Smoothie or a cup of coffee at the Global Village. If you can make it safely across the street without a Wolfline bus hitting you, the trip will be worth it.

Lastly, friends and fellow-Wolfpackers, I just want to say that above all else, I like everyone that likes NCSU. The people that received their NCSU acceptance letters in the mail one day in high school and leaped into the air.

The people that hike to class each and every day that are truly glad to be here. The fans with red shirts and hats on at the sporting events that scream until they are hoarse.

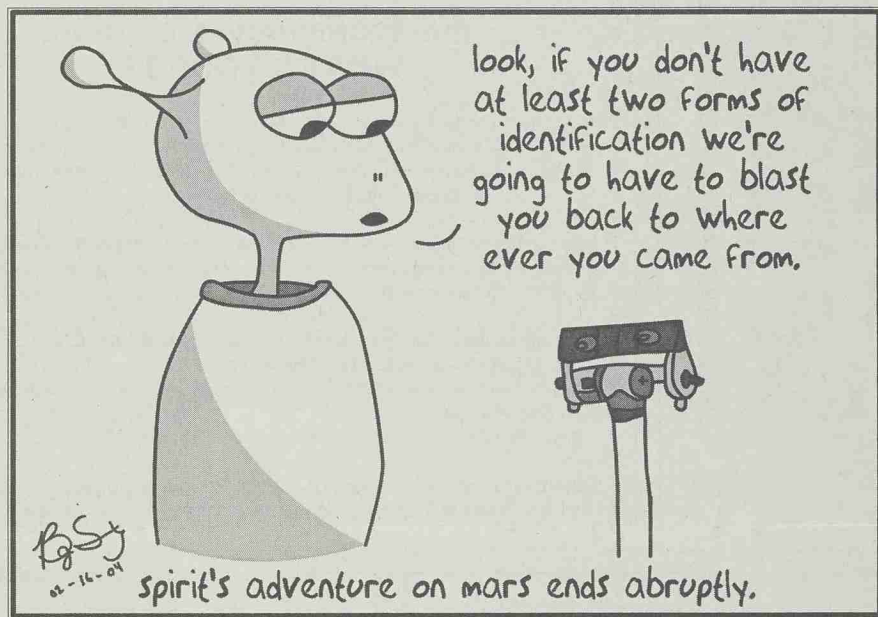
The players on those sports teams that give their all to win games in the name of the Pack.

Most of all, I love anyone who has ever slapped a Tarhole for saying that NCSU sucks (if you haven't tried this, you really should, it's very cleansing).

**E-mail Christin and let her know what you like about N.C. State at [viewpoint@technicianstaff.com](mailto:viewpoint@technicianstaff.com).**



**Christin Liverance**  
Staff Columnist



## Who can you trust?

Anna Edens examines where students get their news and how they can get the whole story on current events.

All's fair in love and presidential campaigns.

Ok, maybe that's not the slogan we Americans are used to hearing, but

a presidential campaign to oust a current war-hungry president may be the next closest thing to war itself.

Just ask Sen. John Kerry.

Howard Dean has chastised Kerry for "politically corrupt fund-raising

mechanisms," according to the New York Times, and President Bush launched a Web video entitled "Unprincipled, Chapter 1" which talks about special interest funding.

But the mother load of all attacks just may stem from investigations concerning Kerry's possible relationship with a woman who fled to Africa. The first source was Matt Drudge's Internet site, [drudgereport.com](http://drudgereport.com), which was also the first site to tip off the details of Clinton's infamous Lewinsky scandal.

I could launch into an entire column about how these allegations could affect Kerry's campaign, but that would bore us both, and, instead, the writer in me began to question how the source could affect the allegations. Drudge's Web site will most likely get the cold shoulder from liberals and virtual high-fives from conservatives, no matter what the topic. We assume it more biased than our mainstream news sources, right?

But simply think for a moment about where you get your news.

I can only hope it's something in addition to Technician. And no, "The Daily Show" and The Onion don't count.

This issue is not just the Kerry "woman fleeing abroad" situation, of which the major news outlets stayed quiet. For example, the abrupt disappearance of the Russian presidential candidate Ivan Rybkin only one month before the election is one of the most fascinating mysteries in the news currently.

Or is it in the news? Because in America, the media have given more hype to the possibility of a sexual romp with one of our own candidates.

Everyday, something happens, somewhere in the world, and news organizations must decide to either pick up a story and run or leave it behind.

As the Internet expands, news sites are in a heightened competition to be both the fastest and the most accurate - two traits that appear to clash. Add on the responsibility by many major news organizations to appear "unbiased," and things get hazy.

The chance of finding a truly unbiased news source continues to dwindle. Although a source may present two sides, there's always that one extra quote which could have been added or that one extra person just waiting to add a few details. Intentionally or not, a writer shows bias (or any type of judgment) simply based on what quotes or facts he or she chooses to use and in what order.

Television media outlets decide what stories to air first, what stories to hype for commercial "teasers" and where to send live reporters. All of these decisions are based on executive judgments about what news should be relevant to your life. This leaves room for subconscious bias to enter.

The only way you can decide what news is important to you is to look at all the news that is out there. It's impossible, yes. But if we as students take half the time we spend online wasting the day and spent it browsing

through foreign newspaper Web sites, then maybe we'd see yet another perspective on the same situations.

If you only get your news from the morning paper or the 11 p.m. TV circuit, then you only see the news from one lens.

I'm guilty, too. My homepage is the New York Times, but unless I make a point to flip around to various news sites, I will still only get the perspective that the Times sees on an issue and its importance as a front-page headline.

True, some sources may more openly lean toward a political agenda than others (Cue hate mail that I am both the member of the Liberal media and a vast right-wing conspiracy.). But as long as humans continue to investigate, write and publish their judgments about what news and what facts are important, there will always be a layer of varying degrees of bias to overcome.

So, where should you look for news? Everywhere.

Find out everything you can, from TV to Internet sites (the mainstream, the foreign, the politically slanted) to newspapers - and yes, Technician. Bring together everything you've heard.

As election season - and the always-present season of independent thinking - charges ahead, make as many observations as you can, stay informed and decide what you think for yourself after reading more than just one newspaper column. Then when you're still good and confused, know that you'll be ahead of most.

Americans if you've even just thought about your own stance on the issues.

**If you're browsing foreign Web sites for half of your Internet time, spend the other half e-mailing Anna at [viewpoint@technicianstaff.com](mailto:viewpoint@technicianstaff.com).**

## CAMPUS FORUM

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### Wolfpack fans insensitive

The big win for the Wolfpack was sweet on so many levels, and every State fan was rejoicing after beating the top-ranked and highly talented Blue Devils. However, as a student, I left with mixed feelings. While happy to see my team win such a big game, I felt embarrassed at best and horrified at worst. Running off of the comments made by Scooter Sherrill, the students surrounding me shouted derogatory and hate-filled comments towards JJ. Redick throughout the game. The sexual orientation of Redick is of no concern to me, but the words used towards him were nothing less than hateful. As an NC State

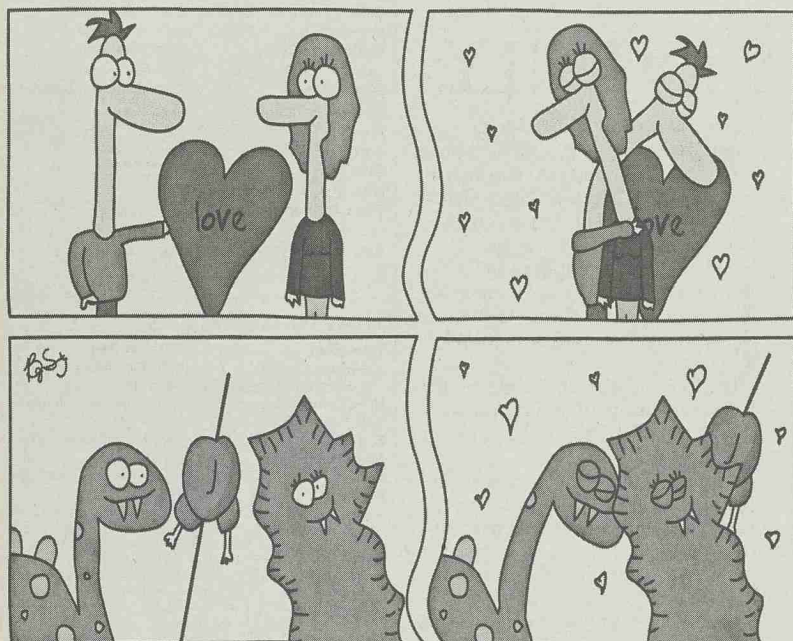
student I know the stereotypes that are placed on us as being ignorant rednecks and I am sad to say that on this night we affirmed those stereotypes on national television.

I love the emotion and excitement that goes with ACC sports and thrive off of the competition, but to lower ourselves to the level of using such offensive language and hate-filled sentiments, not toward just a player, but an entire group, takes away from the dignity of the entire game.

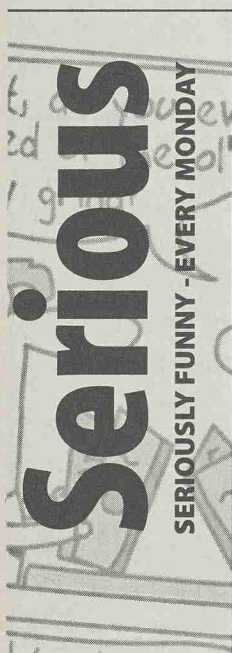
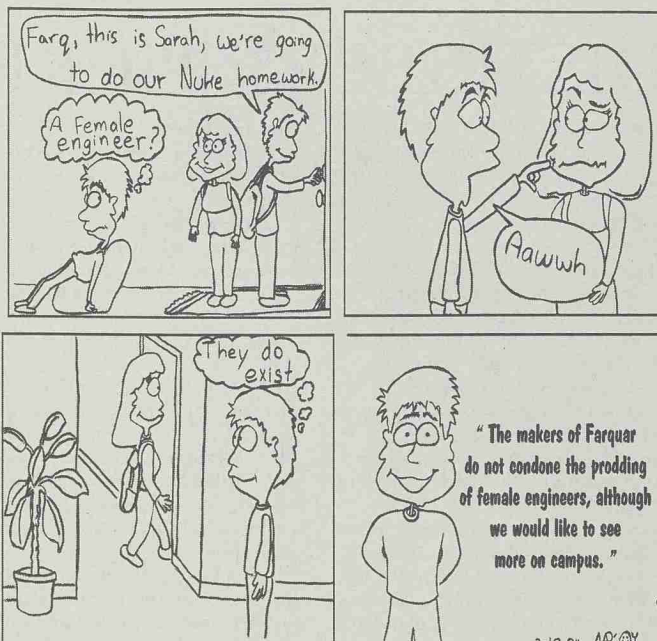
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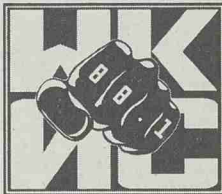
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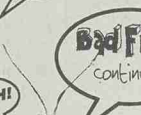
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## SOFTBALL

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the inning and the game. But with runners in scoring position on Saturday, she came up big, clearing the bases with a double to knot the score at 3-3.

Gelbard went 2-for-4 in the game and batted .385 for the weekend.

"Heather probably has one of the best bats on the team," Sims said.

"When she's in the box everyone is very confident with her hitting. She makes great contact and we look to her to make things happen for us at the plate."

Gelbard moved to third on a wild pitch and scored on a single by Miranda Ervin, giving State a 4-3 lead going into the sixth inning.

Kent State forced extra innings and eventually won the game, 10-5.

"The score of the game doesn't reflect the game itself," Navas said.

"It was very close. We had an opportunity to win it in the seventh inning, we needed one more strike and we didn't get it."

"We battled the whole time, there's nothing to be disappointed about, but we've got to shut the door in the seventh inning."

Weather permitting, State will travel to Campbell Tuesday and will head to Tampa, Fla. to take on Pittsburgh and Rhode Island Friday morning in the South Florida Tournament.

## Wolfpack Weekend



Ashley Key

### Women's basketball

The Wolfpack won its seventh ACC game in eight tries Sunday at Virginia with a 72-67 victory over the Cavaliers.

State (15-10, 7-6 ACC) took a big step to returning to the NCAA Tournament by erasing a 12-point second-half deficit, getting 21 points

from Marquette Dickens and 17 from Alvine Mending.

The Wolfpack converted 21 of 27 free throws in the second half, 10 in the last minute of play.

State will host Florida State Thursday night at Reynolds Coliseum.

### Tennis

The men's tennis team got its first ACC win of the young season Friday with a 6-1 pasting over host Maryland.

Will Shaw and William Noblitt both won their matches in straight sets, and State also won all three doubles matches.

State fell to No. 29 Virginia Saturday, as the Cavs won every match in two sets.

Noblitt and fellow freshman Andre Iriarte lost their first matches of the year.

The women's team had its match at Coastal Carolina called due to weather conditions. Both teams return home for a pair of dual matches this weekend.

The men will start things off with a match against East Tennessee State at 1, and the women will follow with a match of its own against Virginia Commonwealth.

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hitting on the part of the Wolfpack.

State put up five runs in the second inning behind a flurry of singles.

The Pack hit five singles in the inning and scored three runs with two outs.

State starter Vern Sterry gave up no runs in his six innings of work allowing only two hits, putting

himself into position to win the game before the rain came.

The game was suspended halfway through the seventh inning by showers. The final two and a half innings will be played when Campbell visits Doak again on April 14.

State, on the other hand, still seeks its first official win this season at Doak Field with the next opportunity coming Tuesday at 3 p.m. against William & Mary.

# Sports

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# Sports

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2004

## Schedule

M. basketball at Clemson, 2/18, 7  
Baseball vs. William & Mary, 2/17, 3  
W. basketball vs. FSU, 2/19, 7  
Softball at Campbell, 2/17  
Gymnastics at UNC, 2/20  
Wrestling at Iowa State, 2/21  
Men's tennis vs. ETSU, 2/21, 1  
Women's tennis vs. Va. Commonwealth, 2/21, 4  
W. swimming & diving in ACCs, 2/18-20  
Track & field in ACC Indoors, 2/20-21

## Scores

M. basketball 78, Duke 74  
W. basketball 72, Virginia 67  
Virginia 22, Wrestling 21  
Softball 8, Mercer 0  
Virginia 7, Men's tennis 0  
Baseball 5, Campbell 1 (postpd., rain)  
Gymnastics, second place in Hearts Invite



## TECHNICIAN

## Cavs nip Pack

Virginia used a last-second reversal to win the ACC dual-match between the league's top two schools.

Sports Staff Report

Senior day finally arrived for the wrestling team on Saturday. N.C. State entered the match against Virginia sitting at 3-0 in the conference and ready to close out its final home match with a victory.

Virginia's Steve Hromada, however, had other plans.

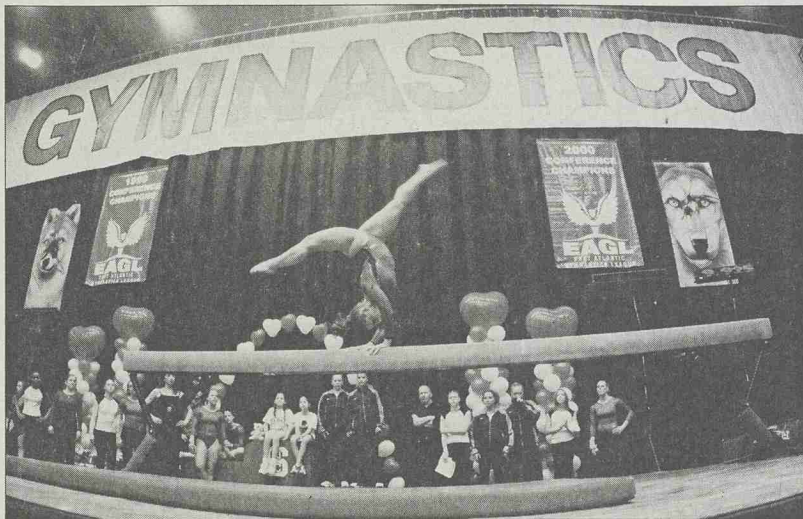
Virginia (8-4, 2-0 ACC) trailed entering the final match, which pitted Garrett Cummings of the Wolfpack against Hromada in the 133-pound weight class. Cummings, a redshirt freshman, came back from a 5-2 deficit in the third period to tie the bout at 5-5. Hromada had the final say in the match as he reversed the takedown of Cummings to take a 7-5 lead. Cummings would only score one more point on an escape, taking a 7-6 loss and giving the Virginia team a 22-21 victory.

The Pack fell to 8-5 overall and 3-1 in the ACC. Before the match Saturday, the home crowd honored the senior members of the Pack's squad. Recognized in their final season at State were Shawn Brookshire, Scott Garren, Jake Giamoni and Dustin Kawa.

Garren and Brookshire did not wrestle in the match. Giamoni was the only senior that recorded a win, getting a 10-6 decision over Aaron Martin. Kawa lost three match points to No. 14 Tim Foley of Virginia for several illegal moves. Those points would later come to make a huge difference in the match for State. Because of the illegal moves, Foley earned six team points for Virginia in a default.

Virginia at one point held a 19-3 lead. State battled back with two straight pins to make the score 19-15. Daniel Humphries and Zach Garren got those pins at the 184- and 197-pound weight classes, respectively. Jainor Palma and Jeremy Hartrum of State both earned decision victories to give the Pack a 21-19 lead, which set up the final match between Hromada and Cummings.

With the final home match over for State, the Wolfpack will now hit the road. The Pack has two matches remaining, at Iowa State on Friday and against Duke on Feb. 24. The ACC Tournament is March 6 at Virginia.



Cori Goldstein performs her balance beam routine Friday night. She finished second overall on the apparatus.

## Successful shuffle for Pack gymnasts

N.C. State has its best meet of the year despite losing senior star Leah Sabo to an injury in warm-ups.

Ryan Reynolds

Staff writer

Two North Carolina schools were feeling the love in Reynolds Coliseum on the eve of Valentine's Day.

UNC-Chapel Hill and N.C. State had final scores of 196.725 and 195.925, respectively, to finish first and second in the Heart's Invitational Friday night.

William & Mary's score of 192.775 secured third place, and James Madison finished in fourth with a final score of 191.100.

The Wolfpack competed at home for the first time in five weeks, and the team's total score was the highest of the season.

"The kids were extremely excited about being at home," coach Mark Stevenson said. "We've been on the road for four weeks and it wasn't like we just drove to Carolina. We went down to Florida, up to Iowa and to Towson [Md.]. The kids have their friends here cheering for them, and it makes a huge difference."

Despite the solid meet, an injured

teammate forced State to compete without one of its best all-around performers. Senior Leah Sabo injured her neck after landing awkwardly while she was practicing on the uneven bars during warm-ups.

"We just didn't think it was worth taking a chance at this point and having her try," Stevenson said.

The sudden injury to Sabo required some shuffling in the line-up minutes before the meet and allowed freshmen Rachel Katz and Amanda Jones to compete in more events.

Katz had the best performance of her young collegiate career, which included finishing tied for first on the vault with a score of 9.900.

Additionally, her score of 9.900 was good enough for a tie for sixth place on the floor exercise.

"We had a couple people out, so a couple of us had to step up on events that we hadn't really warmed up for," Katz said. "The crowd was awesome and really pumped us up."

Jones unpredictably competed on all four events after the injury to Sabo. She finished fifth in the all-around performance with a personal-best mark of 38.875.

She also had a personal-best score of 9.825 on the balance beam, which was good enough for fifth place in the event.

"The freshmen did an outstanding job, probably the best job out of a group of kids that weren't expecting to compete that I've seen in a long, long time," Stevenson said.

Senior Marilyn Madey had the most complete performance for the Pack, finishing second in the all-around with a score of 39.225.

It was the first time Madey competed in the all-around after battling a case of strep throat during the early part of the season.

"All of a sudden we've got one of our best kids who we thought was going to be an all-arounder in our first two meets, and she couldn't get through routines because she wasn't in good enough shape because of the sickness she had for so long," Stevenson said. "She's just now stepped up to the point where physically she's ready to go, and she did an awesome job."

Madey also had a personal best score of 9.900 on the uneven bars, which was good enough for a first-place tie in the event.

"I was prepared ahead of time, and I didn't have any problem with the events," Madey said. "I was more excited. I didn't have time to think."

The Pack goes on the road again on Friday when it travels to UNC-CH.

## Softball scores first win

N.C. State scores seven runs in the first inning to pick up its first win in its third game in history at the Triangle Classic on Saturday.

Jon Page

Senior Staff Writer

Nineteen women made school history Friday night and then made their coach proud a day later.

The Wolfpack softball team lost its first two games in the program's history Friday night, 1-0 to Radford and 2-0 to Louisville, but picked up a victory on Saturday in the Triangle Classic at the Walnut Creek Softball Complex in Raleigh. The Classic pitted a total 21 teams against each other from as close as North Carolina to as far away as Purdue.

State head coach Lisa Navas said her team, which committed four errors against Louisville, was tentative in its first two games.

"They weren't as aggressive as they had been at practice," Navas said. "It seemed like they were kind of watching and not producing for us. We just didn't get things done. We made mistakes and that's why both teams scored."

Freshman pitcher Abbie Sims, who gave up the loss to Radford, admitted she was somewhat awestruck.

"It was a big deal to step on the mound for the first real collegiate game in Wolfpack history," Sims said. "It was really nerve racking. It was all new."

But that changed on Saturday.

"It was nice to have [the first game] under my belt and realize that I made it a bigger deal than it really was," Sims said. "I kind of blew it out of proportion. It was just another game."

State (1-3) batted .400 as a team to defeat Mercer 8-0.

Sims struck out eight batters while only allowing two hits and two walks in five innings of work to pick up the win for State.

The Pack scored seven runs in the first inning. Freshman Heather Gelbard led off the inning with a double and moved to third on a single by Sims.

Mercer pitcher Kaelin Farrington loaded the bases by walking Pack freshman Shaina Ervin, and then Jennifer Patterson picked up the first RBI in school history when Farrington also walked her. Miranda Ervin then doubled to drive in two more runs.

Jennifer Chamberlin added an RBI double, followed by a single from Lee Hasper and a two-RBI double from Renee LaCroix. That brought Gelbard back up to the plate. She walked and Caroline Blount recorded an RBI on a ground-out to first base, making the score 7-0 in favor of the Pack.

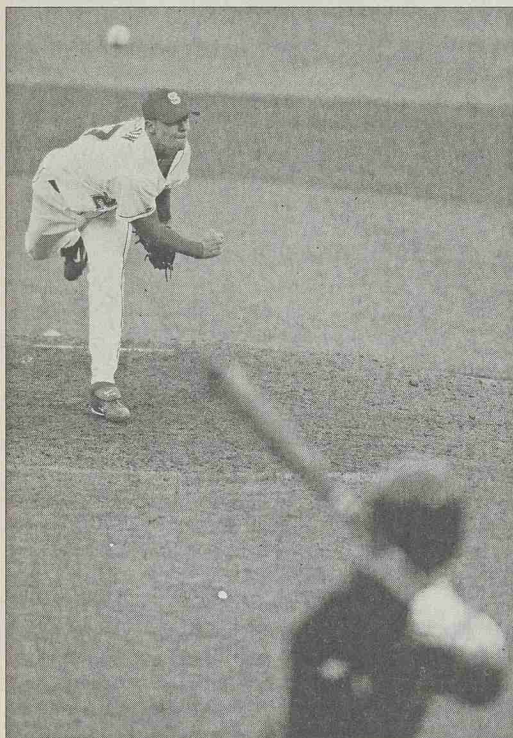
"I was very pleased with the fact that we did come out to play," Navas said. "We were aggressive. We hit the ball like we are capable of doing."

But in the second game on Saturday against Kent State, some of those nerves from Friday night might have resurfaced, Navas said.

Kent State University jumped out to a 3-0 lead on the Pack, but State came and battled its nerves to come back.

Gelbard stepped up to the plate with the bases loaded in the bottom of the fifth. Down by one in the last inning against Radford with runners on second and third, Gelbard struck out to end

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Freshman Gib Hobson works through the rain in the seventh inning of Saturday's baseball game against Campbell. Rain postponed the game until April 14 with the Wolfpack leading 5-1.

## Rain soaks Doak debut

State took the first game against Campbell 3-2 and led 5-1 in the second on Saturday until rain suspended play.

Austin Johnson

Staff Writer

Great pitching and timely hitting keyed N.C. State baseball's success over the weekend against Campbell despite delaying efforts from February showers.

The Wolfpack took the first game of the series Friday night 3-2 behind sophomore hurler Michael Rogers (1-0) at Campbell and were leading 5-1 in the team's home opener Saturday afternoon before rain suspended the game.

Second baseman Matt Camp led Friday's game with a triple when Campbell's left fielder missed a diving catch. Camp scored on a fielder's choice to first to give State a 1-0 lead early.

Camp once again came through in the top of the fifth when his two-out double scored Ryan Johnson and Jake Muyco,

giving State a 3-0 lead. Coach Elliot Avent voiced his satisfaction with his team's willingness to move runners and produce runs in the season opener.

"I think we've had good at bats. It's going to be a different club offensively this year - I think our guys understand that and are working really hard to put the ball in play, put the bunts down when they need to," Avent said.

The three runs were all State would need, as Rogers was masterful through the first five innings. He had a no-hitter going into the sixth until a bloop single, double and an error put two runs on the board for Campbell.

"I was a little rusty," Rogers said. "My fastball and breaking ball weren't where I wanted them to be, but I was able to locate and change speeds."

Collin Brown came in and shut the door on Campbell in the seventh and eighth inning, and closer Joey Devine made quick work of the Camels to pick up his first save of the season.

Saturday's game featured timelier

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The softball team picked up its first win ever Saturday against Mercer.





Herb Sendek answers questions from students for 20 minutes during campout.

# THE DEVOTED

**BASKETBALL TEAM DISCIPLES BRAVED THE CHILLY WEATHER AND CAMPED OUT TO GET THE BEST SEATS FOR THE MATCH AGAINST DUKE.**

STORY BY THUSHAN AMARASIRIWARDENA | PHOTOS BY TAYLOR TEMPLETON

Like pilgrims to Mecca, the basketball faithful made the annual journey to the footsteps of Reynolds Coliseum, testing their devotion by outlasting the cold for the coveted prize - the hottest ticket in town.

With the basketball team's unprecedented 8-2 start in the ACC and the vaunted second place in the league, more than just tickets to a simple match against Duke was at stake. Pride, respect and a chance to watch another moment in ACC history be made were up for grabs. To more than 800 Wolfpackers, weathering the cold and spending a night outside was worth the price to attend Sunday's match against the league leader.

## HERBVILLE

As the comfortably warm Friday afternoon waned into night, the devoted began setting up tents along Dunn Avenue, stretching from the bookstore to Pullen Drive at 7 p.m.

One of the newly converted, Branson Bryant, a freshman in aerospace engineering, had already given the tent town a name, with a homemade sign, welcoming visitors to Herbville, Pop. 767. Still unaccustomed to the traditions of the Pack, Bryant said that he couldn't believe tickets for such a coveted game would be given out. And the weather?

"To be honest with you, it would have been a bit better if the weather was a bit nastier, but I'm not complaining much," he said.

Far from the gates of Herbville, a group of its citizens figured that if they couldn't stay within the comforts of home, then the amenities would come with them. Elliot Wood, a senior in mechanical engineering, and friends brought out a TV set and PlayStation 2 rigged to a couple marine batteries.

"It's cold and getting colder," he said. "Thank God for TV."

First up on the movie list: "Super Troopers."

Fellow camper Tim Winstead, a graduate student in industrial engineering, said he wouldn't mind another few comforts. "[This] would be better if we could have beer - or fire," he said. "I haven't seen a good couch fire in years," his friend Bradley Lawson, a senior in textiles, said.

Both were taking a jab at the recent policy banning both alcohol and fires from campout. Administration set the policy in place after a campout in 2000 got out of control when not enough tents were available for students. A riot fueled by both dorm furniture and alcohol ensued afterward, leaving campus like a "combat zone" as one university administrator recently put it.

Regardless of the limitations placed on campouts since, the devoted agreed that campout was still worth enduring. Hope is running high for the Pack. Discussing his expectations for the basketball team, Wood placed his hand out at chest level "It was here, now [my expectations] are here," he said, lifting his hand above his head. "Hey we've got Herb here," someone shouted in front of Reynolds Coliseum - gathering as many laughs as students rushing to see coach Herb Sendek.

"You look so much bigger in person," someone from the crowd said.

"And I look 10 times uglier in person," the self-deprecating Sendek returned.

After the crowd quieted, Sendek began to thank his supporters. "I appreciate you guys being out here. You guys have helped us more than you realize," he began, telling the devoted that the team fuels off the fans, especially the students at the stadium. "You guys are like wildfire."

Afterward he opened the floor to questions, answering each one with more than a standard response. One fan requested an open practice before the Red and White game, to which Sendek responded, "Remind me next fall, and there will be one for the students."

Taking a jab at comments on Internet message boards



Juniors Daryl Norris and Travis Pollard strum tunes of the south to pass away the night.



David Mead and friends play a game of Sequence in their tent during campout

calling for his ousting. Smiling, Sendek asked the crowd, "Now you guys don't do that, right?" The session lasting for some 20 minutes, Sendek left his faithful with an order of pizzas for each group.

## THE GAMES THEY PLAY

As the novelty of camping out wore off, campers across Herbville took up to bidding their time with games and songs.

"What game is that," a visitor asked one group, playing a game called Sequence, much like Connect Four though with playing cards. Huddled in their tent, reminiscent of an image from Boy Scout camp, David Mead and friends played the game, and planned to do so for much longer to pass the time away.

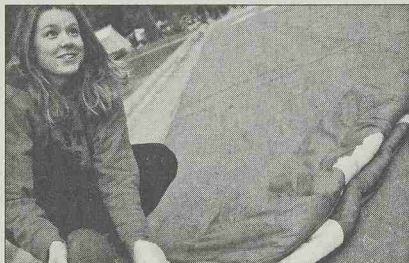
Next door, at a group called the "511 Brent Road Party," a holdback from campouts past, senior Hunter Guice, playing a game of Monopoly, said "It would be nice if we could have fires. It's really quiet, but it's a different kind of fun."

Decked in a hunting camouflage coverall and a fake mullet to boot, Daryl Norris, a junior in fisheries and wildlife sciences, and his cohorts of the "The Southern Forestry Experience," strummed the night away.

"It goes a little something like this," Travis Pollard, also a junior in fisheries and wildlife sciences, began his original song of the south, "In this great land we call D. I. X. I.



Freshman Michael Harmon recovers after a late night waiting for tickets. Harmon later said, "I'm just glad we got tickets."



Kelly Hubbard, a sophomore, folds up her sleeping bag after camping out. "It's a good college experience," she said



By 8 a.m. students were able to pick up their tickets.

E. - Dixie."

## SILENCE IN THE TOWN

By 2 a.m., the bustle of Herbville quieted as the devoted dug deep into their sleeping bags to brave the temperatures that had by then dropped into the 30s. Students lay strewn across the camp, in chairs, awkward positions, tents and on the ground, leaving as little skin exposed to the elements as possible.

## GOLDEN TICKET

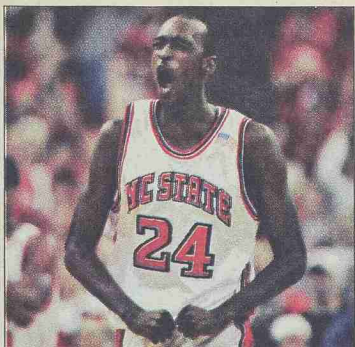
The next morning at 7, after the last check-in, Herbville snapped back into activity. Crawling out of their sleeping bags, some only to return like a groundhog into their nest, the devoted began breaking down tents and packing up their camps.

Kelly Hubbard, a sophomore in communications, was seen packing her sleeping bag. How well did she weather the cold? "We bundled up - four people in a three person tent," she said. Though it was premature to say if it was worth it, Hubbard said, "We'll have to look at our tickets. [But] it's a good college experience."

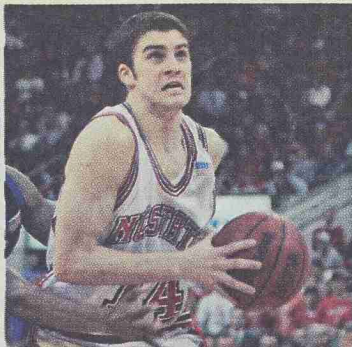
At the ticket line, Carlyle Denning, a senior in history, sang, "I got a golden ticket." Opening her envelope, she said she was happy with her tickets, and plans to camp out for tickets for the game against UNC.

"I'm going back to sleep, but I'm going to do this all over again in two weeks."

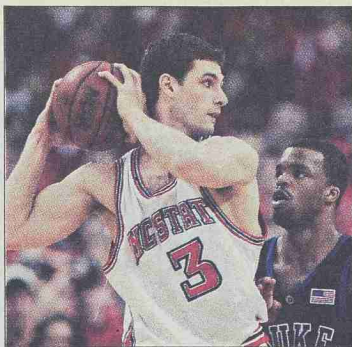




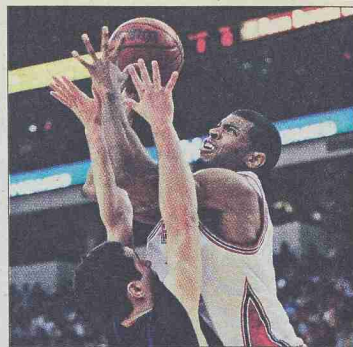
Julius Hodge sealed the game with free throws.



Freshman Engin Astur dished out four assists.



Ilan Evtimov dominated Duke's two big men.



Scooter Sherrill nailed six clutch free throws.

N.C. State's win over No. 1 Duke pushes its ACC win streak to five games, the longest streak since 1974 — the year State won its first national championship.

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