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CELEBRATING  
N.C. STATE'S BIRTHDAY

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To commemorate Founders Day, the Alumni Association distributed cake to students in the brickyard. Junior Kim Cuturilo was among the students who handed out cake to students.

Rachael Rogers  
Senior Staff Reporter

Each year people gather, bake cakes or sing "Happy Birthday" in order to celebrate birthdays. But what about celebrating our university's birthday? On Tuesday, students gathered in the Brickyard to start a new tradition by celebrating Founders' Day.

"Founders' Day is a celebration of the founding of our university," Walter Laundon, chair of Founders' Day and a senior in biological sciences, said.

The North Carolina General Assembly founded N.C. State on March 7, 1887, but this year's celebration came early because of spring break.

In past celebrations, the focus of Founders' Day has been on the university alumni. The alumni celebration largely focused on the presentation of the



Starting at 11 a.m. the Alumni Association began distributing pieces of cake in the brickyard to passing students.

Watauga Medals which is the highest non-academic honor bestowed upon alumni, but recently the Alumni Association Student Ambassador Program has wanted to bring the celebration closer to students.

"Founders' Day has only been celebrated in the alumni arena until last year when AASAP began the student celebra-

tion," Lauren Welch, president of AASAP and a senior in multidisciplinary studies, said.

AASAP was founded in September 2001 as a component of the N.C. State Alumni association in an effort to expand its vision for excellence. AASAP provides opportunities for the active involvement of students in serving as liaisons between

the alumni, administrators and the student body. Other than Homecoming, AASAP focuses much of their attention on Founders' Day. "We have also created a new tradition of student activities held during the week of Founders' Day," Welch said.

The goal of Founders' Day is to provide a connection between NCSU's past and present. "Founders' Day is a special time for N.C. State staff, faculty, students and alumni, as it allows us to look back at our beginnings and truly appreciate those who worked to create the university that we know and love today," Welch said.

"This is a special event because it celebrates the birth of our institution. It ties our present population to our history. Founders' Day is a new tradi-

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University dubbed  
commuter-friendly

Commuters work to reduce air pollution through mass transit and carpooling.

Tara Zechini  
Staff Reporter

In recognition of a continued effort to provide faculty, staff and students with a wide variety of commuting options, the U.S. Department of Transportation and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recognized N.C. State University as one of the Best Workplaces for Commuters.

The DOT and the EPA created the Best Workplaces for Commuters program, which encourages employers to help workers reduce air pollution and traffic congestion by switching from driving alone to mass transit, carpools and other means of getting to work.

In the United States, 75 percent of all trips made to and from work are in single-passenger vehicles. The EPA believes these unaccompanied commuters wasted nine billion gallons of fuel in traffic congestion and spent \$60 billion on gasoline last year, according to their Web site on commuting.

N.C. State's Department of Trans-

portation has a comprehensive program for commuters, including carpool and vanpooling matching, preferred parking, emergency ride home, U-Pass and park and ride lots.

"Most people only find out about it by tripping over it," said Pat Mitchell, the DOT's transit manager. "We're trying to get the word out."

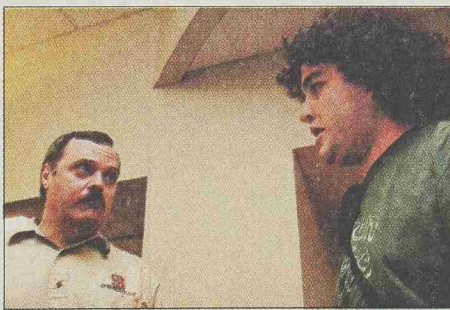
To spread the word, a new program called "WolfTrails" will begin this spring. The program combines existing transportation with information about bicycling and walking and is part of the effort to make transportation an easy-to-understand part of campus.

"I wasn't aware that the services were available," Anita Kerr, a lecturer in the English department, said. "I occasionally carpool with a neighbor, but I haven't taken advantage of the carpool system that N.C. State provides."

Once WolfTrails launches, Mitchell intends to lead educational programs instructing faculty and staff on how to utilize the transportation system.

"Often, a professor will have class on one side of campus and a meeting on the other side of

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Professor Gary Palin, Executive Director of the Entrepreneur Education Initiative Program in the College of Management, explains the program to Ignacio Van Gelderen, a sophomore majoring in business.

Contest rewards  
entrepreneurs

Shannon Holder  
Assistant News Editor

Money was on the mind of students, faculty and alumni at the kickoff to the 11th annual College of Management Business Plan Competition Monday.

Held in conjunction with the Entrepreneurship Education Initiative, a unique program in the College of Management that educates undergraduate students in the

arena of entrepreneurship, the competition is broken into two divisions.

Srujan Jamindar, a master's candidate in business, was interested in the contest for "the economic incentive." Jamindar will work on a team of 12 in the contest, for a company that is already functioning. His team name, Arrayexpress, is a business that measures DNA expression levels.

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Sen. John Edwards speaks to supporters in Atlanta on Tuesday.

Edwards run  
may end today

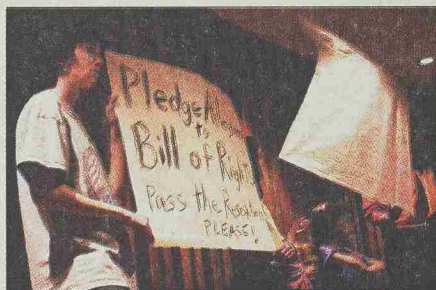
Sen. John Edwards will speak with supporters at Broughton High School this afternoon.

Michele DeCamp  
News Editor

All the campaigning, all the debates and all the smiles couldn't keep John Edwards from losing every state in the Super Tuesday primaries yesterday.

Massachusetts, Georgia, Vermont, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Maryland, Ohio, New York, Minnesota and California all held their democratic primaries and by midnig Sen. John Kerry was the victor in every state except Vermont, whose primary voters still chose Howard Dea their former governor, as the candidate despite the fact that he had dropped out of the ra

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Jacob and Lia Ehrlich silently ask the Raleigh City Council to pass a resolution in opposition to the Patriot Act. Jacob and Lia two younger sisters stood by their siblings and underneath a copy of the Constitution in the background.

Activists fight  
Patriot Act

Local groups presented a resolution to the Raleigh City Council urging members to oppose the federal act.

Ana Pardo and Charles Duncan  
Staff Reporters

"I'm very pleased to see the strength of the people," Manzoora Cheema, a recent immunology graduate from N.C. State, said as he filed out of the Raleigh City Council chambers with over a hundred other people who came to support a resolution being

presented to the council that opposes the USA Patriot Act.

Local activists proposed the resolution to push the council to publicly oppose the federal act. By the end of the night the council voted 5-3 to send the resolution to the Human Relations Commission with the stipulation that it must be brought back to the council within 60 days.

The resolution is a collaborative effort spearheaded by the Wake County chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, in conjunction with a variety of organizations including the Friends of Wal

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### WORLD

#### Bombers attack Shi'ite shrines in Iraq; 143 dead

Suicide bombers carried out simultaneous attacks on Shi'ite Muslim shrines in Iraq on Tuesday, detonating multiple explosions that ripped through crowds of pilgrims. At least 143 people were killed and 430 wounded – the bloodiest day since the fall of Saddam Hussein.

Unofficial casualty reports, however, put the toll in Baghdad and Karbala as high as 223.

The devastating explosions came on the climactic day of the 10-day Shi'ite mourning festival Ashura commemorating the 7th century martyrdom of the prophet Muhammad's grandson Hussein.

The bombings also happened about two hours before an attack on a Shi'ite procession in Quetta, Pakistan, that killed at least 42 people, including two attackers, and wounded over 160.

—Wire Reports

### NATION

#### Bodies of missing Mississippi family found, relative charged

More than two weeks after a family of three vanished on Valentine's Day, authorities found their bodies in a wooded area and have charged the father's cousin with capital murder.

A prosecutor said Tuesday the father apparently was killed at the family home, but he wasn't sure where the man's wife and child died.

Earnest Lee Hargon, a 43-year-old truck driver, was arrested on unrelated drug charges Friday, and authorities searched a wooded area near his home in southern Mississippi on Monday.

Teams of law officers using portable lights searched the area through scattered rain and into the evening. What they found ended an intense search that began when Michael Hargon, 27, his 29-year-old wife Rebecca and their 4-year-old son, James Patrick, disappeared on Feb. 14.

In the Yazoo County courthouse, while authorities were still searching for the bodies about 100 miles away, Earnest Lee Hargon, a cousin of Michael Hargon, was ordered held without bail on three capital murder charges. Friends and relatives of the family, many visibly shaken, attended the brief court appearance.

—Wire Reports

### STATE

#### Phipps sentencing details

Meg Scott Phipps pleaded guilty to five counts in federal court in November: two counts of extortion, two counts of mail fraud and one count of conspiracy.

She was sentenced Tuesday to 48 months in prison and ordered to pay a fine of \$25,000.

Under sentencing guidelines, Phipps could have received 46 months to 57 months in prison, with fines of \$10,000 to \$100,000.

The U.S. Attorney's Office recommended that she receive no leniency and asked Judge Malcolm Howard to give her 57 months. Phipps' attorneys provided their own information to Howard in seeking a lighter sentence, including letters from the ex-commissioner's friends, including former U.S. Sen. Lauch Faircloth, R-N.C., and her father, former Gov. Bob Scott.

—Wire Reports

#### N.C. pop star's father dies at 68

Funeral services were held Monday for Vernon Grissom, the birth father of pop singer Clay Aiken.

Grissom died Friday at Franklin Regional Hospital in Louisburg. He was 68.

Aiken, the runner-up in last year's "American Idol" competition, sang in concert Monday night at Raleigh's RBC Center. He had been estranged from his birth father for many years and did not attend Monday's funeral.

A resident of Youngsville, Grissom was a retired auto parts salesman. He separated from Aiken's mother, Faye Parker, when Aiken was a toddler.

The singer changed his last name from Grissom when he was 20, taking his mother's maiden name.

—Wire Reports

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The open division of the contest is open to all students, faculty and alumni. The winning team will receive \$6,000, with \$3,000 going to second place and \$1,000 for third.

The other division is for undergraduates. According to Jennifer Anderson, the program director

of the EEI, "the undergrad division awards a smaller prize, but is mainly used for a teaching tool."

Undergraduates can apply for either division.

Teams submit a business plan, including an executive summary. A panel of judges will decide the finalists.

From there, the teams will present a 10-minute presentation and be prepared for a 20-minute question and answer session.

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two weeks ago.

Edwards did come close to topping Kerry in Georgia, but his loss there led many media organizations to believe he will be dropping out of the race today as he makes a special announcement at Broughton High School in Raleigh at 3:30 p.m. Edwards did not address whether he would continue running for president at a party last night in Atlanta, Ga., but CNN did capture Edward's appraisal of Kerry.

"He's run a strong, powerful campaign," Edwards said. "He's been an extraordinary advocate for causes that all of us believe in." On Tuesday alone, 1,151 delegates were up for grabs out of the 2,162 necessary for a demo-

cratic party nomination. Kerry already had more than 500 more delegates than Edwards going into the primaries yesterday.

Kerry's success was also punctuated by a phone call from President Bush, congratulating him on his numerous victories.

CNN quoted Kerry during his speech to supporters in Washington after the results started to take form.

"Thank you to voters from coast to coast who have truly made this a Super Tuesday," he said. Kerry also had a few words to say regarding Edwards. CNN reported that Kerry felt that Edwards has a "compelling voice" and "great eloquence." Kerry also predicted that Edwards would be a force within the Democratic Party. For the students who made the long trips to earlier primaries to support Edwards, Super Tuesday's results were disappointing.

## ACLU

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and the N.C. Chapter of the National Lawyers' Guild, as well as approximately 40 other organizations and individuals.

Peggy Hoon, NCSU Libraries Scholarly Communication Librarian, also co-signed the letter sent by the coalition to the city council.

The room was packed with a crowd that spanned age brackets and ethnic backgrounds, including several members of a local Boy Scout troop.

The Patriot Act resolution was the eighth item on the council agenda Tuesday night and Mayor Charles Meeker asked that the speakers proceeding the controversial resolution be brief and keep their presentations under five minutes.

Over 260 towns, cities, counties and states have passed similar resolutions regarding what some regard as the overreaching powers of the Patriot Act, including Chapel Hill and Carrboro.

Linda Gettier, board member for the Wake County chapter of the ACLU, opened the discussion.

Gettier said Congress passed the act "without adequate congressional review and debate, and with inadequate regard to constitutional liberties and the checks and balances principles within our democratic society." Lewis Pitts, a lawyer with Legal Aid of North Carolina, spoke second to the city council.

"The safeguards put in place

by the U.S. government," he continued, "have now been removed in light of this new era that we're in."

"Simply put, what is happening as a shift in this Patriot Act culture is the human rights struggle that began prior to the Magna Carta, to never allow the king or monarch, or in our case the executive branch, to have unaccountable power and to be able to seize a person or their things without having some due process," Pitts said.

Pitts' comments drew enthusiastic applause from the room full of spectators.

After hearing the speakers' appeals, the city council debated what action should be taken regarding the resolution.

Phillip Isley, district E council member, argued that the city council should not be involved in federal issues. Isley expressed concern that if city government acted on a federal issue, it would invite a host of other hotly debated federal issues. Isley cited gun-control opponents and in his words, "flag-burners."

Thomas Crowder, district D, asked, "We all want our rights protected, but where is the line between protecting civil liberties and fighting terrorism?"

Crowder suggested that the resolution be sent to the Human Relations Commission. By the end of the debate, the council voted 5-3 to send the resolution to the commission.

Jessie Taliaferro, district B, said, "We cannot be afraid to express our opinion."

Taliaferro continued, "We cannot tolerate a society that lives in fear."

Judges will critique the students' presentations based on the viability of the business concept, understanding the market, quality of analysis and the quality of the presentation, according to the contest's policies and guidelines.

Ron Funderbunk, a graduate student in computer engineering, plans to submit a business on traffic engineering plan with his team "Fat Cat."

"I think it's pretty neat that

"I sincerely believe John Edwards is the best candidate to beat Bush in the upcoming election, unfortunately the rest of the nation can't see that," Natalie Duggins, a senior in political science, said via a telephone interview on Tuesday night. Duggins had spearheaded the Students for Edwards group that had gone around the country campaigning for Edwards during the primary season.

"Having worked for the past five or six months on this campaign, I know everybody's hard work that went into it as we moved from one state to the next. Now I'm worried about all of the people behind the campaign," Duggins said. Duggins campaigned alongside Beth Whittington, a master's student in English. Whittington will be attending Edward's speech today.

"Naturally I'm very sad, we

Interested students can contact the executive director of the EEI, Gary Pailin, at 919-515-6957 or visit the Web site for the program, <http://entrepreneurship.ncsu.edu/>.

instead of teaching us to be employees for the rest of our life, we learn how to be entrepreneurs."

For the open division, the entry form and a three to five page summary business plan is due by April 5. Semifinalists will be notified by April 8.

worked very hard on the campaign because we think he's the strongest candidate," Whittington said. She also suspects that Edwards will support Kerry once he is officially not in the race, although she still wishes the outcome had been different.

"I assume he'll come out and support Kerry, which will be good for the party. I think Kerry has led the political life, and I think he will make a fine president, but I don't think he will bring change to the presidency like Edwards would have done."

Both Duggins and Whittington hope Edwards' ideas won't be lost if he officially withdraws today.

"I think his message is an important one and I hope that message will continue on through the rest of this campaign," Duggins said.

"Edwards is a wonderful man and I hope he'll run again," Whittington said.

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late," Mitchell said in reference to the on-campus bus service, Wolfline. Currently, a handful of students and 74 faculty and staff members participate in the carpool system.

None of the faculty or staff has ever used the emergency ride home option, which provides carpools reimbursement for

taxi fare to their permanent residence or their designated park and ride lot.

Faculty and staff carpooling offers discounted parking prices in "B" zones and below. Students can also purchase carpool passes. Students can split the cost between all carpools and receive "SCP" parking spots on Cates Avenue. The Department of Transportation offers matching services for faculty, staff and students.

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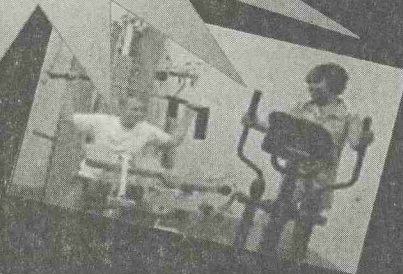


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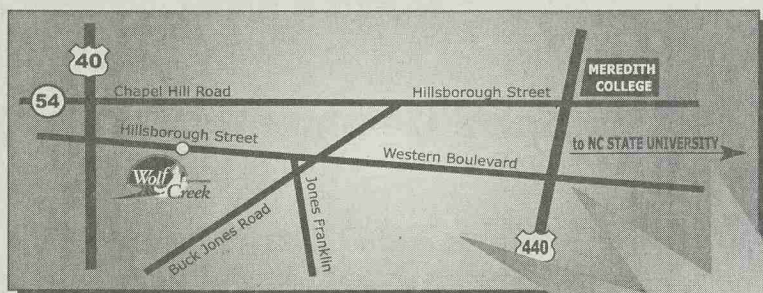
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## THE COFFIELD FILES

God and George:  
united on the big issues

As Americans, we are currently deep within the clutches of a national crisis. By crisis, I



**Tim Coffield**  
Senior Staff Tim

mean a big problem, big like the sweaty-lone-guy-in-the-corner-at-Golden-Corral-with-the-yeast-roll-stains-on-his-shirt.

The leaders of our national institution are no less tense than the final moments of last season's hit reality show.

Usually, I avoid politics. For one, I'm afraid they might bite. But there are other reasons, too. I've always found staring blankly out the window to be more rewarding, and pouring isopropyl alcohol into my eyes to be less painful. I know less about the economy than the yeast roll guy knows about the benefits of Atkins.

If I find a way to make money, I want to keep it. If I wind up poor, I want the government to pay me. This has always been about the extent of my political leanings. Until now, that is.

It seems there's a whole pile of heathen folk out there aimin' to start trouble.

Me and Bush are gonna set 'em straight. I'm talkin' about these gay folk tryin' to tell the everyone they have the right to marry each other. If the disastrous wrongness of this idea is not yet obvious to you let me enlighten you.

As Mr. Bush recently reminded us, marriage is an institution reserved solely for a man and woman. Marriage is more like a country club where member-

ship is strictly limited to non-gay people.

Then there's this notion going around that there's something more to marriage than reproductive efficiency. People throw around empty words like "devotion," "commitment," and "love."

Marriage is about making babies. The Bible says so. Don't try to point out that it's totally fine for infertile heterosexual couples to marry.

There's a big difference here — straight folk ain't gay. Imagine if we let gay folk get married and adopt kids! Don't feed me none of that BS about gay people being able to be good parents, neither.

Don't give me none of that about freedom of religion. We all know what *that* means: freedom to choose between traditional Judeo-Christian denominations. The Constitution sure doesn't say nothin' about freedom to be gay! Mr. Bush put it nicely, "marriage cannot be severed from its cultural, religious and natural roots."

It's the government's job to ensure that gay people aren't allowed to join our club.

Somebody told me about how one partner would be barred from making medical decisions for his ill, hospitalized partner. This right would fall to the immediate family, who very well may hate him and wouldn't look out for his best interests.

Said something about how he thought marriage was supposed to be about love and devotion, and so was Christianity, so he couldn't figure out the big fuss.

Don't worry. I told him how stupid he sounded.

**Join Tim in his dimly lit apartment next week for the MTV Spring Break rerun marathon. Contact: tlicoffie@ncsu.edu**

## AND JUSTICE FOR ALL: CHAPTER 8

## From Russia with Love

STORY BY JONATHAN HAMILTON | ILLUSTRATION BY MARY GELLAR

"I never expected to see you here," Stone said to the stranger hidden in the shadows holding a gun to Renarde's head. Annie kept her pistol fixed on the man, but she dared not fire while he held Renarde, and the dull gleam of the barrel pointed at her head mocked Annie.

"Jake," she said, "I hope you can explain what's going on, because I can't take this shot."

Stone holstered his weapon. "It's all right, Annie. I think Mr. Edwards deserves a chance to explain himself."

Stepping into the incandescent haze of the dim lights above the alley, Renarde's captor revealed the stern face and authoritative poise of Agent Simon Edwards. "Thank you, Mr. Stone. Miss Blackwood, would you and Dr. Irons mind lowering your weapons?"

Irons tucked his pistol away in his coat, but Annie did not drop her aim. "Who the hell is he, Jake?" she asked, not taking her eyes off Edwards and Renarde.

"This is Agent Simon Edwards of the Bureau of Intelligence," Stone answered. "He's the man who recruited me for this mission."

"That's right, Miss Blackwood," said Edwards, "and if Agent Stone hadn't taken off to gather you and Dr. Irons and left the country in such a hurry, we wouldn't be in this mess." He pushed the barrel of his pistol against Renarde's head and tightened his grip on her as she struggled.

"What do you mean?" Irons asked, nervously clutching the pistol's grip.

"Your disappearance has ruffled the feathers of some very big birds, Doctor, as I'm sure you can imagine. The real problem here, though, is that Mr. Stone rendezvoused with



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the wrong cloak and dagger."

"Fils de putain," Renarde spat. "Enough of your lies!"

Edwards continued. "Marie Renarde hasn't filed a report with her department in three days. This woman has deceived you. I suspect she's one of the Cossack's spies."

Faster than Annie or Edwards could react, Renarde flexed her wrists a certain way, and two holdout pistols sprung from the sleeves of her coat into her hands. With comfortable grace and speed she brought the pistols up — one by Edwards' head, the other aimed at Stone. She leaned back against Edwards luxuriantly. "As much

as it hurts me to say it, Agent Edwards, you're going to have to let me go."

Irons took aim at Renarde and Edwards as Annie threw her coat aside and drew her second revolver. Renarde only laughed. "You won't shoot."

Annie cocked back the hammer of her second gun. "Only because I don't know which one of you deserves it." She gestured at Edwards with her first gun. "I've got you in my sights, too, cowboy."

Renarde slid out of Edwards' relaxed embrace and backed into the shadows again, still aiming at him and Stone. "You won't chase me, either. There's

nothing you can do to stop the Cossack... in Hell!" Two shots erupted from the darkness, ringing up the tenement walls and into the Parisian night, and in their brief flashes, the team watched Edwards fall.

Annie and Irons fired over and over into the darkness as Renarde fled, their shots cracking the air like thunder, but they did not find their mark. Stone rushed over to Edwards, who lie still and silent on the pavement. "Edwards! Are you all right?"

The agent picked himself up off the pavement with a groan and brushed his suit off ineffectually. "I'm fine," he said as he straightened his tie. "She missed. I was only playing opossum." He pulled a pack of cigarettes from his coat, took one, and offered the pack to Stone. "Smoke?"

"No, thanks," Stone answered. Fluidly he reached into his own coat, pulled out his revolver, and clubbed Edwards in the head with it, knocking him directly back down to the pavement.

"What in the world did you do that for?" Irons exclaimed as he and Annie ran over to him.

Stone knelt down, grabbed Edwards' arm, and slung it across his shoulders. "The real Edwards knows that I don't smoke. Now help me lift whoever this is. Annie, go flag us a taxi. We don't need to be here when the police come investigating the gunshots." He and Irons lifted the ersatz Edwards. "I have some questions for this gentleman, and with Renarde or whoever she is out on the loose tonight, I have a feeling we're going to want to be out of France by sunrise."

**To be continued in Chapter 9: Into the Lion's Den!**

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## TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

## STUDY IS GOOD, BUT IRRELEVANT

**OUR OPINION:** THE SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE DUKE CONSERVATIVE UNION INTO THE POLITICAL BELIEFS OF PROFESSORS PROVIDES FOOD FOR THOUGHT, BUT NOT MUCH ACTION CAN BE TAKEN UPON ITS RESULTS.

College professors are liberal.

That is the stereotype, but there is more truth to that than meets the eye.

The Duke Conservative Union conducted a study into the political leanings of the professors in the humanities departments at Duke University. The results were not surprising. Out of the 168 faculty members in the humanities departments at Duke, 142 are registered Democrats, 18 are unaffiliated, and eight are registered Republicans.

The results compelled the executive board of the Conservative Union to take out a full-page ad in The Chronicle, Duke's student newspaper, presenting their results in an open letter to Duke president, Nan Keohane.

*The unsigned editorial that appears above are the opinion of the members of the Technician's editorial board except for news editors and are the responsibility of the editors in chief.*

Their argument focused on the president's commitment to diversity, whether it be racial, ethnic or intellectual.

The ad sparked a debate on campus and an open panel forum last night on the issue.

The panel, moderated by Provost Peter Lange, decided that the study, while it brings up a very topical debate on college campuses today, doesn't warrant any dramatic changes in how Duke hires its professors.

It is wrong to hire professors, or anybody for that matter, based solely on their political leanings.

Compared to our sister research institutions, Duke and UNC-Chapel Hill, many consider N.C. State conservative. But that does not mean our College of Humanities and Social Sciences is any less liberal.

It is perceived that humanities professors are going to lean toward the left, but the most important thing about a professor should be his or her dedica-

tion to teaching in his or her respective field in a clear and objective manner.

Intellectual diversity has come under fire lately, thanks to the incident involving an English lecturer and a student at UNC-CH.

At N.C. State, intellectual diversity is frequently on the minds of everyone, whether it is a student, faculty member or an administrator. But we haven't had an incident where intellectual diversity has been thrust to the forefront of public discourse.

The only thing an academic department can do is hire the most qualified people for the positions open and trust they are professional enough to present material in a pragmatic and objective manner, as not to create an atmosphere of bias, whether perceived or otherwise.

However, students should speak up to department heads if they feel they discriminate in any way.

Barring a major social shift, though, academia will always be liberal.

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## In response to Andrew B. Carter's column

First, I find it a bit hypocritical that not too long ago there was an article about the low fan attendance and noise at the Pack games, but now there is an article about the horrible people we must be for chanting a classless cheer.

I'll admit, the STD chant wasn't classy, but the hauled Cameron Crazies have done some classless things in the past as well. Example, "When Maryland's Herman Veal was alleged to have sexually abused a fellow student - he was disciplined, but never formally charged - the Crazies showered him with more than 1,000 panties, and one student held up a sign that read, 'HEY, HERM, DID YOU SEND HER FLOWERS?'" (from the Top 10 Cameron Crazy Moments on ESPN's Page 2, that was #11).

While I was forced to watch the game from my humble abode...again, I found the cheer hilarious. I guess that makes me a bad person and possibly stupid. The look on McCant's face was priceless and to say that it sparked him to light up the Pack (your quote "worked like a Yugo") is ridiculous.

He averages 19.5 points per game, and you make it seem as if our fans caused him to become a scoring threat. If I recall correctly, the first time he heard the chant he missed the free throw and looked bewildered.

The camera crew cut to the bench and you could clearly read Roy Williams' lips "What were they chanting? It got to him." A timeout followed and I found it funny that two of the "Hug Crew" on UNC's bench were laughing and whispering to each other (ironically with one's arm around the other) about this "half of stupid" chant.

I believe in striving for a higher standard. I believe in supporting the Pack. I also believe that as fans it is an obligation to cheer for your team AND make the environment as hostile as possible.

Does that mean having classless cheers or throwing things onto the court?

Of course not, but I have seen and heard much worse (i.e. The Crazies used to always chant "You suck Dick" when Dick Paparo made a "bad" call).

In conclusion, throwing stuff onto the court is wrong. Chanting obscene things at a basketball game is classless, but are we classifying "STD" as obscene?

If so, we should petition to take sexual education out of public schools. Players taunting the opposition's fans (a la McCants and May with their "F\*\*\* You's" directed towards our crowd) is about as classless as it gets in my opinion and there wasn't anything about that in the article.

While clearly there could have been more clever and classier chants, I commend all the Pack fans who made the RBC Center a hostile environment with the noise, unity and turnout. I didn't see any students leaving the game early this time.

If our Deputy Sports Editor wants to lump us in with the Maryland fans then so be it, just don't forget to hop back on the wagon when it rolls around again.

Chris Moody  
Junior  
Business Management

## Vice-Provost applauds Carter

I write to applaud your article in this morning's Technician. It was very well written and it provided a great message. I have attended several of NCSU men's basketball games and I have always been bothered by some of the sophomoric cheers emanating from the student section.

It's unfortunate, especially given how well the basketball team has represented itself this year.

I did not hear the "STD" chants at the UNC game last Sunday, but I heard about them later. I also find the "You Suck" cheer to be in particularly bad taste. Not only is the cheer "You Suck" disrespectful to other teams, but it is embarrassing, sets a poor example for younger kids and does absolutely nothing to lift our N.C. State team up. Thank you for your wit, your courage and your character!

Jose A. Picart, Ph.D.  
Vice Provost  
Diversity and African-American Affairs

## Carter's radio comments "insulting"

Editor's note: The following was sent in an e-mail to The Dan Patrick Show on ESPN Radio and forwarded to Technician. The e-mail was never broadcasted.

I am a student at N.C. State University and I was intrigued by your interview with Andrew Carter, deputy sports editor of our student newspaper. The Dan Patrick Show is not carried live in the Raleigh market, but I was able to catch it in my car because I have XM Radio. I am a member of the Student Wolfpack Club, the organization that Andrew alluded to in the interview. I have to disagree with a number of his points.

First off, Andrew seems to believe that we are all simply trying to imitate the Cameron Crazies.

This is like saying Coke imitates Pepsi or Kool-Aid imitates Hawaiian Punch - the Crazies may have been first, but we've developed our own brand of cheering and support for our squad.

So-called "pundits" like Andrew can't have it both ways - our organization was chided for not being "loud" enough in recent years.

This year we've taken the effort, coordinated our cheers and are now being derided by the same "journalist" for being over the top.

I was also insulted by Andrew's claim that we are ignorant about basketball.

Growing up on Tobacco Road I would bet I could take on Jay in an ACC trivia challenge.

We are some of the most knowledgeable student fans in college basketball. The "Izzone" at Michigan State and the student section at Texas Tech both came into being after consulting with members of our organization.

Mine is likely the only e-mail on this topic you will receive because no one else in Raleigh heard you.

I just wanted to let you know that not everyone has hopped onto the Bob Ley/Andrew Carter bandwagon.

Students can cheer and have fun at games and I'm tired of being called to task in the press for statements that are bogus generalizations.

Ryan O'Quinn  
Senior  
Biomedical Engineering/History

## "STD" chant just a joke

I would just like to thank Andrew Carter for his courage.

The way that he threw Pack fans under the bus on a nationally broadcast radio show serves as a true testament to strength and character.

In case anyone missed it, our friend Mr. Carter was on The Dan Patrick Show yesterday afternoon to discuss his column "Stupid" and the nature of Pack fans.

The Dan Patrick Show is a show broadcasted on ESPN Radio, which boasts a large following. How did Andrew Carter describe Pack fans on the show? Well, Carter says he is embarrassed to bring his fiancée to games.

He says we are second worst in "making fools of ourselves," that we are simply trying to imitate the Cameron Crazies (unsuccessfully), that he doubts that any of us (the 7,000 who were doing the cheer) know a lot about basketball nor care for that matter and finally that we want to make ourselves known by doing something stupid.

Really?

You mean like going on a national radio broadcast and selling out Pack students, administration and, basically, the whole school?

Because that sounds to me like someone doing whatever he can to be known, no matter what it takes.

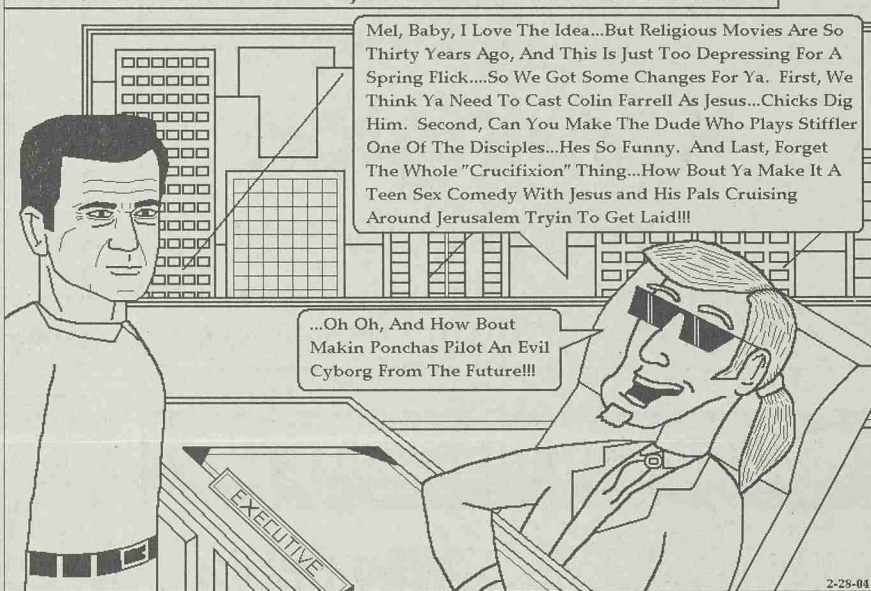
I applaud Mr. Carter for taking a stand against STD's and the carriers of them. The chanting of "S-T-D" at McCants was offensive. It was offensive because those students who actually have an STD probably don't want to be associated with a punk like McCants.

The reality of all of this is that what started out as a joke at a basketball game has turned into a way for a sports editor to make a name for himself.

I suggest we chant "S-T-D" again tomorrow but this time at Andrew Carter, the Sellout Technician Disappointment.

Jordan Winner  
Junior  
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## If Mel Gibson Had Allowed A Major Studio To Finance "The Passion".....



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Andrew Payne suggests creating a general college program for freshmen and sophomores to allow them a chance to better choose what discipline to matriculate into.

Over the past few weeks, I have received three mailings from the N.C. State University Annual Fund. The Annual Fund provides direct

support for academic programs, scholarships and fellowships, computer and laboratory upgrades, teaching and research awards, the library and alumni services, such as the N.C. State Magazine, reunions and N.C. State Clubs.

The university is also in the "silence phase" of a new fund-raising drive, similar to UNC-Chapel Hill's "Carolina First Campaign," an effort to raise \$1 billion.

Unfortunately, NCSU's campaign will be unable to raise an ambitious \$1 billion. I believe the reason lies in the attachments of our alumni. State alumni have no problem giving toward athletic endeavors — just look at our new sporting facilities like the Wendell H. Murphy Football Center, RBC Center, baseball field and tennis complex. Other capital projects in the hopper include a new softball facility, athletic housing at the old Stroud Center and moving the soccer fields from Method Road to Paul Derr Track. As students, we grow attached to the athletic programs and that translates over to financial contributions when we are alumni.

Athletics is the common thread that binds us as students; it is one activity we all share. This is quite different from other schools, not that athletics aren't important to all major research institutions across the country.

At other schools like UNC-Chapel Hill, students share a common academic experience — the general college. I believe that other schools

are able to claim bigger rewards with gifts and contributions because of this common academic experience. The general college is simple, but please do not get this confused with a general studies degree, which I do not support.

The plan is that all NCSU undergraduates would spend their first two years in the general college which would include a curriculum of general education requirements and classes in the field(s) the student wished to matriculate to. This would be an expansion of the First Year College but with a new name. Unfortunately, the First Year College has a stigma attached to it, which simply is not true. Statistics have shown that students in the First Year College do as well as, if not better than, their counterparts in the other colleges.

When a high school senior fills out an application, the university is setting that student up for failure. It makes entirely no sense for someone in high school to choose a major before they have had the opportunity to experience all the programs and disciplines the university has to offer. Some would argue that by allowing freshmen to choose their degree program it puts them on a faster curriculum track, but this could be done in general college. New students identify a degree program that they are interested in, and then the students and their advisers tailor each student's class schedule to meet the matriculation requirements for that department.

If a student is trying to decide between two disciplines, the general college offers the student the opportunity to create a plan to take classes in both subjects that will ultimately count towards both degrees.

Students in a single college now have difficulty in doing this because college specific advisers know very little about other departments.

To make matters worse, college specific freshmen are placed in large introductory classes like E 100 or ALS 100 where they are asked to narrow down their degree even further. Oftentimes the only information conveyed in those classes is so broad that students walk away more confused than they were when they began.

When I took E 100 (Introduction to engineering for freshmen), the instructor displayed an overhead with the starting salaries of the different engineering types and then asked us to choose which one we wanted to do.

Never did the instructor offer detailed explanations on the specific engineering degree programs. This is no way to introduce new students to NCSU. In the end, students matriculate into a degree but find out that it is not for them and then they change majors, which ultimately throws off their graduation date.

I would venture to say NCSU has one of the highest internal transfer rates among its peers.

Aside from improving alumni giving, graduation rates and lessening internal transfer rates, a general college also would improve graduation rates, the allocation of resources, allow greater management of program growth and be a platform to more fully integrate diversity into the curriculum. I would even go as far as to say that with a general college the entire undergraduate experience would be enhanced, which in the end would further increase alumni giving to academic programs.

Let's embrace the general college concept; our methodology at NCSU is flawed. It's time for change in NCSU's approach to the first two years of an undergraduate's tenure — it could be the key to raising \$1 billion in the "N.C. State First Campaign."

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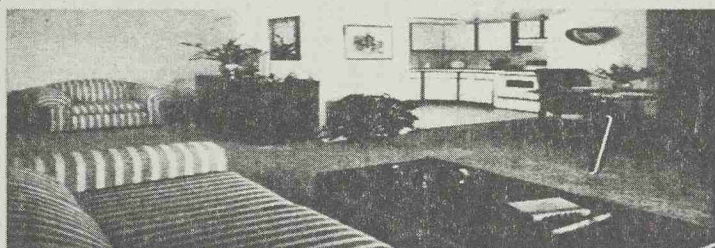
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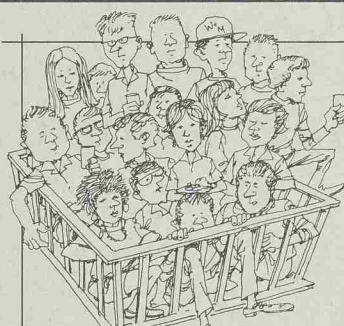


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**A closer look at...**  
**Sailing**  
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of the Wolfpack spring sailing season this weekend. N.C. State took on some of the best teams in the South, several of which are ranked nationally. The Wolfpack took home eighth place overall out of 10 schools.

Chris Gorni and his crew had a tough time at a very crowded starting line showing the team one area it needed to focus on in practice. In the other race

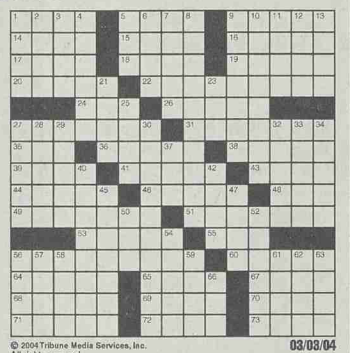
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5 Tiny pond plant  
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24 Before, before  
26 Theatrical backdrop  
27 Eton and Elton, e.g.  
31 Aggrandize  
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36 Located  
38 Sign up; var  
39 Imperial  
41 Glossy fabric  
43 Time long past  
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51 Suburb of Los Angeles  
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7 Cogwheels  
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10 Silver-white crystalline element  
11 Fateful day  
12 Certain  
13 Cravings  
21 Paid players  
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29 Will's names  
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## SENIORS

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grade two ankle sprain when he landed on Rashad McCants' foot after a put-back.

"At this point, we're guessing at best," Sendek said. "It's too difficult for them to pinpoint with any certainty. We're just a short time off the injury now, we're in the beginning stages of treatment, and I don't think anybody wants to jump to any conclusions until we have some more information. Until then, all we can do is speculate and hope for the best."

For Sendek and his team, that hope surely carries over tonight against the Terrapins.

"We all just have to come together and understand that it's my senior night, it's Scooter's senior night - he can't play -- everybody has to step up so we can close out our home court," Melvin said.

And also, the Pack can't forget the tissues.

## BASEBALL

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long way to go before they are in top-form.

"There are some opportunities that we have offensively that we're not executing," said Mezistrano. "Like we have a runner on third base with less than two outs, we should be scoring that guy more often, just more timely hitting, I guess that comes with experience."

State will play its second game against LeMoyne this afternoon at 3 p.m. at Doak Field. Right-hander Phil Davidson will make his first start of the season for the Pack.

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Let's all stop acting surprised when we find out our favorite players are juiced.

The Carolina Hurricanes still stink. If it's not cool for senior guard Scooter Sherrill to voice his First Amendment rights of free speech if he wants to call an opponent gay, then maybe Athletics Director Lee Fowler should just take away the department's Second Amendment rights at the same time and break up the rifle team.

Kudos to women's basketball coach Kay Yow for taking a team that started play 0-5 in league play to an 8-8 final and No. 3 seed in this weekend's ACC Tournament.

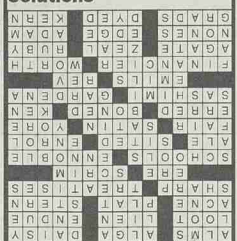
I've never seen a group of cooler, not-nerdy-in-any-way students at a sporting event than I did last week at Georgia Tech.

Except maybe for the Duke fans seated behind me at the women's basketball game Monday night.

I can only hope to be that neat-o when I turn 50.

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## Scores

Baseball 17, LeMoyné 2



## TECHNICIAN

## Jibber-Jabber

Welcome to Jibber-Jabber.

I know what you're thinking, but don't worry, this is not some cheap pathetic excuse to copy ESPN Page 2 columnist Bill Simmons and one of his beloved ramblings columns.

It's not that at all.

Seriously.

For example, Simmons calls his "ramblings."

As you can plainly see by

the headline, mine is Jibber-Jabber.

Simmons writes mainly about Boston professional sports teams. I'm writing about N.C. State and the ACC.

Simmons also writes for ABC's late night talk show Jimmy Kimmel Live. I don't even watch that garbage.

So, you see, we couldn't be more different.

Now that we've cleared that up, let's get to it.

Everybody take one giant step off Andrew Carter's back. So maybe the Technician Deputy Sports Editor who wrote a column bashing State fans for poor behavior at Sunday night's basketball game was never an athlete.

And sure, sometimes he probably wears the same socks six days in a row, but let's keep personal issues out of this. There's just really not a good enough reason to disagree with him that chanting "S-T-D" while North Carolina guard Rashad McCants shot free throws was a classless act.

Furthermore, some fans who defend the cheer by saying that, "Oh but Duke or Maryland says worse things," is pathetic and exactly why I agree with Andrew. Take some accountability for your actions.

Why is it OK for running back T.A. McLendon to talk on his cell phone during class but when I did it three weeks ago the instructor suggested that perhaps I should leave his class?

The NCAA should allow Duke senior guard Alana Beard a fifth season of eligibility - to play next season with the men's team. Forget about PGA golfer Annika Sorenstam trying to cut it with the men on the PGA Tour;

I want to see Beard get the chance to take a charge from Julius Hodge or drain a 3-pointer in Raymond Felton's eye. Instead, the behemoth talent will soon fade to even more anonymity by moving on to basketball's equivalent of a black hole - the WNBA.

Why oh why won't men's golf coach Richard Sykes return my phone calls from last year?

Thank goodness for March and intramural co-recreational softball leagues.

Congratulations to junior Jed Paulsen on making the All-ACC Academic Football Team. Four other Pack players made the squad, including Philip Rivers, Lamont Reid, Adam Kiker and Austin Herbert, but Paulsen's accomplishment puts him over the top because he's proof that smashing heads with defensive linemen while protecting Rivers doesn't kill brain cells.

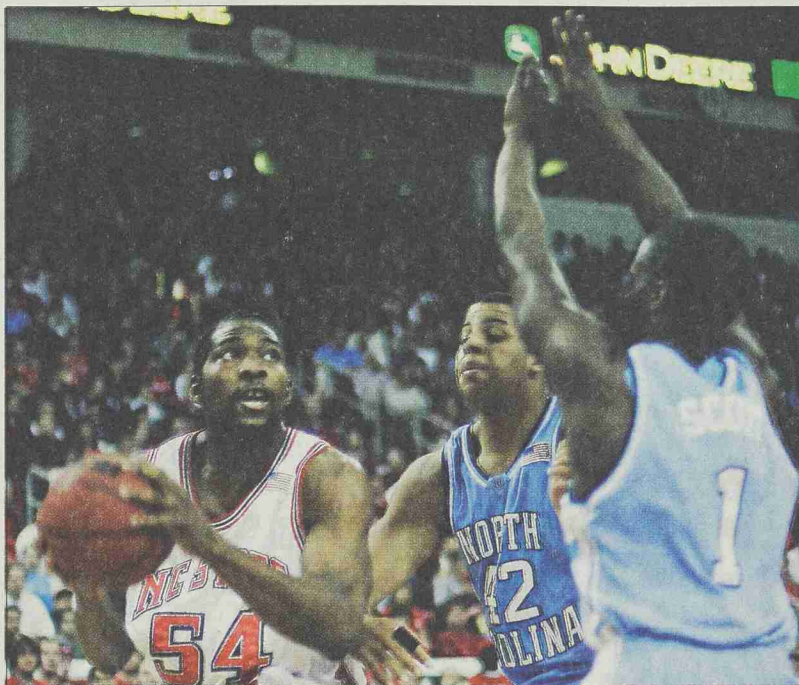
Speaking of Rivers, with the 11th pick in the 2004 NFL Draft, the Pittsburgh Steelers select quarterback Philip Rivers from N.C. State. Put it in the bank.

Happy New Year's to soccer coach George Tarantini.

Everyone involved in Major League Baseball is on steroids, from the players to the peanut vendors. Why can't the world just accept this?

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**CORRECTION:** Tuesday's Technician incorrectly stated in Andrew Carter's column that a higher-up in the Wolfpack's booster club approves the cheer sheets passed out before N.C. State basketball games. The cheer sheet was instead distributed by the independent cheer-sheet committee, which is an organization open to all students that is led and was created by executive board members of the Student Wolfpack Club.



Senior Marcus Melvin (54), guarded by Sean May (center) and Melvin Scott, will play his last home game tonight.

## Emotional night awaits seniors

*Men's basketball co-captains Marcus Melvin and Scooter Sherrill, cornerstones of State's resurgence the last three years, make their last home appearance tonight.*

Andrew B. Carter  
Deputy Sports Editor

Sitting in a white chair under a tent at one end of Reynolds Coliseum, Marcus Melvin warned reporters to be prepared for a tear or two tonight.

Melvin, the senior forward who has improved every year during his N.C. State career, was speaking in reference to his teammate and friend, Scooter Sherrill, who likely will not play when Maryland comes to the RBC Center for a 9 p.m. tip-off.

Melvin, speaking of emotions, tried to explain his thoughts on Sherrill, who sprained his ankle early in the second half of the Wolfpack's loss to North Carolina Sunday night.

"Unfortunately for him, to go through all the things he's been through, all the hard work he's done and the improvement he's shown, I know it's got to hurt him to not be able to play in this game," he said. "I'm going to try to figure out something to do to let people know [I'm thinking about him.]"

The lanky 6-foot-8 Fayetteville native shouldn't need to worry. Sherrill will be on the minds of many. They might remember the big 3 he hit at Clemson his sophomore year, or how he shut down Florida State's Tim Pickett this season, or his streak of consecutive free throws made, which was at one point, among the longest in the nation.

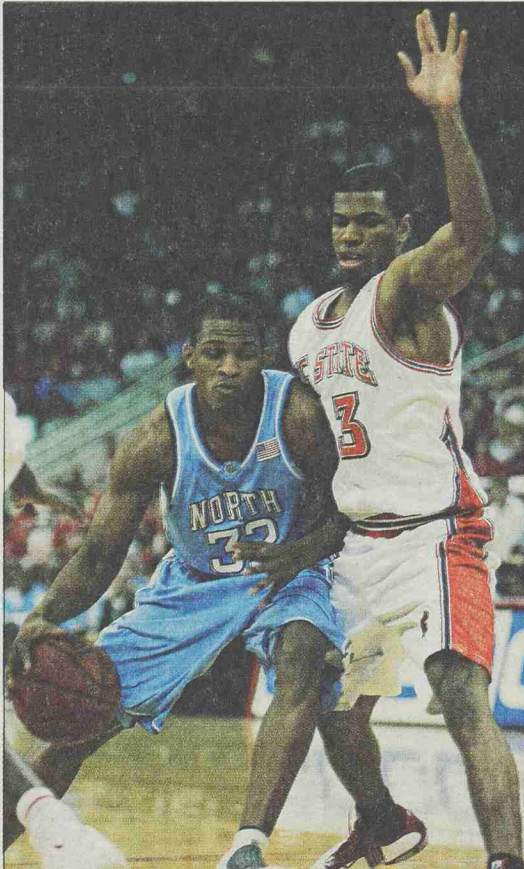
Sherrill declined media interview requests, but few could blame him for staying quiet.

"He's just trying to stay upbeat," Melvin said. "For him not to participate [tonight], you might see a few tears."

There might be tears for other reasons, too.

For Melvin, tonight will be the last time he'll be able to look behind the scorer's table and spot his relatives, most importantly his enthusiastic mother and 4-year-old son, Mekhi.

"By coming to college, I've given them something to look forward to," Melvin said. "When [my mom] gets up and goes to work, I think I give her another level of energy. She understands that whenever Sunday comes or Wednesday comes, she can



Scooter Sherrill (right) will likely not play tonight against Maryland.

come out and enjoy herself."

Among the memories he most enjoyed, Melvin listed his game-winning shot at Houston in his sophomore year and playing in the ACC Tournament.

"Just being a part of this," he said. "Just being a part of great people and this great university."

As Melvin has gone this season, so too has the Wolfpack. The team hasn't lost when he's recorded double figures in points and rebounds. State coach Herb Sendek has become the biggest fan of Melvin and Sherrill, giving the team's success to the former roommates.

"Both guys have really enjoyed an outstanding year and in large part are responsible for any measure of success we might have had," Sendek said. "They've had good years on the court, and they've had good years off the court in providing us with terrific leadership."

Throughout their careers, Melvin and Sherrill have provided the Pack with something else: long-term goals. Since a disappointing freshman season, the two best friends have helped lead the Pack to two straight NCAA tournament appearances. A third is on the way.

"That's what we always talked about doing when we first got here as freshmen, even though we didn't play we always talked about making a change," Melvin said. "We always talked about, when we got on the court, we were going to make some noise. We were going to play hard and try to change the look of our program."

Though nothing official has been announced regarding Sherrill's playing status, the Mt. Ulla native is listed as doubtful. Sendek on Monday said Sherrill suffered a

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## State punishes LeMoyné

*The Wolfpack baseball team beats LeMoyné College 17-2 behind a 13-hit outburst and solid pitching from starter Nate Cretarolo and the bullpen.*

Robin Segreti  
Staff Writer

It was supposed to be a rematch of the opener of the 2003 NCAA Wilson Regional, pitting LeMoyné, which was coming off a 33-15 season and a conference title, and N.C. State, winners of 45 games.

It looked like only one of those teams showed up though, as the Wolfpack easily beat the Dolphins (0-4) by a scored of 17-2 Tuesday afternoon at Doak Field.

"It was good we came out with intensity and didn't play to the other team's level," said right fielder Lee Mezistrano, who went 3-for-5 for the Pack, with two doubles and two runs scored.

The Pack upped its record to 7-0 with the victory. Left-hander Nate Cretarolo earned his first win of the season, while fellow southpaw Michael Filasca (0-1) took the loss LeMoyné.

The big story was State's offensive performance, though, with designated hitter Dustin Knight leading the way, going 4-of-5 with a grand slam in the second inning that put the Pack up 7-0.

"Guys came through with the bats, scoring so many runs for the team, you can't get much better than that right there," said Cretarolo, who worked five innings, giving up five hits and two runs while striking out three.

After second baseman Matt Camp scored a run in the first, the Pack broke the game open an inning later with eight runs, knocking out Filasca after only one and a third innings pitched.

The inning started with three consecutive walks before Camp singled to right, scoring Ryan Johnson and keeping the bases loaded.

After a walk to left fielder Jason St. Julien scored Muyo, Knight came to bat, having already gotten a hit off Filasca in the first.

Knight then stroked the first-pitch fastball over the Red Monster in left field, his second home run of the season.

He said his teammates gave him a good situation, loading the bases and making Filasca throw lots of pitches.

"I've got to credit that to the other people ahead of me, they kind of set the plate for that," said Knight.

The Pack would score two more runs in the inning and later put up four runs each in the third and fifth innings. Matt Camp also went 2-for-3 in the game with two runs scored and two RBIs.

Filasca and other LeMoyné pitchers struggled with their control throughout the day, tallying 10 walks and 6 wild pitches, one of which scored Mezistrano in the second inning.

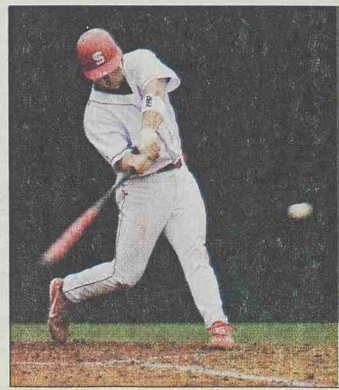
Every starter for the Pack scored at least one run, and the bullpen continued its season shutout streak; it has not allowed an earned run in 24 innings this season.

Coach Elliot Avent was especially happy with senior Derek McKee, who pitched for the first time since the 2002 season, allowing only one hit while striking out four in two innings after he relieved Cretarolo in the sixth inning.

"Derek McKee's been one of our top players for three years, and he's coming off an arm injury," said Avent. "This is the first time he's been on the mound since the arm injury, and I thought he had an outstanding slider and composure and poise."

Despite the strong all-around performance, Avent and team members believe they have a

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Dustin Knight belts a LeMoyné offering for a grand slam during State's 17-2 win Tuesday.