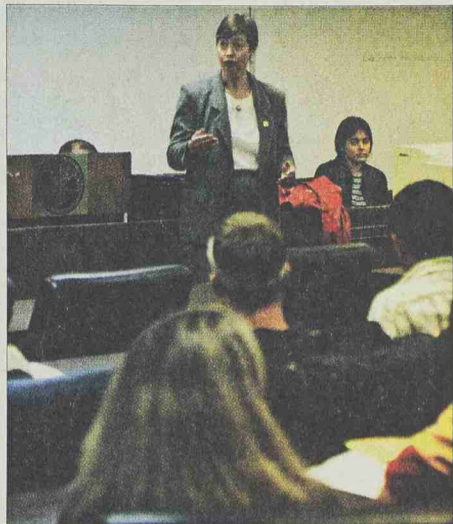


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Chancellor Marye Anne Fox addressed Student Senate Wednesday, urging them to be an active part of issues on campus.

## Fox speaks to senators

Fox encouraged senators to be involved with important campus decisions

Adam Dunn  
Staff Reporter

Chancellor Fox spoke to the Student Senate last night about the \$300 tuition increase and options ways senators could become more involved in college decisions.

"There most important issue I would like to encourage among the Senate is this," said Fox, "communication is everything."

The nights meeting revolved

around ways for senators to become more involved in important decisions made at N.C. State.

These methods ranged from weekly meetings to determine short-term financial issues and a monthly gathering known as the "Chancellor's Liaison", which is highly influential in the discussion of long-term goals such as increasing in-state tuition.

Many senators of the night were concerned with a broad range of issues facing the future of a growing University. The implementation of a tuition increase was one of

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## Spring Break sent students packing

Alternative trips for students and faculty sent Wolfpackers to Arizona, San Francisco, the Dominican Republic and Ecuador.

Rachael Rogers  
Senior Staff Reporter

While many students slathered on sunscreen for long days at the beach, a select group of N.C. State students spent their spring break immersing themselves in new cultures and communities through various service-learning experiences spanning the United States and the world.

Students left on March 5 to participate in the annual Alternative Spring Break trips offered through the Center for Student Leadership, Ethics and Public Service. This year, students could participate in one of four trips: Arizona, San Francisco, the Dominican Republic and Ecuador.

"College is by nature a very self-centered thing. We're here to get an education for us, for us to have a good time, for us to accumulate experiences. With all this self-focused energy and effort, it's hard to remember that there are people and situations outside of our own world," Cameron Wells,

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## Hometown boy returns

The expanding EEI program names Raleigh native, Spencer Kupferman, the new chairman of the board of advisers.

Shannon Holder  
Assistant News Editor

Growing up in Raleigh, Spencer Kupferman remembered cheering for N.C. State with his father. Holding season tickets to football and basketball games, he

always felt a connection with the university.

Years later, Kupferman's dream of being involved with NSCU has become a reality. Advisers for N.C. State's Entrepreneurship Education Initiative based in the College of Management recently chose Kupferman as chairman of the board.

"I always knew in my life I would be a part of N.C. State," he said. "This is a great opportunity to rebuild the bond I have with one of the finest universities in

the world."

Kupferman leads Raleigh-based Global Software, Inc. with his brother and serves as the company's vice president of corporate affairs.

The EEI is a unique model that educates undergraduate students in the area of entrepreneurship through a series of classes and projects.

"We take a lot of time to develop skills, especially public speaking, negotiation, networking and leadership." EEI Program Direc-

tor Jennifer Anderson said in a previous interview.

"The board of advisers was created to more fully integrate the entrepreneurial community into the activities of the EEI," Anderson said. "Also, many prominent entrepreneurship programs throughout the United States have successfully built a board of advisers that have been critical to their success. In order for us to stay competitive in the entrepreneurship education

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### LET THE MADNESS BEGIN



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A row of satellite dishes line the front of the RBC Center as news trucks descend on Raleigh for the start of the NCAA men's basketball tournament. While the N.C. State men's team is playing in Orlando, Fla., the school is hosting 8 teams in the first round of this year's tournament, including ACC rivals Duke and Wake Forest.

## Tuition talks renewed

The UNC Board of Governors will meet on Friday to debate CITI issue.

Tyler Dukes  
Staff Reporter

After an additional five weeks of contemplation, the University of North Carolina Board of Governors is preparing yet again to decide on the issue of campus initiated tuition increases (CITI).

The current proposal for N.C. State, to be decided dur-

ing the board's Friday meeting, calls for a three-year \$300 increase in tuition beginning in the 2004-05 school year. Proposals from the other 15 campuses of the UNC System, which have similar stipulations, are also to be debated.

Of the projected \$7 million generated by the increase, 46 percent is slated to go towards financial aid, 12 percent to the Graduate Student Support Plan and 42 percent to a category called academic excellence. This category includes plans for funding areas such as library resources, aca-

demid advice and classroom accessibility.

In early February, the BOG resolved to postpone the tuition debate, originally scheduled for their February 13 meeting, until the following month.

According to the UNC Association of Student Governments President and Board of Governors member Jonathan Ducote, the BOG made the decision primarily to provide the board with more time to gather information.

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## PR Event helps job seekers

The PRSSA conference will offer etiquette tips, resume help and more.

Shannon Holder  
Assistant News Editor

One of the largest student-run public relations conferences in the nation will be held next Wednesday at Talley Student Center from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

"This is really a great opportunity to network and meet professionals in the area," Lisa Payerle, a senior in communications, said. "Especially for those heading toward graduation."

"Flying Toward Your Future: Planning for a Successful Career" is the theme for the event which aims to provide students with the necessary tools to attain a job after college and succeed in a career. The event is open to all faculty and students, but organizers strongly urge communication and business majors to attend.

There have been over 45 schools invited to participate in this year's event.

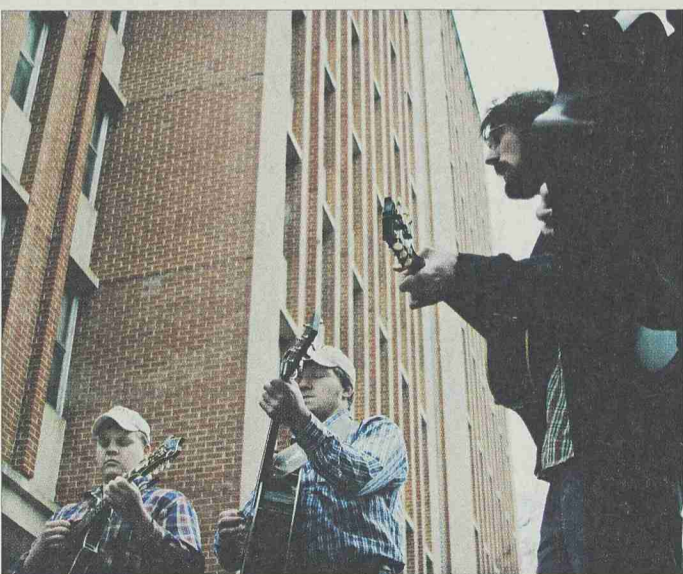
The keynote speaker will be Pamela Meek, director of Global Public Relations at SAS Institute. Representatives from Duke Medical Center will be on hand to discuss crisis communication, and employees from Epley Associates will discuss ethics in public relations. Other speakers throughout the day will address topics ranging from non-profit and agency public relations to sports marketing and event planning.

The conference will feature an etiquette luncheon featuring breaded chicken breasts stuffed with broccoli and cheese. Carol Schroeder from the University Career Center will give tips for business lunches.

Immediately following lunch there will

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### PLUCKING FOR POLITICS



RAY BLACK III/TECHNICIAN

Members of Wolf Grass played outside the Tri-Towers Wednesday at an event supporting Will Langley, who is running for student body treasurer, and Lock Whiteside, a candidate for student senate president. The group included Ryan Smith, a sophomore in environmental technologies, Jarid Church, a freshman in civil engineering, and Nathan Golub. Golub, who is not a student, said "I just walked in here off the street and said, 'Hey I play bluegrass, too! Gimme a guitar!'"

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Jessica Horne recollects her experiences during her trip to Italy during spring break. See page 4.

**Fighting existance**  
With its future still in doubt, questions over the Nubian Message countine to rise. See page 5.



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**WORLD**

**27 DEAD IN BAGHDAD HOTEL BLAST**

A thunderous car bomb shattered a five-story hotel housing foreigners in central Baghdad on Wednesday night, killing 27 people and leaving a jagged, 20-foot-wide crater just days before the anniversary of the start of the Iraq war. Flames and heavy smoke burst skyward from the Mount Lebanon Hotel, torching nearby homes, offices and shops along with palm and eucalyptus trees. Rescuers pulled bodies from the rubble and searched for other victims of the attack, which wounded 41 people. The attack came just three days before the first anniversary of the start of the U.S.-led war to topple Saddam Hussein.

**VATICAN CONDEMNS FERTILITY TREATMENTS**

The Vatican issued a broad condemnation Tuesday of fertility treatments such as in-vitro fertilization, calling the destruction of embryos in the process a "massacre of the innocents." The Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romano published the final communiqué from the Vatican's Pontifical Academy for Life following a conference it hosted last month on "The dignity of human procreation and reproductive technologies: anthropological and ethical aspects." However, the academy gave its blessing to therapies that can "facilitate" the natural sex act. It didn't give examples, but church officials have said drugs that help a woman ovulate are considered acceptable by the church since they allow for the possibility of "natural" fertilization.

**NATION**

**OHIO SHOOTING SUSPECT ARRESTED IN LAS VEGAS**

The man wanted in a deadly string of sniper shootings that terrorized Ohio drivers was captured at a motel Wednesday after a tipster spotted him at a Las Vegas casino reading a newspaper story about himself. An unshaven and disheveled Charles A. McCoy Jr., 28, was arrested without incident less than 36 hours after Ohio authorities released his name as a suspect in the attacks. The arrest brought relief to Ohio residents who have been living in fear since the 24 shootings began in the Columbus area last year. The gunfire pierced homes and a school, dented school buses, flattened tires and shattered windshields, killing one person.

**CAR IN SAVANNAH PARADE HITS BAND, PEDESTRIANS; EIGHT INJURED**

A convertible sped through an intersection during the city's St. Patrick's Day parade Wednesday, slamming into three members of a marching band and spectators who lined the parade route. Eight people were injured. Most of the injured were treated for broken bones, cuts and bruises, but none suffered life-threatening injuries. The car apparently failed to brake and sped through the marching band and into a crowd of parade watchers near the center of downtown Savannah, said Bucky Burned, police spokesman.

**STATE**

**WOODS TO TRADE IRONS FOR GUNS DURING TRAINING TRIP TO FORT BRAGG**

Tiger Woods plans to sample a bit of the military life at Fort Bragg in April just after finishing up at the Masters, a grind in itself that will run April 8-11 in Augusta, Ga. Soldiers will train Woods in weapons and military tactics before sending him out on a mission as part of a Special Forces team, Bragg spokesman Lt. Col. Billy Buckner said Wednesday. Woods will also learn about skydiving before making a tandem jump with the U.S. Army's parachute team, the Golden Knights, Buckner said. Earl Woods, Tiger's father, contacted base officials at the end of 2003 to see if he could arrange a training visit on behalf of his son, who wanted to share some of his father's military experience, Buckner said. Tiger Woods will also meet with some soldiers and their families.

**FORMER ELIZABETH DOLE CAMPAIGN OFFICIAL PLEADS GUILTY TO FRAUD**

A former consultant to a fund-raising committee for North Carolina Sen. Elizabeth Dole's 2002 election campaign pleaded guilty Wednesday to mail fraud in an embezzlement scheme involving more than \$174,000 of political contributions. Earl Allen Haywood, 40, entered the guilty plea before U.S. District Judge Paul Friedman in Washington. Haywood, an assistant treasurer to campaign committees that raised money for Dole, faces up to 20 years in prison when sentenced on May 26 and has agreed to make full restitution, prosecutors said. In his plea agreement, Haywood admitted stealing \$155,750 from the Dole Victory Committee account and another \$18,975 from the Salute Committee account. Haywood wrote checks from the campaign accounts to himself, then deposited them in his personal bank account.

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those issues.

"Our greatest challenge here at State is maintaining a quality education," Fox said. "A tuition increase is a strategy that allows this mission statement to become possible."

Will Quick was a senator concerned with a proposal that many ACC colleges, including UNC-Chapel Hill, are now

implementing to out of state students in order to compete with the increase in today's cost of living.

Fox replied to Quick's statements by saying that "nothing of that nature has come to the attention of budget committees simply because out of state tuition is already comparatively high to that of other ACC colleges."

Fox made it a point to note that this college is becoming more involved in many highly influential national decisions.

Recently, the Homeland Security Committee granted N.C. State's textiles program a large sum of money to fund the discovery of better light weight fire-proof materials to protect our nation's firefighters.

After Fox left, the senate discussed upcoming events and elections.

Student Body President Tony Caravano made several motions for the senate to participate in an all day event in Chapel Hill on Friday, where the UNC Board of Governors will be

discussing tuition increases. Lastly, the senate had a referendum designed to give a certain professionalism and consistency among the Student Media.

Patrick Cleary, a senior in paper and chemical engineering, had great hopes for the bill and noted that it was a "good idea that could play a tremendous role in the way things in the Student Media's offices are

The referendum passed and will be on the ballot for students this month.

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a co-leader for the San Francisco trip and a junior in communications, said. "Alternative Spring Break reminds students to look beyond themselves and for one week allows them to live like someone else."

Two important goals of the program are to help students develop an ethic of service while reflecting on their own privileges and to educate students about various social justice issues and the inequalities that exist, with the hope that they will become involved in their own community.

"The service-learning philosophy is powerful and this type of program, where participants are often out of their comfort zone, helps one be more sensitive to education that comes with service," Jerry Barker, associate vice chancellor and director of Student Health Services, said. Barker was also the faculty advisor for the Ecuador trip.

"The program is about being

engaged with people from different cultures and societies," Mike Giancola, director of CSLEPS, said.

Biological sciences junior Lisa Waller was glad to experience a non-traditional spring break. "It's one thing to read about culture, but it's a totally different experience to immerse yourself into the environment and actually get to see and hear about traditions," she said.

Students who participated in the Dominican Republic and Ecuador trips worked with local affiliates of Habitat for Humanity to build houses. The team of students who traveled to Arizona worked on a Navajo Indian reservation tutoring children.

The San Francisco participants worked with various community agencies concerned with homelessness and hunger issues.

"These trips were great and every student was committed," Barker said. "I think our family and in-country construction supervisor enjoyed working alongside us. They have a more accurate picture of what

American young adults are like. NCSU students were great ambassadors to Ecuador."

Students abroad left with many incredible memories and experiences to bring back with them.

"I will never forget Marylin, the lady whose house I helped begin. She had a special glow about her that I have never seen in another person," said Natalie Scurry, a senior in chemical engineering and co-leader of the Ecuador trip. "Looking at her and trying to talk to her made you feel full of life. She and all of the people we met were amazing."

"One of my most memorable moments was driving into Tuba City and seeing the reservation for the first time, as well as the time I spent with the kids. I still have vivid pictures of the city and the children's faces," said Waller, who was the co-leader of the Arizona trip.

Others felt the experience really humanized the people they served. "So often the homeless are clumped together in one category, but each one has a story. Doing service humanizes

those we serve and, in turn, us as well," Wells said.

"It is gratifying to watch students grow and mature in a single week. Such an experience should almost be a requirement to earning a college degree. It makes us give something back and to recognize our privileges and opportunities," said Randy Thompson, faculty advisor for the Dominican Republic trip and assistant dean and director of Undergraduate Programs for the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Aside from working in the communities, students spend time up until their departure learning about the various cultures. They also participated in nightly reflection activities to evaluate their group and individual experiences.

Students found time to travel and learn about the areas they were in while they were there.

Each year CSLEPS looks to build on this program. "We are continuing to grow the diversity of the program," Giancola said. Next year, the center hopes to add more locations to get more students involved.

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"One of the things I think the board wants to see this year is where the money is going to go and how is it going to substantially bring back quality to the classroom in a tangible, rational way that someone could really get their hands around," Ducote said.

The postponement of the debate also came on the heels of a letter from N.C. Governor Mike Easley, opposing the tuition increases.

In the letter, Easley expressed concern for the state of higher education funding, stating that he would make "every effort" to include full funding for enroll-

ment increases, support for financial aid, and pay increases for state employees in his budget for 2004-05.

Although this commitment may appear to strengthen the fight against tuition increases, it mostly serves to further complicate the issue, especially in the minds of the members of the board.

"One of the big questions the board is concerned with, especially in regards to the Governor's letter, is whether or not the Governor can truly fulfill his promise," Ducote said. The Governor has promised to fill in that funding, but the people who vote are members of the General Assembly."

Campus administration, however, weren't the only organizations submitting additional

information to the Board. The delay in the tuition process also allowed those who oppose the increases to contribute to the cause.

"It's really my hope that [the Board of Governors] have more knowledge now than they did before," Student Body President Tony Caravano said. "I also hope that they have looked at a lot of the information we have given them, and not just the information from the chancellors."

Information, however, is not the only way opponents are fighting the increase.

According to Caravano, at least 14 of the 16 UNC campuses are sending students to Chapel Hill on Friday to witness the proceedings and speak with members of the Board before the decision is made.

"We want to make sure that faces are being seen and that we aren't just referred to in the meetings as statistics," Caravano said.

Caravano and his staff will be present on the Brickyard today to promote attendance at the event, for which transportation will be provided.

Although the extra five weeks may help the Board make their tuition decision, the delay did not necessarily make it easier for those opposing it.

"It's taken a lot of steam out of our own ship, but we have definitely regrouped now," Caravano said. "We just want to make people realize that we're dealing with the same situation as before."

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be a career enhancement session. Participants should bring resumes, as professionals will be available to review them and offer interview advice.

Wednesday's conference will close with a drawing for raffle prizes donated by local companies, including a \$100 gift certificate good toward any Delta airline flight.

N.C. State's chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America is hosting the

event. "I think the resume and etiquette lunch is something that all students, not just business and communication students, can benefit from," Payerle, who is the treasurer of PRSSA, said.

The event is \$25 for PRSSA members and \$30 for non-members. Those interested must complete a registration form by Friday to participate.

More information about the conference is available through PRSSA's Web site, including an agenda and registration information at [www.ncsu.edu/stud\\_orgs/prssa/events.html](http://www.ncsu.edu/stud_orgs/prssa/events.html).

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community, a board of advisers is essential."

Kupferman was honored to be the first to be chosen to be on the board.

"This program is growing by leaps and bounds, and I'm really proud to be a part of it," he said.

He believes in the EEI program and the opportunities it offers students to get real-world training.

"There has to be a level of practical application in education," he said. "They have to experience for themselves what the textbooks are teaching them so that they can apply that when they get out of college."

Kupferman holds a bachelor's degree in kinesiology (the study of the mechanics of bodily movement) from the University of New Hampshire and a master's degree with a concentration in technology management from the University of Phoenix.

Through his educational history and his communication skills, Kupferman feels confident he can help expand the EEI program.

"I have experience in the ability to understand what it takes for a program to be successful and to promote the program," Kupferman said.

"We are excited to have an individual with the leadership qualities and integrity that Spencer Kupferman possesses to lead our board of advisers," Gary Palin, the executive director of EEI, said in a press release. "Spencer is a very talented communicator and relates well with the students. His passion and energy is a welcome addition to our cause."

Along with the recent promotion to the EEI board, Kupferman currently serves as a board member for a number of organizations including Manhattan-based [J] Network, Raleigh-based Collegiatemall.com, the Raleigh-Cary Jewish Community Center and others.

**EEI Information:**

According to the Web site for the EEI program, "The Entrepreneurship Education Initiative of the College of Management at N.C. State is developing a unique model to educate undergraduate students in the arena of entrepreneurship. A high level of integration of the business community, experiential learning, and personal growth and development are cornerstones of the program. The impact of this philosophy will be seen in future years as students branch out into the business community as founders and management team members of entrepreneurial ventures and corporate entrepreneurs. The results of these efforts will be seen through increased revenues, employment opportunities and business opportunities in the Triangle area, throughout North Carolina, and extending to the United States and beyond." A minor in entrepreneurship is available through the program. For more information about the EEI, go to <http://entrepreneurship.ncsu.edu/>

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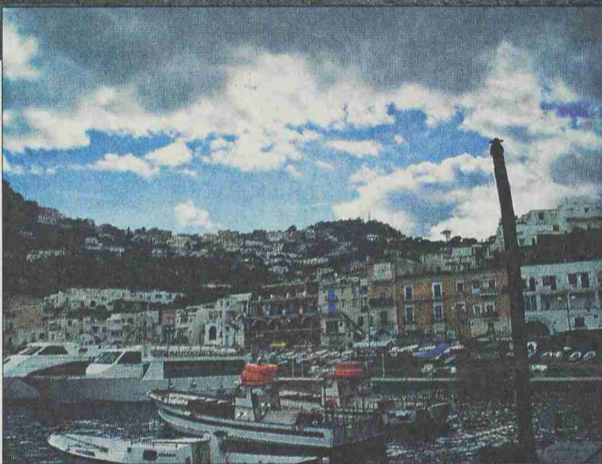
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# Diversions



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STORY & PHOTOS BY JESSICA HORNE



Past spring breaks have included a 40-hour paycheck from the Gap and a slight tan from the few hours of sunlight I was able to catch. Not being satisfied with this experience, I decided to really do something out of the ordinary this year. On a whim, I signed up for the second annual University Housing Spring Break Trip.

Rome, Florence, Naples and Capri would be the destination of the group. This was exciting for me, not only because I would be going to a foreign country, but this would be my first opportunity to get my first stamp in my passport.

After a few meetings led by the trip's group leaders, it seemed like I was as prepared as I could ever be to go on the trip. I received a pop-up map of Rome and a trip itinerary, what more could I need?

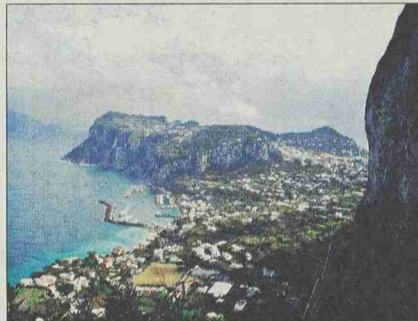
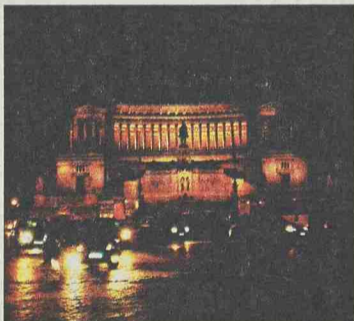
Soon enough, it came time to get on the series of plane rides that would span over 15 hours of the first day of my trip. Like any other excited tourist, my head was glued to the window as our flight landed in Rome.

I was amazed at all there was to see, even as we were venturing out of the airport. Italians had Mercedes-Benz taxi cabs, which was odd because they are some of the more prized automobiles in the U.S. Not only that, they didn't seem to take care of their vehicles at all. Their reckless driving was obvious as our bus driver swerved many times to avoid hitting other cars as we ventured to our four-star hotel. This proved to make picture taking difficult on the bus as I was constantly being tossed around as we made our way along the winding roads to the center of Rome.

After checking into the hotel, a full day of tours awaited us, including stops at local shops and restaurants where many of the group members had their first slice of Italian pizza. Following some ventures down a few of the side streets, we were able to visit the Vatican City where we saw St. Peter's Basilica. It was simply amazing!

When I entered the church, the paintings and statues of saints, popes and biblical figures consumed my vision. There was so much to see and take pictures of! Every time I took a picture, I found several other things I wanted to see or touch.

An amber-colored stained glass window containing a dove allowed the sunlight to spill on the floor at the back of the church. Above this lay the artwork on the dome designed by Michelangelo himself. It was surreal to be in the same place where Michelangelo had spent his time working a few



A glimpse of Italy from Jessica Horne's spring break trip (from top to bottom): The plaza in the Vatican City as the group waited to enter St. Peter's Basilica on their first day in Rome. Capri's harbor upon arrival from Naples. A night view of the Vittorio Emanuele Monument at the Piazza Venezia, also referred to as the "Roman Wedding Cake," taken while the group tried to find out how to get back to the hotel. The spectacular view from the top of the island of Capri. A sample of the artwork found on the ceilings leading to the Sistine Chapel in the Vatican City. A view of the Pantheon, a structure originally used as a temple to worship all of the gods. The Colosseum, where Romans gathered everyday to witness a fight between man and animal.

centuries ago.

After seeing St. Peter's Basilica on the first day of our trip, I expected that the rest of our destinations would be, at best, a distant second on my list of favorite sights in Rome, but that thought was soon proven wrong.

The second day of the trip consisted of touring every inch of Rome that could possibly be covered in a day. We saw everything from the Colosseum to the Trevi Fountain, and although it was overwhelming, I was

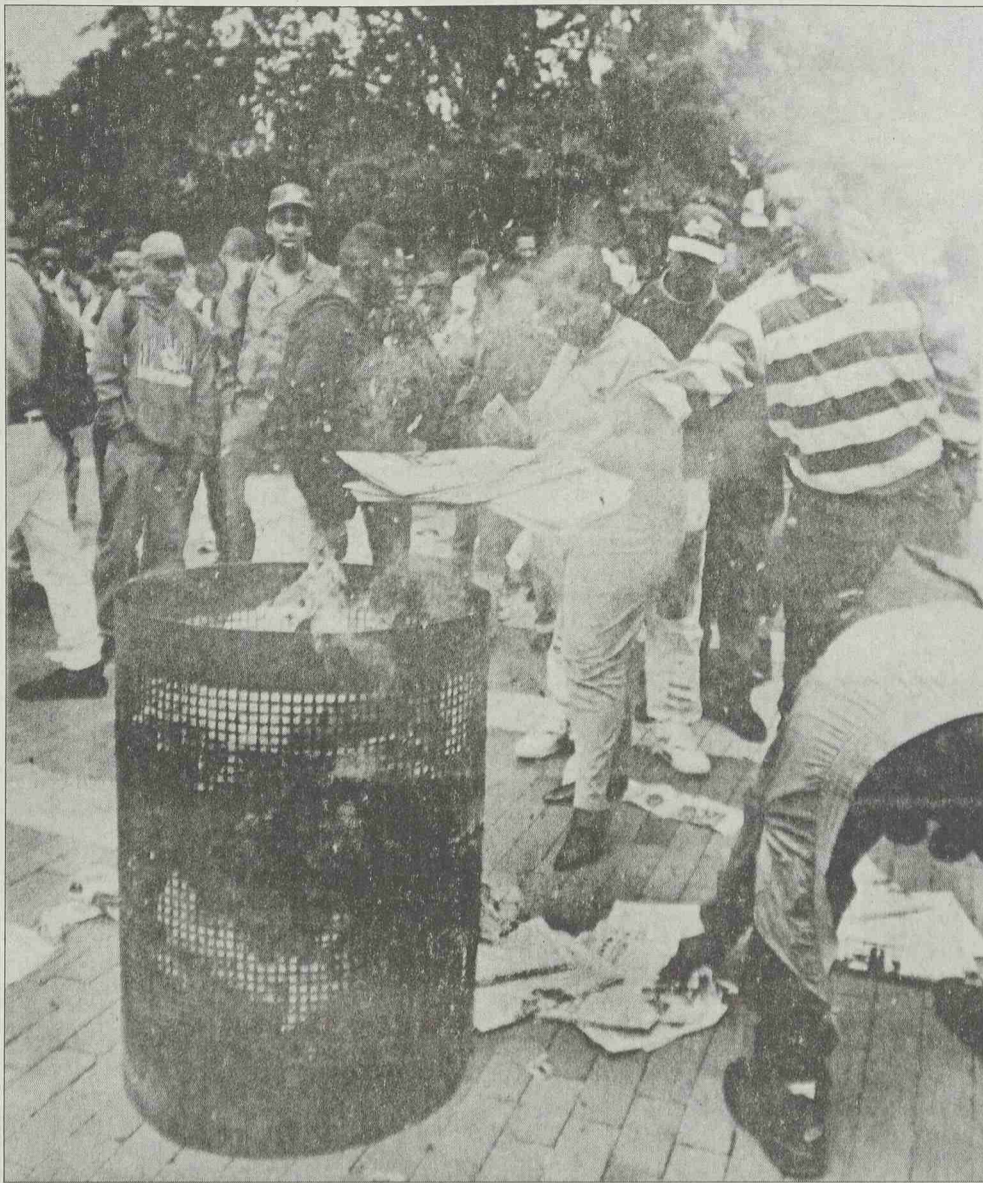
more amazed at the sights as the day went on.

We were able to go inside the Pantheon, which to someone who isn't familiar with architecture looks pretty much to be just a dome with a giant hole in the ceiling. I guess since I'm not majoring in architecture, I really didn't understand why this building, which in my opinion wasn't entirely



focused on:

THE NUBIAN MESSAGE, A WEEKLY NEWSPAPER FOCUSING ON THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY, HAS SPENT A TUMULTUOUS YEAR FIGHTING RUMORS, QUESTIONS ABOUT ITS EXISTENCE AND THE STUDENT MEDIA BOARD.



Students burn copies of Technician in a trash can at a Brickyard protest in 1992. The protest led to the formation of The Nubian Message.

## FIGHTING FOR EXISTENCE

STORY BY DIANE CORDOVA

**Some could say fire sparked Nubian Message.** In a scene captured in photographs and reminiscent of the days of book burning, **angry black students dropped discarded copies of Technician in barrels in the Brickyard and set them ablaze in 1992.** The spark was a column that called UNC-Chapel Hill students fighting for a black cultural center "racist." But the fire had been stoked for months, leading African-American students to call for their own newspaper in response to the lack of diversity in staff and coverage in Technician. **Nubian Message was the answer - a weekly newspaper serving as the "Voice of the African-American Community" on campus.** But in recent months - after a brief period without publication and problems with the SMA board - **some wonder if Nubian Message may be going up in smoke.**

"I've heard all of the rumors. That's all I hear are rumors. The rumor I've heard is that the Nubian is going to be shut down. And if that's true, I didn't get the memo," Jerry Blackmon, current editor in chief of the newspaper, told Technician in November. Blackmon declined comment for this article.

Many of the rumors stemmed from a five-week absence in publication from October to November when Blackmon and the paper's editorial board decided not to publish because Blackmon was performing in King Headley II. Blackmon told Technician in November that, as the newspaper's sole copy editor and designer, he did not have the time to get the paper out regularly in addition to rehearsals and classes. The editors decided, instead, to publish one large issue at the end of the fall semester.

Other rumors circulated after the Student Media Authority, which oversees all student media, tried to restructure its board to include professionals and academics and reduce the number of elected student seats. Rumors began to circulate that the changes were an attempt to get rid of Americana, an online magazine, and Nubian.

Despite a lack of publishing and a tumultuous year, staff and administrators say the newspaper is back on track and not going anywhere. But the controversy, and a

perceived lack of support, hasn't helped. Staff members say they are short on staff.

"The only 'fully' staffed section of Nubian is the opinion section. News, Culture, Mind, Body and Soul and Arts and Entertainment are the sections who are in dire need of writers," Aniesha Felton, Nubian's news editor and a junior in psychology, said.

According to Felton, these four sections currently have two or less writers, leaving many editors to take on writing responsibilities themselves.

"Being news editor and the only writer for news I can attest to how stressful it can get when three stories need to be written [weekly]," Felton said. "However, all of the stress I endure that week is worth it when I see the paper on Friday."

For Felton, determining the amount of support for Nubian from the student population is difficult, but the reaction the paper does receive is genuine and heartfelt.

"It's hard to really assess the amount of support Nubian has because we really don't get much feedback. However, the feedback that we do receive is very sincere and sincerely received," Felton said. "All we can do is put out quality work, something that has been done since September, and hope that

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SEPTEMBER 25, 1992 - A protest was held in the Brickyard, where copies of Technician were burned. This was in response to a column that ran Sept. 23, calling the UNC Black Awareness Council "racist." Greg Washington, the protest leader, called for a black newspaper to be formed.

## Nubian Message serves a specific purpose



Johnathan Brunson  
Staff Columnist

Jonathan Brunson is Opinion editor for Nubian Message and is a staff columnist for Technician.

Students at N.C. State founded Technician in 1920 when only whites attended the school. The newspaper addressed white student views, likes and dislikes regarding society. The majority of views expressed in Technician are white views, even in 2004. I know many African-American students who choose not to read Technician simply because they feel that Technician does not speak at all for them.

Technician does not address the African-American community in a way in which I am satisfied. When students pick up a Technician, the only time African-Americans' pictures are shown and African-American students are talked about is when they commit crimes and are arrested or if they play sports.

African-Americans are more than just troublemakers and athletes. Yona Owens, a student and activist, said "I know minorities still run into problems today and the rules change all the time." African-Americans do run into problems every day and one problem we face is in the classrooms we attend every day at this university. Almost every building on this campus is named after a white individual and professors still overwhelm students with European culture. The only time we hear about African-American culture is generally during Black History Month in

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## Give me a 21st century newspaper please



Yona R. Owens  
Guest Columnist

Yona Owens initiated Owens v. Brown in 1978, a class discrimination suit. The judge's decision in this case found the law barring trained Navy women from sea duty unconstitutional. Congress did not repeal the law completely until 1992.

On Tuesday, the Student Media Authority (SMA) Advisory Board finally hired the two new editors-in-chief (EICs) for the two in-print student newspapers that exist on what I consider a college campus with a single student body.

Four years ago, I saw a Nubian Message bin alongside a Technician bin for the first time. It shocked me. I said then what I still say. In the 21st century, two racially biased newspapers look like left over 1960s water fountains - one marked COLORED and the other marked WHITE. Their existence means two problems.

Supposedly, two papers rather than one accommodates diversity. I'm sorry. After 40 years of fighting in the trenches for equality, try as I might, a black newspaper and a white newspaper that haven't merged to become one mainstream publication still look, read and quack like segregation to me. Fault either side or whomever, as long as one is not forced to include issues pertinent to the other.

I'm not a historian on discrimination; I helped get rid of it. One of many examples: In 1966, this public institution denied my admission. According to the letter I received back then, "the School of Forestry does not normally admit women." Denial on the basis of race or sex, the hurt was the same and so was the battle to get rid of it.

However, I didn't learn the importance

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## TECHNICIAN'S VIEW A NEW DIRECTION FOR NUBIAN MESSAGE NECESSARY

**OUR OPINION:** THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL SHOULD HAVE DIRECT CONTROL OF NUBIAN MESSAGE AND SHOULD LEAVE STUDENT MEDIA, AS IT WOULD HELP THE PUBLICATION FULFILL THEIR GOALS AND MISSION.

African-American students spearheaded and created Nubian Message in response to a racist column that printed in Technician in 1992. The racial climate on campus was tense and African-American students openly burned copies of Technician in protest of the column. Nubian Message focuses on the African-American community and culture and brings awareness to the campus at large.

For the past 12 years, Nubian Message has been a voice of the African-American community. Recently, though, Nubian Message has been erratic in its publishing and questionable if its mission.

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## OWENS

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of fighting to be included, rather than starting my own publication until 1975. I was a watchstander at a tiny microwave site in the mountains outside Naval Base, Yokosuka, Japan. Up until the day I submitted a column to the base paper, all of the articles and editorials had been written by men. Awareness of the woman's place in the workforce was helped by worldwide observation of International Women's Year in 1975, but it took an endorsement from the Secretary of Defense to convince the base commander it was OK to print an article written by a woman. My column, they said, was welcomed. What if I had started my own paper and directed it only to a mailing list of women? Discussions about women would not have reached the very audience that needed to hear the discussions.

Twenty years and quite a few laws later, in 1984 I returned to NCSU to major in horticulture science. At that time, NCSU had admitted significant numbers of minority students, but not nearly, not even close to the number of students repre-

senting all races, creeds, colors, sexes and national origins as we have today.

Technician did not normally write about racial issues, and, as was the case on many campuses across the country, publications like Nubian Message began production. Among ourselves, we became aware of ourselves, but minority publications were supposed to be temporary. We had to have dual publications on some of our college campuses "back then." Otherwise it was like African-American students did not exist. Eventually, the established presses were supposed to become cross-the-board representative of the entire student body.

So, after 40 years of fighting with others to help pass laws making desegregation possible, and getting into situations where I definitely was an endangered minority proving my point, I can see no reason why this highly touted, world known, 21st century, Research I university has two newspapers.

What is in Nubian Message that is not fit to print in Technician? What part of Technician is not worth cutting to make way for Nubian Message quality news? Neither of these newspapers has a history of

superb reporting.

Surely NCSU knows that something is wrong with displaying two historically segregated sources of news and opinion. Is the problem that nobody can remember the vocabulary that describes this situation?

Well, here you go: We've hardly had black students on this campus for two generations. We don't have two student bodies - African-American and American Caucasian - anymore either. If we tout diversity, then why don't we deserve to read about ourselves, together, on the same day, at the same time, in one student newspaper? I applaud and empathize with the determined and courageous founders of Nubian Message. I appreciate all the students who work to put both papers together. No doubt the folks that the student body elected last spring to sit on the SMA Advisory Board deserve thanks too.

According to SMA's Web site, the professional staff that this board advises manages a \$600,000 budget. Student fees fund the SMA budget. Students elect the advisory board members. The board hires the media heads. Read the names of the board members again. Get the connection?

## BRUNSON

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February (the shortest month of the year). If Technician had been the only media outlet during February, no one would have known it was Black History Month.

Because I'm an opinion writer for Technician, I was able to address a two-part series regarding black history. I was the only writer to mention black history. This is a problem minorities face that Technician will not solve.

Nubian Message is not here on this campus as a second publication to segregate or separate itself from Technician, but Nubian Message is on this campus to educate all students on the black experience.

One newspaper on campus is obviously biased. White staff columnists who write for Technician address common issues such as if N.C. State should have a cultural center, if Nubian Message should remain on campus and racial issues in dorm rooms. African-American concerns are never a concern at Technician. Nubian Message exists for African-American students and students of other ethnicities write

or comment on their views regarding African-American culture.

Who was Kwame Nkrumah? How does racism affect African-Americans? What African-American student on campus does important things worthy of a moment in the spotlight? What about Ghana, West Africa's summer study abroad program? These are only a few things within the African-American community of which we do not and will not ever hear about in Technician.

Nubian Message serves this campus as an outlet for students of all ethnicities to learn more about African-American culture. One reason in which Nubian Message should exist on campus is because African-American history and experiences are both entirely too large to be addressed on one page in Technician.

Owens also said, "However, things have changed, and if that change isn't reflected in this generation's student publications, that's the problem about which to ask, why not?"

The reason Technician cannot serve as the only newspaper on campus is because it would be impossible for African-American issues to be properly addressed along with what white students are talking

about in Technician alone.

Because N.C. State has such a highly diverse student body, one newspaper cannot voice all students' voices and opinions. What we need is not just Technician and Nubian Message, which always floats in the air as a black/white issue, but we need more newspapers on campus. We need an Asian American, Latino, Native American, and all other ethnic newspapers alongside Nubian Message and Technician.

This highly diverse student body (so to speak) has many cultural backgrounds, which are all entirely too large to fit into one newspaper in which not all ethnicities are on staff.

If Technician itself were a newspaper in which represented all ethnicities, maybe one newspaper could exist on campus, but this is obviously not the case. Reading Technician alone, students would never read or hear anything about Africa, only America. Nubian Message exists as a way to keep the African diaspora and experience alive and well.

With one newspaper, cultures would die out and voices would not be heard. This is another purpose of Nubian Message, to keep African-American culture running through people's minds.

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people like it."

Felton said she felt that "People are reading the Nubian, and whether they like it or not doesn't really concern me as much as the newspaper accurately representing the black community, an active and vital part of N.C. State."

Some black students described a lack of support for the newspaper although they themselves support the publication.

"I support Nubian Message because it provides another perspective of life on this campus. I'm sure black students enjoy reading articles that they can relate to, as do all other races and ethnicities. There should be a voice for them as well," Gui Oliveira, a senior in computer science, said. "The only problem I have with the Nubian is the lack of support it receives

from the black students."

Oliveira also described the gradual change in support he has witnessed.

"When I was a freshman everybody loved the Nubian. Everybody read it, it came out regularly and there were great articles, et cetera. This is my fourth year and a lot has changed."

Chrystina Hawthorne, a sophomore in public and interpersonal communication, voiced similar sentiments.

"[Nubian] is not supported very well," she said.

From outside of the black community, a white student explained why he does not read Nubian.

"I assume that I wouldn't be able to relate to the material presented in the Nubian," Aaron Showers, a senior in electrical engineering, said.



Technician ran a column entitled "Blatant Racism Behind BAC Rally" written by columnist Steve Crisp on Sept. 23, 1992, that pushed black students to call for their own paper. Crisp was commenting on the racial situation at UNC-Chapel Hill, where the Black Awareness Council was demanding from the administration a free-standing black cultural center. In the column, Crisp likened the Black Awareness Council to the Ku Klux Klan and called the group "ideologically flawed, mindlessly following Louis Farrakhan following racists."

## OUR OPINION

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For five weeks last semester, the Nubian Message did not publish. Throughout the year, the Nubian Message has had problems with hiring and retaining writers, placing the burden of writing, editing and laying out content squarely on the editors. On top of that, there were rumors flying around that Nubian Message would disband or merge with Technician. These rumors are unfounded, but it has caused a great deal of anxiety for all parties involved.

All these factors have combined to cause a rift between Nubian Message and Student Media.

It is hurting both organizations.

Nubian Message is a unique media outlet that targets a specific group of people within the N.C. State community.

Nubian Message, for obvious reasons, is allied with the African-American Student Advisory Council, which is comprised of all the presidents and heads of the African-American student organizations. Its offices are located in the African-American Cultural Center.

Clearly, the Nubian Message is a major force on AASAC and Nubian Message has the full support of AASAC.

Nubian Message should be under the purview and supervision of AASAC. The student fees that comprise Nubian Message's budget under Student Media should shift to AASAC and a faculty adviser should be in charge of these funds.

If AASAC had direct control of Nubian Message they could use their considerable resources to help Nubian Message hire and retain a well trained and capable staff that can put out a quality paper each week. They also can tap into the community for support in the way of ad sales, so there is the possibility of expansion.

AASAC can also keep Nubian Message within their mission: to serve and inform the campus about African-American culture.

All these can be accomplished, but not with the current relationship Nubian has with Student Media.

Nubian Message is a viable publication that needs help.

It is time for the university to step up and give Nubian Message its support.

## ITALY

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finished, was considered to be so great. This thought was soon discarded as I gazed around the circular room.

I heard people around me mention that the view in the Pantheon was gorgeous on a sunny day. The holei at the top of the dome served as the only major source of the light for the room, so as the sun moved throughout the day, a person's perspective of the artwork within the room would change.

As I heard this, I was sad because we went on a rainy day and I didn't feel like I was getting the full experience. But as I gazed through the opening, which I now know is an oculus, I knew that I was fortunate to be there on a rainy day because watching it was breathtaking. The calm that surrounded me as other tourists stared in awe at the sight of the gentle mist falling to the marble floor brought to me a sense of peace.

For the most part, I felt that my tour of Rome was a very spiritual experience...until we got lost.

I knew it would happen. Walking around in the middle of the night without any of the group leaders should have been a sign that the fates would automatically be against us. But we decided to go out on our own anyways.

While we were out on the town, we were able to eat at the restaurant that created Alfredo. That was pretty cool but the meal was expensive. After the meal, we decided not to take the metro back to the hotel. Most of the group members were gelatto fiends, and the metro would mean no gelatto.

So, we walked around and found a gelatto place, but we realized that no one knew how to get back to the hotel. After trying to use what little Italian we thought we knew to ask for directions, we decided to just walk around and hopefully we would stumble upon our hotel.

After walking for a few hours, we realized that maybe the whole walking thing wasn't the way to go. Especially when we were being followed by people who obviously wanted to rob us.

Rome is a very scary place when you don't know where

you're going and when it's really late at night. So add in a cross-dresser with a doberman pincher that looked like it was ready to attack, a man that would run to keep up with your group, other men that would icasualy seem to be following you, not to mention a sketch part of town, and you've got trouble.

Let's just say I don't think I've walked so fast in my life, nor clutched my fake Louis Vuitton so tightly.

After making it back to the hotel late but safe and sound, it was aggravating to know that we would barely get any sleep before having to wake up and get on a bus to go to Naples and Capri.

No matter how much I hated not getting a lot of sleep, I'm glad I didn't miss the chance to go to Naples and Capri.

However, I won't say that I don't wish I could have missed the boat ride from Naples to Capri.

Bad weather, choppy water and an hour long ride on a small boat did not sit well with people in our group, including the person sitting beside me. But after 45 minutes I was able to take my fingers out of

my ears and start breathing through my mouth again.

The bad boat ride was worth the view from the top of the island, not to mention worth buying the bottles of Lemoncello that Capri is apparently famous for. Let's just say if it wasn't an alcohol free trip, I wouldn't be able to remember the rest of it because I bought so many bottles of that famous Lemoncello.

The rest of the trip was pretty much what I expected it to be. Going to Florence allowed me to see the anatomically correct statue of David, and our free day of exploring Rome allowed me to see the Sistine Chapel, two works of Michelangelo that everyone should see. And yes, Italians do actually sing iThat's Amor, E! although they probably do it to appease the Americans who request the song because they heard it at Olive Garden.

Overall, it was an amazing experience. Although I may not remember the names of the buildings and statues that I went to and took pictures of, this trip will be one that I won't forget.



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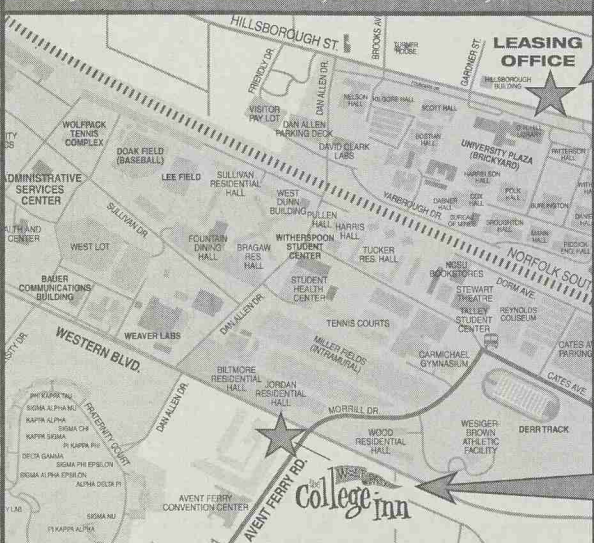
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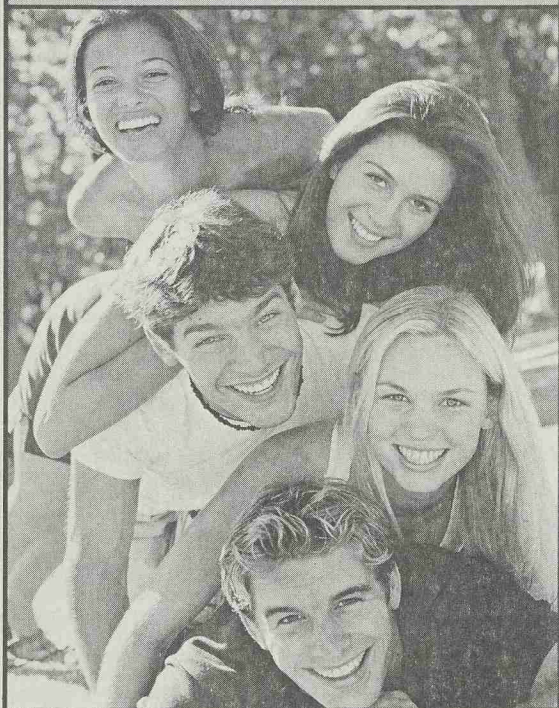
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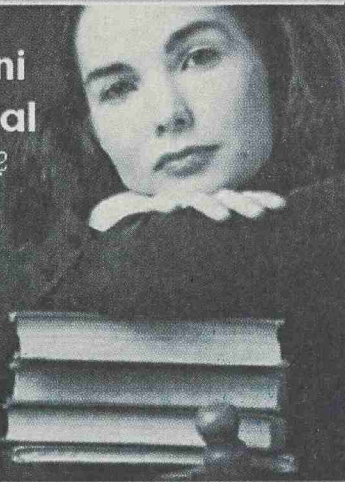


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# Bulldogs bully Pack

State fights back, but it can't overcome a 5-0 first-inning deficit in loss to The Citadel.

Stephen Federowicz  
 Staff Writer

After his team's tough loss, baseball coach Elliott Avent headed straight to the game film to find out where his team went wrong and where improvements need to be made.

Avent and his assistants were doing that immediately following N.C. State's disappointing 5-2 setback to The Citadel Bulldogs on Wednesday afternoon at Doak Field.

The main blow came early for State in a rather sloppy first inning, in which The Citadel scored five runs on three hits.

"The first inning was rough," said freshman starting pitcher Gib Hobson. "I just wasn't throwing the right pitches when I needed to."

Hobson walked two batters and hit two more in the opening frame.

State picked up a run in the bottom half of the first inning after a single from baseman David Hicks scored Matt Camp from third.



Marc Maynor swipes one of his two stolen bases in the Pack's 5-2 loss to The Citadel Wednesday.

With the dreadful first inning behind them, the Wolfpack defense rebounded and only allowed three more hits, and keeping The Citadel run-less for the remaining eight innings.

The defense received a big boost from middle-reliever Collin Brown, who took over in the fifth inning and pitched four

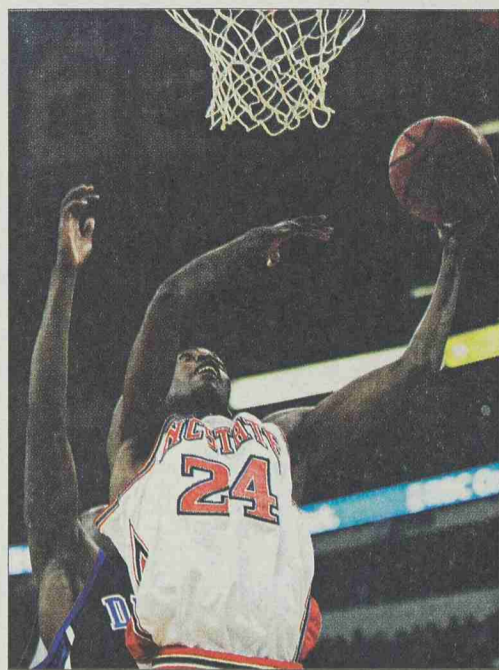
scoreless for the Pack, recording five strikeouts and only allowing one hit.

"Collin came in and pitched extremely well for us and kept us in it for the rest of the game," Avent said. "We battled and chipped away at the lead, which is what our guys do best, but we just came up a little short."

State's other run came in the fourth inning when Jake Muyco grounded into a fielder's choice to score Lee Mezistrano from third.

The Wolfpack's bats gave State several scoring opportunities throughout the game.

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Julius Hodge goes up with his left hand for two points in State's win over then-No. 1 Duke on Feb. 15.

# Hodge named player of year

State junior becomes first N.C. State player to win ACC honor since Rodney Monroe in 1991.

Ryan Reynolds  
 Staff Writer

N.C. State keeps earning recognition for its second place conference finish. This time the honors went to the player who led the Wolfpack to its best ACC record since 1974.

Junior Julius Hodge was named ACC Player of the Year on Wednesday by media covering the league, making him the first State player to earn the award since Rodney Monroe won it in 1991.

"We've asked him to do a lot since day one, and he probably does as many different things for our team as anyone can do," said head coach Herb Sendek, who was voted ACC Coach of the Year earlier in the week. "He's had a tremendous year and each step along the way, he's continued to get better."

Hodge finished the season the only player in the ACC to finish in the top 10 in scoring, rebounding, field goal percentage, free throw percentage and assists. He led the Wolfpack in scoring, averaging 18.6 points per game.

The player of the year award is one of many accolades Hodge has received since the Wolfpack finished out the regular season. Earlier this week, he was named a first team All-American by espn.com and The Sporting News, and was selected first team All-ACC for the second consecutive season.

"He is a great competitor," Sendek said. "He always has a tremendous amount of determination to do well. He loves the game of basketball, and he's a very driven goal-oriented person. He expects the best from himself."

Many considered Hodge the



Hodge ranked in the top 10 of the ACC in five statistical categories.

preseason favorite to win player of the year honors, but the media selected UNC sophomore guard Raymond Felton instead. Felton finished third-team all-conference and received no votes for player of the year. Hodge received 52 of 93 votes, while Duke point guard Chris Duhon tallied 31 votes.

**Still hurtin':** The availability of injured guard Scooter Sherrill and center Jordan Collins is still uncertain with Friday's first-round NCAA Tournament game looming.

Collins has participated in non-contact drills, but Sherrill has yet to practice for the Wolfpack since suffering a severe ankle sprain early in the second half of the Wolfpack's loss to North Carolina Feb. 29.

Collins injured his knee in the Pack's victory over Florida State in the first round of the ACC Tournament, and missed his team's loss to Maryland the next day.

"We're hoping for the best with Scooter and Jordan," Sendek said. "It's difficult to predict with any certainty right now. It's hard to gauge how they're going to respond." Both players may participate in practice today.

# Defining 'Student-Athlete'

A biomedical engineering major, Jennifer Jassawalla has done some schooling on the tennis court this season.

Spero Katsanos  
 Staff Writer

If you've been looking for the true definition of the word student-athlete, look no further than Jennifer Jassawalla.

A senior majoring in biomedical engineering, Jassawalla has been able to create time for her academic pursuits while leaving herself enough energy to perform her duties as captain of N.C. State women's tennis. This constant balancing act consequently makes her daily routine less than typical.

"I do often spend Friday nights and sometimes Saturday nights studying," Jassawalla said. "I'll get up a lot at 5:30 or 6:00 a.m. to study for three or four hours before I do what I have to do to get ready for a match."

Fortunately for the Wolfpack women's tennis team, Jassawalla brought her solid work ethic to Raleigh all the way from Clear Lake High School outside of Houston, Texas. However, tennis was

never the only deciding factor in her choice to come to State, nor was it even the predominant one.

"I made the decision to leave Texas to challenge myself, to make new friends and put myself in a new environment," Jassawalla said. "My dad said that I should check State out, that they have a really good engineering school."

And engineering wasn't the only reason to consider State. "I remember North Carolina seemed really green compared to Texas," Jassawalla said with a smile. "It just seemed to fit."

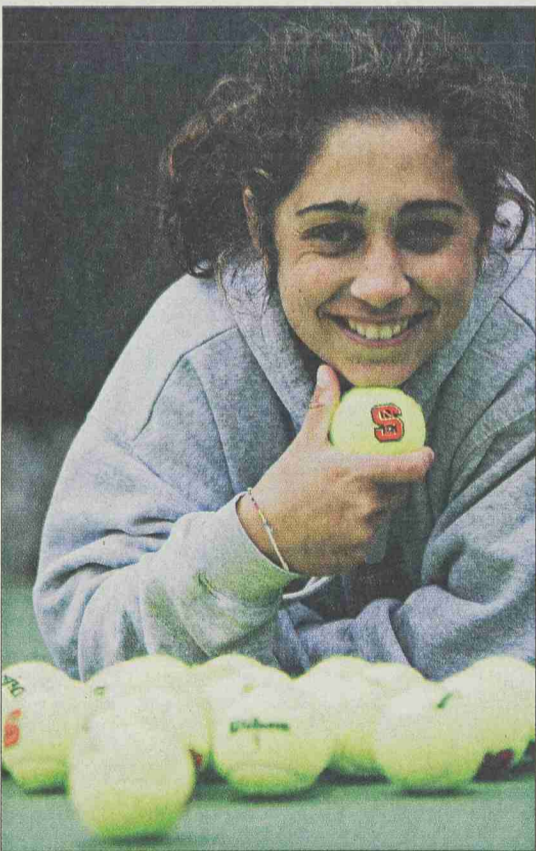
Jassawalla is carrying the family tennis mantle these days, as her mother played college tennis at Texas A&M University at College Station, Texas. The younger Jassawalla cites her mom as the main reason she took up the game.

"My mom took me to the park where she played, and I would be the ball girl when I was five or six," she said. "I started hitting for 15 minutes every time we went, and it just progressed from there."

Young Jassawalla's development didn't begin in earnest, however, until she lived overseas.

"I lived in Germany for

JASSAWALLA see page 7



Jennifer Jassawalla finds happiness on the tennis court.

# Softball splits with 49ers

Charlotte wins first game 2-1, but State rebounds with a shutout.

Sports Staff Report

Jennifer Chamberlin belted her fifth home run of the season and Abi Sims was masterful in pitching N.C. State to an 8-0 victory over Charlotte in the second game of a doubleheader Wednesday night at Walnut Creek.

Chamberlin led off the second inning with the solo blast as State (11-14) rebounded from a 2-1 defeat in the first game.

After a defensive-minded opener, the Pack

tallied 12 hits and scored eight runs before the eight-run rule ended the game after five innings. Sims earned her ninth victory of the season, allowing just two hits in the shutout performance.

Freshman Heather Gelbard finished with two hits, a run and a RBI. Her second inning blow was a ground rule double as it hopped over the left-centerfield fence. Catherine Blount was also offensively productive with two runs, two singles and a RBI.

The first game featured all the drama.

The 49ers Jessica Moore broke a 1-1 tie in the seventh inning, leading off with a home run over the leftfield fence.

The Wolfpack put two runners on base in its half of the inning, but Charlotte (10-8) escaped the threat and finished out the victory.

Pack pitcher Shaina Ervin struck out six and allowed eight hits in a losing effort, but her single in the fourth inning allowed State to tie the score after the 49ers had jumped ahead by a run in the third inning.

State's offensive explosion came too late for the first game, but just in time to send Charlotte home with a lopsided loss in the second. State will travel to Georgia Tech for the Buzz Classic on Friday, when it opens play against Bowling Green.

## N.C. STATE ACC PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

- 1956 **RONNIE SHAVLIK**  
averaged 19.5 rebounds per game as a senior for ACC champs
- 1959 **LOU PUCILLO**  
14.6 points per game in leading State to ACC title
- 1973 **DAVID THOMPSON**  
24.7 ppg, 8.1 rpg in leading Pack to undefeated season
- 1974 **DAVID THOMPSON**  
26 ppg, 7.9 rpg in State's national-championship season
- 1975 **DAVID THOMPSON**  
29.9 ppg, 8.2 rpg effort ended a stellar career
- 1991 **RODNEY MONROE**  
Became Pack's all-time leading scorer while averaging 27 ppg
- 2004 **JULIUS HODGE**  
all-around effort led State to best conference mark since '74.