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Prosecutors to push for capital punishment



Timothy Johnson acknowledges his family before a court appearance Monday. Timothy Johnson, an N.C. State junior, and his brother, Tony, are charged with the double homicide that took place during a tailgate party before State's football game on Sept. 4.

NC TO SEEK DEATH PENALTY IN TAILGATE HOMICIDE; DA: ADDITIONAL CHARGES IMMINENT FOR TONY JOHNSON

Matt Middleton
Staff Writer

The state intends to seek capital punishment against the brothers charged with killing two people at a tailgating party outside of an N.C. State football game Sept. 4. Timothy and Tony Johnson, who are both charged with two counts of murder for fatally shooting Kevin M. McCann and 2nd Lt. Brett Johnson Harman, appeared in Wake County District Court Monday morning for the first time since being denied bond on Sept. 7.

Speaking in a rhythmic, determined tone during a bond hearing for 20-year-old Tony Johnson, Assistant District Attorney Susan Spurlin said at this time the state will proceed capitally against both defendants in the shooting. Later, the presiding judge ruled not to grant bond to either brother.

Also during the hearing, Spurlin said she expects additional felonious charges to be filed against Tony Johnson later in the week.

"I feel very confident there will be additional very serious charges related to what happened at the tailgating party and unrelated [to the party] that will be brought against the defendant," she said.

Arguing that bond should indeed be set for Tony Johnson, defense attorney Johnny Gaskins said that Timothy Johnson, a 22-year-old NCSU junior in psychology, twice pulled the trigger of the murder weapon while coming to the aid of his brother during a fatal skirmish in the Trinity Road Fairgrounds lot before NCSU's home opener against Richmond.

He continued his discourse by saying Tony Johnson came from a well-respected, moral family, then asked the Johnson family members seated in the courtroom to rise.

Eight people stood up, most teary-eyed and clutching Kleenex and each other's arms. Gaskins presented District Court Judge Jane P. Gray with a series of complimentary letters about Tony Johnson from the community of Tarboro, the family's hometown.

"Parents are not aware of everything their children are involved in," Spurlin then countered. "Lots of people have been



Thomas and Ann Johnson, parents of Timothy and Tony, sit and await their sons' hearing yesterday morning.

The Johnson Bros. Trials

WHAT HAPPENED: THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE SAID MONDAY THAT AT THIS TIME THE STATE WILL SEEK THE DEATH PENALTY FOR BOTH BROTHERS. A WAKE COUNTY DISTRICT COURT JUDGE AGAIN DENIED BOND FOR THE TWO BROTHERS IN THEIR FIRST APPEARANCE WITH HIGH-PROFILE DEFENSE ATTORNEYS JOE CHESHIRE AND JOHNNY GASKINS.

WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN: BOTH BROTHERS WILL APPEAR TODAY IN SUPERIOR COURT TO BE INDICTED IN FRONT OF A GRAND JURY. WAKE COUNTY ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY SUSAN SPURLIN SAID FURTHER CHARGES WILL LIKELY BE FILED LATER IN THE WEEK AGAINST TONY JOHNSON.

interviewed [during the investigation], and those knew the defendant in a way his family did not."

Spurlin used the imminent threat of additional charges to buoy her claim that no bond should be set for Tony Johnson.

"Not only is he being indicted with additional felonious assault, I would anticipate prior to the end of this week, he will be

charged with burglary and robbery with a dangerous weapon," Spurlin said. "[During the alleged burglary] the defendant went into somebody's house to see if there was some things there he recognized came from his brother's house.

"It is my understanding that witnesses will testify that he and several others went into that house, and they had guns. Guns were put in people's mouths, people were duct-taped, handcuffed even," she said.

Gray then eyed the letters with her red-rimmed glasses for nearly five minutes before ruling in favor of the state and setting no bond.

"I have no dispute that this man was raised in a fine home...given the information that I have, however, I do not intend to set a bond today," Gray said.

Timothy Johnson's appearance preceded his younger brother by nearly two hours and was decidedly much more brief.

He entered the courtroom from the holding area flanked by two deputies and acknowledged the presence of his family members with a quick, awkward wave and

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Students line up to talk with companies yesterday at the Minority Career Fair held in Reynolds Coliseum.

Career fair takes off

The Minority Career Fair continues providing opportunities for students today.

Jessica Horne
Senior Staff Reporter

Despite the dreary weather and the stifling heat inside Reynolds Coliseum, a crowd of hopeful students showed up for the first day of the Minority Career Fair on Monday. Dressed-up students could be seen toting dripping umbrellas and briefcases covered in plastic, while the fair's organizers supplied the 116 companies in attendance with bottles of water and leftover fans from Welcome Back Pack Week to try to combat the heat.

Despite these drawbacks, students swapped their re-

sumes for free goodies from companies, including pens, calculators, and CD holders, to name a few.

Some students floated around, trying to find booths that interested them, while others already knew what they were looking for.

"I just wanted to stop by and talk to someone from Teach for America," Joseph Mazzawi, a junior in biological science, said. "I'm trying to look for some direction because I am starting to run out of time."

Unlike other students, Mazzawi was not too worried about finding a job at the career fair.

"Most of these companies seem to be geared towards engineering majors," he said. "Besides, it's not like it's my senior year, so I still have some time

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Tya McGrue, senior in social work, discusses the Teach For America program with 2002 NCSU alumnus T.J. Eatmon.

Teach for America getting the word out

Program offers students a chance to make to make a difference.

Tasha Petty
Staff Reporter

For 2002 N.C. State chemical engineering alum T.J. Eatmon, life beyond college seemed daunting.

Eatmon, who decided against becoming part of the engineer-

ing work force after graduation, joined Teach for America.

Teach for America, begun in 1990, is a program that places college graduates into two-year teaching positions in low-income schools in rural and urban communities.

The program, which strives to eliminate educational inequality in the nation's school systems, places most partici-

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Freshmen have a difficult time managing stress. See page 5.

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to worry about it. Plus, I have all day tomorrow to stop by."

Many students have this same mind set; they don't have to worry about looking for a job until their senior year. However, many of the students at the career fair are not just looking for a post-graduate job, but for internships and co-ops as well.

"I might be interested in a co-op for the spring, so I wanted to come check out the companies," Megan Maltais, a sophomore in chemical engineering, said. "Both the Co-Op and Career centers say the sophomore year is a good time to start looking because companies like to have you for more than one rotation."

Maltais advises to do more than just dress up when coming to the career fair.

"Have a resume prepared and look at the Web site beforehand so you can see which companies will be at the career fair," she said. "This allows you to see

which ones you are interested in talking to and also lets you become familiar with them."

Rob Lee, a recruiter for ExxonMobil at the career fair and alumnus of NCSU, knows what it's like to prepare for the Minority Career Fair, as he received job offers as a result of attending.

"I first went to the Minority Career Fair as a junior and I got an internship from Proctor & Gamble," he said. "I came back my senior year and got an offer from my current company, ExxonMobil."

"It helps to go the career fairs because our company will not interview someone unless they have been pre-screened," Lee said.

Lee notes the importance of not only attending the career fair, but also being prepared to talk to companies.

"You should be confident, energetic and have well organized thoughts," he said.

The Minority Career Fair will continue from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. today in Reynolds Coliseum.

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a stoic face.

Gray then informed Timothy Johnson and defense attorney Joe Cheshire that no bond will be set and the case moved to the State Superior Court.

Timothy Johnson then exited to the right of the courtroom, but not before turning back to mouth "I love you" to his family.

Members of the Johnson family declined comment after the

ruling.

Cheshire said that he hopes the two cases are appropriately handled.

"Tony and Tim's cases are extremely different," Cheshire said. "I hope Tony isn't judged on Tim's evidence."

The cases next move to North Carolina Superior Court, where indictments will be submitted to a grand jury today.

State law stipulates all criminal trials in Superior Court are tried before a 12-person jury.

POLICE BLOTTER

09/25/04

3:20 A.M. | MEDICAL ASSIST
Officers and EMS responded to Wolf Village A Building in reference to a student that was intoxicated and had passed out. EMS wanted to transport her to the hospital for treatment, but she refused to go. She was referred to the university for disorderly conduct. Housing staff was notified.

11:03 P.M. | ASSAULT
A non-student reported she was assaulted on the sidewalk area north of Carmichael Gym. She was checked by Fire Protection and did not need further medical attention. No suspect was located. Her injuries were minor scratches.

The pen is mightier than the lock

U-lock still recommended despite new found weakness

Jeffrey Dwight Smith

Staff Reporter

An online video shows how thieves, armed with a cheap pen, can foil popular bike locks in a matter of seconds, leaving bike owners on campus wondering how secure their bikes really are.

Despite the new found weakness in the Kryptonite u-lock, Campus Police Cpt. Jon Barnwell still recommends the use of the u-lock design lock.

"Statistics show that the solid core u-lock is the safest on cam-

Fixing the problem

Kryptonite is offering free upgrades to customers that are concerned about their cylindrical style locks. In order to upgrade, users must send an email to kryptonite@krco.com stating the model and lock they own. Shipment of the replacement locks is expected to begin by mid-October.

SOURCE: KRYPTONITE WEB SITE

pus. The majority of bike thefts on campus are secured with cable or chain locks," he said.

Of the 98 reported bikes thefts on campus last year, only one was secured by a u-lock. The others were secured with cable or chain locks which, in most cases, were simply cut with bolt cutters, he said.

"It does raise concern that apparently some versions of the Kryptonite u-lock can be

circumvented by using parts of a Bic pen," he said.

Ed Gaddy of Cycle Logic, a bike store in Raleigh, said that he heard about the flaw and decided to try and break into one of the locks the store sells.

"We tried for about 15 minutes to unlock it but weren't able to," he said.

Gaddy suggested that bike owners stay away from Kryptonite cylindrical locks until the

company devises a solution.

The Evolution 2000 model shown in the video is one of Kryptonite's higher-end locks, retailing in upwards of \$50. Some of Kryptonite's lower-end locks such as the \$30 KryptoLock, are popular here on campus.

Denise Lee, a freshman in the First Year College, owns a Giant Rincon and secures it with a KryptoLock. She has tested her lock recently to see if it was vulnerable to the design failure.

"My attempts were futile. I feel secure with my KryptoLock but more important to me, the lock is very aesthetically pleasing. I suppose I'm going to upgrade my lock, as long as it's free," Lee said.

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pants in schools with underprivileged, minority students.

Supported by private contributions from corporations, foundations and individuals, it has had a direct impact on the lives of about 1.75 million students.

Eatmon was interested in the program's mission and wanted to apply what he learned from his professors to his own teaching endeavors.

While manning a booth at the Minority Career Fair on Monday, Eatmon recalled his excitement for the chance to "make a change in the classroom and become a leader for kids."

Eatmon, who was accepted to the program in 2001, taught at schools in Houston for a year each.

As a teacher in the program, he said that he remembered the frustrations he felt.

He said he realized there was only so much he could do for some of his students and had to watch as some of them struggled to keep up or made no attempt at all.

Eatmon was even forced to switch schools after his first year due to budget cuts.

But the seriousness of his expression turned to an amused grin when he recalled his favorite student, Jamal, who was on the soccer team that Eatmon coached at school.

"He loved soccer more than he loved his family," Eatmon said.

Although he said Jamal did not excel academically at first, Eatmon was able to help Jamal improve his academic performance by motivating him through sports.

On the last day of classes Jamal even interrupted Eatmon's class to shake his hand, say goodbye and thank him.

"It was the best feeling," said Eatmon. "This guy had a hardcore character—not a lot

of smiles—but he was happy that day."

In the end, Eatmon learned what it takes to be a good leader and how to invest people in a goal and move them towards it.

"It was the best thing I've ever done; one of the best experiences of my life. Period," Eatmon said.

After his two years in the program, he was awarded the Iger National Science Foundation Fellowship to apply towards a doctoral degree in public policy.

Throughout the day at the Minority Career Fair, Eatmon spoke to students interested in participating in Teach for America after graduation.

Magda Marshall, a graduate student in electrical engineering, said she was interested in the program because of two teachers she had in high school when she had just moved to California from the Republic of Panama.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

WHAT: Teach For America Info Session
WHEN: Tonight, 7 p.m.
WHERE: Harrelson 320
WHO: Guest Speaker Kamilla Dancy Graduate '01

SOURCE: TEACH FOR AMERICA

"They challenged me to show up every day and work on my English," Marshall said. "They helped me everyday after school for nothing in return. They made a difference in my life."

Another student, senior in social work Tya McGrue, said she expressed interest in the program for other reasons.

"It would allow me to be a part of the learning cycle and have the resources that would allow [students] greater achievement in life," McGrue said.

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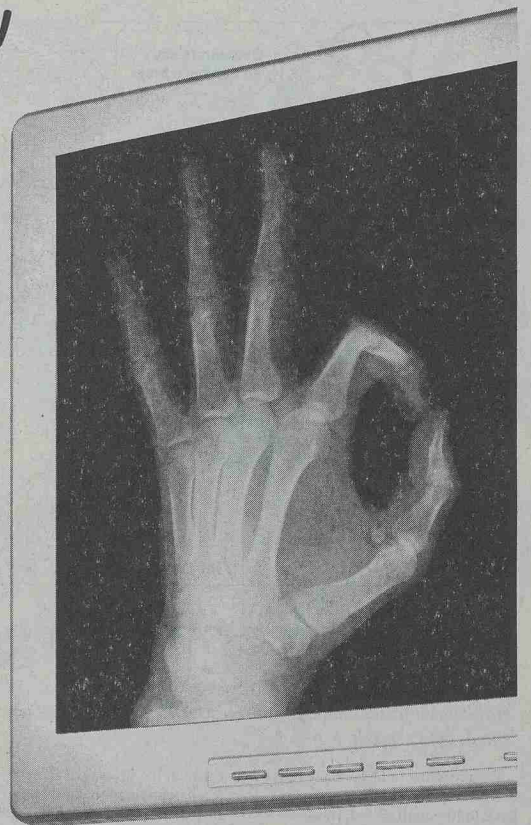
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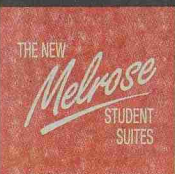
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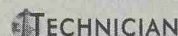
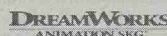
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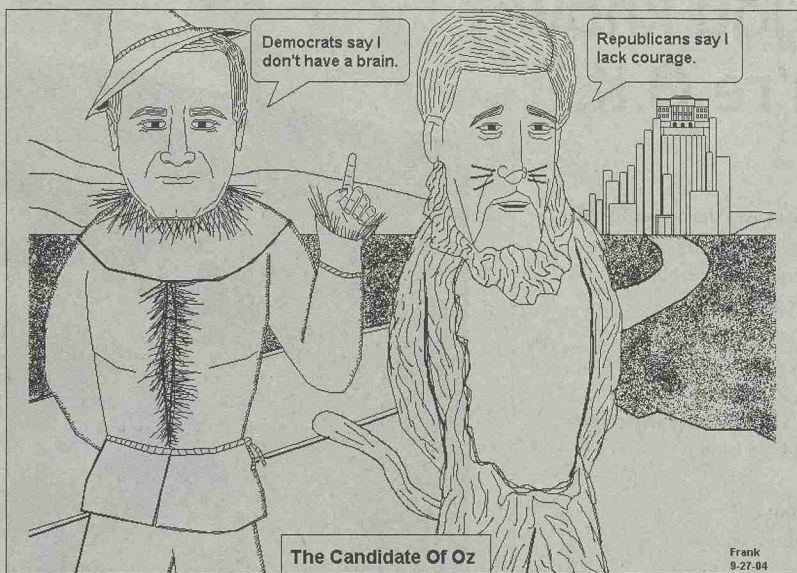
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When free speech goes too far

Heather comments on the various "brickyard preachers" and how they sometimes overstep their bounds of free speech.

"You're going to Hell" Gary yells at a girl passing by. He then turns back to his small crowd, those that either want to argue with



Heather Cutchin
Staff Columnist

him or are enthralled by his knowledge of the Bible, and explains that her skirt is too short; God will never let her in to Heaven. Another girl walks by, and he yells the same thing to her, only this time tells his group that she is wearing pants, and God refuses to let girls that wear pants in to Heaven. So, should girls go naked? Then a professor of middle-eastern descent walks by, and is told that he is going to Hell also, because he does not believe in God.

While Gary is loud, obnoxious and most of the time, wrong, at least he sticks to his little group at the Atrium, or over by the bookstore. The other guy, the one that stands beneath the trees and in the most monotone voice, reads from whatever religious book he has (I've never listened long enough to him, I think it's the Bible, but am not sure), is just annoying. His voice echoes up towards Harrelson and all the way to Scott Hall. He does not tell people they are going to Hell or that girls are nothing but whores, but he does try to sway people towards whatever religion he believes in by brainwashing them.

It is wonderful that these men believe so much in their religion that they want to impart their knowledge to all of us at N.C. State. However, it is irritating that they use a place like the Brickyard to do it. Most students at N.C. State

go through the Brickyard at least once a day, some more, and being bombarded by Bible-thumpers is not always pleasant. Some girls really do not like being told they are going to Hell. Gary frequently puts down people from other countries, including students and professors. Is that helping to show that N.C. State is a "diverse" university?

Why does the administration let preachers like these two speak on the Brickyard? These guys have to obtain a permit to be out there, and that permit comes from an administrative office. The administrative office has surely heard comments from students and faculty, and at least a couple of columns have been written in Technician over the years. Yet N.C. State, while claiming to be a diverse university, allows people like Gary spread hate about other nations.

It is a constitutional right to say whatever you want to, with a few minor restrictions that most of us know. It is stretching that right when a person is promoting hate for other religions, other nations, and people that just do not see things the way the person wants them to.

I have argued with Gary before, and among the things he said to me was that people of other religions should be killed because they do not believe in the God he believes in.

It is impossible to have a discussion with this man, he thinks women are below him and should only speak when spoken to, and never voice their comments. Why is he allowed to say these things without repercussion, but when a student screams at another student to "Go back to Africa," a big deal is made of it?

The monotone guy, while obnoxious, is not as bad as Gary. He does

not tell students how horrible they are, or argues that anyone that does not believe in his religion is wrong. He presents his information and lets you take from it what you will. However, he does it in a very busy part of campus.

The Brickyard is a common ground for students to gather and exchange notes, eat lunch, study for tests and hang out with friends. There are other places on campus to go to do all of these things, but why should we, the students for whom the Brickyard was built, have to leave it because this guy wants to talk? Why not let him go to the free expression tunnel, and express his opinion freely, without bugging those of us that want to sit down and have a nice quiet lunch with the squirrels?

Preachers and speakers that want to let their faith be known should not be removed from campus completely. They have a right to let their opinion be known, just as I do when I write columns. People have a choice to not read my opinion though. It is hard for people to completely ignore preachers, because they can be so loud and accusatory.

It is also hard for people to avoid the Brickyard, since the atrium and library is there. (As well as many buildings that classes are held in.)

These preachers and speakers could hold forums instead, and obtain permission to use various classrooms on campus.

Many other organizations and people do that. Then the students that wanted to listen to Gary or others could go, and those that did not could use the brickyard in peace.

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TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

A MINIMUM FOR THE UNIVERSITY

OUR OPINION: THE UNIVERSITY CURRENTLY HAS NO MINIMUM GPA REQUIREMENT FOR INCOMING FRESHMEN. SETTING SUCH A REQUIREMENT WOULD HAVE POSITIVE RESULTS THAT WILL ALLOW NCSU TO GROW.

This year's freshman class has a collective grade point average of 4.0 coming in from high school. While this clearly shows that NCSU accepts the elite from North Carolina's — and the nation's — high schools, a minimum requirement could still be effective because this GPA is still a representative average.

Currently, NCSU does not have a minimum GPA requirement. Acceptance is based on a combination of GPA, SAT scores and extracurricular activities in high school. In order to raise the academic standards and increase prestige, the university should set a 2.5 minimum GPA requirement for enrollment at NCSU.

The implementation of such a requirement would have positive results.

First, the message sent with such a decision is one of prestige and one that says NCSU perceives itself as setting standards and always looking to grow.

Second, with a 4.0 average, incoming freshmen GPAs can actually range from 2.0 to 5.0. If an overwhelming amount of students are accepted that have 4.0 plus GPAs, then the acceptance of a few with C or D averages would not have an impact on the overall average.

Instituting a minimum requirement will allow NCSU to continue to move forward.

Third, a restriction would encourage students still in high school to make an effort to perform above par. Sending the message that a strong work ethic and applying one's self to their academics is necessary would set NCSU apart from other colleges and prepare each individual student for success.

Athletes would be exempt from the requirement. The National Collegiate Athletics Association and the Atlantic Coast Conference both have set standards that work for athletes that involve course requirements, GPAs and SAT scores. The ACC, also, has taken pride in setting high academic standards and rewarding those student-athletes who put being a student first. Setting a requirement for them would be pointless because they already have their own requirements just to be able to play their respective sports.

Each college within the university has its own GPA requirements for students to be able to matriculate into respective curricula.

Having a minimum for the university, however, sets NCSU apart and sets a standard for itself and other universities.

Otherwise, a student's GPA would just become a number that causes stress.

NCSU should at least make it worth having.

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New legislation promotes values-based decision making

Michele DeCamp notes how Pledge of Allegiance controversy threatens governmental balance of power.

Election Day is coming closer, and politicians all over this country are trying to distinguish themselves from their opponents. They are airing commercials attacking their rivals, performing stump speeches that rain criticism rather than campaign promises, and apparently even starting legislation that will expose each politician's feelings on major "wedge" issues such as gay marriage and flag burning.

Another wedge issue is whether our country should strike the words "under God" from the Pledge of Allegiance. CNN reported that last Thursday, the House of Representatives passed legislation that prohibits any federal court, including the Supreme Court, from removing any words from the pledge.

The original bill only prohibited courts other than the Supreme Court from making changes, but Rep. Todd Akin, R-Missouri, felt that the pledge must be protected from any "activist judge" who might try to remove the words at some future date.

Obviously this issue will most likely not make it through the US Senate in time to get passed this year, but conservative representatives are

mostly concerned with getting liberal members of the House to confirm their beliefs through their votes.

My first complaint is with the legislation itself because I don't believe any member of the legislative branch should have the right to tell the judicial branch what cases it can oversee. No one needs to protect the Pledge of Allegiance.

If the Supreme Court someday finds the words "under God" to be a violation of the Constitution then the official pledge will reflect the changes and people can decide whether they want to still include the words whenever the recite it.

We do not need to start allowing the legislative branch to have any kind of direct control on the judicial branch because such a move will restrict the balance in our government as well as open the door for legislation that restricts the Supreme Court from ruling on other issues—including civil rights and abortion rights.

If the House truly believes that the Supreme Court isn't capable of interpreting the constitution on key issues such as the pledge then why do we give them the power in the first place?

My other concern is that the way we'll be differentiating the candidates is based on their religious beliefs. I know that is not a crazy premise, but I really find it disturbing that our elected leaders are making issues that typically correlate

to a person's religion such as gay marriage and the pledge debate the main focus of this last month of campaigning. We are supposed to be electing people who will be able to protect our rights as American citizens not leaders who fail to recognize the supposed separation between church and state.

Let's face facts people saying "under God" in the pledge is a reflection that the majority of people in this country hold monotheistic beliefs. However, those beliefs should not enter in government-endorsed statements about our democracy. Atheist citizens of this country should not have to leave out certain words in order to say the pledge; it should be the other way around.

Government officials should be able to recognize this truth because they are supposed to be making their decisions based the law and what their constituents want. If those two conflict then the law must win out.

Any legislation President Bush or the legislative branch want to issue on gay marriage also fall under the separation of church and state because I have yet to meet one person who opposed gay marriage on any kind of legal argument, it is always a matter of faith.

I understand that many students at this university may wish to keep saying "under God" when they say the pledge and they may also oppose gay marriage because they feel that such a

union is sacred and can only take place between a man and a woman. I personally do not agree. However, neither of us should be voting for a politician because he or she will uphold our religious beliefs. Rather, we should be voting for people who make their decisions for the benefit of the citizenry and not on their personal religious mores.

Some might question whether it is possible to separate our personal beliefs from our decision making. For most of us it is not likely, but our politicians do not get to behave like normal Americans—they must be above such values-based thinking.

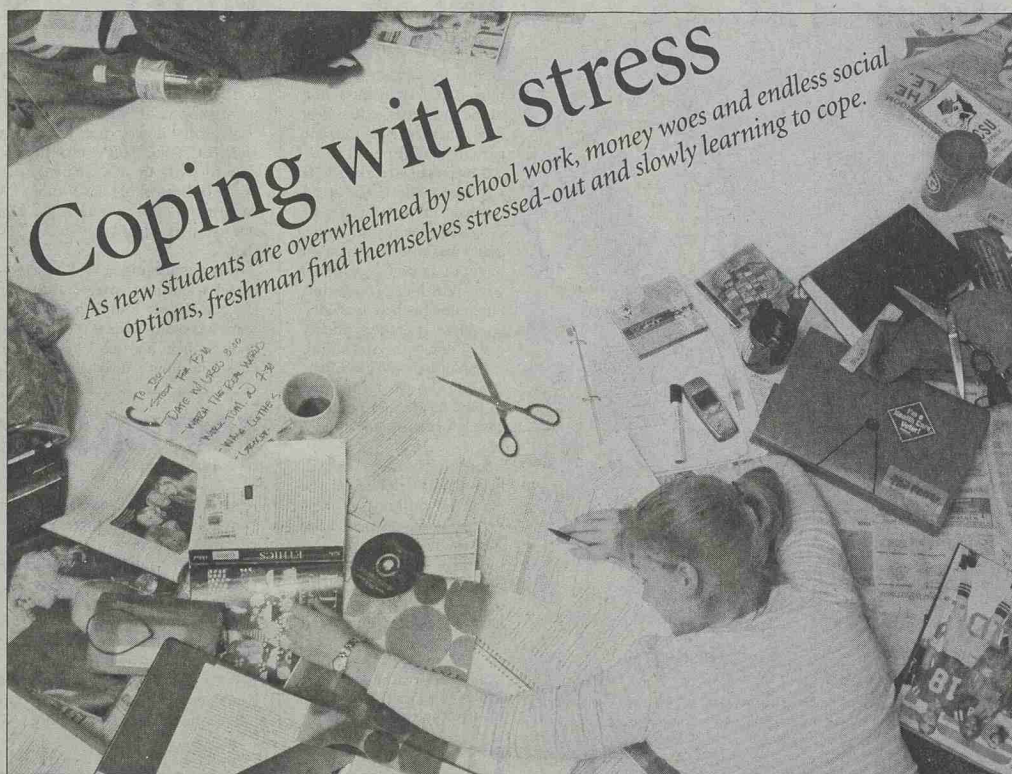
Also, we should not be electing politicians based on issues that in the scheme of things will not help our economy, will not fix our problems in Iraq, and will not improve our relationships with our allies.

The candidates may want to make the pledge and marriage the issues they talk about—but as voters we must look past their ploys and figure out how each individual will help us work out the larger problems at stake.

If we vote for our country's future and not for our religious beliefs, then maybe we will start making some progress and get some people jobs.

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HEALTH BEAT



TAYLOR TEMPLETON/TECHNICIAN

Jasmine Modoor

Staff Writer

William Keck is having a stress fest. Keck, a freshman in mechanical engineering, since arriving at N.C. State has gotten conned, lost his room keys, car keys and house keys in addition to losing 30 pounds from his medications. It seems there is nothing more to lose.

"I am from a small town and we don't have con-men," Keck said referring to the stereo that he bought out of a van that didn't work.

"Life has been a soap opera since I got to college," Keck said.

Stress is the body's response to change — and it comes in many forms for freshmen. More demanding and less structured classes, reduced cash flow from Mom and Dad, a sometimes overwhelming new world of dating and seemingly endless list of social activities all contribute to the stress college can introduce to often unprepared students.

Denitra Banks, a freshman in criminology, can identify.

"I am stressed out about everything from grades to classes, money and lack of money, guys, and my nails," Banks said as glancing at her 1-and-a-half inch acrylic nails.

Freshmen, as they settle into college life, are experiencing stress at a greater degree than in high school and consequently, are finding ways to deal with it.

Stressed-out

Banks, who attended a performing arts high school in Buffalo, N.Y., feels ill prepared for college and is regularly stressed out about classes with her arts background. "It's a shock to be in college with college-level work. I went to an arts high school; they never prepared us for college. It's more work."

She's also short on cash these days. "When I was at home, I had my mom and I had two jobs. No job and no parents now," Banks said.

Keck is feeling low on cash as well from misspent money on the stereo to the numerous keys that had to be replaced. "I have a lot of stress coming from money [and] women," Keck said.

College has given Keck and Banks greater

exposure and access to the opposite sex. Keck has met girls, but so far things haven't worked out with any as he hoped. Keck has decided that he will be "content with being friends with girls."

While Keck has had trouble developing relationships for Banks it is the age old problem of so many guys, so little time. "There are so many people and I like everybody. I am boy crazy. I never got over that stage," Banks said.

With her outgoing and open personality, the opposite sex contributes to the huge amount of stress Banks experiences day to day. And keeping track of all of them can be tough as well with "three Chris'."

"I am always stressed about guys!" Banks exclaims.

Dealing with stress

Banks confesses to being "short and nasty with people" when she is stressed out. "I have cursed people out knowing it's completely not their fault."

When stressed out, Banks said she feels tired, sad and even wants to go home.

"It makes me appreciate everything I had back home. I call my mom five or six times a day if I am stressed out. I talk to people back home," Banks said.

In addition, stress also causes Banks to lose her appetite and sleep more. "I try to sleep it off [and] I try to cry it off," Banks explains.

While sleep, tears and calls home might be coping mechanisms for some freshmen, others try to beat stress by planning ahead before the pressures of deadlines mount. Trent Fisher, a stress-savvy freshman in engineering, beats stress by planning in advance and preparing himself for what is coming up early on.

"I study for tests a couple of days in advance to relieve the stress," Fisher said.

Fisher doesn't consider himself to be stressed out or even worried about his tests because he prepares himself. "I generally try to work ahead. I am not stressed out about college because I have moved 10 times in my life. It's just another move. I am just laid back and easy going so, I don't get stressed out a lot," Fisher explains.

And what happens on those rare occasions when stress rears its ugly head? Like Banks, he

STRESS STOPPERS

- Develop a support system like Keck. Talking over what is happening to you with someone can relieve your tension as well as give you valuable insight into what you are going through.

- Plan ahead so that you are not pushing yourself to meet deadlines at the last minute.

- Talk to your family. Talking to people not in college helps you to get perspective on college life.

- Your body responds negatively to stress. Sleeping it off is a good idea. It gives your body time to relax and recover. Exercise is a great stress relief too.

- Take a break! Make time to see a movie, hang out with friends, cook, read, go to an athletic event — anything that you love to do. It's important to take some time for yourself and get your mind off stress.

- Ask for help. If you need to talk to someone contact the Counseling Center.

-Jasmine Modoor

"gets short with people."

"I deal with [stress] in good ways and bad ways," Keck said. One of the good ways Keck deals with his stress is by listening to music by White Snake and Simon and Garfunkel. Exercise does the trick too. "I like to play basketball and just drown myself in sweat," Keck said.

Keck also copes with stress through alcohol. "Once you get drunk your problems don't go away though," Keck said.

Having a great support system of suitemates has proved effective for Keck as he deals with college.

Whenever he has a problem, he goes to his suitemates. "They can somehow give great advice about relationships, how to deal with problems, and ideas to reflect upon in the future," Keck said.

While the stress builds up for these freshmen, it's best to employ stress-relief mechanisms early — it doesn't get much easier.

SHOW STOPPERS

Evolving and enduring

WILCO BRINGS UNIQUE ROOTS ROCK TO RALEIGH

Tim Coffield
Senior Staff Writer

"I think this place is great," Wilco front man Jeff Tweedy told a sold-out Raleigh Memorial Auditorium between songs Saturday.

"So great, in fact, that I had a jacket made out of the same stuff as your seats," he said. "It took me all afternoon."

Tweedy's burgundy jacket appeared to be velvet. But you'd be hard pressed to find anyone in the audience to back up his claim about those seats — which spent the evening largely ignored by a rapt crowd buoyed vertical.

To be sure, this show was chock-full of reasons to keep folks standing. Wilco's latest album "A Ghost is Born" has a raw, informal energy perhaps best appreciated in a live

setting, and many area fans were eager to see how the band's production-heavy sonic masterpiece "Yankee Hotel Foxtrot" held up outside the studio.

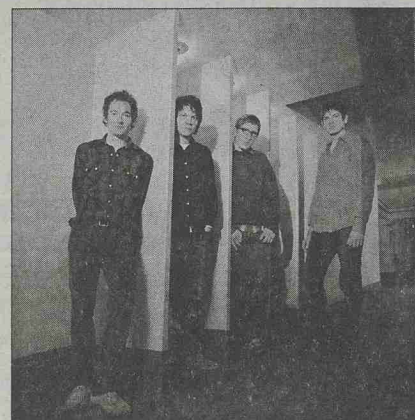
The famously turnover-heavy sextet featured three new members — keyboarder Mike Jorgensen, guitarist Nels Cline, and the spastic Pat Sansone rotating between keys, guitar and backup vocals — and older fans were anxious to hear how the new personnel treated the band's much-different older material. Not to mention the set's bizarre backdrop video footage of bees and hummingbirds, sea creatures and grinding industrial machines had a mesmerizing, if occasionally disorienting, effect.

Wilco's live act made clear just how far this revered group has evolved, from its twangy origins as an alt-country Uncle Tupelo spin-

off (in 1995's debut "A.M.") to the genre-bending Indie legend it is today. Only two original members remain — Tweedy and bassist John Stirratt — so it shouldn't be surprising that the entirety of Saturday's 15 song set centered on the band's newer sounds, drawing from its three most recent releases: 1999's bubbly "Summerteeth," 2002's breakthrough "YHE," and this year's "Ghost."

However, the nine-song double encore, which sampled from "A.M.," 1996's "Being There," and the old Tupelo catalog, proved a real treat for fans of the folksier sound.

But the Country stuff isn't why Wilco, without a single radio hit to its name, is selling out shows nationwide (including two-night shows at Radio City Music Hall in Oc-



NONESUCH RECORDS

With a new sound, Wilco rocked Raleigh at the BTI Center on Saturday night with songs from the recent album, "A Ghost is Born."

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tober and L.A.'s Wiltern Theatre in November).

The handful of "YHF" selections made clear just how well that record has worn. In "Poor Places," Tweedy vocalized the lonely nihilism of a wounded modern conscience: "It makes no difference to me/ how they cried all overseas/ I'm not going outside."

On "Jesus, Etc.," Tweedy alternately evoked images of destruction: "Tall buildings shake/ voices escape singing sad sad songs" and grand cosmic endurance: "You were right about the stars/ each one is a setting sun."

Tweedy proved that lyrics without "YHF's" grand scale can be just as resonant. On the opener, "Hummingbirds" he explored human frustration in a computerized world, lamenting how "A cheap sunset on a television set could upset her/ but he never could."

And in one of the night's highlights, the quietly unsettling "At Least That's What You Said," "I thought it was cute/ for you to kiss/ my purple black eye/ even though I caught it from you" transformed into a 12-minute epic of Tweedy-and-Cline solos, which escalated to a stunning crescendo of death-ray feedback.

"Spiders (Kidsmoke)" was given similar glorious treatment in an encore, with Glenn Kotche's rolling drum-work eventually giving way to a unending series of stomping guitar licks.

Other high points included Tweedy's expert juggling of harmonica and vocals on "Summerteeth's" laid-back "She's a Jar," and the precise delivery of fan favorites — "YHF's" "I am trying to break your heart" and "Summerteeth's" "A Shot in the Arm." But perhaps the evening's biggest moments came in the encores, when Tweedy shed his fancy jacket and re-emerged in a plain T-shirt to deliver some old-school Alt-Country twang. "There's been a lot a somber songs tonight," he told the audience, "but now it's time to kick it up a little, with some good ole' Rock'n Roll." The band then launched into a series of crowd pleasers from "A.M." and "Being There," including "Casino Queen," "Passenger Side" and "Misunderstood."

For a band that's come so far, this one sure felt comfortable with its roots. And that, perhaps, was the evening's most enduring idea.

Around the ACC

Standings

	Conf.	Overall
Virginia	1-0	4-0
Miami	1-0	3-0
Maryland	1-0	3-1
N.C. State	1-0	2-1
Florida State	1-1	2-1
Georgia Tech	1-1	2-1
North Carolina	1-1	2-2
Virginia Tech	1-1	2-2
Clemson	1-2	1-3
Wake Forest	0-1	3-1
Duke	0-2	0-4



Score Box

N.C. State 17, Virginia Tech 16
Miami 38, Houston 13
Maryland 55, Duke 21
Wake Forest 17, Boston College 14
Louisville 34, North Carolina 0
Florida State 41, Clemson 22
Virginia 31, Syracuse 10

Saturday's games

Wake Forest at N.C. State, Noon
West Virginia at Virginia Tech, Noon
North Carolina at Florida State, Noon
The Citadel at Duke, 2 p.m.
Miami at Georgia Tech, 3:30 p.m.

Stat of the week

10 — The number of sacks the N.C. State defense tallied against Virginia Tech on Saturday. Wasn't Bryan Randall supposed to be one of the most elusive quarterbacks in the ACC this season?

Quote of the week

"I'm going to call Coach Bowden and tell him what it feels like to win on a wide-right."

— N.C. State Coach Chuck Amato after Virginia Tech kicker Brandon Pace missed a game-winning 43-yard field goal to secure a difficult road win for the Pack. Bowden would have answered the call, but he was too busy beating up on his son's team. He prefers e-mail, anyway.

Thumbs up

Reggie Herring

The Wolfpack has been transformed from the worst defense in the ACC to the best in the nation under the wing of the defensive coordinator. Throughout the game against Virginia Tech, Herring could be easily spotted, raging on the sidelines and disputing penalties. This just in: Herring is a raging ball of fire and it's working for the defense.

New FSU QB

Wyatt Sexton replaced incumbent Florida State quarterback Chris Rix in the first quarter against Clemson after Rix sprained his ankle. Wyatt threw for 162 yards and one touchdown in the win over Clemson. There is some good news for Rix. He will finally get to park in the handicap spaces around campus without getting in trouble.

Thumbs down

Miami offense

Brock Berlin can't seem to get the Hurricanes offense in the right direction. In a win over a mediocre Houston team, the quarterback had to rely on the Miami defense to pull away from the Cougars. Luckily for Berlin, the rest of his team is comprised of future NFL Pro Bowlers that can win a national championship without him throwing passes.

North Carolina

Earlier this season, the Tar Heels could score touchdowns on offense, but the defense gave up too many points to make a comeback possible. Now it's a combination of both being bad. Louisville shut out the Tarheels 34-0 at Kenan Stadium last Saturday which could make the rest of the games this season the unofficial John Bunting farewell tour.

League Leaders

Rushing

R.J. Daniels, Ga. Tech, 108 yds./game

Passing yards

Joel Statham, Mary., 226.8 yds./game

Receiving

Airise Curry, Clemson, 81.2 yds./game

Sacks

Manny Lawson, NCSU, 1.67/game

Tackles

Gerris Wilkinson, Ga. Tech, 10.3/game

Scoring (TDs)

Wali Lundy, Va., 10

-compiled by Ryan Reynolds

NHL

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average hockey fan is getting nursed to sleep by the action of the game, the goalies beat each other senseless and only get a five-minute penalty.

Gawkers of Gretzky's wife

A couple of years ago I received my first Sports Illustrated Swimsuit issue, and it was when they started having famous athletes' wives pose for the magazine. Sure enough there was Mrs. Gretzky, sporting hockey pads along with a red bikini.

The artistic nature of the spread almost forced me to look at the picture every couple of hours for about a year.

Without hockey, she will become a mere blip on the radar to millions of fans despite being married to the "Great One."

Besides, no matter what happens to America's fourth or fifth favorite pastime, I still have my Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Issue.

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we got better.

"Each game, if we get better, we're going to surpass some ACC teams that don't expect much from N.C. State. This year is the year to [win an ACC match]. We've been working hard since August and I feel confident that our team is capable of doing that."

Although Bertrand's Wolfpack career is still in its early stages, she has already found that the team has many leaders that are ready to help her out. The trio of Melanie Rowe, Adeola Kosoko

and Stefani Eddins have helped Bertrand and the rest of her teammates improve their game and their communication as a team. In fact, the team is united under a common theme.

"We want to work on improving both as individuals and as a team too," Bertrand said. "One person can't do it by themselves. We really want to focus on working as a team and getting that ACC win. Being on the All-ACC team would be such an honor, but I want the team's goals to come first."

"I'm not looking for an individual awards, I'm looking for that ACC win for all these girls."

FOOTBALL

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revenge also," McLendon said.

"I'm going to go out there and run with a purpose now — I'm going to show you how it should have been last year."

McLendon should get a chance to return kickoffs against Wake Forest, as well. He was ready to do just that against Tech, but never got a kickoff that he could bring out of the end zone.

But this game will be more

about the defense redeeming itself. And if the defense should forget its performance last year, Herring will be sure to remind them.

"Last year, we got our fannies kicked," Herring said. "The bottom line is, are we going to let that happen this year?"

He will not let being the best defensive team in the nation get to the players' heads, either.

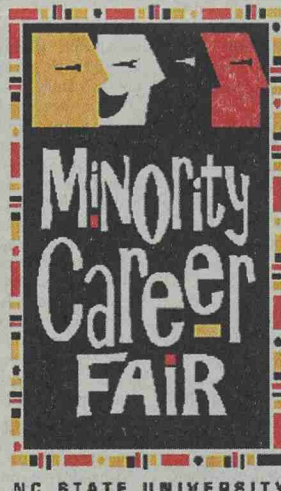
"You know what that No. 1 means," Herring said. "It means you're one game away from being 75th in the country."



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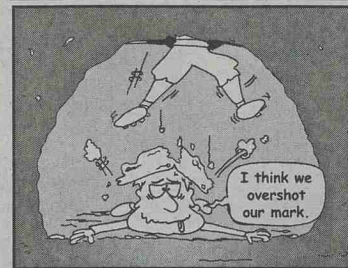
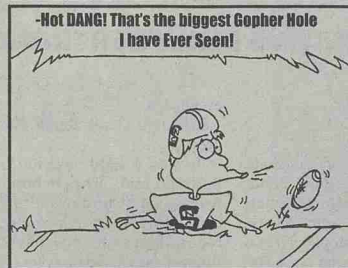
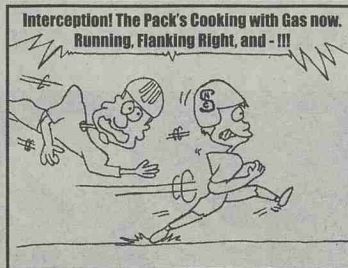
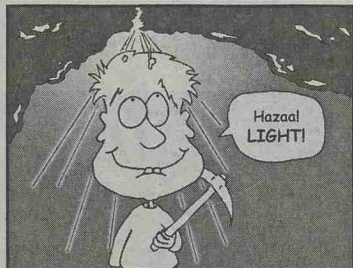
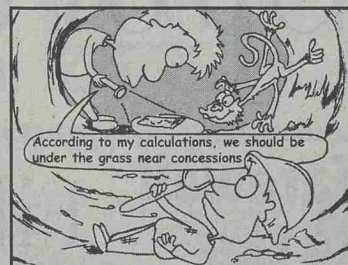
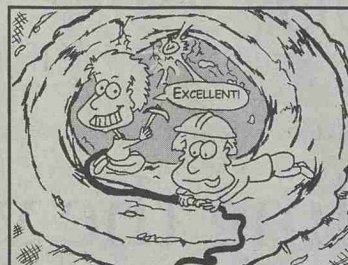
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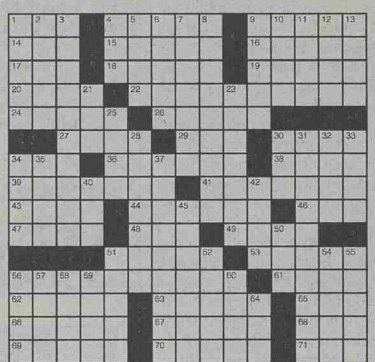
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44 Treading the boards
46 Basker's aim
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61 Leave out
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Sports

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2004

Schedule

Football vs Wake Forest, 10/2, 12
Men's Soccer @ Virginia, 10/2, 7
Women's Soccer vs High Point, 9/28, 7
Volleyball vs Maryland, 10/4, 2
Cross Country @ G.A. Championships, 10/1

Scores

No games scheduled



TECHNICIAN

COMMENTARY

Farewell to the NHL

"O Canada!
Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all thy sons command."



Ryan Reynolds
Deputy Sports Editor

That's right, it's Canada, our peaceful neighbor to the north that has brought many great things to the American culture.

Terrence and Philip, Mike Meyers and bacon are just a couple of famous Canadians who brought their act to the United States and cashed in on the big bucks.

There's one other invention Canada introduced to America that could soon be ancient history — hockey.

That's right, the game that is played on ice, even though the NHL starts in the fall and ends at the beginning of the summer, could have seen its last days on American soil because of a hold-out between the players union and the owners.

And there are dozens of fans who are crushed by the possibility of no NHL this season — or ever.

Who will be affected the most? It's pretty tough to say, but I have narrowed it down to a list of a couple worthy candidates.

Squid fisherman

The market for squid is booming during the summer when property renters at the beach head for the fishing pier with fishing rod in hand. The bait of choice? Usually squid, even though nobody ever seems to catch anything off of the popular bait except for the occasional sand shark.

Still, it's a time of the year when squid fisherman rake in the cash and get more chicks than Ludacris [free advertisement for Homecoming concert here].

But winter is the most important of the year for these nomads of the sea. It's when they're scrounging to make rent, and the only stable income is from hockey; specifically, from Detroit fans who think it's entertaining to purchase a squid and launch it on the ice every time the Red Wings nets a hat trick.

That is the essence of hockey at its finest.

N.C. State basketball

It's almost as if the N.C. State athletic department had a premonition that the NHL would have a lockout, because it could work out perfectly for the Wolfpack.

The basketball team got a brand new arena, but they had to share it with their friendly neighbors, the Carolina Hurricanes. If there's no NHL season then the Pack doesn't have to worry about scheduling conflicts with the Hurricanes and everything works out perfectly.

Minor league hockey teams

These guys will be the real winners if there's no NHL season. Minor league hockey games are where the real action occurs anyway.

Unlike an NHL game where one fight may break out in a game, there is at least one fight per period at minor league hockey games. Just before the

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VOLLEYBALL

Filling the voids as a freshman

TEXAS NATIVE EMILY BERTRAND IS ALREADY MAKING HER MARK ON THE PACK.

Jay Kohler
Senior Staff Writer

Texas. It's the Lone Star State, home to George Bush, Bobby Knight and, allegedly, a state you don't want to mess with. However, the people of Texas are short one former Texas Volleyball All-Star this season.

Emily Bertrand, a 5-11 freshman from Dallas made the 1,055 mile trip to Raleigh for several reasons.

First, she was impressed with the biology program at N.C. State and her studies come first. Volleyball, however, had quite a pull to get Bertrand to commit with the Wolfpack.

"[My] whole senior year, I was planning on going to a different school," Bertrand said. "I changed my mind in April. This opportunity came up, and it was something I couldn't pass up.

The program was rebuilding and it was something I wanted to be a part of — the change. I love the campus, I love my teammates; the girls on the team are awesome and we have a great coaching staff... I couldn't find a reason not to come."

The "different school" that missed its chance to bring Bertrand to their program was Texas A&M. The Aggies have had a powerhouse program over the years in the volleyball rich Big 12.

The American Volleyball Coaches Poll currently has A&M ranked 14th in the nation, while no ACC school is

even listed.

Still, it isn't all about the prestige.

"It was a hard decision," Bertrand said. "They're both really good institutions. I felt connected to the girls here and the coaching staff, and I didn't think I'd be as effective at Texas A&M. That's a big thing, at A&M I would have been in training my first year there. I wanted to make a difference right away."

So far, Bertrand has made quite a difference. Currently, she ranks third on the team in average kills per game, with 2.69 and is also third in total kills with 132.

She is also fourth on the team in service aces with 14 and is closing in on 100 defensive digs.

No other freshman on the team is close to her offensive numbers.

With another year of experience for all the Pack players and the addition of strong freshman contributors like Bertrand, the 2004 model of the volleyball team hopes to wipe away the reminders that the last time State won an ACC game was Sept. 22, 2001 against Maryland.

Although the Pack is 10-5 right now, they've started the ACC season 0-2.

"We had a rough first weekend, although the teams that we played, each team has at least two All-Americans," Bertrand said. "It's not like we didn't play well. We played awesome and

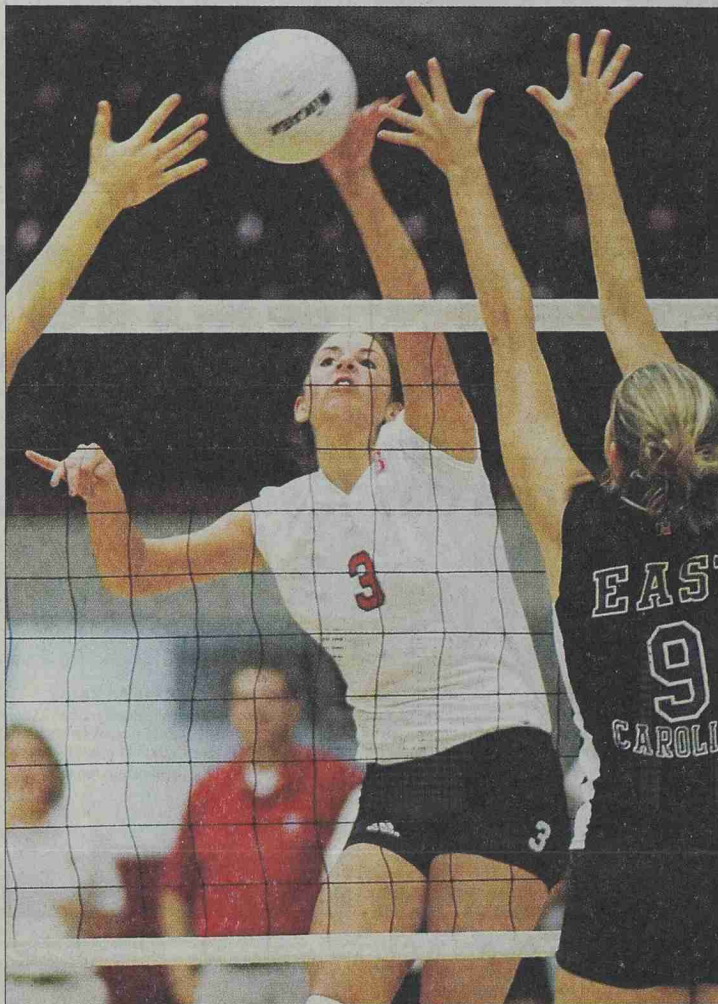
Drastic Improvement for the Pack

Volleyball through the first 15 games of the last five seasons.

2004: 10-5
2003: 6-9
2002: 2-13
2001: 5-10
2000: 6-9

SOURCE: NCSU MEDIA RELATIONS

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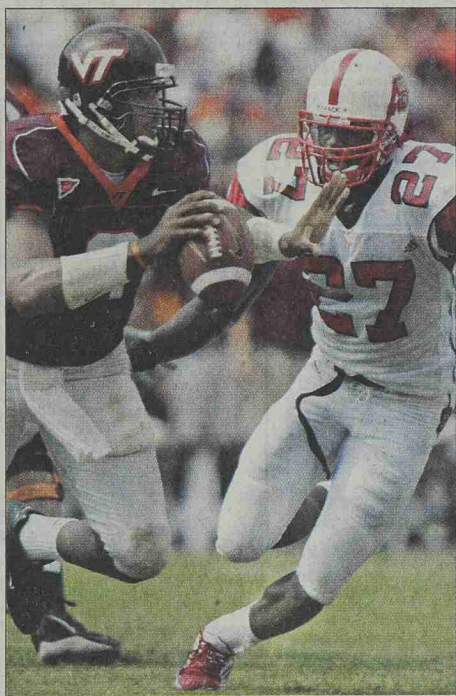


CHRISTOPHER DAPPERT/TECHNICIAN

Emily Bertrand goes for one of her 12 kills during a 3-1 victory over ECU. The freshman from Dallas has emerged as a young star for N.C. State during its first 15 games this season.

FOOTBALL

Wolfpack looks for redemption



RAY BLACK III/TECHNICIAN

State safety Troy Graham chases Bryan Randall out of the pocket.

DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR REGGIE HERRING SAID STATE GOT "PHYSICALLY WHIPPED" IN LAST YEAR'S WAKE FOREST GAME.

Austin Johnson
Sports Editor

It was not a good day for N.C. State. On Sept. 6, 2003, Wake Forest drubbed State by a score of 38-24. It is a day that State players would just assume forget.

That day though, had already been reviewed by State defensive coordinator Reggie Herring four times between Saturday and Monday afternoon.

"Me personally," Herring said, "I was embarrassed to watch the film."

Herring wasn't the defensive coordinator at the time, though. He wasn't there live when State gave up 375 yards of total offense. But from a few looks at the tape, he has come to his own conclusion about the game.

"I think they know they got physically whipped last year," Herring said. "Whether they admit it or not. I went and looked at the film, it's not attractive."

This year though, the defense has gone from one of the worst in the ACC to the nation's best. The team is giving up just 165.33 yards per game, nearly 25 yards better than the closest competition. It also ranks No. 1 in pass defense, giving up a mere 68 yards per game.

Herring warned that Wake Forest will present the biggest challenge defensively for the Wolfpack so

far. The complex misdirection schemes and balance the Deacons bring make the team tougher than even Ohio State or Virginia Tech on offense, Herring said.

"You have a defense that's played fairly well," Herring said. "But they've never really been in a position to sustain it over time. And here comes Wakie, Wakie-breaky heart."

Lawson agreed that Wake's offense can confuse defenses at times, but said as long as State covers its assignments there will not be problems.

"They do a lot of crazy things, a lot of misdirection plays," defensive end Manny Lawson said. "If you lose focus, you might think somebody has the ball who doesn't, and the ball will run right by you."

Lawson collected the National Defensive Player of the Week award from the Walter Camp Foundation for his three sack effort against Virginia Tech last Saturday. State recorded a total of 10 sacks in the game.

As for last year, running back T.A. McLendon said it would provide extra motivation for him this week. McLendon sat out last year's game with an injury, but played the role of workhorse back in State's win against the Hokies.

"I'm going out there to win, but I'm going for

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