

THURSDAY

University plays role in protecting nation

T.S. Amarasiriwardena

Universities, N.C. State included, will play a large role in the development of technologies that will help to protect the nation, Department of Homeland Security Under Secretary Charles

McQueary said.
"We have a lot of vulnerabilities in this country. The issue is not if we can fix all of these issues, but rather doing the things that

we need to do to make the country so that we feel safe about it," he said at a forum Wednesday at the McKimmon Center.

"Science and technology plays a huge part in it," McQueary, the director of the \$1 billion science and technology arm of the department, said. He also said the government has a tough task to overcome.

Explaining the number

Explaining the number of miles of borders that must be protected, the amount of passengers carried on flights within the U.S. and cargo entering the nation's ports, he said there is an large number of potential targets for terrorists.

"There are one billion transactions a year, and the Department of Homeland Security has to get each one of those right, while the people who wish to do us harm have to get it right once,"

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Registration and Records makes changes

Josianne Lauber

Security Under Secretary Charles McQueary

Registration for fall 2005 classes will run a little differently next year. New changes to the Registration and Records' Web site and TRACS will facilitate easier registration and be more accessible for students next year.

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"Our most important goal is to help students find and use the information that is available through the R&R Web site; whether it is the registration, calendar, policy or course information," Nicole Harrell, publication coordinator for Registration and Records, said.

Registration and Records are redesigning that Web its for neuropeages. Primarily

their Web site for many reasons. Primarily, changes will be made to become compliant with the American Disabilities Act. Registra-tion and Records plan to meet compliance in

tion and Records plan to meet compliance in their registration system and static Web pages. They also hope to group information as it is on the NCSU main Web site. Harrell explained, "[We want] to enhance the functionality of our Web site and TRACS system, to improve communication between R&R and different constituencies and to connect information from different areas of the NCSU community.

Sajid Reshamwala, a junior in economics

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Bush, Kerry duel over jobs, taxes and health care in final debate



Jon Chichwak, a freshman in political science, and Chris Dulin, a sophomore in aerospace engineering, watch the debate with their fellow College Republicans at Sammy's on Avent Ferry Road on Wednesday night. PRESIDENT BUSH AND SEN. JOHN KERRY DEBATED FOR THE FINAL TIME

LAST NIGHT LESS THAN THREE WEEKS BEFORE THE ELECTION

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Manisha Dass

With just 20 days until the election, the third and final debate last night at Arizona State University was perhaps the last chance for President pernaps the last chance for President George W. Bush and Sen. John Kerry to get their message across to the millions expected to have watched it on television. CBS News anchor Bob Schieffer moderated the debate, which started with issues of homeland security.

Kerry began, saying he could do

a much better job protecting the United States and criticized Bush and his administration for not doing enough against fighting terror-ism in America. Kerry accused Bush of "rushing into war" with Iraq. "As a result, America is now bear-

ing this extraordinary burden where we are not as safe as we ought to be," Kerry said. Bush defended his administra-

tion and their decisions on the war in Iraq and the war on terrorism in

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Alternative tanning methods gain popularity

SOME DEVOTED TANNERS ARE HANGING UP THEIR GOGGLES FOR NEW SUNLESS TANNERS

Haley Huie

Marley Shapiro is a rarity in the world of

tanning beds and plastic eye goggles.
Shapiro, a freshman in chemistry, plans to go on to medical school and become a dermatologist after her undergraduate

Meanwhile, Shapiro finds herself working the front desk at the local tanning salon, The Beach, on Hillsborough Street.

With the weather turning cooler, she notes that the business has been picking up. Shapiro, who has worked at The Beach for the past few months, usually tans about once a week, which doesn't compare to

'You may look good now, but it's going to come back to you later in life," Shapiro said. "I'm from Wilmington, so I'm used to being out in the sun and going to the beach, but I always remember to use sun-

Shapiro speculated that the reason many people choose to tan is because "being



Tanning salon users say it's popular be-cause it makes them look healthy in the

tan is in style now and makes people look healthy." She recommends that people look into self-tanners and the airbrush tans that are gaining popularity, due to their natural look. Shapiro, instead, suggests that those wanting to tan, but afraid of the health risks, try the self-tanners such as Coppertone's "Endless Summer."

The Beach has three different types

of beds to satisfy tanning enthusiasts;

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MATTHEW ROBBINS/TECH
Michael Laut, a freshman in Art and Design, talks on his cell on the Bragaw breezeway: "I lik a cell over a landline because it's already in my pocket, and I don't have to look for a cordless."

Cell phones cut landlines

Katie Akin

According to the Federal Communications Commission, 61 percent of 18 to 24-year-olds carry cellular phones. With many people in college living in dorms or apartments, traveling between home and college and generally being disconnected from family, having a cell phone oftentimes makes more sense than paying for

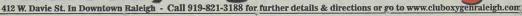
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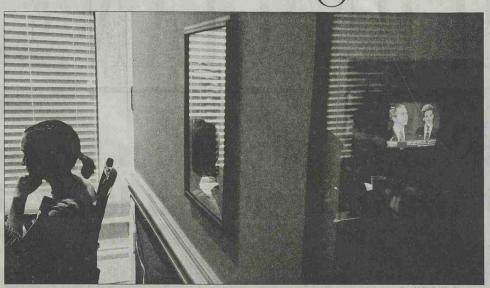
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Sophomore Laura Edwards watches the presidential debate at the North Carolina Democratic Headquarters on Wednesday night. The College Democrats were invited, along with other college and high school students, to attend.

DEBATE

the United States.

Bush said that we would be safe in America if "we stay on the offense against terrorists and if we spread freedom and liberty around the world."

The second question addressed a concern for many across the nation: healthcare. Kerry gave numerous statistics for Americans who have lost their health insurance under Bush. Kerry said that the Democrats' plan for health insurance and covering American families was not

Bush's response to Kerry saying that his promises for health insurance aren't empty was a reminder to all viewers of the

"I want to remind people lis-tening tonight that a plan is not a

litany of complaints and a plan is not to lay out programs that you can't pay for," Bush said.

Both candidates also raised ethical issues, including gay marriage and abortion.

Bush commented on his con-

stitutional amendment banning same-sex marriage.
"The reason I did so was be-

cause I was worried that activist judges are actually defining the definition of marriage and the surest way to protect marriage between a man and woman is to amend the Constitution," Bush said.

Kerry, who also disagrees with same-sex marriages, in response said, "I believe that because we are the United States of America, we're a country with a great, unbelievable Constitution, with rights that we afford people you can't discriminate in the workplace. You can't discriminate in the rights that you

afford people."

Other key issues in the debate were jobs, taxes and immigration between Mexico and the United

Student organizations got together to watch the debates in support of their respective candidate last night.

Hal Lusk, chairman of the College Republicans, and fellow members of the organization met at Sammy's Tap and Grill to watch the debate in an extremely informal environment. Lusk anticipated Bush to do

better prior to the debate.
"Bush wasn't ready for the attacks that Kerry put forward in the first debate. Now he is a little more prepared," he said. Lusk also thinks that this is not

an undecided election.

"Most people I know have already made up their mind and if they have not, the debate is not really going to work to decide it for them," he said. "If people have been following the election closely, their mind is probably already made up.

On the opposite end of the spectrum, Melissa Price, vice president of the College Democrats, hosted a debate party at her home with a simple premise.

"It was an entertainment op-portunity – an opportunity for us to sit around and make fun of Bush," she said.
She warned viewers not to

exclusively decide their choice based on the one-on-one spars.

"You really can't trust what either candidate says in debates. You really can't trust politicians," Price commented. "Voters can't make a decision based on the debates. They need to read sources like BBC reports or newspapers outside of the United States in order to make an informed decision about the candidates.

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Having toured the campus earlier Wednesday, he said NCSU and other universities will play a major role in devel-oping technologies that will aid

oping technologies that will all the department.

The College of Textiles was awarded an \$830,000 grant in December, 2002, the first of its kind by the department, for developing a next generation fire-fighting suit to protect first. fire-fighting suit to protect first responders from chemical and biological agents, in addition

to fires.
With an experimental version

unveiled in August, he said he was enthused about the "tre-mendous steps" the college has taken in developing the suit. Examining other developments

including computer security and sensor development by the C lege of Engineering and plant and animal pathology experi-ments going on in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, he said that the university had a number of projects underway that were of interest to his arm of the DHS.

With five of the 175 DHS scholarships given out nationally to NCSU students, he said that the university was on the upper level of schools conducting work for the DHS.

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tical way to stay in touch with people," Mark Valeriani, a senior in English, said. "I have family in Massachusetts, so it's good that they can call me on a local number, but I'd rather have a house phone.
"I live in a house with three

other guys who have cell phones –there is no reason for us to have a landline," Valeriani added.

Many students are in similar situations, meaning the local cell phone industry has been in a serious upswing over the past few years.
"People are going from dial-

up to cable, voicemail replaces the answering machine. You can get features that cost extra on landlines included in a c phone package," Dan Stahl, manager of Talking Wireless on Hillsborough Street, said.

'The first week that school got back, business was great. Parents and students came in to switch numbers or plans and set up new accounts. A lot of international students use text messaging to talk to their families overseas,"

Molly Patel, a junior in biological science, did change her cellular plan when she came to Raleigh. "I kept my Charlotte Raleigh. "I kept my Charlotte number but I changed to Cingu-lar so that I could have unlimited time with other Cingular callers and more minutes.

"My phone bill went up, but it is worth it because I don't have to worry about saving my minutes,"

Local phone companies have not seen a huge drop in their rev-enue because they still provide large scale telephone service to businesses and universities.

They are also expanding to invest in other services, for example, BellSouth now offers DIRECTV.

However, there are still students who have not jumped on the cell phone bandwagon, and remain free of commitment to a wireless plan.

"I have never had a cell phone," Monnaca Davis, freshman in computer science, said. "I use my dorm phone and e-mail to get in touch with people and that works just fine."

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the beds come in 10-minute, 15-minute and 20-minute rieties. Packages are available for the long-term tanner and tanning accelerators are also available on-site. Both men and women are customers at The Beach and they have "regulars" of both sexes, Shapiro said.

Spray-on tanning is not one of the services offered at The Beach, but many competing salons offer them. This method of tanning is more expensive than a single tanning session but offers an immediate tan look and lasts 7-10 days. Amber Cochran, a tan aficio-

nado, prefers to lay out in the sun, but tans in tanning beds when it is more convenient.
"I know it's bad for you, but I

do it anyway," she said. Cochran, a freshman in First

Year College, cited regularly visiting her local tanning salon as the explanation for her perfectly bronzed appearance. She says that she plans to tan only during

the future while in college.

In high school, however, she tanned year-round for cheer-leading, typically tanning six days a week. Cochran tanned for the aesthetic value, and said that she tries not to do it on a regular basis if there are no special occasions coming up.

"I'm surprised that tanning beds aren't more regulated," said Nancy Hutchinson, a Nurse Practitioner with the Student Health Center.

Hutchinson decried the reasons for exposing oneself to the dangerous UVA/UVB rays involved with tanning.

"The only safe tan comes from a bottle," she said.

Hutchinson acknowledged the fact that many people associate tans with looking healthy. "Over the years, we've been engrained that tans are healthy looking, this is an unfortunate misperception," she said.

Hutchinson reminds the tans in a bottle (available at most drug and grocery stores) and the spray-on tans now offered at many tanning salons as safe and healthy alternatives that TRACS

and mechanical engineering, finds the current TRACS page hard to navigate.
"The page is really boring and

hard to get to. I'm a junior, and I still can't get to it," said Reshamwala.

Registration and Records plans to improve the online TRACS system, as well. "Search func-tions will be improved to assist students in finding courses to properly fit their degree sched-ule," Harrell said. "Information about paired labs, restrictions and other course notes will be enhanced and made more

Harrell explained that frames will be removed from the TRACS system to allow students to use the TRACS system from any

At the end of construction, Harrell hopes the Web site "will

be more easily navigable, conbe more easily navigable, con-tent-centered and aesthetically pleasing while being brought into compliance with ADA standards.

"R&R also wants to aid the university in its quest to have a single source for student infor-mation," Harrell added.

Along with a new look, Registration and Records is also looking for a new logo and is holding a competition to have a distinctive and original logo that will represent the com-puter-based registration system for students.

The logo competition aims to redefine the name of the registration and records system and to give TRACS a graphic presence on campus. The logo will be used throughout N.C. State publications, as well as on the world wide web" said Harrell.

The Registration and Records logo contest is open to any cur-rent student at NCSU and will close tomorrow at 5 p.m.



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STORY BY ERIN WELCH

It is standard operating procedure in scientife research: before a vaccine or drug can be tested on humans and approved for human comsumption, it must be tested on another species. This means a research laboratory must have a wide variety of animals on hand for research purposes.

But there are those that disagree, saying that animal testing has outlived its usefulness. To continue to subject animals to pain in the name of science is morally vrong, they contend.

There is no easy answer, but N.C. State continues to conduct research involving animals, adhering to strict state and federal laws that prevent mistreatment.

As a research institution, N.C. State conducts "almost all types" of animal research, according to Rick Fish, director of Laboratory Animal Resources at the College of Veterinary Medicine.

"The work with animal parallels the research areas of th culture and Life Si of Agri-d College

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detal laws govern the use of ani-s in research, teaching and testing, let these laws, NCSU is required to have an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee. The IACUC approves all projects at

The IACUC approves all projects at NCSU involving animals and inspects all facilities where animals are used every six months.

"All animal use, teaching and research using live vertebrate animals is subject to IACUC review," IACUC Coordinator Indith Lassier said.

The IACUC "is charged to see that the Animal Welfare Act is applied. It is essential to see that animals are used appropriately and humanely in teaching and research."

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Appointed by the chancellor, the IACUC assures that all research performed at NCSU complies with the Animal Welfare and Health Research Extension Acts. The committee inspects all programs for the care and use of animals and makes recommendations regarding these inspections to the vice chancellor for research.

Only the IACUC has the authority in

er, Lassiter commented t it is rare to find noncompliance ir inimal research performed at NCSU.

If noncompliance with the Animal

Welfare Act is discovered, the action is ceased immediately and corrective action is taken, said Lassiter.

Among other research studies at NCSU, researchers are currently looking at Feline Immunodeficiency Virus in cats, a similar disease to Human Immunodeficiency Virus in humans The current research has helped to un-derstand how the disease is transmitted and provide insight into possible vacies for the disease.

However, Fish stressed that research at NCSU does not aim toward medical

"Medical breakthroughs are not necessarily one of the key missions of the university, as it might be at a university with a medical school." Pish said, "Much of the work done at N.C., State does have relevance to human health and disease." d disease.'

Fish also referred to NCSU's in researching hip replacement dogs with severe arthuris that research performed at S

r first complete a basic

Animal research is needed to advance science



Cutchin

Recently, Students Protecting Animals Respon-sibly Compassionately had Ray Greek lecture on "The human harms of animal

research.

According to Jared Milrad, president of SPARC,
this lecture was done to
present a fair view of the
animal research world and how it harms humans. I was interested in how Dr. Greek was going to be fair about animal research and thus visited Dr. Greek's Website

Web site.

There, I was horrified by the absolute distortion of truth and omission of crucial facts regarding the

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TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

CONTINUE RESEARCH

OUR OPINION: ANIMAL RESEARCH BENEFITS STU DENTS AT N.C. STATE AND SHOULD CONTINUE THERE ARE STILL MANY ADVANCES THAT CAN BE MADE FROM THE RESEARCH OF ANIMALS

Animal research has been an active part of N.C. State's learning curriculum in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and the College of Veterinary Medicine for decades. This type of research has also led to the cures of many diseases that are found in humans

question placed onto animal research ers' shoulders is whether or not the research

Resears hers have made huge breakthroughs in biology, genetics and technology. However, technology has not solved every problem, discovered every disease

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We have a dangerous faith in animal models



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dis, starties the compen-dism of drug testers before inn with a single slide. Of the 22 drugs that advanced to human trials from liver toxicity tests in rats, only two of 11 drugs found to be toxic in rats. were also toxic in h and only eight of supposedly sets on also safe in hunting results, Levin cond make the annual m

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training module to become certified. The IACUC reviews new projects and looks at each researchers' qualifications and training experience before they

approve the project.

IACUC policy on the use of animals clearly states that "animals should be used in teaching, research and extension programs only as required to demonstrate principles, to obtain new information and achieve results which will ultimately benefit society."

The policy continues to say that whenever possible, meth-ods other than animal research should be used to "augment," complement or possibly replace animal use entirely" in order to reduce the number of animals needed for research purposes.

While the IACUC exists to assure NCSU compliance with federal regulations on animal research, their mission alone states, "the use of animals is essential to the teaching, extension and research missions of N.C. State University." The mission statement later states that "continued use is crucial to future advancements.

Fish agreed with the IACUC mission, stating "research that involves animals remains a key tool in helping us understand the health and diseases of both humans and animals."

John Gilligan, vice chancellor for research and graduate studies, said that animal model testing is essential to developing foods, drugs and medical applicances.

"Many times there is no other way of testing food, drugs or medical appliances," Gilligan said. "Of course we are concerned about the animals themselves, whether that are a part of herds or aquaculture. Crop science, animal science, food science; they are all interrelated."

Gilligan said that the university follows all state and federal guidelines regarding animal use in research.

"We rely on the individual investigator. Most of them are experts on specific animals. We strictly follow federal and state guidelines concerning anesthetising, testing or euthanizing animals. There is a committee that reviews the procedures for researchers and teachers," Gil-



Mice used in experiments are housed in a research center on campus. The university must follow all laws regarding animal use in research.

The IACUC states that without research, students studying agriculture, biological sciences or veterinary medicine would not receive adequate instruc-tion in their fields. According to Courtney Elder, Pre-Vet Club president, research is needed as one of the various paths for veterinary medicine students to follow after obtaining their degree. "It is

is important for our members to obtain some sort of research experience since most vet schools, including the CVM, highly recommend it," Elder said.

As a zoology major, Elder said she has participated in several animal research projects.

"I want to help make animals healthy, but I also understand that sometimes animal research is needed to help make us healthier as well as our companion animals," Elder said.

Although some argue against animal research on the basis of cruelty to the animal subjects, both Fish and Elder stress other perspectives.

Elder stressed that she believed animals should be "taken care of humanely and housed in proper condition." Of her experiences researching at NCSU, Elder said "I have yet to see anything of the contrary."

"Animals may be harmed in research in the sense that typically they are euthanized at the conclusion of the study in order to obtain tissues," Fish said. A small amount of studies actually involve animal pain or distress according to Fish; in these cases, he said the IACUC and university veterinarians assure that potential for pain or distress in the animals is minimized.

"It's important to realize that research scientists have no special interest in harming animals," Fish said. He added that it is also important to realize that unhealthy or distressed animals make poor animal models.

Fish noted that during research, animals must be given appropriate anesthesia or analgesia unless there is a specific reason for not giving pain relievers. Cases which do not utilize anesthesia or analgesia must be approved by the IACUC to assure "scientific justification" for the procedure,

Sam Mozley, professor of zoology, said that NCSU goes to great lengths to ensure that animals are not unnecessarily harmed by experiments and "that those experiments have sufficient scientific value to justify surgery, euthanasia, injurious treatments, etc. on animals.'

'The university has invested considerable funds in the Biological Resource Facility, whose sole mission is to provide a healthy environment for research animals," Mozley said.

Lassiter said that she felt certain things could only be tested and examined on living organisms.

"Many of us would not be alive today without the advances that have been obtained through animal research and testing, Lassiter said. "That's part of the reason why people are surviving heart transplants and open heart surgery and why the death rate of newborn infants is much lower than it was 100 years ago.

Mozley did not anticipate animal research to continue to grow in the future at NCSU.

"I would expect it to reach a plateau ad then continues at that level for several decades, Mozley said. "New needs for animals will be offset by technical advances that will make some existing types of animal research unnecessary.'

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Dr. Ray Greek, an animal rights activist, recently spoke to NCSU's Students Protecting Animals Responsibly and Compassionately

Greek advocates against the use of animals for research because of the lack of significance he sees such research having for human medicine.

"Today it is misleading and dangerous to model human disease and test drugs in animals,"

"Testing drugs on animals does not offer even a 50 percent likelihood of predicting the affects of the drug in humans."

Greek said that past medical advances were made using animals, but today, medicine is studying human disease at an extremely different level than

"The animal has largely outlived its usefulness and today results in far more harm than good," Greek said.

Nell Kriesberg, adjunct lecturer in Science, Technology and Society program agreed with Greek that although at one time animal research was historically necessary, now society has an "extraordinary genetic knowledge as well as a deep understanding of biology — there is not that same need."

Greek referenced countless alternatives which may be utilized in place of animal research: epidemiology studies, in vitro research, autopsies, personalized medicine, continued research of genes and genetics, stem cell research, artificial neural networks and post-marketing drug surveil-He stressed the utilization of

personalized medicine, a concept that each person is genetically unique and therefore will react to medicines differently. Personalized medicine suggests that medicines should be designed for individuals, rather than for the population as a whole. "Personalized medicine allows us to treat you like an individual, not a statistic," Greek said, "this increases the likelihood of success."

Gene and DNA chips exist that allow researchers to expose DNA

to a new drug, previewing the result that specific drug would produce in an individual, said Greek. He predicts this method of medicine will be practiced in

Arguing that "animal testing creates a false sense of security," Greek also pointed out that substances that could save many human lives are not approved because of their affects on animals. Additionally, substances that produce positive affects in animals may harm humans.

Approximately 100,000 deaths occur per year from legal drugs and approximately 15 percent of all hospital admissions are caused by adverse medication reactions, according to Greek. "All of these drugs had undergone extensive animal testing," he said.

"The animal testing protocol works against human safety. It also diverts valuable research dollars away from solid humanbased testing methodologies," Greek added.

Gilligan disagrees with the idea that animal testing is not necessary anymore.

"Can you trust a vaccine that was tested on a computer before you test it on a human? I don't think so," Gilligan said. "You'd be putting human health at risk."

Gilligan also said that there is no alternative for students in laboratory sections that require animal dissection.

"There is nothing that can replace the real life experience working with the real thing," Gilligan said.

Many individuals against animal research also bring up the issue of its morality and ethical value. Kriesberg, who has reserached much into the topic of ethics and the use of animals in research, said the real question "how we see ourselves in relationship to the other species on our planet.'

Another ethical issue Kriesberg pointed out was "how do we bal-ance our obligations to our own species with our obligations to other species?"

Since it was first utilized, Kriesberg said animal research has not increased or decreased in significance.

"Society is still divided along a spectrum on this issue," Kriesberg said. "It is really a cover for disagreements over worldviews... people feel very strongly that their personal worldview is the right one and feel extremely threatened when that is questioned.

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is no animal rightist.

The most ardent supporters of animal research — i.e. any drugs, chemicals or genetic modifications tested in non-humans that seek to model human disease — propose claims highly more predictable than the methodologies they de-Vivisectors hail the crucial scien-

tific milestones that, in their view, depended on the animal model, ch as the development of penicillin, the polio vaccine or a basic understanding of gross human anatomy and physiology.

anatomy and physiology.

Sure enough, the penicillin and
polio vaccine discoveries may
have depended on animal models,
though even penicillin inventor Alexander Fleming argued that animal models delayed "the whole field of antibiotics" and vaccine developer Albert Sabin criticized

misleading monkey models. When early scientists compared the gross structure and function of the dog heart to the human heart, animal research worked.

Decades later, however, when today's scientists consider knowledge about genes, gene regulation, complex biochemical pathways and current technologies, animal research doesn't work

In fact, it harms and sometimes kills the very species it seeks to protect.

We now know that humans have about 30,000 genes, of which 99.4 percent of our "working DNA" is

shared with chimpanzees and 97.5 percent with mice. Many species share thousands

of genes, in fact, but the ways in which these genes are regulated (or turned "on" or "off") differs extensively from species to species, individual to individual.

Gene regulation and sequence are the main reasons why most, but not all, humans develop lung cancer from prolonged smoking and why mice have tails but humans don't.

Further, since genes interact in a complex system unique to each a complex system unique to each individual, one cannot simply "knock out" or add a gene to a mouse and then consistently predict the function of that same gene in humans.

As one might expect, these slight differences have failed the animal

The National Cancer Institute, for example, found that successful anti-cancer drugs were useless in mice growing human tumors.

The Food and Drug Administration, which mandates animal testing for all new drugs, recalled or relabeled most new medications under study because of adverse, unexpected side effects.

Today, 20 compounds harmless in humans are carcinogenic in

Cerestat, recalled because it killed potential stroke patients joins hormone replacement therapy, Thalidomide, fen-Phen, Rezulin and other treatments as the collective human harms of animal research.

Not only do animal models kill,

they siphon time, money and scientific knowledge away from the human patients who need it most.

According to The Washington Post, the pharmaceutical industry spends nearly \$75 million each year lobbying in Washington and the industry has strong connections to the FDA, medical journals

and academic institutions.

These vested interests steal the spotlight from successful and widely used non-animal technolo-

Epidemiology (the study of human populations), in-vitro research, gene assays, mathemati-cal models and improved clinical research all summarize the past, present, and future of biomedical research.

The potential of pharmacogo nomics (or personalized medicine) and the success of the Human Genome Project, for example, emphasize the benefits of these modalities.

There are no alternatives, much less refinements, to a scientifically inept model. We have a clear choice: not whether to save a child or dog, but whether to use our resources wisely or merely expend them on tradition.

Terminally-ill patients deserve a better future, but only sound science, not mice, can take them

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nor found cures and breakthroughs that may lie inside bodies.

Every disease known to animals and humans has not been found yet and until each one is, animal research should be allowed to continue — it has kept humans safe so far.

People that are allowed to work with animals learn when working in a hands-on environment. Harm is not always delivered to an animal and often times work is being done to heal the pain of an animal,

The animal and medical industry has too many variables that cannot be simulated any other way. Allowing students to actively participate will produce successful and knowledgeable professionals

There is also a difference between animal research and animal testing. NCSU practices animal research, while companies that test their products on animals use them for personal gain.

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A reason does not exist for research not to continue



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Beam me up!

William Shatner Shout! Factory ****

Hisham Salama

This album came of great interest, as I knew Ben Folds produced William Shatner's "Has Been." I was very skep-tical, however, as I started to listen to the disc, only prepared to hear mysterious

space noises and cheesy electronic gun sounds the "Star Trek" movies once boasted.

How little I knew. From the to the last, Shatner took

my underbrought it to another level, far, far away. Not many noted albums have been spoken word, but Shatner found a way to break the ice.

Shatner takes most beauti-fully composed pieces of music, which were arranged by Ben Folds and adds his own unique blend of spoken word. Shatner speaks mostly of his own philosophy of love that appears very strange upon a first listening. The opening

lyrics to "That's Me Trying' are "I got your address from the phone book in the library/ Wandered in and looked you up/ And you were there." Listening a little further proves Shatner is no stalker, but a

lyrical genius.

The stand out track is the last on the album: "Real, which features country star Brad Paisley. Shatner explains in this song, that he is real, and not a superhero, as portrayed in movies. And even though he would like

to help the world with its problems, he entertainer. Paisley's voice matches this song magnifi-cently, with his country roots and the song written in a country

perspective. Guest appearances on this album are star studded, featuring: Ben Folds, Joe Jack-son, Aimee Mann, Lemon Jelly, Henry Rollins and Brad Paisley. All of the musicians add their standout voices in the choruses and Rollins even joins Shatner for a master-

WILLIAM SHATNER

piece spoken word duet.
I urge you all to get aboard
Shatner's new Enterprise and
journey to a new destination in musical history; you won't be disappointed.

Waits' real-life grit

Real Gone Tom Waits Anti-



Grayson Currin

Imagine the odds: in the same year, two of music's most imaginative artists with two of music's most compelling voices turn their backs on the instrumental insights that have been somewhat responsible for laying the bed on which their

Bjork was the first to meet a release date with her "Medulla," an outlandish, subtle enigma built on her own siren sounds, the multi-tracked efforts of beatboxers Rahzel and Dokaka and the icy ambience

of a massive Icelandic choir.
That Tom Waits—the legendary piano player turned heartfelt junkyard jive eccentric followed with comparison. tric-followed suit some two months later with his own 80-minute epic that owes as much to his own mishmash vocal matrix as his all-star backing line up doesn't say anything about transatlantic inspiration

or progressive wagon-hopping. It does speak volumes, however, about a current musical environment in which technology continues to open doors for artists who have always had the aesthetic vision, if not the actual viaduct. And it proves the redundant: these artists are controlling the technology, applying it to their music without allowing it to consume the qualities that make it theirs in the first place.

That is, technology is con-trolling neither Bjork nor Tom

nology as Bjork down the op-posite avenue for "Real Gone," making his 20 full-length a

primal, swampy, stewey, Southern sweat littered with down-trodden characters that carry the smears and stains of real-life grit all over their faces and

down inside their fables. Waits is still interested in the down-and-out, the odd-and-ugly, as he sings about circus freaks like Horse Face Ethel and Yodeling Elaine in "Circus" and Knocky Parker and Bowlegged Sal in "Metropolitan Glide."

The sound follows suit coming here in feast-or-famine volleys of production and in-novation.

During "Shake It," Waits

spits "Night clerk, door closed/ Lie down baby/ Your love is a faucet" before emancipating an emasculated, confident, gut-tural "ahhh," something like an evangelist gone black, touring the Devil's stump circuit with a fifth to the face and a harem in tow.

It's not all mayhem, though.
"Green Grass"—the album's
quietest moment and perhaps
Waits' best bleeding heart ballad ever—ties form to function, as he mournfully proclaims, "Lay you head where my heart used to be... Remember when you loved me.'

One track later, Waits rips one of his most vindictive love songs straight from that hole where his heart used to be. The mad and delirious "Baby Gon-na Leave Me" is a hailstorm of emotion and spit-in-the-mic vocals and percussion, Waits bitterly belting, "Somebody told me there," never been a rose without a thorn.

That chaos is the modus operandi for "Real Gone," which stands with "Swordfish Trombones" and "Rain Dogs" as one of Waits' noisiest and most experimental records. In fact, these songs borrow as much from Hip-Hop as Rock 'N' Roll, requiring oddly few Cal

embellishments that don't have to deal with the rhythm and chug-chug-chug persistence of multi-layered anthems like the over-stepped "Top of the Hill" or the perfect "Hoist That

Rag."
Waits is still the same master storyteller that hinted at free-style Rap with the capitalistic bashing of "Step Right Up, and he channels all of this sound—from his own layered hiccups, growls, coughs and exaggerated wheezes to the peek-and-hide guitar brilliance of six-string, avant-garde shark Marc Ribot—into these narratives.

Waits slips into a different mode for the parting shot. After soul-singing through "Make It Rain" with the conviction and coercion of an aged the quiet acoustics of "Day After Tomorrow," the story of a 21-year-old soldier writing an overseas reply to his Illinois parents. "I'm not fighting for justice/ I am not fighting for freedom/ I am fighting for my life and another day in the world here," Waits sings through the eyes of the boy on

his birthday.

It's the kind of empathetic magic that Waits managed two decades ago with "On'the Nickel," and it's good to know that a wealthy, 54-year-old ge-nius can somehow relate to the uneasiness of those 30 years his younger.

between your little brother that has leukemia and mice?

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developed by Louis Pasteur and his colleagues.

human lives, yet Dr. Greek

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rabid dog was not treated for

The vaccine, as Pasteur developed it, was used for many years until it was replaced by

vaccine prepared in cell cul-

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research that can be used and

research that can be used and are required by law to be used when applicable.

Dr. Kenneth Anderson, a poultry science professor and member of the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee states that all programs.

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THE SHIRTLESS ONE

After re-releasing his hit new album "Confessions, Usher will jump 23 spots to No. 1 on the Billboard albums chart. The singer re-released "Confessions" with four bonus tracks. Usher sold more than 335,000 copies of Confessions, according to SoundScan, pushing the album past the



STD'S IN COMIC BOOK LAND

Batman is to Robin as Green Arrow is to Speedy. Well, Speedy (a.k.a. Mia), discov-ers she is HIV positive in the DC Comics series "Green Arrow." Mia, a teenage prostitute and intravenous drug user, was introduced three years ago when film director and comic-book fan Kevin Smith ("Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back, "Clerks") brought the Green Arrow character literally back from the dead. Image comic book's character ShadowHawk was the first superhero to have AIDS when he was injected with a syringe that contained the virus in 1992.

JUST DROP IT

Michael Jackson is asking video channels to stop playing Eminem's "Just Lose It," and BET has since pulled the clip out of rotation. The video portrays Eminem dressed as the gloved one with his hair on fire, his nose falling off and on a bed with children. In the song itself, Eminem raps: "Come here, little kiddies, on my lap/ Guess who's back with a brand new rap/ And I don't mean a rap as in a new case of child-modone touched on every thing but little boys/That's not a stab at Michael/ That's just a metaphor/ I'm just psycho."

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Fans coping with reality

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I mean, who wouldn't want to stand in Comcast Center parking lots and pound brews before the Terps take the field in a nationally televised game?

It's always easy to root for the winner. But what about when times get a little tough? When a major bowl appearance isn't in the near future? When your team turns in a performance

some time.

It's not going to be pretty the rest of the season, so let's be reasonable: 7-4 would be a great season; 6-5 is more realistic.

But the true test this year will fall on everyone involved with the program, including the players, coaches, fans and all those people hawking Under Armour. Do they have the resolve to deal with a down season, at least by Friedgen's standards? People seem to forget that 6-5 was a solid year in College Park just a few years ago.

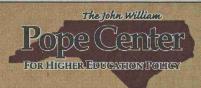
Jordan Steffy, a true freshman, into the fire.

My take: Neither Statham nor Steffy are going to make a tremendous difference this season. Statham doesn't seem to have the mental toughness for the position, but he has a better understanding of Friedgen's system at this point. Steffy

future, but do you send him in now? That's why Friedgen has the million-dollar salary.

But most importantly, how will the fans, who've basked in the clory of a





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are in my way, there's no way I can move so I just have to bang them up. I tell them after every play I'm sorry, but they understand. I'm not one to make a lot

of moves, so I just got to go in there and get five yards."

One of the bright spots on the year for the Terps has been its stellar special teams play. Senior

place kicker Nick Novak has been automatic on field goals under 40 yards this season and has recently become the ACC's all-time leading scorer.

Another Terrapin milestone was set Saturday by kick return

specialist Steve Suter. After a punt return in the first quarter, Suter became the ACC's all-time leader in punt return yards.

Maryland's last two games against N.C. State have ended on a game-winning Novak kick

with under a minute remaining. All four wins have been by seven points or less and Maryland remains the only ACC foe State Coach Chuck Amato has not beaten.

Behind the legs of both Suter

and Novak, Maryland will look to protect the home turf as it consistently has under Friedgen's tenure.

Before Saturday's loss, the Terps had a 13-game home winning streak, and were 211 since Friedgen came to the school four years ago. The sole home loss came at the hands of Florida State, a team that Friedgen has yet to defeat. Friedgen sees Saturday's game as a turn-ing point for the Terrapins.
"I think this is a very big

ing point for the Terrapins.
"I think this is a very big game for our program, and for this season, there's no doubt," Friedgen said. "I think I have fighters as players, and I'll be extremely disappointed if we don't play well this week."





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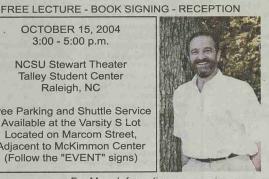
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aid from the trainer, who seems to be collecting injured playmakers. The injury list includes starting keeper Jorge Gonzales, co-captain Justin Branch and freshman

sensation El Hadj Cisse among others.
"I went down last year, and we still made it to the tournament," Salter, who tore a hamstring last year, said. "I think that everyone on the bench is playing just as good as anyone else on the field. When everyone off the bench is good enough to take your spot, it makes you work even harder."

To secure a spot in the NCAA tourna

ment for the second consecutive year, the Pack must go with their even record and start winning games, namely some of the remaining ACC matches against Carolina and Virginia Tech. But before those games can be played, a matchup with league-leading No. 6 Duke looms this Sunday.

"How do we get back on track?" Taran tini said. "This team has a lot of desire, and we'll see what happens against Duke. But every ACC game is a must-win now. We need a win on Sunday."



Sophomore midfielder Haddon Kirk rises over a defender to connect on a header against SUNY- Stony Brook at SAS Soc cer Park on Wednesday afternoon. The Wolfpack won the match by a 4-0 score, breaking a three-game losing streak.

AUSTIN

another tournament. This

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COMMENTARY

ľm all in

Poker is in. Turn on ESPN and you'll hear advertisements for telecasts covering poker tourna-



Austin Johnson

The Travel and Fox Sports Net also have entire shows dedicated to the game/sport/ addiction. The sport

has caught on enough that campus orga-nizations have taken to poker tournaments as fundraisers, having everyone throw in some money to play and rewarding prizes to the winners.

There is something about the money, the aura and the charmoney, the aura and the characters that has turned poker into a nationwide sensation. Poker is more popular than the NHL—if that's really even a compliment.

I'll be the first to admit to jumping on the poker bandwagon. It doesn't take much to get hooked—winning a little money playing with your bud-

money playing with your bud-dies on a Tuesday night, watch-ing "Rounders" one too many times. Pretty soon you think you're ready to be the next Phil Ivey, and you even have the retro jersey collection ready.

See, poker isn't gambling in the purist sense. You aren't rolling a dice, spinning a wheel or pulling a slot machine. It takes skill to be good at poker, and luck gets thrown into the mix just to make it interesting.

This fall break, I decided I was ready to test my skills for real, see if I was any good or if the competition at State was just that bad. So I gassed up the '94 Camry and set off with a few buddies to Atlantic City, or as one local accurately de-scribed it - "the cess pool that is Atlantic City."

The town on an island in

New Jersey is possibly the most bizarre place I have ever been. It's comprised of towering, glit-tering casinos inviting patrons in to come blow their hard-

earned money.

But around these casinos are a myriad of dirty, run-down buildings and streets that explain where Jersey got its repu-tation. The hotel where I stayed had two burnt-out buildings on its street – and at least one of those buildings was occu-pied. Five minutes away was the Trump Taj Mahal Hotel and Casino.

Now, at this point I wish I could tell you that I blew all my money and learned a valuable lesson about the dangers of

gambling. But I can't.

Before we left, I decided I would stick to poker, and specifically, poker tournaments.
The first tournament I entered couldn't have gone any worse. I was out in about an hour and may have been the first person eliminated.

I refrained from pulling my best Phil Hellmuth impersonation and slunk away from the to reconsider the entire trip, and wondering how I could be dumb enough to think it was a

Later that night, I decided to try my luck again and entered

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MEN'S SOCCER

Pack bounces back with win

State dispatched SUNY-Stony Brook 4-0 on Wednesday afternoon after falling in double overtime over the weekend

Ian Jester Senior Staff Writer

CARY - With their first victory in over a month, N. C. State dispatched visiting SUNY-Stony Brook by the score of 4-0 Wednesday afternoon, dousing away the three game losing streak.
Sophomore midfielder Santiago Fusilier notched his first goal of the season for State (5-5-1) in the N.C. STATE 4 31st minute when

S. BROOK oright wing Bryant Salter instantly returned the pass back to Fusilier, who

buried the pass back to Fushier, who buried the first of four goals past Seawolves goalkeeper E.J. Xikis.

Stony Brook (8-3-1) hoped to capitalize against an opponent that was reeling in league play and decimated by injuries. But the Pack never offered the Wolves a chance to test backup net, minder Agron chance to test backup net-minder Aaron Sanders, limiting all 18 appearing players for the Wolves to two shots total on net

while launching 12 against Xikis.
"I think the biggest difference today is we had quickness, and we spread the quickness as a team," Coach George Tarantini said. "What I really like about this antini said. What I really like about this game is that we had a very tough loss in double overtime [against Wake Forest last Sunday], and it would have been easy for us to lie down. But instead we played hard, and I'm very proud that we played hard today."

Now halfway through the season schedule, State is the only team in the ACC without a win. Granted, two of the Pack's three ACC losses have been dealt in overtime, all three by league opponents that arguably form the most competitive soccer conference in the

But nobody wants change to happen sooner than Salter.

"Last week before the Wake game, we trained the hardest that I think in any of trained the narroest that I trink in any of the first two years that I've been here," Salter said. "To lose that game against Wake, it really opened our eyes that it's going to take a lot more than training to make us stronger. You have to work as a team in the game, not just in practice."

Taking a 1-0 lead into the half, the second stanza of play dazzled the home crowd with a flurry of three goals, two by leading scorer Aaron King. King re-ceived a clearance from Sanders at midfield, and dribbled forward relentlessly, avoiding a grab on his jersey, a handling by the defender, and a few sliding tackles before ricocheting the ball off Xikis into the side netting for the second goal of the game.

King scored again for the fourth goal in the 78th minute, a one-touch hit with the laces into the right corner, his sixth goal of the season assisted by midfielder Hugh Cronin.

"I think we were just really hungry af-ter that last game, and we were trying to come out and show character," King said.
"And show that we can get back and play

as good as we know how to play."
Salter collected his second assist of the day when one of his many brilliant crosses found airborne striker Chris Wheaton, who gave birth to a powerful wheader that grazed the far netting with authority, the third goal of the game. "To get an assist, it's going to take two of us to score," Salter said. "I'd rather

a teammate be in on it with me, so we can all get points rather than just one

The goal by Wheaton made up in part for his costly error in the first half, when he gave teammate Ernesto Di Laudo a painful visit to the sideline with a body check after both players ingeniously decided to challenge one another for

Although Di Laudo returned to action later in the match, Tarantini grimaced to see yet another State player requiring

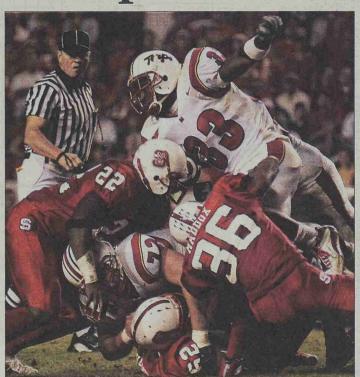
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Backup goalie Aaron Sanders and Rami Ghanayem both leap to send away a ball against SUNY-Stony Brook. Sanders played in place of the injured Jorge Gonzalez.

FOOTBALL

Terrapins' streak on the line



Junior running back Josh Allen ran for 147 yards against State last season in a game that Maryland won 26-24. Allen has split time this year with Sammy Maldonado this season, tallying up 348 yards and three touchdowns. Terrapin quarterbacks Joel Statham and Jordan Steffy may also split time in Satur day's game against State, as Statham has thrown seven interceptions so far on the se

Maryland has a lot of work ahead if it hopes to eclipse 10 wins for the fourth straight year

Andrew Tanker

Maryland is one of just five teams in the nation to win at least 10 games in the past three seasons. This year, though, that

streak is in serious danger.
With a 3-2 record and only six games left on the schedule, Maryland has to win out and then win its not-guaranteed bowl game to reach 10 wins

"This is not a surprise to me," Coach Ralph Friedgen said. "If we can start improving from here we would be right where I want us to be.

Part of the challenge has included finding a quarterback to lead the team. Sophomore quar-terback Joel Statham struggled to make it through the first four and a half games and has thrown seven interceptions in the process.

Statham was pulled in the third quarter against Georgia Tech in favor of freshman Jor-dan Steffy last weekend, who then lead the Terps to their only

Many questions arose after the contest as to who would be the starting quarterback in

Maryland Quick Facts

All-time Record: 567-493-43 All-time ACC Record: 182-144-4 **Head Coach:** Ralph Friedgen (4th year, 31-8)

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the Homecoming game against N.C. State. Friedgen squashed the controversy a press confer-

the controversy a press conference on Tuesday.

"We will open it up more to competition, but when I feel a change is necessary, I'll make it – if I do feel it's necessary; I might not," Friedgen said, "With what Jordan did on Saturday, I don't think he beat loel out, but he definitely did Joel out, but he definitely did a commendable job. If we have the opportunity, we'll probably play him more earlier in games, but that depends on how the game is going, as well." In addition to the budding

two-quarterback system, Mary-land has been splitting time between two running backs. Sammy Maldanado and Josh Allen have gotten almost equal carries and are both producing similar stats, though Maldanado has a style different from that of Allen's.

"I never stop," Maldanado said. "If [my offensive linemen]

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