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GameDay biggest of the year

Ryan Reynolds

N.C. State's victory over Maryland last Saturday marked the first time Coach Chuck Amato triumphed over the Terrapins during his five-year tenure.

Both the outcome of that game and the Wolfpack's drive for an ACC title has led to another first — this time in the history of

another first — this time in the house, the program.

Carter-Finley Stadium will be the site for ESPN's College Football GameDay this weekend for the first time since the show started

"You couldn't buy this type of publicity for the school in one day," Athletics Director Lee Fowler said. "GameDay is a huge production,

Fowler said. "GameDay is a huge production, and it moves the program a step up."
College GameDay, hosted by Chris Fowler, Lee Corso and Kirk Herbstreit, is considered the Mecca of college pregame shows by football fans across the nation.
"I never thought it would happen at N.C. State," senior linebacker Pat Thomas said. "I'm 1 ways looking at the TV, like man, when. e. they gonna come? That's exciting, especially when the fair is going on. Raleigh's going to make a lot of money this weekend."
The GameDay compound will be located on the front lawn of the RBC Center, directly

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Workers assemble the ESPN GameDay platform at Carter-Finley Stadium Thursday

Fair, games may cause traffic woes

Cynthia Marvin

Although finding something to do in West Raleigh this weekend won't be a problem, parking could be. Weekend festivities, including the State Fair, the N.C. State/Miami game and the Red and

Getting there

Park-and-ride shuttle schedule from 8 a.m. until midnight on Saturday:
- Moore Square Park-ing Deck in Downtown Raleigh
- 2912 Wake Forest Road (Alcatel location near the corner of Six Forks and Wake Forest roads.)
- Campus- Dan Allen Drive parking deck
- McKimmon Center (Intersection of Gorman Street and Western Boulevard).

ens at 8 a.m

White basketball scrimmage game, could pose trouble for commuters.

To accommodate the masses of people expected to attend Saturday's events, "Park-nevents, "Park-n-Ride" shuttles will available to transport people from Hillsborough Street, North Ra-leigh and the SAS Soccer Park to the fair complex from 8 a.m. to midnight on Saturday.

The Trinity Road fairground park-ing lot will only be SOURCE: STATE FAIR

closed for the fair. Carter-Finley will open its gates at 8 a.m. in hopes to alleviate some

The fair on

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Terry Lyons spends most of his 16 hour work day sitting and watching the Tilt-A-Whirl as it sends fair patrons on a ride. Workers at the fair go from 9 a.m till midnight, 15 hours. Most of the other fairs Lyons works open at three in the afternoon.

TRAVELING FROM FAIR TO FAIR: THE LIFE OF

STORY BY TIM COFFIELD | PHOTOS BY TIM LYTVINENKO

The man pedaling the small blue bicycle down by campus stops, and calls to you. He looks quite muddy, and a little desperate, and you figure he's scheming on those nickels in

your hip pocket.
His bike looks like something your dad might have in the attic with the rest of his paper-route memorabilia. The back tire is like silly putty, and his hair is wildly unkempt-but not in the trendy way-and then you realize he's not asking for money.

Rather, he's asks directions to "a bar where it's all right for



Josh, a carnival worker at the State Fair, takes a break at the end of a slow night.

me to be." Just got in town, he says. Just got done setting up the Tilt-a-Whirl, he says. And then you realize he's not a bumhe's a carnival worker. You point him to Sadlack's, and he thanks you and rides off. About

a block later, he has to dismount and walk the bike, which had started to wobble violently.

And remembering his wordsa place where it's all right for me to be-you get to thinking. Maybe there exists, behind our dear fair's grinning, dumbhappy exterior, something a little less quaint.

Peel any pretty thing back enough layers and you'll eventually hit dirt, find the gritty reality.

At the State Fair, you don't have to peel very far.

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Fest to jump-start early voting drive

Erin Welch

Voters can skip Election Day lines a week in advance.

The first ever Democracy Fest will take place Saturday and Sunday. The event is scheduled in conjunction with the one-stop absentee voting sites in Wake County, which will be open both days. Pullen Arts Center is a one

stop absentee voting center and will allow individuals to

cast their ballots this week-end to avoid the Election Day crowd.

Day crowd.

"One-stop voting is such a new thing to students, it's important that people use the polling site and important that we have an event that advertises its location," Matt Latrick, Director of Government Relations at N.C. State, eaid

"This is the first time Stu-

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Tamasha, seen here at the Homecoming concert, will be part of Kaleidoscope activities tonight in Talley Student Center.

Tamasha grows into national spotlight

Manisha Dass Staff Reporter

Bhangra. Hiphop. Filmi. Bharat-

Some of the words may sound jumbled and foreign, but it all makes sense when a local troupe combines them into a high energy dance per-

Tamasha will be one of 12 organiza-

tions performing in N.C. State's array of cultural diversity exhibited in "Ka-

leidoscope" tonight from 7-9 p.m "Tamasha," literally transla translated. means "causing a spectacle or havoc" in Hindi, the language often used in social circles among Indians in the Triangle area.

The group's co-founders, former

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Clarification

Clariff catton

To clarify spesteday's article "Reactions to bill vehement," the NCSU drum line played in support of the stance the Student Senate had taken on the Thompson Theatre Debt Service Fee, which passed with a 42-1 vote, according to Student Senate President Will Quick.

There were two distinct issues the Senate faced last hight. The first was the fee resolutions and the second was the appropriations bill. The groups in support of the fee resolutions—the drum line, ARTSINCState, and theatre students—were not involved with the students protesting the proposed appropriations bill.

PARKING

According to State Fair Press Office Director Bryan Long, taking advantage of the shuttles will help reduce stress for everyone.

Although Long stressed the benefits of the shuttles, he said that patience is the key for people who absolutely must drive.
"For those who want to drive,

I recommend coming to the fair early in the morning and then continue the day with the basketball scrimmage and top it off with the football game,"

Extra travel time is going to be necessary for everyone, Long

With traffic as the foremost with trainic as the foremost concern of fairground officials, highway patrol in cooperation with the N.C. Department of Transportation, will be direct-ing traffic to ensure the most possible efficiency of the "Park-n-Ride" system.

Sergeant Jon Barnwell of Campus Police said that al-though traffic will be the main concern, Campus Police are not too worried.

"There are some positives to

the fact that the fairground lots are closed off from tailgaters. Since the fairgrounds have their own security, we have less to look

after," he said. "Of course, we will still keep an eye out on the area, but this gives us the opportunity to spread our resources and ensure better safety."

One of the largest concerns that emerged over this past week is vehicle breaking and entering.
Barnwell said he cannot stress

enough that people should not travel to the events with any

unneeded valuables.

Although parking for the weekend won't be easy, Carla Faulkner, a sophomore in aerospace engineering, said she does not believe it will detract from the festivities.

"This is going to be a fun weekend, the events planned gives families and fans around the area [the opportunity] to show NCSU pride," she said. "I don't see parking being too much of a hassle as long as everyone knows to be patient and is responsible about tailgating – I'm excited to see how GameDay ends up."

behind the scoreboard on the north side of Carter-Finley Stadium.

GAMEDAY

"Our stadium will be the backdrop for the show," Fowler said. "With it lighted up at night for a packed house, it's going to be a beautiful sight."

N.C. State athletics personnel thought all along that it would

N.C. State athletics personnel thought all along that it would be the perfect spot to support such a large event, because ABC had a similar setup when the Carolina Hurricanes hosted Stanley Cup Finals games at the RBC Center in 2002.

"In my head I said, 'This is going to work out just like that,'"
Director of Athletics Facilities
Ray Brincefield said. "It worked with all those people that were with all those people that year, and it will do the same this weekend."

Today there will be a live shot on ESPN from the GameDay set between 5 and 6 p.m. and segments for this evening's SportsCenter will be taped.

Even though the Fairgrounds lot is inaccessible for parking because of the State Fair, 1,000 parking spots in the southeast gravel lot behind the scoreboard will be allotted for students for tonight's event.

Parking passes can be picked up at the Student Government office in 307 Witherspoon Stu-dent Center. The live GameDay show will

be held from 10:30 a.m. until noon tomorrow, and the hosts will periodically have live tele-casts from the set before the 7:

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45 p.m. kickoff of the game.
All subsequent lots around
Carter-Finley Stadium will
open at 8 a.m. tomorrow, including the Trinity Lot, which is predominately occupied by students. Fans who do not

have a place to park can take a shuttle to the stadium from various locations around Ra-

leigh.

Alcohol will not be permitted inside the ESPN GameDay compound, and any sign deemed vulgar by ESPN will be confiscated, according Brincefield.

A large video screen on the set of College GameDay will be showing the N.C. State/Miami game for fans who are unable

to acquire tickets.

N.C. State received the official word that it would be the host site of College GameDay Sunday evening, and athletics personnel have been working ever since to ensure everything would be ready for the GameDay production and what ESPN labels as its "A" game of

the week.
"You would think it all goes together because it's ESPN, but you're talking to different

directors for the GameDay crew and the actual game," Brince-field said. "It's double, the work we would do for a football game as far as TV goes."

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Hundreds of fans are expected to turn out for the event that will give N.C. State a weekend's worth of national exposure.
"Knowing the fact that your fans are already going to be riled up out there with the signs, and you get to watch it [on TV] before you go play," wide receiver Tramain Hall said. "You're going to be ready to 'go out there and knock somebody's head off."
Brincefield will take a more passive approach to appreciat-

passive approach to appreciating everything N.C. State athletics has done to prepare for one of its biggest events of.

"The games end up being a blur to us," Brincefield said. "We'll relax on Sunday evening, cooking with the grill and say, 'What just happened?''

FEST

dent Government has ever done an event like this," Latrick said.

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In the past, students could vote at Witherspoon, however, construction behind the Student Health Center has limited parking and forced the polls to be relocated to the Arts Center.
According to Nathan Eagle, a freshman in engineering, who helped organize the Democracy Fest, the goal of Democracy Fest is not only to increase toter turnout, but also to increase the

turnout, but also to increase the awareness of the election candi-

dates among NCSU students. "The age hasn't always been 18 to vote and we need to take advantage of it," Eagle said.
"Especially with the situation we're in now, 18-year-olds could possibly be drafted. It's an important issue that could affect students."

Organizers anticipate 200-400 participants, but Latrick remains

"I'd love to see six, seven, eight hundred people," he said. Polls will be open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. during both days of the Democracy Fest and organizers encourage students registered in Wake County to take ad-vantage of the opportunity to

The Youth Voice and Voter Program, Student Government and WKNC have partnered together to sponsor and host the entire event. Both days include a variety of scheduled bands and free refreshments for all

Guest speakers include Raleigh Mayor Charles Meeker, Tom

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Democracy Fest

One-stop absentee voting will be open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at Pullen Arts Center.
The Democracy Fest will take place from noon to 8 p.m. Saturday at Pullein Park Plaza and from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday on the lawn of the Alumni Association Building across from the Bell Tower.
The Democracy Fest is free and open to the public.

Stafford, vice chancellor for student affairs, and Student Body

President Tony Caravano.

"Voting early at a one-stop polling site means that any student in the district [that is] registered in the county can vote at Pullen," said Caravano. "If they wait till Nov. 2, they'll have to drive to a different district. This is list more convenient." is just more convenient.

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Caravano hopes that giving students the opportunity to vote early will also give them the opportunity to exchange more dialogue about voting.

"We hope that we inform people of the opportunity to vote at the site, where the site is located and that students have more time to talk about voting. more time to talk about voting
— to say 'Hey, I voted, did you
vote?'" Caravano said. "Having
more time to talk about voting

might influence more people to vote in the long run." Regardless if students vote early this weekend, Will Langley, vice chair of the campus community committee, stressed the

importance of getting college students out to the polls, "Even if you have classes all day Tuesday [Election Day], there is no excuse to not vote," Langley said. "It's the most important thing you can do all year."

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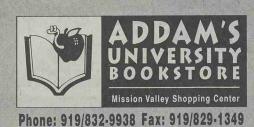
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TAMASHA

NCSU student Milesh Patel and

current student Pritesh Patel, wanted to figure out a way to put Raleigh-Durham on the

"Often I would tell people that I lived in Raleigh and most peo-ple would ask, "Where is that?" Pritesh said. "Tamasha provides us a direct path to let others in this world know who we are and where we are from. Wherever I go [nationally], people know of Tamasha.

They came up with the idea of a locally-based South Asian platform for music and dance two years ago after they vis-ited a show put on by the South Asian Student Association in Toronto.

"It all started as just an idea after Pritesh and I saw some amazing performances by groups from different schools in the cultural show at SASA 2002," Milesh said. "I've always had a passion for music and ev-erything that it creates and also wanted to be a part of some kind of South Asian dance or singing group.

For Tamasha, tonight's event is only the beginning of excit-

is only the beginning of excit-ing cultural performances.

Future performances are scheduled throughout the next two months and include Aaj Ka Dhamaka at UNC-Chapel Hill, Dance Fusion at Penn State, and Ektaa's student cultural show at NCSU

In the past, Tamasha has performed in national competitions and won. Tamasha even won first and won. I almassa wen won instplace in their first performance
was at a show called Milan Night,
an annual show produced by
Ektaa, NCSU's South-Asian
cultural organization.
Tamasha has also performed
at Ektaa's annual fall and spring
bours and most notably at the

shows, and most notably at the Bollywood Fashion Awards, which was aired on ARY Digi-tal, an international South Asian television channel.

"My goal is to spread the musi-cal aspect of South Asian culture all around campus," co-President Sejal Patel said.

Co-President Sheetal Patel shares the goal. "I want to work with my members to make people aware of Tamasha, differen tiating yet fusing American and South Asian [musical] culture," Sheetal said.

Current secretary and chore-ographer, Julie Kathrotia, has been a member of Tamasha since it's start in 2001. "Tamasince it's start in 2001. "Tamasha has evolved and expanded so much. It's so well known and I am proud to be part of such an organization."
"If felt most proud to be a part of Tamasha when we won 2nd place in SASA," Kathrotia said of the wijh whose Tamasha's idea.

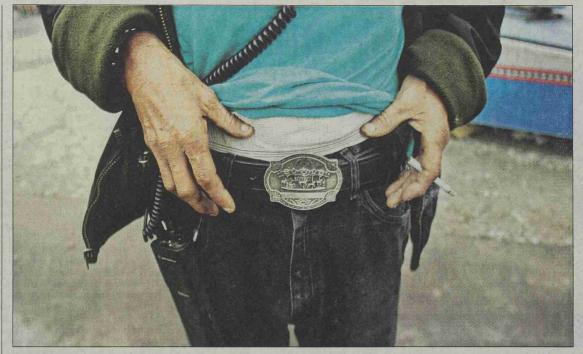
of the win where Tamasha's idea was born. The organization has over 70 active dance members within its three chapters, located

at Duke, UNC-CH and NCSU. Kathrotia and fellow chore-ographer Krishna Suthar work closely with three other choreographers to making dance routines for Tamasha. Their ideas come from various inspirations. "A lot of my dance ideas come from Hindi films," Kathrotia said. "In fact, my passion for dancing evolved from Hindi movies.

Co-founder Milesh definitely feels like his goal has been ac-complished. "When we started Tamasha, we started it from scratch," Milesh said. "Today we have established ourselves as one of the most unique and talented South Asian organizations not only in North Carolina, but in the entire country!"



ness management, at a Wednes day rehearsal for Kaleidoscope.



NOMADS

Terry, 60, and Lynda, 52, work for Smokey Mountain Amusements, one of the several carnival outfits contracted to put on the fair's rides, games and various exhibits. Twenty-five year veterans of the carnival business, they operate the Tilt-a-Whirl.

When he talks about the life of his fellow carnival workers, Terry goes to pains to distance himself from them.

"There's only three of us have vehicles, and I'm one. I got my truck," he

says. Carnival workers live as nomads for nine months out of the year, traveling from fair to fair across the country. They spend the cold months in a warm locale, often in Florida, for "winter quarters"-a camp of sorts, where equipment is repaired, and the workers, who often have no "home" to which they

could return, live.

"But I don't," Terry says, "I got a life. I got other places I can go."

He doesn't elaborate.

Not surprisingly, this hard kind of life comes with its share of temptations for folks looking to numb the grind.

"We're putting in a drug policy this year," Terry says of SMA. "You wouldn't believe how bad it is-crack, meth, dope, you name it." you name it.

He cocks his head towards the ride.
"I mean, it's tough to get these things
put together when everyone is f*****
up," he says.
You don't say.

Stories regularly trickle out in the news about carnival workers getting arrested for what they do on the job; in recent weeks, ride operators in Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Texas fairs were arrested for being visibly inebriated. But less attention has been paid to what these folks do off hours-when the ride assembly and majitenance takes ride assembly and maintenance takes

Each time you board the Scrambler or the Ring of Fire-any ride-you place your life in the hands of these assembly

crews and ride operators.

Josh, a teen from Cleveland County, with glassed-over eyes and leather biker gloves, helps assemble the rides and op-



(Above) Terry Lyons helps a patron on to the Tilt-A-Whirl at the State Fair. Lyons has been working in the carnival business for 20 years.

(Top) Lyons' belt buckle has a picture of a carousel on it. Lyons shot the picture then gave it to a friend to make a mold. There are only 20 buckles made before the mold broke. "Only carousel people have one of these," Lyons said.

erates the Twister. He's new to the business, and maybe that's why he's more candid about the mysterious carnival life than the veterans. On Tuesday, as the fair prepares to close for the eve-ning, he sits on the steps and slices at the air with his switchblade knife. He tells about his recent release from prison, and about the warrants that

had been served for his arrest in three different N.C. counties. For "some

different N.C. countes. For some bulls***," he says.

Given this kind of background, and the fact that he's armed with a large knife, you'd think a carnival might hesitate to put the lives of thousands of children in his hands every day.

But you'd he wrong.

But you'd be wrong.
Then Josh starts talking about the relationship between the carnival workers and their employers. And things start to get really interesting.

"Yeah," he says. "They never made me fill out an application or anything. I just showed up looking for work when I got out [of prison], and they said I could come." could come

So they at least did a background check, right?

"Hell no," he says. He doesn't even know the name of the company he works for and doubts that they know

"They call what we are-the actual workers-they call us the carnies," he says of his employers. "We's like low class to them. They stick us in the bunkhouses, but they sleep in their \$10 dollar Win-

Josh is referring to the carnival's traveling and living arrangements. They stay on the road from February to November, roving all over the country-Washington, Pennsylvania, Maine, Missouri and so on. En route, the carnies ride in rented vans, while the employers

cruise in their personal RVs.

Take a look on the outskirts of the fairgrounds, and you know what he's talking about. The "bunkhouses," are the dilapidated trailers, often sur-rounded by cheap kids' toys and broken bicycles, where the carnies hole up for the fair's duration. Parked out front of nearly every bunkhouse, there rests a

nearly every bunkhouse, there rests a massive Winnebago.

The presence of children's things-a tricycle here, a plastic dump truck there, brings up another issue.

"Oh sure," Lynda says, "they bring their kids along. Just leave 'em in the bunkhouse during the day. Some companies has got daycares though."

For many carnies, this is a way of life into which they are born-and from

into which they are born-and from which they never escape. "We got like traveling tutors for the kids," Lynda says, "since they ain't around nowhere to go to normal school."

Though they won't divulge exactly

how much they make, carnies unanimously agree that the pay isn't worth the life. Mike, 20, a wild-eyed carnival vet who works the "water race fun" game, says he hates the gig-but he clings to it because "I can't handle the real world." real world.

He doesn't explain any further than

When he was 16, Mike ran away from his Pennsylvania home to join the carnival. He returned to his parents' house a year later, which he says "was nice, man. To actually be able to take a shower when I wanted, have a decent meal...we don't eat too well here, not with the s*** they pay us."

That stint at home came to a close

when he "got in some trouble," and ran away again-for good.

Josh and Mike are college-aged kids.
But while many members of their demographic are looking forward to demographic are looking forward to starting a career, or another school, or their own family, when these two look into the future they simply don't know what they're looking at. "I have no idea what I'm gonna do this winter," Mike says. "I could hang around in winter quarters, but I don't least."

around in winter quarters, but I don't know."

He looks away.
"I guess I could try to get a real job...but that'd be pretty tough."

Josh is planning on leaving his outfit's winter quarters in Florida, to try and get a job "cleaning up the hurricanes."
Besides that, he too falters when speaking about future plans.But until the time comes-if it comes-for these workers to escape the life's vicious combination of poor living/working conditions and lack of other options, they'll continue to float along in their own strange tinue to float along in their own strange bubble, apart from "the real world." As a result, when they do find them-

selves interacting with folks outside the carnival, the result is inevitably one of discomfort, maybe even of a little self-

And they'll look for "a place where it's all right for me to be," and then be off. And because they know that their exis-tence is one of permanent temporariness-they'll pause nowhere, not looking too far in the distance, just holding on as the cities and towns and days combine and blur and fade



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Campus events understandably confused

l appreciate the coverage Technician gave in its Oct. 21 issue to students who attended the Student Senate meeting to protest the distribution of senate appropriations to student organizations. This is an important issue and warrants the coverage vacuum prodicts.

the coverage you provided. I'm sorry, however, that the article "Reactions to bill vehement" understandably confused that protest with an entirely separate event sponsored by the Campus Arts Council to support ARTS NC STATE and to advocate funding to save and renovate the Thompson

programs, including the extraordinary drum line from the Marching Band, sponsored a rally to support the arts, not to protest the Senate's appropriation ommendations

recommendations.

In fact, the arts students primarily wanted to thank the many Student Senators who have demonstrated a remarkable degree of understanding and support for the need to save the historic Thompson Building.

Their decision to host an old-fashioned rally, with banners and signs, accompanied by the powerful sounds of our Music Department's percussion section, was intended as a vibrant and positive way of expressing strong support for the arts on our campus and to thank Senators whose efforts support the enriched quality of life that the arts bring to N.C. State.

N. Alexander Miller III Associate Vice Chancellor Division of Student Affairs

Sinfulness of same-sex marriage questioned

As a fellow student, I just wanted to remind Brandon Lynch that not everyone in this world is a Christian. Just because you read the Bible and live by it does not mean that everyone else does. This is a free country in which everyone can do what they want; Jews, Muslims, Buddhists and even athelists like myself have absolutely NO obligation to any Christian beliefs.

If you are so ashamed of living in this country, why don't you move to a coun where religion is not a choice, it's a law!

Business Management

Business Management

This is in response to Brandon Lynch's letter "Same-sex marriage blasphemous, sinful" in the Oct. 21 Viewpoint. I would first like to say that I applaud Brandon's determination to voice his opinion, and that he stands by it so strongly. But, so what if homosexuality and same-sex marriage is considered a sin in the Bible?

The one point that is most obvious is the unwritten code of the government to not base its legislation on religious creed. However it's constantly evident in our society that religion is always a factor—perspectives on this coming election a great example of this.

Religion should never be considered in government issues unless the activities of a religious group are what the issue concerns. This country was built on the idea that no person should be persecuted for their choices, and that is what will happen if they do not allow the same rights to homosexuals that they allow heterosexuals.

It is a constitutional attribute that all people are created equal, and thus should

rights to homosexuals that they allow heterosexuals. It is a constitutional attribute that all people are created equal, and thus should have equal rights. This has been fought by African-Americans, Native Americans and women. Homosexuals should have the same rights as anyone else, as declared in our constitution.

This fact, however, has been bent to say that people of other races and gender were born into that race or gender. However is it not also applicable to those of different lifestyle choices? Should a person choosing to convert to another religion lose any government right given to any other religion?

We should all agree that such a thing would be ludicrous. So then why should the rights given to every other American not be given to those who make the lifestyle choice to have an alternate sexual orientation? Laws are made so that harm does not come to anyone. So what is the harm coming from homosexual marriage?

Now many would say that the same

is the narm coming from homosexual marriage? Now many would say that the same could be said for incest marriage, but harm does come from that, to any offspring that the related couple would

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bring into this world. I believe Mr. Lynch explained that God ordained that homosexuality cannot happen because homosexual couples cannot reproduce. In that sense, should an infertile man and woman not marry? And in the sense that God ordained that homosexuality is sinful, did he not also decree that murder is sinful? Might I remind all of you of the Crusades and the Spanish Inquisition, both religious campaigns where so many people were killed because they were considered heathens.

The world is always changing, and our view of it must change as well. One cannot live in the modern world with the backward thinking of old. If the government always based its legislation on the opinions of the Christian society, people of other races would still be discriminated against, as would women. It was only 20 years ago that Christian churches around the nation were attempting to force Congress to vote against the Equal Right Act, because "a man should always be the head of the household and the woman under him, as Adam and Eve so lived." Homosexuality is a choice, but that does not mean that they are not so deserving of the rights all Americans have. It is disappointing and shameful to me that this kind of discrimination is still around in this great nation we live in.

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TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

THE RIGHT ISSUE, AT THE RIGHT TIME, IN THE WRONG WAY

OUR OPINION: PROTESTING THE APPROPRIATION PROCESS, WHICH LEFT OUT MINORITY STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS, WAS THE RIGHT THING TO DO, BUT REACTIONARY TACTICS EXHIBITED BY SOME LEADERS ONLY COMPLICATED THE PROCESS MORE THAN NECESSARY

In the Student Senate chambers Wednesday night, democracy was in action. The room was hot with passion and tempers were on edge. Members from African-American student organizations, lead by the African American Student Advisory Council, staged a sit-in during the senate meeting to protest the lack of student fee appropriations to African-American and minority groups.

Student Government is alloted \$40,000 to distribute to student organizations that request money. The maxiumum amount of money that can be given out is \$4,000, or 10 percent of the allotment. In total, around \$200,000 was requested and only \$40,000 available. Clearly, some student organizations that requested funding will not get any money.

The appropriations committee worked 30 hours last week to meet and listen to student organizations that requested money. In the end, however, very little went to minority student groups. In its report, the committee stated that many of the minority groups' requests were denied because events in which funding was requested are in the spring. There is another \$40,000 distributed in the spring semester.

AASAC and the other minority groups were absolutely justified in their concern about the appropriations. The Student Senate velcomed the group in, listened to their concerns and properly voted to send the appropriations bill back to committee for review. The committee must review the appropriations and correct this situation. AASAC is admirable for bringing the matter to the attention of the Student Senate.

While the sit-in protest was justified, the reactionary behavior by some of the participants was inappropriate and only served to heighten tensions between minority groups and the Student Senate. Empty threats and demands, such as taking away student fees from Student Government and demanding half of the \$40,000 allotment by yesterday morning, are nothing but political grandstanding. They hurt the credibility of AASAC and any other organization involved. These means do nothing but increase tensions over an already controversial issue and make Student Government's job in rectifying the situation much more difficult.

After a cooling-off period, student organizations and Student Government need to work together to create new guidlines for appropriations, where specific needs for organizations are addressed and met. The appropriations committee must reconsider the requests and determine which groups really need a cut of the allotment. And student organzations need to remember that there is another fee distribution in the spring.

Above all, understanding and open lines of communication must be maintained in order for a logical, fair and, above all, inclusive solution to be reached.

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America deserves principled leadership

Brian Onorio explains the flaws of presidential candidate John Kerry's plan for America if elected president and encourages voters to follow a man with a real plan. And finally, perhaps the most phantom of all of

The Kerry camp seems to have a proverbial plan for every man, woman and child in America. Indeed, this elusive "plan" is often touted but



Orino

It's unnerving to know that a man vying for America's top spot has thrown about the catch phrase and doesn't care to tell us what the actual "plan" is. My advice to America is simple: stick with the man that really does have

If elected president, John Kerry will raise taxes. Kerry wants to rollback the por-

those making \$200,000 a year. This may seem all well and fine since this is unlikely to affect any college student. But the repercussions of higher taxes on the \$200,000 bracket should not be ignored, which John Kerry has done. Because many small businesses are subchapter S corporations or sole proprietorships, many small business owners across America pay taxes at the individual income tax level.

Two-thirds of all people who pay taxes at the top bracket are small business owners. Further, 70 percent of new jobs in America are created by small businesses. It would be harmful to small

businesses to rollback their tax relief since they

businesses to rollback their tax relief since they are our country's main economic engine.

A tax hike on the top bracket is a tax hike on small businesses. The result? Higher unemployment, and this should be a concern to every college student looking to find a job either now or upon graduation. John Kerry also engages in the dangerous operation of "fuzzy math." He proposes \$2.2 trillion in new spending, which he says will be paid for by the tax rollback explained says will be paid for by the tax rollback explained above. Kerry claims that new tax revenue will result in \$800 billion. Senator Kerry, we're still missing \$1.4 trillion to pay for new spending.

The result? Tax hikes on the rest of us. John Kerry also has a "plan" for health care. He wants to give every family access to the same health plan that members of congress get. If every family signed up for that plan, the cost would breech over \$5 trillion in the next 10 years. President Bush calls this a simple exercise in "bait and switch," an empty promise, Given that we couldn't possibly pay for Senator Kerry proposed \$2.2 trillion in new spending, we can't imagine piling on an extra \$5 trillion. Furthermore, even proposing this insane package is irresponsible. It is not the government's job to look after each and every one of us on a micro level. Some sort of individual responsibility is needed. The government's duty to you is not so great that it bankrupts the rest of us.

Senator Kerry's "plans": what to do with Iraq.
The situation in Iraq has the Kerry team pull-

ing their last hair out. Are we a hawk on Iraq, or should we follow the cues of Howard Dean?

Kerry says he has a great "plan," but no one really knows what he will do – neither does he. Kerry talks about the need to "internationalize" the forces in Iraq, pledging greater international support, if elected President. I'm not sure what support, if elected President. I'm not sure what else Kerry wants to do to persuade our equally phantom "allies" in West Europe. Seriously, if 12 years and 17 resolutions didn't do it, I'm not sure if there's much more hope in the French and Germans If his idea of "internationalization" is calling the current coalition "bribed and coerced" and conveniently leaving out the sacri-fices of nations like Poland, then I believe his atfices of nations like Poland, then I tempt of internationalization will have the direct opposite effect. Kerry has even sent people to the Land Down Under to denigrate the staunch U.S. ally in Prime Minister Howard.
While in Australia, the Diana Kerry was very

critical of the U.S. presence in Iraq, of which Australia is a part, saying "we are endangering the Australians now by this wanton disregard for international law and multilateral channels." This "wanton disregard" was also practiced by the sitting Prime Minister. This was said in the waning moments of the Australian election of

which Labor Party leader Mark Latham pledged to withdraw all troops from Iraq. Fortunately for the coalition, Prime Minister Howard was reelected and the Australian troops in Iraq will

This is an interesting move. Of all of our allies, only Australia has joined us in every single operation in the past 100 years. The French cannot say this; the Germans can't claim it; not even the British can boast it. The Australians have been with America, hand-in-hand, and like Poland, the sacrifices of the Australian troops are cast aside and the loyalty of Prime Minister Howard is disregarded.

If John Kerry has a plan, no one knows it. All we do know is that he might have a plan. A plan (or lack thereof) that does not get media scrutendencies; a plan that is nearly non-existent all

What America needs is a leader. We don't need rhetoric; we need results. If we begin to show weakness in this troubled time, America will fail. Remember, we didn't win the Cold War with rhetoric and we surely will not win this one. We don't need another "plan," we need prin-

Email Brian with your plans at viewpoint@technicianonline.com

Diversions

AUDIOPHILE

Grains harmonize in Stewart

N.C. State's all-male a cappella group, Grains of Time, will perform tonight at Stewart Theatre at 7

Meredith Richbourg

Dozens of songs. Seven strapping lads. Five-part harmonies And one human beat box.

Does such a flurry of musical activity truly exist, you ask? Why yes. Manifested in N.C. State's very own Grains of Time, these factors combine to grant the Grains fame, fortune and more than a little vocal

fatigue. The Grains of Time – Mike Adelman, Zach Barfield, David "Godson of Soul" Brown, Nathaniel Harris, Mack Hedrick, Carson Swanek and James Wallace – are called simply "The Grains" by their loyal fans.

The the premier male a cap pella group has been around since 1968, when a select group of students from the Varsity Men's Glee Club started harmonizing as a war protest

group.

"[The Grains] evolved
through the barbershop, men's
glee club tradition," Wallace, a bass and vocal percussionist,

In the past year, however, the ensemble decided to give the old Grains image a face lift. The addition of vocal percussion and more diverse songs – the 1940s barbershop tunes of yesteryear, modern R&B, Folk songs and Pop covers – have transformed the Grains

- have transformed the Grains of Time into a more contemporary a cappella group.

"[There has been a] huge change in the repertoire and showmanship," Wallace said. Barfield, a second tenor, notes that, "As the presentation has changed, so has the fan base, so to speak, Tradifan base, so to speak. Traditionally, [the fans] have been more...geriatric, is that the right word?" First tenor Nathaniel Harris

agrees.
The Grains of Time now generates a more "cross-genera-tional appeal," he said. Although the revamped

Grains offer a "live stage show [that] focuses on entertain-Ithat J focuses on entertain-ment as well as musicality," says Wallace, "the base is always musicality." As their all-en-compassing repertoire and the passion in performing each song suggests, the Grains of Time take their musicianship very seriously

Barfield cites "interaction with the crowd" as one o the major components of any Grains show, but much credit goes to the communication and interaction be-tween musicians in creating

a great concert experience.
"We're good friends," said
Wallace. "We respect each
other enough, the tense moments are generally short."
This camaraderie is definitely evident as they sing,
through multi-nort hor.

through multi-part har-monies and the occasional improvisation, the Grains anticipate each other's vocal

moves impeccably.
Set to perform in Stewart
Theater, the Grains of Time will take the stage tonight at 7. Also at the show will be Anno Domini – a Christian group comprised of members from area colleges, in-cluding Campbell, Meredith, Wake Tech and NCSU – and several contemporary walk ons from UNC-CH.

If an energetic, interac-tive show designed to please all ages and musical tastes doesn't get you out to see the Grains tonight, perhaps the added bonus of aesthetics will. In the words of Nathan-iel Harris, "Well, we're hot." RAISING THE BAR

Wine never looked so good

Creamery Building, April & George Wine Bar is a relaxing escape from the smoke and crowds of a college dive

Ashley Hink

Nestled in the craze of Glenwood Avenue's lively nightlife scene, is an unexpected hideaway. Free of bright beer signs and unbearable crowds, April & George Wine Bar isn't a typical college hangout. Yet, for wine lovers, it might be the only place

to take in a relaxing night out.

Appropriately located beside
the swanky Sullivan's Steakhouse, April & George fills a large, industrial-like corner space of Glenwood's Creamery Building. The bar, however, has anything but an industrial

appeal.

Other than the exposed piping, aluminum-sided bar and rubber flooring, the atmosphere is romantic and warm. From the stained glass to this month's fea-tures of bright acrylic paintings by Craig Peters – everything is

or sale.
Filled with antiqued chairs, Filled with antiqued charrs, plush couches, black and white photographs, sculptures and cases of hand-made jewelry, April & George's changing decor makes it one of the most beautiful places in Raleigh to enjoy a night out on the town.

on the town.
Specializing in serving wine,
April & George offers more than
35 types by the glass, in addition
to bottles. With sparkling, red, white and dessert wines from all over the world, this bar is sure to



A rack of wine bottles spans a wall of April & George Wine Bar.

April & George Wine Bar

ATMOSPHERE: Romantic and relaxed CROWD: Mostly young to middle-aged professionals MUSIC; Jazz and DJ mixed house music PRICES: 55 to 510 glasses of wine. Thursday night Starving Artist special features half-priced microbrews and select glasses

The prices aren't bad either; glasses range from \$5 to \$10 and bottles from \$25 to about \$80.

For beer lovers, don't fear. A small list of \$3 to \$4 domestic

smail list of \$3 to \$4 domestic and import bottles is available.

Open from 6 to 11 p.m., Monday through Thursday, weekday frequenters are often young to middle-aged professionals. Sometimes still in suits and skirts from the workday, patrons find anyil & Contractic Contractions for the contraction of the contractio patrons find April & George the perfect place for happy hour or after-dinner drinks over candle-light and jazz.

When the weekend rolls

around, it takes on a different appeal. House music is mixed by DJ's, a younger, hip crowd mingles around the art displays and occasional groups of college students are seen chatting at secluded tables till 2 a.m.

April & George isn't just a bar satisfying wine lovers' taste buds, it serves as a community hub for charity, cultural and even politi-

cal events.

Next Wednesday from 7 to 9
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forum for Raleigh's legislative
candidates and on Oct. 29 and
30 it's hosting a free after-party
for the cast of the North Carolina
Theatre's "lekyll & Hyde."

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Charity events, special dinners, wine tastings and open mics are

also featured.

It might not have beer taps and plastic cup specials, but April & George is worth checking out.
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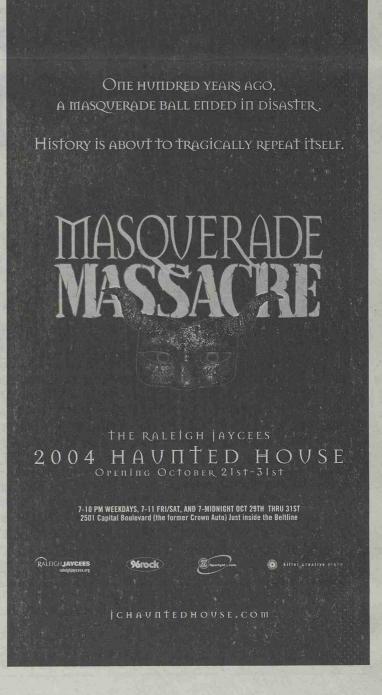
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State plays its last home match of the season tonight when it takes on Wake Forest. Standing at 1-6 in the conference and 7-6-2 overall, the Wolfpack has to win its last two conference games against the Deacons and Virginia if it hopes to grab a birth to the NCAA Tournament.

Men's Soccer

The Wolfpack travels down the road to face off against the rival Tar Heels on Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. State and Carolina produced two epic battles last season, both officially ending in ties. They played to a 1-1 tie at Method Road in the regular season, but State got the last laugh in the ACC Tournament, taking down the Heels in penalty kicks. The Pack picked up its first ACC win against No. 6 Duke last weekend.

Volleyball

The Pack gets a second shot at Georgia Tech and Clemson, two teams that shut it out 3-0 earlier in the season. This time around State has the advantage of playing on its home court, however. The Wolfpack will face the Yellow Jackets tonight at 7 p.m., then take on Clemson tomorrow at 7 p.m.

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Nov. 20

La.Tech

Louisville

at Chapel Hill

at Virginia

2004 stat leaders

QB | 7 B. BERLIN

RB | 3 F. GORE

78-130 984 8 3

Yds TD Avg. 349 4 5.0

WR | 1 R. PARRISH Rec Yds TD Avg. 14 185 3 13.2

Keys to the Game

Maryland did a good job of stopping State on first and second down, but gave up big plays on third-and-long. The athletic Miami defense needs to

void getting lazy on third dowr

The crowd will be electric thanks to the GameDay crew on hand and the prospects of pulling off the big up-set. A quick score by Miami's offense should initially silence the masses.

With an aggressive, blitzing defense like State's, Mlami may be able to find holes by looking to its tight end. Surprise, surprise Mlami has another big, fast tight end in seniol Kevin Everett.

Quotable

Wake Forest Virginia Tech

Georgia Tech W, 27-3 L. 41-38

W, 38-13





'It starts up front'



Offensive linemen Jed Paulsen and Leroy Harris clear a path for running back T.A. McLendon during State's 27-21 win over Wake Forest.

THE PACK ORCHESTRATES ITS ATTACK BEHIND THE PROTECTION OF AN **INTERCHANGING OFFENSIVE LINE THAT HASN'T MISSED A STEP**

Ian Jester

Fans take pride in knowing about their favorite players. And more often than not, those players are the ones in the record books, their signatures accompanying every numerical marvel, the limelight in an era that praises concrete statistics over the intangibles of pure talent.

But true fans can see beyond the spot-light. Not only do they remember what happened but they also know why it hap-

Pened.

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They can rewind the scoreboard, they the points can tally on the scoreboard, they remember tracing the why back to its origin, where the play started.

The offensive line.

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Fans may remember Philip Rivers to Jerricho Cotchery for ages, but Rivers did not hike the ball to himself, nor did he evade hostile pass-rushing defenders without someone buying him ample time.

The connection fails to include senior center and captain Jed Paulsen, who before undergoing ankle surgery two weeks ago, would have continued to remain unknown to the mainstream fan.

"Take a regular fan, they watch the game, they don't watch us," offensive tackle Derek Morris said. "They watch the guys who score the touchdowns. But if T.A. [McLendon] scores two or three touchdowns, the guys up front are doing something right. But our coaches really appreciate us, and the guys that know what football is all about, where it starts up front, they appreciate us

Paulsen's season-ending injury has

fensive guard Leroy Harris switching from guard to center and offensive tackle James Newby filling in for Harris' old left

guard position.
"It's different, now you have the ball in "It's different, now you have the ball in your hands and other stuff to worry about than just the guy in front of you." Harris said of the switch from guard to center. You have to get the snap down first and make sure the quarterback gets the ball correctly first and foremost. But Jed had the responsibility of pointing guys out, and having everyone hit the right guy, and that's something I haven't done in a while."

As the starting center for the Pack the last two seasons, Paulsen was a candidate last two seasons, Paulsen was a candidate for the 2004 Rimington Trophy, presented annually to the nation's top center. "We're going to miss Jed dearly; he was our No. 1," Morris said. "Our No. 1 guy

leaded us and we lost him. But when he went out, it made us closer, in a way that

went out, it made us closer, in a way that said, 'Hey, we have to be on our step every single play now.'"

The Pack faced a similar loss to a top blocker last year, when graduate offensive tackle Chris Colmer was diagnosed with a rare medical problem, Parsonage Turner Syndrome, during the 2003 presesson camp

season camp.

But with Colmer earning his sixth year of eligibility from the NCAA, offensive line coach Mike Barry now has multiple options at his disposal. Colmer, Newby and Morris can all excel at the tackle position, while the inside three positions can be filled with Harris as the emergency center, and guards John McKeon and Ricky

Fowler receiving the majority of the avail-

able playing time.

The versatility of the linesmen makes interchanging the personnel a little easier

We've put all sorts of different guys in there," Barry said. "We just have to adjust. Throw a little Miracle Grow on them, water them, get some sun and they'll grow

So when Barry's blend of trusted ex-So when Barry's blend of trusted ex-perience and youthful exuberance bakes a mammoth shield of protection for quarterback Jay Davis and the offense to operate behind, who was even aware of the contribution of these unsung players against Maryland, where the group didn't allow a single sack?

"Offensive linemen, we don't get a lot of publicity anyway," Harris said. "They aren't appreciated enough, but that's the world they live in," Barry said. "The goal always is to not give up any sacks and run for 100 yards. We did both of those things against Maryland and we won."

Although points on the scoreboard decide the final outcome, and even though

fantasy league owners are only concerned with just the point scorers, they, along with most mainstream fans, fail to observe the other playmakers on the field.

"They know that each one of them is dependent on each other," Barry said. "Colmer is back and brings his leadership, McKeon is a guy that has really improved, Leroy is a year older, Jed is coming on, Der-Leroy is a year older, years coming on, Defects is a big young guy improving every week along with Newby, and as time comes, experience is what will help these guys to bond together into a cohesive unit."

Season results

DATE	OFFONENT	KESULI
Sept.3	Richmond	W, 42-0
Sept. 18	Ohio State	L, 22-14
Sept. 25	Va. Tech	W, 17-16
Oct. 2	Wake Forest	W, 27-21
Oct.9	UNC	L, 30-24
Oct. 16	Maryland	W, 13-3
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OCL. 9	UNC	L, 30-24	
Oct. 16	Maryland	W, 13-3	
DATE	OPPONENT		
Sat.	Miami		
Oct.30	Clemson		
Nov.6	Georgia Tech		
Nov. 11	Florida State		
Nov.27	ECU (at Charlotte)		

2004 stat leaders

OB | 10 J. DAVIS

Cmp-Att Yds TD Int 85-138 1,056 4 5

RB | 44 T.A. McLENDON

Att Yds TD Avg. 89 452 5 5.1

RECEIVING

WR | 6 R. WASHINGTON

Rec Yds TD Avg. 20 219 0 10.9

Keys to the Game

Louisville had success scoring on Mi-ami last Thursday when it stretched the Miami defense. When possible, State should do the same thing.

MAKE BERLIN UNCOMFORTABLE

State has done a masterful job at shaking up quarterbacks during the season. Miami quarterback Brock Berlin has shown in the past that making him uncomfortable can lead to good things.

Devin Hester has three touchdowns on punt returns this season and possesses lightning quick speed. State would be wise to avoid him whenever possible.

Quotable



The whole Hurricane mystique is like 'Oh man, the mighty Hurricanes,' we aren't going to look at it that way."

-Tramain Hall NCSU junior wide receiver

They're the top

defensive team in the country. They

are rated that way

-Larry Coker Miami Coach

anyway."



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Maryland at Clemson
Florida State at Wake Forest
Virginia at Duke
Michigan at Purdue
Oklahoma State at Missouri
Texas at Texas Tech
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UCLA at Arizona State
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