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Caldwell Fellows scholarship open to freshmen

Information sessions to be held on upcoming scholarship opportunities

Ben Motal
Staff Writer

Scholarships are some of the most pursued awards in American collegiate life and the preferred method of overcoming the financial barriers that stand between perspective students and a college education. But for many high-achieving students who were unable to receive funding before their arrival, it's not too late.

The Caldwell Fellows Program will be holding information sessions on Nov. 8 and 9 at 4:30 in Witherspoon Theatre. The sessions will provide information on the Caldwell Fellows Scholarship to interested students.

The Caldwell Fellows Scholarship is a merit-based scholarship that is given to campus students completing their first semester. This three-year award is the only university-wide merit scholarship for students already enrolled at the university. Recipients will be awarded \$20,000 over the next 3 years, program assistant Amanda Lilley said.

Selection criteria are ranked, placing emphasis on leadership, academic performance with a minimum 3.0 GPA, orientation toward community and service activities and commitment to personal growth and to maximizing the program's opportunities, according to Lilley.

"[Caldwell Fellows] have a commitment to servant leadership that is invigorating and contagious," Janice Odom, director of the program said.

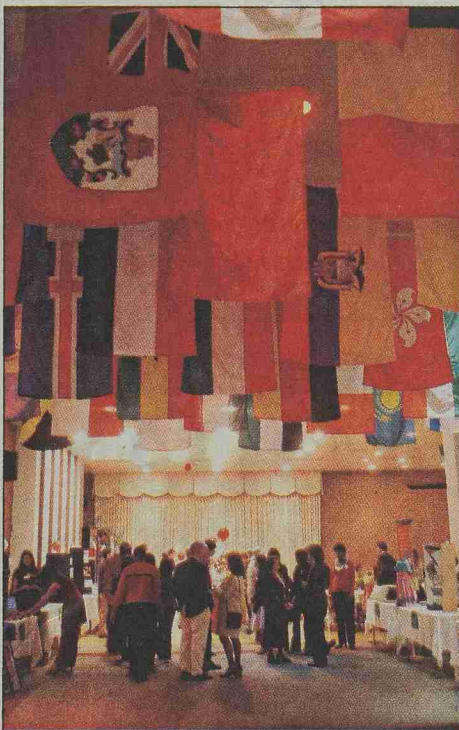
Approximately 120 previous recipients are currently attending NCSU, including Student Body President Tony Caravano. The program plans to award around 25 scholarships this spring, Lilley, a junior in chemistry, said.

Along with financial support, students who receive the Caldwell Fellows Scholarships participate in the "Caldwell program experience." This experience includes a leadership and ethics seminar, a service learning project during their sophomore year, a professional internship and research/teaching opportunities for their junior and senior years.

The Caldwell Fellows Program was formed in 1998 by merging the John C. Caldwell

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HELLO MOTHER, HELLO FATHER



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Parents and families attending the multicultural dinner in the Talley Ballroom Friday night enjoyed socializing and entertainment by a variety of student groups on campus including Dance Visions, the African Student Union, Mi Familia, the clogging team and Alpha Kapa Alpha.

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Astronaut Story Musgrave has amassed nearly 1,300 hours in space during his six missions and traveled about 25 million miles in orbit.

The air up there

DECORATED ASTRONAUT DELIVERS LECTURES ON CAMPUS

Kenneth Ball
Senior Staff Reporter

Campus was treated to a stellar view of the world from one of the world's most well-traveled men – quite literally. Astronaut Story Musgrave is visiting North Carolina this week to deliver a series of lectures regarding his 30-year career in the space program and gave the first of his talks on campus Sunday afternoon.

Making use of slide shows, background music and an excerpt from an IMAX film documenting one of his own shuttle missions, Musgrave related lessons that he learned as an astronaut to more common situations encountered on earth everyday. In particular, Musgrave recounted the rigorous training and precision that went into his preparation for spacewalks.

Describing his level of confidence during the 1993 repair of the Hubble Space Telescope, Musgrave said "I am a ballerina. It's opening night at the ballet."

"I really like the visual images he had, I thought the photography was really good," Lauren Bishop, a sophomore in art and design, said, "I like the way that, even though he's an astronaut, he



Musgrave worked a 1993 mission to repair faulty lenses on the Hubble Space Telescope by a space walk from the Shuttle.

really put a lot into the photography."

Other students were also impressed by the photography included in Musgrave's presentation. Photographs depicted scenes ranging from training

exercises on earth to spacewalks many miles beyond the atmosphere.

"They didn't say anything about his photography, but it turns out he's a photographer too," Matt Balla, a sophomore in graphic design, said.

"I don't think you could take a bad shot from up there," Balla added.

While Musgrave is the only astronaut to have flown in all five space shuttles, he also holds numerous academic degrees, and was described as a pilot, surgeon, mechanic, poet and philosopher. Musgrave has amassed nearly 1300 hours in space during his six missions, and traveled about 25 million miles in orbit.

Musgrave peppered his presentation with insights, including a comparison of figure skating to spacewalking and observations such as "space is one huge place." Musgrave also included many photographs of earth taken from orbit, and incorporated a series of such pictures into the last part his lecture.

"We live on earth, and we saw it from far away," Balla said.

The lecture was sponsored by the North Carolina Space Grant Consortium, the University Scholars Program,

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University names family of the year

Kelly Wilburn
Staff Writer

Marie Majchrowicz, a senior in business management, nominated her loved ones in this year's Family of the Year Contest, sponsored by the University.

Out of 36 essays entered, Majchrowicz's writing stood out above the rest as it portrayed a bright picture of how important her family has been.

"I nominated them because my dad and my step-mom are there for me every step of the way. They visited my school choices with me, [even though we are from Maryland and it

required a lot of traveling]," she said.

Through thick and thin her family has stood by her side to help in every way, she said.

"They helped me to fill out my applications, choose my school and they even helped me to choose my classes," she said.

"The essay contest began five years ago to honor families who have played a great supportive role for their student," Jennifer Bell, associate director of Campus Activities, said.

Three judges reviewed the essays and made their decision based on creativity, examples of how the family supports the student's education, and the family's

enthusiasm for N.C. State.

"There were 36 essays submitted for the contest. Marie was chosen because her essay rose to the top," Bell said.

The winner of the contest was honored at the football game against Georgia Tech this past weekend. Tom Stafford, vice chancellor of student affairs, presented the student with a plaque and a \$300 scholarship for books. The family's accommodations for the weekend were also covered under the award.

Marie's mother, who is deceased, continues to have an impact on Marie's life.

"My mother exists as my driving force as I aspire to prove what

a strong woman I have become and make her proud as she watches from God's graces. Her breeze pushes the ship onward as her strength gives me the power to step forward," Majchrowicz said in her essay.

With her mother deceased, her father continues to be Marie's support system.

"I wasn't surprised that she won because I read her essay and I told her that she would win," Marie's father Alex Majchrowicz said. "We have a very close relationship. I come up here numerous times to see her. I find that N.C. State is a very caring, supporting, friendly environment for her."

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Alumni Program with the N.C. State Fellows Program.

"One of the most important aspects of the program is the community of leaders you're exposed to. Everyone [in the program] shares a passion for learning, growing and serving others," Lilley said.

Applications are available through download from the Caldwell Fellows Program Web site and must include two references and one letter of recommendation. The application deadline is Jan. 14, 2005.

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the Morehead Planetarium and SpaceTalk.

"Quite honestly, we were very lucky, there are some folks out at Centennial Campus and the Keenan Institute... they actually brought this to us and said, 'Would you like to have this for the Scholars Forum? It looks like we're going to be able to bring it to campus,'" Shawn Cassidy, Associate Director of the University Scholars Program, said of getting Musgrave to come to N.C. State.

Musgrave will speak again today at 2:35 p.m. in the Witherspoon Theater and at 7 p.m. at the Morehead Planetarium in Chapel Hill.

POLICE BLOTTER

11/4/04

SPECIAL EVENT — VIETNAM VETERANS PANEL IN BRAGAW HALL

Sgt. Farmer worked the event. Crowd was estimated at 50. No problems reported.

2:03 A.M. | SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT

A student reported two male subjects walking with a bike and an extra bike tire, last seen going through Pullen Lot heading towards Carroll Hall. An officer checked the area, but was unable to locate anyone matching description.

3:03 A.M. | ASSISTANCE

A student stated he lost his cell phone near DH Hill Library. The student spoke with a non-student, who agreed to return his phone when the student offered a \$50 reward. The student did not want to meet the non-student by himself. Officers met with both subjects, and the student retrieved his phone.

6:55 A.M. | DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

A staff member reported that a glass door on the south side of the USTL Building had been broken out by an unknown person. No other damage was found in the building.

9:21 A.M. | B/E VEHICLE

A non-student reported that an unknown suspect used an unknown type of tool to punch and remove the right front door key hole to his Nissan Pathfinder. The suspect entered the vehicle and removed his stereo and other items. The suspect vehicle is possibly a black pick-up truck with silver bed rails. The incident occurred in the Vet School Construction Lot.

9:24 A.M. | FALSE PRETENSES

A staff member reported that an unknown person had given NCSU Transportation a counterfeit \$20 bill. The staff member stated she found the \$20 bill in a stack of money when she was running the money through a cash counter machine. The staff member then removed the \$20 bill and used a marker to verify the counterfeit bill. The staff member stated that the bill was from yesterday's deposit.

1:51 P.M. | FIRE

Fire Protection and Police responded to Burlington Labs in reference to a small microwave fire. The fire started when a staff member was trying to cook something in the microwave; the fire was immediately extinguished. No other damage was caused. Due to the amount of smoke on the second floor, Raleigh Fire Department used fans to clear the room and hallway. The system was reset.

11:55 P.M. | ASSISTANCE

The security officer working DH Hill Library was concerned due to the fact that a subject was returning to the library with whom he had trouble with on Nov. 3. The subject, a non-student, was coming in to complain. The security officer's supervisor was notified of the situation, because the subject was complaining of the way the guard had treated him. The subject left the library without any problems once he talked to the appropriate personnel.

9:36 P.M. | LIAISON PROGRAM
Officer Brinkley conducted a liaison safety program at Syme. Thirteen people attended.

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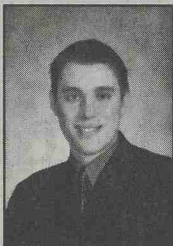
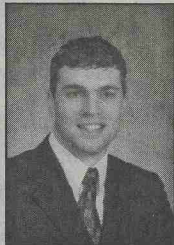


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Unraveling Jewish mysticism

WEARING SIMPLE RED YARN AROUND THEIR WRISTS TO SYMBOLIZE THEIR PRACTICE OF KABBALAH, STARS AND CELEBRITIES OF HOLLYWOOD ARE NO LONGER JUST POPULARIZING FASHION TRENDS, THEY'RE MAKING MAINSTREAM AMERICA AWARE OF THIS NOW TRENDY FAITH

Nicole Black
Staff Writer

If the average N.C. State student was asked the first thought that comes to mind when the names Madonna, Britney Spears and Paris Hilton are heard, one could expect such answers as music or sex, but what about religion?

All three of these women, along with other celebrities, have been noted to practice Kabbalah.

Kabbalah, in Hebrew meaning "to accept," is often referred to as ancient Jewish Mysticism. For thousands of years, Rabbis and devout Jews have looked to it to answer the hardest questions about God and the universe. Kabbalah encompasses studying the nature of the soul, divinity and creation.

At one point in time, only very educated, erudite 40-year-old men of the Jewish faith were allowed to study Kabbalah. It is often advised that one should not even begin to look at it without having first intensely studied the Torah.

When asked, most NCSU students do not know what Kabbalah is. When Jennifer Fansler, a freshman in CHASS, was questioned, she said, "I don't know much about it. I know Britney Spears and Madonna are into it, and they wear those little bracelets for it."

She is not alone. Most students replied that they either "did not know much about it," or that they could "not remember what it is." The only connection they have with Kabbalah



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY TAYLOR TEMPLETON

at all is celebrities involved in it.

So why are all these celebrities "studying" one of the most complicated doctrines on earth? Whatever the reason — Kabbalah is in.

Ever since Sandra Bernhard, a comedian and actress, opened a Kabbalah center in Los Angeles, the fads of red string bracelets, blessed water and t-shirts with catchy phrases, such as Madonna's "Cult Member," have become popular.

Red string bracelets can be purchased on the Internet anywhere from \$10 to \$40 and, for a while, Target was considering carrying them as well.

However, many Jews claim that the type of attention the Kabbalah is getting from its rise in popularity

among the world's wealthiest and celebrities is misleading. Josh Simon states in a 1998 article from Self magazine that the "God Kabbalah describes so wonderfully as light-warm, illuminating, energizing — is everywhere. And it's not for sale."

So what does that mean to the college student who likes to keep up with the latest trends?

Nicole Siegel, president of Hillel, a Jewish organization at NCSU, as well as many other schools, says that celebrity practices of Kabbalah are "familiarizing the public with Judaism, but under false pretenses," and people are "picking up more of the material things."

Siegel emphasizes the importance of everyone understand the origin of

a fad before taking part in it.

The red string used to make the fashionable bracelets we see today is supposedly made of red yarn that has traveled to the tomb of the Matriarch Rachel, a celebrated woman from the book of Genesis, in Bethlehem.

The string was originally worn to ward off the "evil eye" of jealousy, but Siegel notes, the sudden popularity of these bracelets "actually brings about jealousy" because people want what other people have.

Of course, there have always been trends associated with religion. Madonna, the celebrity most associated with the Kabbalah today, was known in the 1980s to accessorize her outfits with crucifixes, and in the 90's covered her hands in henna as a fashion statement.

However, as far as Kabbalah goes, some celebrities are taking a step further than just making a fashion statement. Madonna has changed her name to Esther, taken a pilgrimage to Israel, and it is reported that she will no longer have concerts on Fridays due to the Jewish Sabbath day.

The styles and trends, even religious ones, of Hollywood are often short lived and never appropriately reflect the reality of what's being popularized, Kabbalah included.

Madonna, Spears and other celebrities are turning to the form of Jewish Mysticism for spiritual guidance and insight, but there's far more to the faith than a simple piece of red yarn.

Auto Response: The world is away

AOL's Instant Messenger has become an ideal way for on-the-move college students to keep up and in-touch with others, but away messages have become not only a means of absent communication, but an outlet for expression

Tiffany Key
Staff Writer

It's 11:30 p.m. on a Friday and a friend has just called about a party at Brent Road. After a quick shower and searching the closet for the perfect party ensemble, by nearly natural reflex, it's to the computer. Pointing the arrow to the buddy list, you reveal a list of saved away messages. However, this is no normal list. It resembles a long-mutated, DNA-replicated strand of saved away messages — 57 total.

For a 21st century college student, away messages are as much a part of life as Ramen noodles and dreaded all-nighters. They allow college students to explore their creativity, individuality and freedom of expression.

Instant Messenger away messages are even like mini personal newspaper columns. People subscribe to them, coming from far and wide (dorms, other schools and plac-



es of business) to read them. They cover fascinating information such as politics, arts and entertainment, sports and sometimes classifieds. These away messages can morph into a communication obsession. Away messages formerly served the same purpose of an answering machine.

"Hi, I'm not here right now, leave a message. Beep." Leaving an away message used to be just that simple. With their growing popularity, the uses of away messages have become as multi-faceted as Revlon's hair-color.

Now, college students use away messages for a number of reasons. Ticola Caldwell, a sophomore in psychology, uses away messages whenever she leaves her computer.

"I have like 50 and I'll even put one up when I go to the bathroom," she said.

Students use and abuse away mes-

sages to confess their love, talk about sex, tell inappropriate jokes and even curse people out.

"It depends on what he [my boyfriend] did, but if I'm mad or angry I might make an away message about him," Caldwell said.

Away messages can cause students to lose all inhibitions. It's like similar to being drunk, but without the beer. Of course not all college students suffer from an addiction to away messages. Godfrey Eason, a freshman in the transition program, doesn't have time to worry about putting up a message. "I just don't leave any. I'm all over the place," he said.

In addition, it seems that males have fewer saved away messages than females. Evan Halley, a junior in computer engineering, only has four saved away messages. Contrarily he describes his good female friend as being one of those "Miss-change-her-away-message-every-10-minutes" types.

There does seem to exist some connection between detailed away messages and women. In a study conducted by an adolescent psychology class at Haverford College in Pennsylvania, evidence showed that women are more likely to have longer away messages filled with more emotion than men are. The class at Haverford based their hypothesis on the psychological idea that women are more emotional than men, thus explaining why women tend to leave poems for away messages.

But what about the people who leave song lyrics for away messages? Haverford found that mostly men use song lyrics, even though lyrics are often full of emotion.

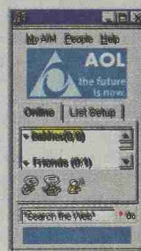
Jerome Howell, a junior in civil engineering, uses song lyrics as away messages because they have meaning pertaining to love, the world and people.

Howell also considers himself poetic because of his artistic use of away messages.

On one hand, while some may think of themselves as the poets of "AIM land," others leave less informative messages like "class" or "sleep," barely giving their "buddies" any information at all.

The AIM generation will continue to use away messages until something new and improved is created. Some will have 50 messages saved, others will only have five. Some will be lyrics from top-40 hits, passionate poems or one, irritating word.

But remember — Auto Response from Tiffany Key — you can't miss someone if they are not away!



Instant Messenger is the method of choice for on-the-go college students to let "buddies" know what's going on, even if they're "away."

CAMPUS FORUM

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A sincere thank you to our troops

In this open letter I would like to thank everyone who has, is currently or is going to serve in the U.S military and encourage others to do the same. It takes a great deal of character to make the sacrifices required to be in the Armed Forces. The mindset of the American soldier is unique. It is one of determination, selflessness and courage. Military personnel are willing to give their lives in defense of the freedoms we take for granted and provide freedom to others in many nations throughout to World. Showing the troops that you care should not be something restricted to Veterans Day or the Fourth of July, it should be done whenever you come across a member of the Armed Forces. So the next time you come across someone in the military, thank them for their service and let them know that the American people support our troops and veterans.

Christopher R. Dulin
Sophomore
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Democrats have bright past and future

For about a week now Republicans and conservatives have enjoyed the victory of George W. Bush and the Republican Party in this election. And they should. I mean Democrats and liberals will not have the Presidency for at least another four years. There is an even deeper hole for them in the Senate. Yet as many want to put the Democratic Party on its deathbed, the truth is its future is bright.

There are Senators like Evan Bayh of Indiana, Joe Biden of Delaware, Russ Feingold of Wisconsin and Barack Obama of Illinois. Governors such as Bill Richardson of New Mexico, Tom Vilsack of Iowa, Mark Warner of Virginia and Jennifer Granholm of Michigan. Not to mention a more tested John Edwards, a more reserved Howard Dean, a more prepared General Clark and that always looming name of Hillary. And who do the Republicans have left? John McCain won't run, Arnold can't run, people fall asleep in the middle of Bill Frist's name, and Rudy Giuliani quite frankly, has only been a mayor.

And why, after a disappointing Election Day, do I say the Democrats have a brighter future? Because we've had a brighter past. Never forget it was "liberal" Democrats who championed the causes of civil rights and women's rights when it was unpopular to do so. It was Democrats who created Medicare, social security and true education reform. It was Democrats who led the world and won the peace in its greatest World War. And it was Democrats who brought America out of its greatest economic crisis and years later brought this country to its greatest economic success. So in the final analysis, while we may have lost power in numbers, we have truly strengthened our resolve. And while we will frown through four more years, the proceeding ones will prove to be something to smile about.

James E.O. Hankins II
Freshman
Political Science

NCSU should strive not to be 'redneck school'

In the Nov. 5 Campus Forum, a reader complained of the alleged liberal bias of Technician. I'm not trying to dispute his claims, but in regard to his comment about how outside readers would think NCSU was in Berkeley rather than in Raleigh: we should be so lucky to be seen in that light; maybe then people would stop referring to us as "that redneck school."

Kenneth Chavis
Alumnus
Class of 2003

Americans need open-mindedness

Reading the Campus Forum displays why America is so divided. This Nov. 2 I showed my support for the candidates I believed in (Bush, Bowles and Easley). Being a moderate lets me view both sides of an issue and decide for myself what's best for me and my country. All too often, the writers of Technician and Campus Forum tend to let their emotions lead them to a solution instead of opening their mind to ALL options. Just mouthing off your distaste for a candidate is not going to solve any issues.

When people write headlines in the paper about how "Bush ignores education because of war spending," or "Freshman not happy with four more years" it reveals why we are in the state we are. Maybe going to war in Iraq at the time we did, if we should have even gone at all, is a valid question; however, we can not conveniently hop into our time machine and change the one simple fact - WE ARE IN IRAQ! Instead of simply debating the validity of reason to enter Iraq, why not discuss a solution to the problem. Is it right to "pull out" and leave the Iraqi people the way they are, thus allowing terrorists to collect without opposition? This question can not be easily answered, although many of my opponents could deny the charge.

Let's stop this "left vs. right," "good vs. evil" nonsense and be Americans. By labeling each other in such a manner will inevitably lead us to our failure. Let your opinion be heard, but before you just mouth off if off, think if you are helping toward a solution. No one person knows the correct solution to any given problem, no matter if you are George Bush, John Kerry or even John McCain. Everyone in politics has made mistakes big and small, but the quest for a solution is the only reason why we still exist as a nation today.

Blake Hamlin
Sophomore
Political Science

Tripp's column calls students to action

I totally agree with Isaac Tripp's column in Friday's Technician. I wish that something could be done about the current way we do things and the stupid electoral college.

Maybe some sort of student-based initiative can be started. To me, it's quite embarrassing the current way things are handled. It'd be awesome if N.C. State was responsible for helping to rectify this problem!

Korey Hite
Sophomore
Mechanical Engineering

Male cheerleaders are athletes

I attend UNC-Chapel Hill and learned of a recent campus forum that declared male cheerleaders aren't athletes, through my best friend who happens to be a male cheerleader. In past years, I might have read this forum and agreed or indifferently thrown it aside. However, I spend many weekends at NCSU and much of this time is spent in the presence of the male cheerleaders.

Male cheerleaders train in order to perform their sport in front of a crowd. The NCSU cheerleaders spend every Monday through Thursday from 6:45 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the gym at practice. They run at least two miles twice a week and perform abdominal exercises. They lift weights to facilitate lifting and supporting the weight of female cheerleaders during stunts. Male cheerleaders do not just hold signs, megaphones, lead cheers and obstruct the spectators' view. They stunt during the game and halftime, arrive at games early and stay late and keep the atmosphere of the crowd positive.

I used to think, like some others, that cheerleading wasn't a sport. It was only after witnessing the hard work and stamina that is put into cheerleading that I realized my prejudgments.

Maybe female cheerleaders are given credit as being athletes because they are not seen as unusual. Male cheerleaders are not viewed as the norm to some. As in anything in life, people don't accept what is different and fear what they don't know.

Although cheerleaders, male or female, don't perform with a ball or on a designated field of play, they practice and perform just like the football or basketball players. The school allocates money for the cheerleaders because it classifies them as athletes. ESPN sets aside air time for the cheerleaders because it also classifies them as athletes. Just because something is a little different or what you may not be used to, doesn't mean it shouldn't be given the recognition it deserves.

Katie Lewis
UNC-Chapel Hill Freshman
Journalism

Halpern makes ridiculous claim

I was appalled by Professor Halpern's blatant lack of respect for those with opinions unlike his in Thursday's Technician. His comments that Republican students are "amazingly uninformed" and that "an educated nation would have voted for Kerry" were absolutely disgusting. I am proud to say that I voted for George W. Bush after over a year of researching both his and John Kerry's positions on a wide and ranging number of issues across the spectrum of public policy in our country.

The proposition that over 59 million Americans are uneducated is absolutely ridiculous. It is rather telling that Todd Pfeiffer's comment that the Democrats "lost the House and the Senate" is simply untrue, as both were in Republican hands already going into this election. Which party was it that was uninformed? I found Halpern's blanket comment regarding students at N.C. State and Republicans across the country absolutely out of line, especially for a professor, who himself has been charged with the business of educating all students, Democratic and Republican alike. For all the reasons I grew to dislike John Kerry during the campaign, I was highly impressed by his graciousness in acknowledging the will of the American people and his call to those who supported him to unify our country at a very disappointing and difficult time for himself.

For this reason, Sen. Kerry has earned my respect as a classy man and candidate who cares deeply about this wonderful country of ours. I would hope that people like Professor Halpern would follow the example of this gracious American and leave highly inappropriate comments out of their rhetoric and especially out of a diversified learning environment like NCSU.

Brittany Farrell
Freshman
Biological Science

Opinion needs reason

I was appalled when I read an opinion by Amar Patra in Friday's Technician. It is one thing to have an opinion or a dislike for someone based on certain facts or that person's personality, but Patra simply made up facts and reasons for disliking President George W. Bush. He states that Iraq had no WMDs (weapons of mass destruction) which, in the mind of most Americans, is simply not true. If that statement wasn't ignorant, the next statement that the author made was simply preposterous. The student said that Iraq is a country with no intentions to attack the United States. Now my question is how on earth does this student know this? Is he or she involved in the Iraqi government? Is he or she more knowledgeable than our government about possible attacks from Iraq? I think not. It is fine for a person to dislike someone, especially a president, but that person should understand why they have their dislike and not make up ridiculous reasons.

Alex King
Freshman
Business Management

TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

PEACEFUL PROTESTS PROTECT AMERICA

OUR OPINION: FRIDAY NIGHT'S OUTBURST OF POLITICAL RETALIATION IS NOT THE ONLY ONE ACROSS THE NATION. PROTESTING CAN BE DONE PEACEFULLY AND PEOPLE NEED TO REALIZE THAT BUSH HAS BEEN ELECTED AND NEED TO FIND WAYS TO WORK WITH HIM - NOT AGAINST.

A two-part protest occurred Friday night in Raleigh - one directly across the street from the Bell Tower and the other at the Republican headquarters on Hillsborough Street downtown.

Police responded to vandalism at the GOP building to find, as reported, broken windows, kerosene-soaked rags, vulgar slogans and charred effigy. The spray paint canisters and half-burned dolls depicting George W. Bush and John F. Kerry were found near the scenes of both protests.

What is strange about this occurrence is that it falls in line with a string of retaliation in the days since Bush was announced as president. All over the country, students - young men and women - are marching, vandalizing, camping out and protesting. From the 85 high school students in Colorado camping out in their school library, to 1,000 protesters demonstrating on the streets of Portland, Ore. to the 5,000 people that started a bonfire in the heart of San Francisco during a march through the streets - all to show their disapproval of Bush.

Other isolated incidents have included attacks of vandalism to Republican headquarters, while some have been peaceful protests.

But what happened last Friday was not peaceful. It was not in the spirit of protesting and did absolutely nothing to forward American society.

First off, the event occurred at 11 at night, when a lot of people are at home, and does not send a statement to the people that need to

hear it. Secondly, burning dolls of political figures and holding signs possessing messages that would make a nun quiver are not methods of protest - they are methods of mayhem.

It is almost as though Chuck Palahniuk's Fight Club became real.

These people were there to complain - not to offer solutions. What America needs now are solutions.

Most of these rallies are to protest Bush being re-elected. It is painfully obvious that a good chunk of America is disappointed and dissatisfied with the election results. Even CNN reported that Canada's immigration and citizenship Web site has had an unusually large number of hits since the election. But this does not give the right for people to react in the manners that occurred Friday night.

The Democratic Party has caught some flack for these outbursts, but just because something occurred toward Republicans does not mean Democrats can be held responsible. These people Friday night hated Kerry just as much as they despised Bush.

Bush has been elected and that will not change.

What can change, however, is where people go from here. There is probably little that can be done that will satisfy those in the Friday night march - nothing short of a revolution anyway - but it cannot incite other people to take similar actions. Protesting can be done peacefully.

And even that is becoming contrary to popular belief.

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Americans need to grow up before it becomes too late

Christin Liverance expresses her frustration with the actions committed to the Republican Headquarters downtown and has a call to each American

The elections are over, it's finally true. Take down your lawn signs and your bumper stickers and return to your regularly scheduled lives.

Although the majority of people are ready to forget about the elections of 2004, I feel some recent events as a result of them merit our attention.

Obviously, there are those that are pleased with the outcome and there are those that are not so pleased. However, no matter what your party affiliation, what is done is done. George "Dub-ya" is our president once again (Praise God...). Now it is time for us, not to separate ourselves as Republicans and Democrats, but to come together as Americans and make the next four years something to look back on and be proud of. Some "civilized" U.S. citizens should stop acting like children raised by wolves and make the best of reality.

People need to respect America's president, no

matter who he is. Despite opinions to the contrary, I believe President Bush had always made the decisions he felt were best for Americans at the time. Try standing in his shoes for one day and see how easy it is to criticize him after that. I don't care how much someone may hate the man, respect the difficult job that he does and the office that he holds.

The United States is one of the most powerful nations in the world. Instead of being proud of that fact, some of those that live here are acting like a bunch of whiny, rebellious and immature high schoolers.

On Friday, vandals attacked the Republican Party headquarters in Raleigh. They broke windows, scrawled obscene slogans on the walls, and attempted to burn the building down.

Illegal demonstrations also broke out on Friday sometime after 11 p.m. A group of approximately 100 people blocked the street near the Bell Tower while another group gathered at the Republican Headquarters.

Demonstrations and acts of vandalism like these are malicious and uncalled for. Part of what makes this country great (or is supposed

to) is tolerance for those with ideas that are different from our own. Just because a person is unhappy with the outcome of our elections, doesn't mean they have to make those who won suffer. We're better than that, aren't we?

No one is being held in this country against their will, either. Another great thing about America, is that if someone doesn't like it, or doesn't agree with what it stands for, they are free to leave.

By this I mean they are free to leave for another country, not for the after-life, as one fine example of a human being did. Andrew Veal, a 25-year-old Georgia resident, shot and killed himself at Ground Zero in New York last week. A co-worker of Veal's told the press she was "absolutely sure" that his actions were in protest of the re-election of George W. Bush.

This story is so ludicrous and tragic at the same time, I don't know whether to laugh or cry. To actually kill one's self because one doesn't like our country's leader is preposterous. I hear France is lovely this time of year, move there. Take up residency in Australia, Great Britain or Jamaica, but don't take your own life and ruin

the lives of others around you because you're disappointed in the choice that a majority of citizens made.

I truly feel sorry for this guy and anyone that knew him. I also think that this was the ultimate "cry-baby" move. Talk about being self-centered and immature; like a kid on Christmas morning who doesn't get the toy he asked for and throws a fit.

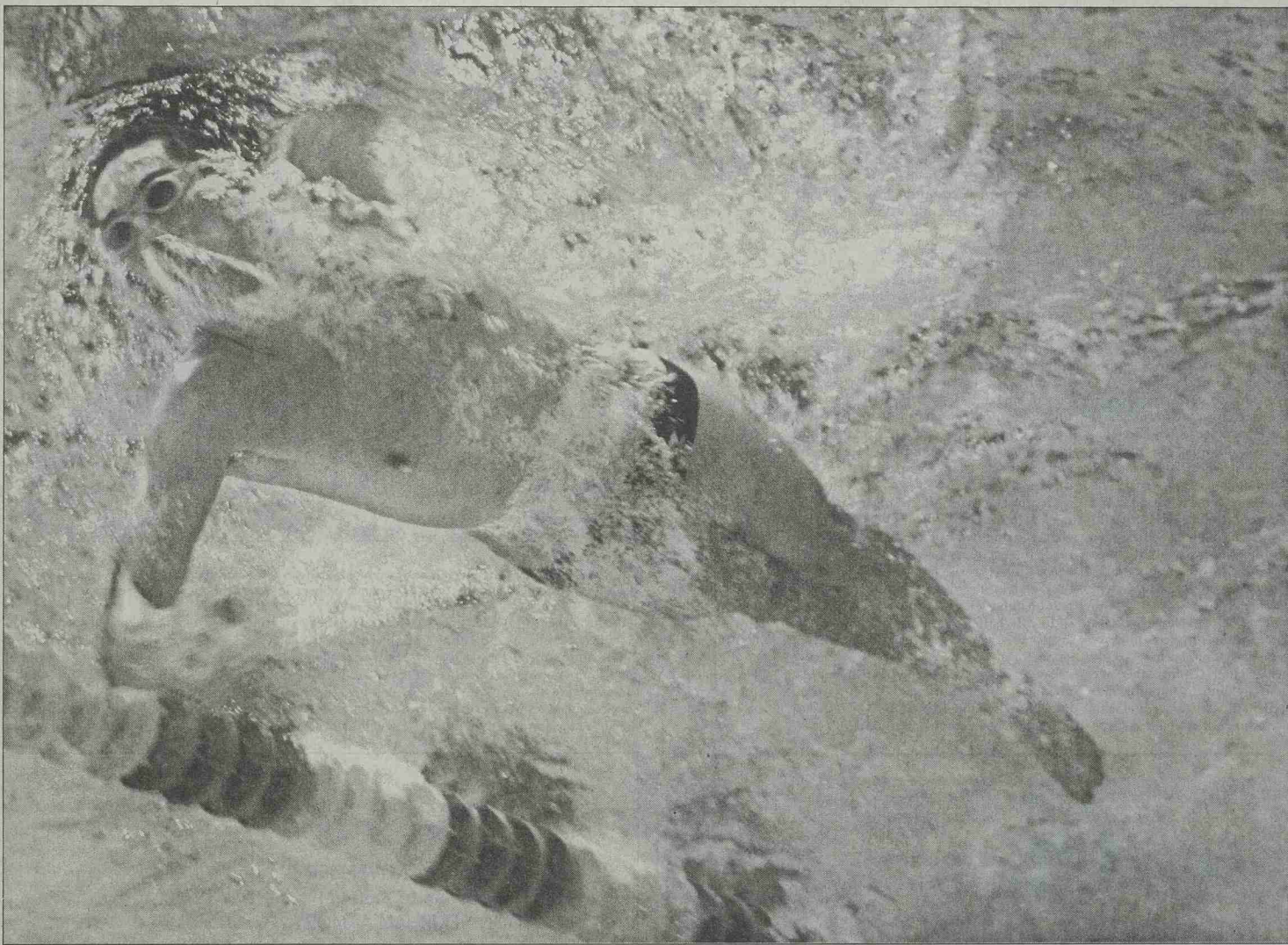
People can say what they want about the president in any environment, that's the beauty of free speech. However, we should remember not to take this right too far. When people destroy the property of others and take their own lives in protest, we have to question our values.

There are plenty of things individuals can do to better their country and their community if they are displeased. Do volunteer work and community service, donate money to charities and be kind to those less fortunate. The result of these elections isn't permanent, 2008 will be here before we know it.

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ROB BRADLEY/TECHNICIAN

Freshman Chris Schenck exhales during the 1,000-yard freestyle on Friday night at Carmichael Gymnasium. Schenck led the Wolfpack in the event, but the men's team fell to Georgia Tech in its second ACC meet.

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Wolfpack relay, took second and third to sneak by the Yellow Jackets.

"This was a huge win for us," Koenig said. "After a rocky year last year, we really came together. I'm so proud of this team right now."

The win comes a week before they face the Yellow Jackets again, this time at the Georgia Tech Invitational in Atlanta.

"This gives us a lot of motivation going into Georgia Tech next weekend," Freshmen Molly Fenn said. "It helps a lot to beat a team like Georgia Tech. It's going to make a lot of teams look out for us next weekend."

The men's team will also be heading to Atlanta next weekend, but they will not be riding the same high as the women's team.

The men started things off strong with a win in the 400-yard medley relay. But could not hold on against a deeper Georgia

Tech team. Junior standout Cullen Jones came out with two wins in the 50 and 100-yard freestyle events, events he has dominated throughout his college career.

Also coming out with wins were redshirt sophomore Steve Cowling in the 200-yard backstroke, and senior Rob Yeager in the 200-yard breaststroke for the Wolfpack.

"We knew Georgia Tech was a strong team, but we didn't expect them to come in here with their 'shaved table status' and race suits," Senior Pete Ranstead

said. "It seemed to kind of drag the team's motivation down. But we're going to use this as a learning experience."

In a day highlighted for the men's team by individual performances, Jones argued that fatigue may have been the reason for the loss.

"We worked hard this week, and may have been pretty tired from that, and from what I've seen and heard today, Georgia Tech wasn't," Jones said.

On a day of mixed emotions, the women were ecstatic as they

came away with a huge win and are ready for next weekend. The men are ready for next weekend as well, but for a different reason. But they still have plenty to work on this week.

"We're gonna look at this as a reason to train hard, swim hard and work hard," Ranstead said. "This will count on our dual record, so hopefully that won't matter as much."

The men's team will look for revenge this weekend at the Georgia Tech Invitational in Atlanta.

Georgia Tech 140, Men 97

Individual winners:
50-100-yard freestyle
Cullen Jones
200 backstroke: Steve Cowling
200 breaststroke: Rob Yeager
Women 122, Tech 121
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Molly Culberson
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200-yard breaststroke:
Hallie Kiehlmer
Note: Video of the meet can be seen at www.ncsu.edu/aquatics/webcast.html at 6 p.m. Tuesday

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passes thrown by Georgia Tech quarterback, Reggie Ball. These interceptions included a 60-yard Marcus Hudson touchdown return in the second quarter.

However, the Wolfpack offense could not convert any of the other turnovers into points.

"We got three turnovers on Georgia Tech which accounted for seven points," Coach Chuck Amato said.

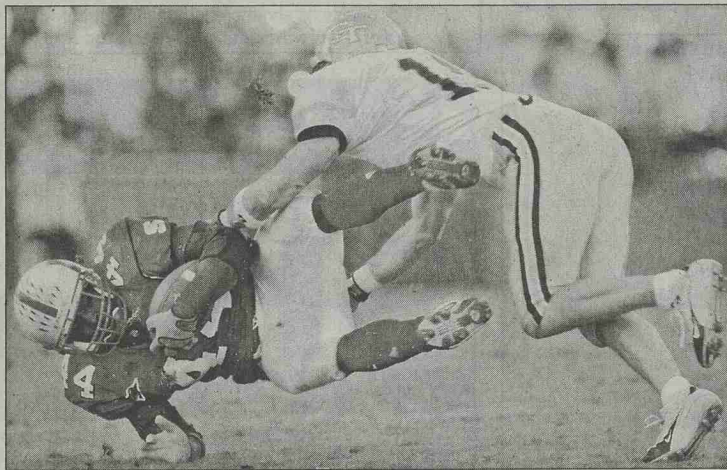
Aside from a 20-yard touchdown run by running back T.A. McLendon in the first quarter, the offense struggled to put points on the board.

Even with a 14-7 lead at halftime, Amato felt that his team could have moved the ball better.

"You gotta make plays when they're there," Amato said. "We had the opportunities in the first half. Really, we could have been up 28-0."

The third quarter was especially desolate for the Wolfpack only amassing 24 total yards during the quarter.

Even the usually steady kicking game was off cue. Kicker John



TAYLOR TEMPLETON/TECHNICIAN

Running back T.A. McLendon gets knocked sideways by a Georgia Tech defender during Saturday's loss.

Deraney went 0-3 on field goal attempts, missing from 34, 40 and 52 yards.

"This is one thing with the team that is within my control," said Deraney. "It's something we can fix. I just got to bounce back and Thursday night, just make all of them."

The defense for the Wolfpack tried to carry the load. Up by a

field goal in the fourth quarter, the defense stopped the Yellow Jackets on three straight plays on the goal line before Reggie Ball fooled everybody by throwing to a cutting Levon Thomas that put Georgia Tech on top.

"I was focused on the run. I had my eyes on the inside," free safety Marcus Hudson said. "He just made a quick slant and my

eyes were on the inside. That hesitation, that tenth of a second created the separation he needed."

State now needs to win out to be bowl eligible and salvage a winning season.

"I'm disappointed for our people," Amato said. "I'm disappointed for all the people in the Wolfpack community."

VOLLEYBALL

Tech foils Pack again

For the second time, State had an opportunity to break its losing streak against Virginia Tech only to fall late

Sports staff report

With a rally in the fourth match one against Virginia Tech in Blacksburg on Saturday, State was in arguably its best position in three years to take home a conference victory.

But this was not to be the day the Wolfpack broke through. State won the opening match of the game, then fell by two straight 30-26 scores. The Pack rallied to capture the fourth match

30-18 and force a decisive final match.

But for the second time this season, State fell in the fifth match to the Hokies, this time losing 11-15.

Junior middle blocker Stefani Eddins tallied five total blocks to become the all-time record holder for the most blocks in a single season in N.C. State history.

Eddins currently has 153 blocks, breaking the former record of 150 held by Diane Ross during the 1984 season.

Eddins also led the Pack with a season-high 20 kill.

Senior outside hitter Melanie Rowe and junior middle blocker Adeola Kosoko each added 13 kills, while junior outside hitter Kayla Ragan tallied 10 kills.

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because Tech was able to take advantage of three interceptions thrown by State quarterback Jay Davis.

Tech was able to put points on the board off of their interceptions while the Pack didn't take advantage of their takeaways.

While the Pack tied its season high with three takeaways, State continued to miss out on one big play opportunity after another.

On Dovonte Edwards' second interception on the day, he returned it all the way back for a touchdown, only to have it called back for a holding infraction on defensive end Manny Lawson.

"I was getting done celebrating, and I look back and there is

a flag on the ground," Dovonte Edwards said. "They said No. 91 was holding, but he was right in front of me, it didn't seem like he held, but you know the refs are out there for a reason."

The called-back touchdown would then result in a 41-yard missed field goal by kicker John Deraney, another missed opportunity that would haunt the Pack for the rest of the game.

"It's frustrating to have a play like that called back," Edwards said.

Edwards believed that the touchdown could have put State at a huge advantage for the rest of the game.

"That would have given us the momentum," Edwards said.

Even after plays such as that, State was in control of the game and had the lead 14-10 early in

the fourth quarter. Tech faced a third-and-four from the State 43. A bad pass by Ball resulted in a great one-handed grab by freshman receiver Calvin Johnson, a drive that ended with a improbable fourth down pass for a touchdown.

"Johnson played big in the second half," Edwards said. "He's a big receiver, 6-4, 225 [pounds] and uses his body well."

The Pack was given another opportunity to tie the game, however, on second down, Davis went back to pass and tried to throw the ball away before getting sacked. Davis was then called for an intentional grounding, which pushed State back 15 yards and led to a missed 52-yard field goal by Deraney.

"It seems like a curse," Thomas said.

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place with 64 total saves.

The win removes State (8-7-2, 2-4-1 ACC) from any possible consideration to play as the eighth and last seed in the ACC tournament, while the Hokies (9-9-1, 2-5 ACC) seem fit more than ever to claim the infamous honor for themselves.

"This team has to be able to compete for the ACC Championship," State Coach George Tarantini said. "If anything, this game won us a shot in the tournament."

The Pack conjured two second-half goals from junior striker Aaron King, which proved adequate enough given the strength of Gonzales and the Pack defense, who are currently counting 276 minutes of clean sheet performance without conceding a goal. The streak was almost broken in the late minutes, but defender Justin Branch provided a sliding save on the goal line, a highlight to remember for the respected senior playing in his last match at Method Road.

"This victory is huge, we have three shutouts in a row now, we get some momentum," midfielder Hugh Cronin said. "We have a chance of moving into sixth in the conference, and with the momentum we have, we're

looking to do something big in the tournament. And hopefully move on to the NCAA's."

Cronin received a majority of the available playing time in the midfield after junior Federico Peria pulled up limping in minute 12, racing the sideline hoping to catch the end of defender John Queeley's ball upfield. Peria did not return after pulling his hamstring, and Cronin answered Tarantini's call.

"We ended up moving [El Hadj] Cisse from the middle to up top, but it's hard to make a change when you lose one of your star players," Cronin said.

With four goals and eight assists now painfully watching from the bench, it was junior Bryant Salter that assumed the playmaking duties. By winning the ball in midfield and pressing forward on the right side-line, Salter would soon provide ample scoring chances for the royal goal-striker in King.

King, just moments after losing the ball in the box, got a second chance in minute 55 when Salter made the necessary tackle, and when the extra pass to Cronin drew Harrison's charge, Cronin fed the hungry King in the box sliding the ball past the helpless keeper for the first goal of the game.

"Soccer is about scrapping and making chances," Salter said. "I know King is going to be in the box because he's always looking

to score. Once I take the ball past my defender, I know he'll put it in when I get it to his feet."

It was an idea worth repeating in minute 69, when Bryant again beat his defenders on the right sideline to feed King at the edge of the 18, and with a majestic step to his right launched the crowd-pleasing rocket into the right corner.

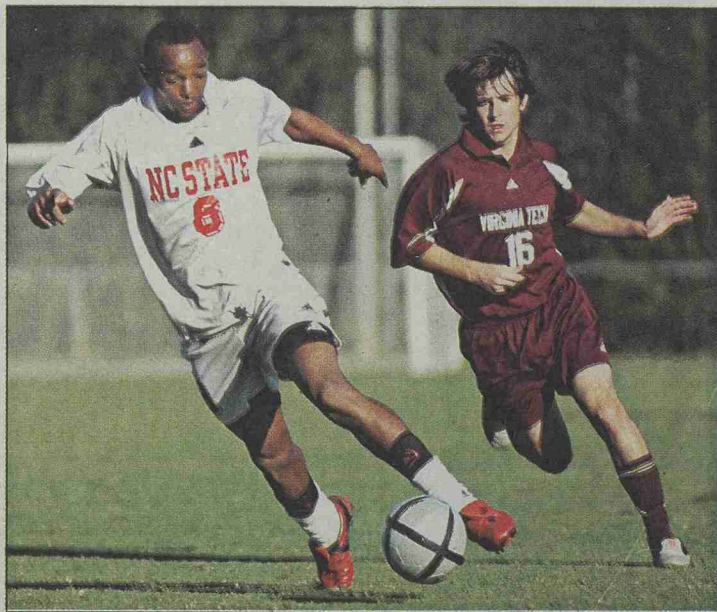
It was King's eleventh goal of the year, matching his season total from a year ago and moving him to a tie for third in the ACC in goals for the season. King has scored 11 of the 28 goals for the Pack this year.

"I'm thinking two things: how many opportunities we created scoring, and how many opportunities they had. That's how I see the game," Tarantini said. "They had some, but when we are tied or behind we play just as strong and aggressive because we have a lot of speed."

King and Salter today played wonderful, but we have to finish our chances."

The long-tenured coach relentlessly called for his players to attack the Hokies and to utilize their individual talent to advance the ball forward.

"That's my game," Tarantini laughed, commenting on his aggressive style of soccer. "I mean come on, I love that game. Soccer is one on one. Now if you can beat your opponent, it's 11 guys to 10."



JOSHUA MICHEL/TECHNICIAN

Freshman El Hadj Cisse maneuvers away from Virginia Tech defense during State's 2-0 shutout on Saturday. Cisse recorded three shots during the game, while junior Aaron King scored both goals.

With another ACC win to bolster the strength of a potential NCAA tournament resume, the question remains as to whether State will be with or without the services of their Argentinean assist leader for the dynamic

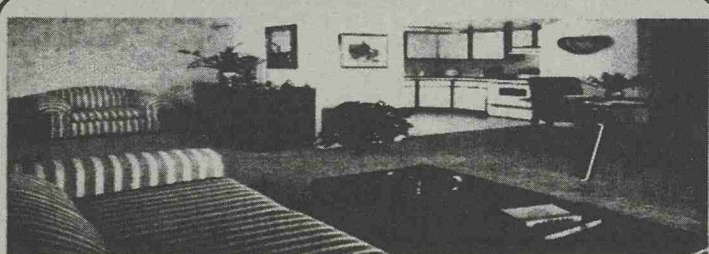
ACC tournament starting on Wednesday.

"Fedy is a tough kid, if he can play at all, he'll be out there," Salter said.

The first-round matchup for State will likely feature an ACC

opponent that will not only boast a higher seed in the tournament, but a top-15 national ranking as well.

"It won't be an upset," junior defender Kyle Fragakis said. "We're just going to win."



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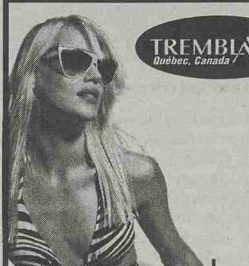
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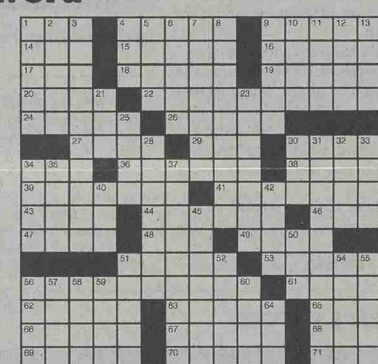
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Amato: 'I'm embarrassed'

A LATE INTERCEPTION FROM STATE'S JAY DAVIS ENDED ALL HOPES OF A COMEBACK AND GAVE STATE ITS THIRD STRAIGHT LOSS

Stephen Federowicz
Staff Writer

The crowd left so fast, Carter-Finley Stadium might as well have been on fire late Saturday afternoon. The onlookers who weren't rushing to leave the scene with 1:22 still remaining on the clock occupied themselves by booing the home team mercilessly.

An errant pass by Wolfpack quarterback Jay Davis was intercepted and taken in for a game-deciding Georgia Tech touchdown. Down by three, the Pack drove to near midfield before Kenny Scott nabbed the Davis pass and took it to the endzone for a 24-14 lead that would hold for the last minute and a half.

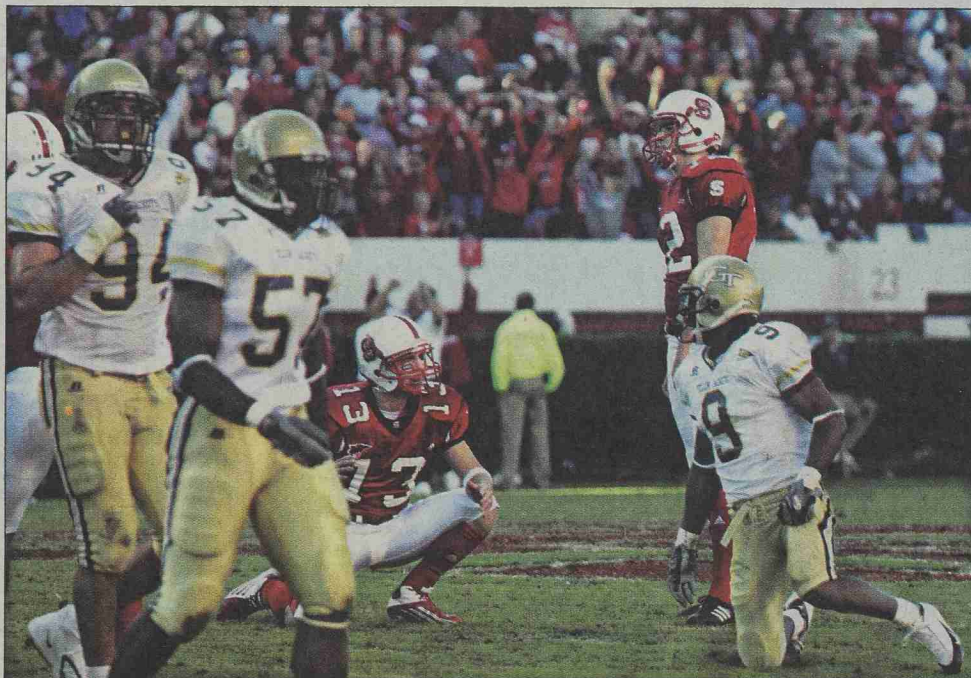
"I'm embarrassed," Wolfpack coach Chuck Amato said, though he later said that he might have chosen the wrong word when he said 'embarrassed.'

The interception was one of three by the Pack (4-5, 3-4 ACC) on Saturday, accounting for all the State turnovers. They were especially costly considering all three of the Yellow Jackets (5-3, 4-3) touchdowns evolved from them.

"We had a strict lead going on," quarterback Jay Davis said of the last interception. "Meaning that if you can't beat the corner deep, just turn around and stop. I'm not sure what happened out there, but the corner made a play."

The N.C. State secondary was also very active, grabbing three

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John Deraney (right) and holder Chris Young cringe in disgust after Deraney's 52-yard attempt, which would have tied the score, sails wide.

Three takeaways not enough

Nicholas Jeffreys
Staff Writer

The N.C. State defense has been ranked among the top of the country all season long. But the top-ranked defense has struggled all season long to create turnovers.

That changed Saturday afternoon when the Pack faced off against ACC foe Georgia Tech at Carter-Finley Stadium. The outcome of the game did not.

The Pack was able to compile three turnovers, all in the first half. State had two interceptions by Dovonte Edwards and another interception that was returned for a touchdown by Marcus Hudson.

"We got a lot of turnovers today," Pat Thomas said. "But we made a lot of turnovers today." Even with three takeaways for the Pack, it still wasn't enough

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WHY N.C. STATE LOST:

The State offense sputtered all game, scoring just one touchdown and getting shutout over the final three quarters. The Georgia Tech defense held running back T.A. McLendon to just 50 yards, forcing State to throw the ball 38 times. Two of Tech's three interceptions came in the fourth quarter, including the game-deciding play with just over a minute remaining.

WHY IT MATTERS:

The postseason outlook is grim for the Wolfpack, as it needs two wins in two games to turn 2004 into a winning season. One of those wins will have to come in just a few days against a top-15 team in Florida State. The loss to Georgia Tech has turned the final two games into absolute must wins, where a loss means spending Christmas break at home instead of in a bowl game.

GAME BALL:

Georgia Tech's third-string running back Rashaun Grant picked up the slack for the injured P.J. Daniels, recording 122 rushing yards on 20 carries. The freshman runner averaged more than six yards per carry, taking pressure off sophomore quarterback Reggie Ball, who threw three interceptions in the first half and none in the second half.

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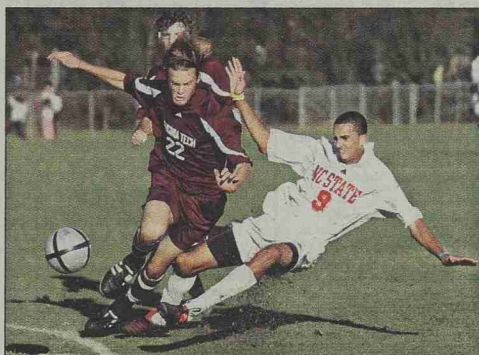
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Rushes-yards	33-178	32-72
Passing yards	91	234
Penalties-yards	6-55	9-94
Turnovers	3	3
TOP	28:16	31:44

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS:

Rushing:	McLendon 18-50
	Hawkins 3-30
Passing:	Davis 22-38-0-234
Receiving:	Barrett 5-92
	Clark 5-40

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MEN'S SOCCER



Junior Bryant Salter tries to slide between two Virginia Tech defenders in State's 2-0 win over the Hokies Saturday at Method Road.

Pack keeps streak alive

It's been 276 minutes of goose eggs and counting for Pack opponents, as State earned another ACC win.

Ian Jester
Senior Staff Writer

With the seeding far from settled for this week's ACC Championship, the Wolfpack greatly improved its position in the conference with a 2-0 home victory over Virginia Tech in its

regular-season finale Saturday.

The match-up between the ACC's cellar dwellers in the standings also featured the top two goal-minders in the conference, and with the result of Saturday's match, State's Jorge Gonzales now leads the ACC with 67 saves on the year, while Tech's Chase Harrison holds second

N.C. STATE 1
VA TECH 0

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SWIMMING & DIVING

Women edge Tech by a point

Individual performances highlight day for men, as the women dominate when need to most

Josh Harrell
Staff Writer

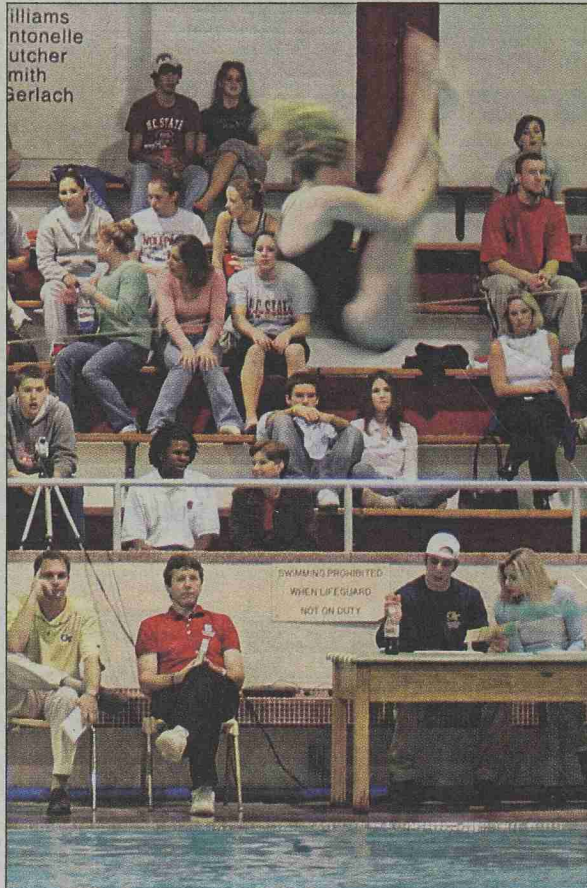
N.C. State swimmers and divers talked all week about how they expected a large crowd to come out for their first ACC opponent.

They were right. The Willis R. Casey Natatorium filled up to see the Wolfpack women's team come away with a 122-121 win and the men with a 140-97 loss against conference rival Georgia Tech.

After a successful 400-yard medley for the women's team, Lindsay Barwegen continued her winning ways for the Pack as she extended her long distance freestyle streak.

The Pack took first and second in the 200-yard individual medley, with junior Jessica Koenig and senior Laura Cutler respectively. Sophomore Kerry Whitson came out with two wins, one in the 200-yard freestyle and another in the 100-yard freestyle.

But barely trailing with two events to go, the Pack came through in the clutch. Led by Halle Kiehlmer the Pack took first, second and fourth in 200-yard breaststroke, and then in the last match, the 400-yard freestyle



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The women's team edged Georgia Tech by a single point, 122-121, on Friday night.

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