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# Marriage ban shuns gays

Katie Akin

With President Bush taking a stand against gay marriage on the campaign trail and 11 states passing amendments against it, same-sex marriages quickly rocketed into a heated topic in

the country.

After the election, many gay After the election, many gay Americans, including students on campus, say they feel unsupported by the government and the American public in their quest for equal rights.

"The whole situation and controversy bothers me because the contribution province security."

the constitution promises equal rights to all. I don't care if they description of the care in they call it civil union or marriage; we deserve to have to same privileges as heterosexual people." Dale Eramo, a sophomore in textiles and apparel management, said, "We deserve to have equal insurance benefits and the right

to adopt children—all of those things, as Americans."
In February of 2004 President George W. Bush, in reaction to judicial support of gay marriages conducted in San Francisco and Massachusetts, proposed a federal amendment to the Constitution that would define marriage as a union between a man and a woman.

In his speech the President stated, "America is a free society, which limits the role of govern-

This commitment of freedom, however, does not require the redefinition of one of our most basic social institutions.

basic social institutions."

Many gay students in disagree and feel that some redefinition of social institutions must be made in order for gay, lesbian, bisexual and trans-gender people to receive equal protection under United States law.

In the last election Oregon, Arkansas, Geograja, Kentucky.

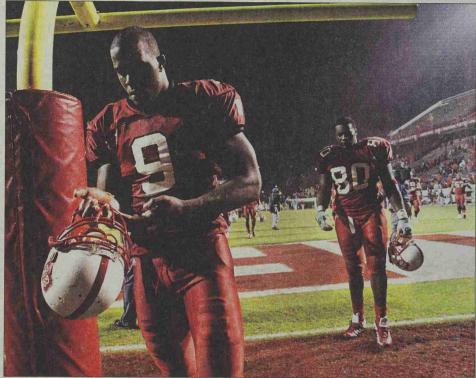
Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Ohio and Utah all passed ballot mea-

Also, President George W. Bush and a large number Republican senators and members of the house pushing the anti-marriage rights were elected to office.
"This President has touted

his alleged moral platform, and has continually moved forward to try and further alienate and discriminate against millions of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Americans with his proposed Federal Marriage Amendment and homophobic comments about the community. On that fact alone, munity. On that fact alone, why would any GLBT person be happy about the re-election of a discriminating, narrowly focused president?" Justine Hollingshead, coordinator of

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## A SEASON LOST



Not even Thursday night could rescue the Mario Williams, T.J. Willams and the Pack. Undefeated on non-Saturday regular-season games under Coach Chuck Amato, State fell to Florida State in its rain-soaked home finale, the last home game for Amato's first full recruiting class that trotted on the field 13 members strong in a ceremony before the game. All year, it seemed, the red-clad Wolfpack faithful entered the gates of the West Raleigh stadium

longing to build on the heights that ol' No. 17 approached and its scratchy-throat coach promised.

The crowd's palpable hopes mirrored that of the charged-up Pack, dressed in red from head to toe for the first time all year. But the long-awaited elation its fans hoped for all year ran barren in the second half, during which State netted just 26 offensive yards.

The masses headed for the gates in unison with six minutes still on the clock, escaping the steady rain and turning their hopes toward basketball season, which begins in earnest in less than a week.

N.C. State's football season didn't officially end last night, but every conceivable hope it had for a successful

Full coverage: See page 8.

# Students react to Arafat's death

Kate Peters Bowra

Palestinian President Yasser Arafat died in a French hospital late Wednesday evening after a battle with an unknown illness. The leader's deteriorating health over the past weeks had individuals tense all over the world — including students on

campus. Various media outlets have been told by sources close to Arafat that the leader was suf-

Arafat that the leader was suf-fering from a brain hemorrhage and was on life support for a few days, published reports say. This information comes after the 75-year-old Arafat slipped into a coma earlier in the week, according to published reports. Akram Khater, director of international programs and associate professor of history, is familiar with the background of Arafat and the many concerns of Arafat and the many concerns that arose as a result of Arafat's rapidly declining health. He also addressed the secrecy

surrounding his condition.

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"Arafat is a national symbol to the Palestinian people and this is a very difficult time for them," Khater said. "By keeping them, Khater said. By keeping his health conditions out of the media it will give people time to decide what must be done [following Arafat's passing]."

He explains that the situation will impact the entire political spectrum in the decision as to who will segure Arafat's poei.

who will assume Arafat's posi-

"This also helps in avoiding a civil war or any type of conflict,"

Khater said. Campus Palestinian students

felt that Arafat represented his people well. "T believe he is a good man, he stood strong by his people," Nura Shadid, a Palestinian student and junior in business management, said. "Some say that he stood in the way of peace and that he wa the one promoting terrorism, but I don't believe that." Shadid said she was saddened

by Arafat's death and added

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# SOCIAL SECURITY SIGNATURE

STORY BY REBECCA HESLIN

{Will it be there for us?}

AS THE EXHAUSTION OF SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS BECOMES MORE INEVITABLE, STUDENTS AND YOUNG WORKERS ACROSS THE NATION FACE NEW OPTIONS AND UNCERTAINTY

As the smoke clears from the recent heated elections, Social Security reform can be seen on the horizon for young Americans.

President George W. Bush has said he has plans to move forward with partial privatization of Social Security so younger Americans can enjoy the same financial security as their grandparents have post-retirement.

Younger workers ought to be able to take some of their payroll taxes and set up a personal savings account; a personal savings account that will earn a better rate of return than the current Social Security trust, an account they call their own, an account the government cannot take away," Bush said in a campaign speech.

In a press conference two days after the

election, Bush identified the importance of

his Social Security reforms.

"We must show our leadership by strengthening Social Security for our children and our grandchildren," Bush said. "It is an opportunity to help millions of our fellow citizens find security and independence that comes from owning

something."
The 2004 Social Security Trustees' Report predicts that the benefits of Social Security

will begin exceeding its revenue in 2018. Unless Congress acts fast, workers born after 1975 can expect to pay full Social Se-curity taxes throughout their careers, but not receive the benefits in full promised to

not receive the benefits in full promised to them after retirement.

"It is not fair for us [students] to put money into a 'pot' that is distributed to older people, because when we get older we will have nothing," Heather Warren, a junior in business management, said.

By allowing younger workers the option to reroute a portion of their Social Security taxes into a personal account instead of it all going toward the federal government's trust fund, they will still be able to obtain the protection provided by the system in use today after retirement.

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Pigeons attracts eclectic mix

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Every Tues & Thurs Almost Everything



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# OVERHEARD)

Eleven states supported a Gay Marriage ban. Do you support one for North Carolina?



Crystal Goodyear



Ben Hayworth
Fr. Political Science



"I don't support it, but if that's what you choose that's your



No, I just feel like nent to get **Daniel Cheek** 



'No, I don't think it's fair gay people don't get the same rights Shawna Carrigan Sr. Animal Scie

# **GAYS**

Project SAFE, said. "There is no doubt that folks in the

GLBT and Ally community nationally, locally, and here on N.C. State's campus are going to have to work significantly harder to educate nificantly harder to educate people about the issues fac-ing our community." Gay activist groups have been working toward mar-

riage rights and the recogni-tion of for years.

Not to upset the conven-tional notion that marriage is between a man and a woman, nor to devalue the religious sanctity of marriage, they contend, but rather in hopes of attaining

equal protection from the

This protection in-cludes tax benefits and health care coverage, for themselves and their loved ones.

Not everyone in the movement even supports marriage, but most people in the GBLT movement definitely feel that the ballot measures passed in those eleven states are a slap in the face, like the nation is saying that they are second class citizens." Elena Everett, a student representative of the Bisexuals, Gays, Lesbians, and Allies organization, said earlier this week. "This part of a frighten-ing trend that fosters an atmosphere of hate, fear and ignorance of people that are different."

that the president's request to be buried in Jerusalem has not been without conflict. "Most people will probably want him to be buried in Je-rusalem and they would want the service to be done in Jeru-salem in the Al-Aqsa Mosque," Shadid said. "This will be a big problem because the Israelis will most likely not allow for that to happen." happen."

Khater agrees with Shadid,

mentioning that the problem lies much deeper than just an average burial location, saying "Arafat desired to be buried in Jerusalem, but he is not trusted by the Israeli people." "[Arafat's] burial would mark a

greater control by the Palestinian

people," Khater said. "It would people, Knater said. It would stake a claim over Jerusalem that the Israelis would not support." Current preparations have been made for Arafat's com-

pound in the West Bank city of Ramallah, where he has resided for the past three years, to serve as his burial location.

Wa'el Sabbar, a senior in computer science, is disturbed by the discussion revolving around the

"Arafat was not perfect — no one is. But he is being denied the right of being buried in Jerusalem," Sabbar said. "Regardless, I hope that the next Palestinian representatives will be less cor-rupt and will work with Ameri-cans and the rest of the world to reach an agreement with Israel to achieve peace

Sabbar pointed out that peace is a two-way street and if Palestinians want to work toward peace then Israelis must want the same.

"Readiness on both sides is ential for peace to occur,

According to the regulations of the Palestinian Constitution, now that Arafat is deceased, the speaker of the Palestinian House of Representatives Rawhi Fattuh will become the temporary president until elections are held in

approximately two months.

Sabbar said he does his best to stay updated and involved with political climate in Palestine as his entire family resides in the country. He encouraged Americans to look into the situation and make their own decisions

of Palestinians.
"That is the beauty of living in America," Sabbar said. "We can search for the truth and strive for what is right.'

# **SECURITY**

The question plaguing the nation in response to these ownership reforms is whether Bush and Congress will in-crease the nation's deficit, already at \$413 billion, in order to reform Social Security.

"It bothers me very much that we would be adding over \$100 billion to the deficit," Charles Coe, a professor of public administration, said.

Skeptics of the plan argue hat this type of reform would be a step in the wrong direction, mainly because of the additional deficit it could potentially create.

Some argue that the deficit is important, because it is eventually bought off by foreign investors. If the deficit continues to grow, these investors may come nervous and stop buy

ing U.S. Treasury bills.

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The predicted exhaustion of the U.S. trust fund responsible for paying the Social Security benefits is a problem affecting the nation as a whole, regardless of party affiliation.

Social Security Administration polls have shown a largely supportive backing of Bush's plans to establish personal retirement accounts.

retirement accounts.
Without the existence of these accounts, the result would provide fewer benefits without decreasing the taxes for post-baby boomers enter-

ing the work force.
"Baby boomers like me are in good shape," Bush said in a campaign speech. "But we need to worry about children and our grandchildren when it comes to Social Security."

However, he said that for current retirees and near-retirees, "promises made must Recent NCSU graduates share fears of Social Security collapse as they enter the work

"I believe with the advance-ments made every day in medicine to prolong peoples' lives, it only makes Social Security that much more difficult to provide in the future, Nick Green, a 2004 graduate in economics, said. "If changes aren't made soon, then Social Security as we know it will no longer exist.

Elizabeth Snider, a 2004 graduate in communication, shares Green's concerns about and the fact that she may never benefit from it.
"I back Bush in allowing for

the creation of personal accounts, because if the money is going to run out in the near future as they predict, I want to be able to have access to money I put away for retirement," Snider said.

"When students graduate, they tend to have a sense of immortality," said Robin Nowlin, nonresident tax specialist at NCSU, said.

In order to counteract that sense, he said, "graduates need to be fiscally responsible and disciplined."

Nancy Crumpler, payroll tax specialist at NCSU, added that students graduating and entering the work force need to be aware of the financial situation at hand and plan for

the future.
"There's lot of risk associated with these personal accounts, but a lot of appeal to young people who are worried about not receiving Social Security," Coe said.

He went on to say he believes students need to realize that "A, you don't get to go to Cancun off this money. And B, it's going to cost us."

## **POLICE BLOTTER**

11/10/2004 10:34 A.M. | LARCENY/ FINANCIAL CARD FRAUD

A staff member reported that someone took three credit cards from her purse in Holladay Hall sometime between 8:45 am and 5:00 pm on 10/08/04. The cards were used later in the day at several local businesses.

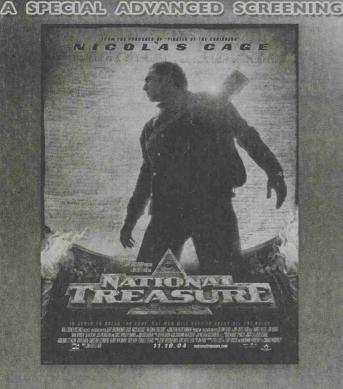
10:48 P.M. | DRUG VIOLATION

Bagwell Hall staff called to report a possible smell of marijuana in the 1st floor area. The officer did not smell marijuana upon his ar-rival to Bagwell. The staff member was told to call back if he smells this again.

8:05 P.M. | MEDICAL ASSIST

A student tripped while parking her bicycle at Sullivan Hall. She was taken to Rex Hospital for a possible broken arm. Housing staff was notified.

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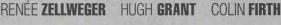
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# Viewpoint

# CAMPUS FORUM

 $To submit letters to Campus Forum, send your thoughts to viewpoint @technician online.com. \ Please limit responses to 250 words. Technician reserves the right to edit for grammar, style and size.$ 

### Behar's dining column right on

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In the three years I've had a meal plan, absolutely nothing has changed.
They have not added any more food options. They have not changed dining times to accommodate college students.
They have not started cooking edible food.
The annoyances start the moment I walk through the doors of Fountain Hall. My card is swiped by employees who barely say hello. I must then pick up a tray and usually have to ask for missing silverware. I wait in line to plop some unidentifiable processed meat product on my tray beside some form of potato.
I am then railled to a separate area to get rid of my tray, an area that contains wet garbage cans, a broken belt line and smells like a cow farm.
If the dining staff can't empty out the silverware bins to suppress the smell, why should we have to put up with it? Because we have no choice. I know there are other options. What are they? Taco Bell and LII/Dinos. Thank you N.C. State for not providing any healthy food options, but instead encouraging us to visit nutrition advisers that no one has ever seen or

Heard of Heard to Eurth of grammar heard of Hopefully, someone in the dining department will read this letter and perhaps realize that I am not the only student that feels this way about the dining experience here on campus. My suggestion to the dining department: go eat at a dining hall at any other college campus in America – UNC and its multi-level dining hall, perhaps. If we have to pay almost \$1,000 for food a semester, it's about time I start seeing some filet mignon on the food line.

Jenny Patoka Biological Sciences

## Don't leave morality behind

I am a very devout Christian – a "religious conservative." I am an example of one of the four million voters that voted with morality at the top of our lists. Why? To me, religion is more than something I do for fun on Sundays. Religion is my life. It facilitates through everything I do. And this "book" that we have an "unhealthy obsession" with that was written over

2,000 years ago? That books dictates my every move, including my vote.

I was highly offended when I heard that tax cuts were all we were after anyway. No, they're not. I vote in hopes for a better America that sticks to the morals that I live my life by. Morals should be important to people.

We are concerned about these things. Marriage was created to be a sacred institution. Though you may feel that your marriage may have no impact on mine, it affects the sacredness of marriage in general.

It affects the sacreamess of the general.

The First Amendment gives us freedom of religion, yes, but it does not mean freedom from religion. After all, wasn't the country based on Christian principles to begin with anyway? Times may be changing, but that is no excuse to leave morality behind. I don't expect everyone to believe the way! do or think the way! do, but at least allow me to live out my beliefs in this "free" country without persecution.

Samantha Stroupe Psychology and Biological Sciences

# Time for a true conservative agenda

Brian says it is the time for the Democratic Party to move toward the political center

Through all the norms of quadrennial politics, there is an upside to the partisan attacks, the negative advertising, race-baiting and

Brian Onorio

care tactic The good side to election-year politics always occurs a day af ter Election Day

that is if your guy wins (we're taking the 2000 debacle out of

And so I am pleased to say that the sunny

side of election-year politics has fallen into my favor (and the favor of 52 percent of the electorate). I found myself last Wednesday, with the majority of America, walking with a half-crooked smile, a brisk

walk and a quiet jubilation within. But this jubilation was unique; it was not a jubilee merely for the fact that my party won. It was a special type of jubilation.

It was a quiet jubilation for the life of the unborn; it was a quiet jubilation for the victory of tradi-tional values and morals; it was a quiet jubilation for the future of America; most of all, it was a quiet jubilation for the continuing safety

of all Americans.

Last week marked an astounding victory for conservatives and America. With the re-election of President George W. Bush and the subsequent gains in both the House of Representatives and the Senate — it is safe to say that a ma-jority of America has endorsed the Republican Party's conservative platform.

It is interesting that while Europe and the rest of the world are continuing their trek to the left, America has moved firmly to the

right.
This is a further testament to the true individuality and strength of

While other industrialized nations boast of "health care for everyone," terminally-ill Europe-ans and those on their death beds make their way to America's fine nealth care establishments. Other Europeans boast their wide array of social programs, but it wouldn't be too difficult to find Europeans working in America to escape the chains of ridiculously high tax rates.
Folks in Canada may boast their

low prices on pharmaceuticals, but Canadians in need of prescription medications and unwilling to sit out the wait-list period find themselves purchasing their medica tions from American stores (a phe

nomena that is rarely reported).

America is a great land with fine health care facilities because we firmly believe in the power of the free market and the notion of the smaller the government, the better. Prescription drugs may be expen-

sive, but they are available.
Further, it would be much more expensive if pharmaceutical companies could no longer afford to venture into expensive research; in this case, the price is not paid in dollars, it is paid in lives.

Our country was founded upon the idea that when a man can do it for himself, he should not rely on others to do it for him. This is a unique trend in the face of the socialist Old World. When a man comes and asks for

food, it is best not to give him fish so that he may return tomorrow asking for more, but it is far bet-ter to teach the man to fish so that he may provide for himself. This is the essence of the conservative Republican Party and the Wednes day following the election was an accomplishing and expensive the compact of overwhelming endorsement of these ideas

Many say that this election was won over morality, and by morality, I mean the pro-life argument, the traditional definition of marriage, etc. While I believe that this brand of morality was integral in the election of Republicans nationwide, I believe it is deeper than

It is immoral to give a man what he could earn for himself. It is immoral to give Bill Gates health care on your dollar. It is immoral to give the daughters of both George Bush and John Kerry free college tuition with your money

Give to those in need, but do not provide openly and freely. This ru-ins ambition, individual responsi-bility and efficiency in any system.

There is a reason that America is the most prosperous, most power ful nation in the world. Following in the footsteps of a broken Europe, where an unemployment rate over 10 percent is considered "good," should not be the new American policy (of which it is the policy of the Democratic Party).

There is a reason why so many want to come to our country, but few are willing to leave. Now is not the time for George Bush and fel-low Republicans to "move to the center;" now is the time for the Democratic Party to move to the center. Now is the time to enact a true conservative agenda, and I have no doubt that this is what will

It is at this point that we move forward, and there is every reason to be optimistic. Now that this election is over and the left-wing media no longer have a hand in the battle, we will finally see the good shape the economy is in; we will finally see the good coming out of Iraq; we will finally see that America is winning the war on terror and that we have al-Qaeda is on the run.

And it is with this that my quiet jubilation will remain; at least for the next 1,452 days and continuing when we will be able to say "President-elect Bill Frist.'

Brian can be reached at viewpoint@technicianonline.com **TECHNICIAN'S VIEW** 

# SEND CAMPUS **BOOZING TO THE** CURB

OUR OPINION: THE UNIVERSITY SHOULD TAKE A LARGER ROLE IN EDU-CATING STUDENTS ON THE CONSEQUENCES OF ALCOHOL. THE WOLFLINE SHOULD ALSO ADD MORE BUSES TO THEIR WEREWOLF ROUTE ON THE WEEKENDS AND EXPAND ROUTES TO GIVE STUDENTS AN ALTERNATIVE TO DRINKING AND DRIVING

College is not only a place where young people come to get an edu-

For some, though, it is an awakening to a substance never encountered before: alcohol.

Alcohol, for better or worse, is a component of college culture that has been reinforced in popular culture. Posters with John Belushi chugging whiskey from a Jack Daniel's bottle with a shirt on that says "College" come to mind. Unfortunately, this is a prevailing image of alcohol in college.

John Belushi is dead, though, and so are 1,400 college students this year - students that have died in alcohol-related accidents.

In September, Samantha Spady, a student at Colorado State University, was found dead at a fraternity party. She'd consumed at least 30 drinks over the course of the evening, according to published reports.

This growing trend of student deaths has been on the rise and has left university administrators scratching their heads as to how to combat this problem. It seems education, combined with an alcoholfree culture, is the best and most effective way to combat alcohol-related deaths.

At N.C. State, there is a strict no-booze policy in many of the dorms. If caught, students must go through an alcohol training class More ALE officers are roaming the tailgating lots and checking IDs of fans attending football games.
Along with the obvious sanctions

against students that do throw parties, the University should also be as pro-active about drinking as it possibly can.

The Wolfline's "Werewolf" night service could add a couple of buses to the route on Friday and Saturday nights, when students go out the most, and when the most alcohol is consumed.

A mandatory alcohol class for all incoming freshmen would go a long way in informing new students that alcohol abuse will not be tolerated.

The University can only do so much in providing educational opportunities for students to learn about alcohol. Ultimately, it is up to students to make informed and responsible decisions when going out to the bars or parties.

Together, students and administrators can change this growing trend of death and create an atmosphere where repsonsibility is the percieved rule, not the execption.

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# Election pushed the church-state envelope

Emily explains how the recent election erases the line between church and state - and how conservative Christians have endagered the First Amendment freedom of religion

Now that the election is over, Americans must face the looming reality of the government's future: the rise of the "religious right." Under the guidance of President Bush, fundamentalist

Governmental adherence to the principle of

separation of church and state is absolutely nec-

mocracy. A democracy is symbolic of majority rule, where the government is ruled collectively

by the people through elected representatives. However, President Bush and many other

Republicans have taken it upon themselves to

decide what is right for America. The elect few

are now making decisions for the entire country,

essary, for without it, America wouldn't be



**Emily** Duncan

and state.

Christian ideologues have taken over American politics. And now, with Republicans in complete control of the government, they can freely impose their "religious war, in the name of "traditional values."

However, they seem to be forgetting about one of the constitutional liberties that anny - separation of church

most essential and important protects Americans from tyr

espousing what they believe to be "morally cor-

However, ones morals should not, and thanks to the principle of separation of church and state, are not allowed to be imposed on the gov ernment. Separation of church and state serves two pur-

poses, to restrict what the government can do ith religion, and more importantly, to restrict what religious bodies can do with the government.
Religious groups, and their leaders, cannot

dictate to or control the government. They cannot cause the government to adopt their doctrines as policy for everyone else.

Despite constitutional regulations, the re-elec-

tion of President George W. Bush will almost certainly erode the wall of separation between church and state, therefore increasing the influence of the "religious right. Over the next four years, be prepared for religion and government to unite, for our constitu-

religion to be thrown out the window With Republicans now in control, two of the most highly debated issues from the campaign, homosexuality and abortion, are now subject to the scrutiny and revision of the "religious right." Arguing from the moral vantage point,

tional protection against government-sponsored

most conservatives, particularly fundamentalist Christians, condemn homosexuality and abortion, calling it immoral.

On the other hand, Democrats argue for the

choice of the individual – stressing the point that one is entitled to make their own decisions regarding their own body. While discrepancies are beneficial to the democratic process, the heightened hostility and animosity between the two parties does not help to advance the interests of our nation.

The fact is that many people are homosexual

and many women do choose to have abortions. The Constitution guarantees Americans free dom to make their own decisions regarding their minds and bodies, and no government, despite the interests of its leaders, should be able to deny individuals their basic civil liberties

Regarding the issue of gay marriage, the "reli-gious right," argues that homosexual unions are both a desecration of biblical law and a danger to the tradition of marriage between a man and a woman. Conservatives don't realize or bother to notice that not all of America holds themselves to this same religious standard.

Religion is not mandatory, it is something done with free will, and for that reason cannot be imposed on others.

Even if one was to address their arguments,

they can easily be refuted.

In addition, gay marriages are no more a threat to society than the so-called "traditional" mar-riages. Nearly all marriages today end in divorce.

What business do people have condemning gay marriages if they can't even maintain those that they claim are so holy?

On the subject of abortions, the "religious

right," claims that all abortions are a form of murder, no matter what the situation or condition leading up to the pregnancy.
While abortion may violate their religious

codes, many individuals do not hold themselves to following such beliefs. Abortion is a personal and very serious decision that only a woman can make for herself.

We are lucky to be Americans because we have been given the freedom to choose and make our own decisions. To the "religious right," who argues that abortion is immoral and wrong, there is only one option for you - don't have an abor-

It is important for society to remember that what may be deemed as correct to one person may be seen as ignorant and uninformed to an-

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on, Holly Hunter

# Diversions

THEATRE

# Shall we dance?

N.C. State Dance Program's fall concert will take place tonight and Saturday at 8 p.m. in Stewart Theatre

Meredith Richbourg

To celebrate the works of student choreographers, as well as performances by Dance Program alumni, the N.C. State Dance Program will present a fall con-cert tonight and tomorrow in Stewart

Theatre.
This concert will celebrate the artistic

This concert will celebrate the artistic expression of students through dance in the two companies of the dance program — the NCSU Dance Company and DanceVisions.

The Dance Company received recognition from the American College Dance Festival Association for its excellence in dance. Performing in the fall concert from the Dance Company will be Sarah Amend, Laura Bouljon, Liesl Clouse, Amy Gould, Lauren Grove, Meghan McIntyre, Veronica Miller, Susanna Rankin and

Gould, Lauren Grove, Meghan McIntyre, Veronica Miller, Susanna Rankin and Alexis Smith in "Day Dream Cafe."

While the Dance Company focuses mainly on modern dance, DanceVision explores many styles of dance, from modern to Hip-Hop.

Nancy Zagbayou of DanceVision will enact "Pearls Are Stars on the Night of Your Skin," a dance accompanied by a recitation of Leopold Sedar Senghor's poem "Black Woman."

Several alumni will also present pieces: Mair Culbreth will perform "Marriage" and, with Marielle Amrhein, will also

Mair Culbreth will perform 'Marriage' and, with Marielle Amrhein, will also exhibit "The Anatomy of an Argument." Carol Kyles Finley will present "In the Kitchen, Preparing an Apology," and Jacqueline White will present "Promenade," to be performed by Bronwyn I. Ford, Keesha Beckford and Rachael Crawford.

**MOVIE TICKET** 

# A lesson in domestication

What goes on behind the scenes in the life of a super hero? I mean, re-ally behind the scenes. Not the secret identities that are portrayed in comic books or seen on TV and films — the family life of these masked avengers is

what comes as a mystery.

Well, my fine fans of the cinema, Disney's newest computer-animated flick "The Incredibles" thrusts the viewer into the life of a super family by way of Mr. Incredible, Elastigirl, Dash, Violet and Jack Jack.

Meet the Parr family. A seemingly normal, "Leave it to Beaver," classic family unit...with unbelievable powers. From a lightning fast son, a mother that makes Stretch Armstrong mother that makes Stretch Armstrong look like Chris Farley practicing yoga, a Hulk-like father, a daughter that has the powers of invisibility (except for her clothes) and a baby with seemingly no super powers (remember, Jack Jack is still a baby), the Parr's certainly are incredible.

incredible.
Although this sounds like all fun and games, it's not. You see, the need for super heroes diminished as those who were once saved began to sue their old heroes — clearly a dig at today's money-grubbing society that would sue McDonald's over hot coffee and weight gain.

Protection programs for super he-roes, similar to witness protection programs, begin to pop up as the previously adored heroes are forced into seclusion in suburban Hell and the nine to five work force.

Through hilarious scenes that draw upon the humor of "Office Space" and even the "Dilbert" comic strips, Bob Parr's (aka Mr. Incredible) frustration with a desk job in a cubicle barely big enough for his massive proportions, pushes him to a need for a visitation to



The incredibles family: speedy 10-year-old Dash, shy teenager Violet, the strong a heroic Mr. Incredible and ultra-flexible Elastigirl.

his old days of fighting crime.

The opportunity for the good ol' days comes in the way of an invitation from Mirage (voiced by Elizabeth Peña) to go to the remote island of the wannabe super hero syndrome (Jason Lee) for a

top-secret assignment.
In other words (and it's pretty obvious it was going to happen), Mr. Incredible is set up and his family is

placed in danger.

It is not the plot, however, that makes this film so phenomenal — it's the character development and super-power symbolism. If this flick revolved solely on the plot, it would be a disgrace for the computer-animated genre as the basic conflict within the story is far from unique while most Pixar films are fairly unique — as is the case with "Monsters, Inc.," "Toy Story" and "Finding Nemo." There is, though, a deeper meaning hidden with "The Incredibles" for the

mature audience — consider first the father figure. Mr. Incredible's (Craig T. Nelson) super power is his sheer strength. I'm not sure about everyone else, but I always thought my father was the world's strongest man and he could handle anything. Coincidence? Maybe, but doubtful.

Flexigirl (Holly Hunter), is the

mother in the foursome. She has the power of flexibility — once again a trait that I can attribute to my own mother. Whenever there was trouble, Mom always seemed to take care of business. Not to mention, about every

mother out there is stretched so thin that she is about to snap.
Finally there are the children in the Parr family: Dash and Violet — we won't talk about Jack Jack, that's some-

won't talk about Jack Jack, that's something to be left to the film's finale.
Violet (Sarah Vowell) is a stereotypical, middle-school female — or even a male — that feels invisible to her crush and even fellow classmates. And it just so happens that her power is invisibility. What is interesting is that as Violet gains more confidence in herself, she uses her power of invisibility less and learns to hone her skill of creating force fields to protect her loved ones.
For the hellion in the family, usually the

family, usually the terrorizing little brother, the film presents Dash Parr (Spencer Fox) — a little boy that can get into more mischief with his swiftness than Den-nis the Menace could with his trusty slingshot. From causing havoe in the classroom to chasing his invisible sister during a typical family dinner, Dash knows just the right way to push his parents buttons...abuse his super powers

The Incredibles

CAST: Craig T. Nelson, Samuel L. Jackson DIRECTOR: Brad Bird

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"The Incredibles" is a family-orient-ed film that dares to go beyond its plot. It builds its humor off the stereotypi-cal image of a suburban family while

exposing its sentimental side. Despite those blatant jabs at the cohesion, be sure to



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# **Diversions**

RAISING THE BAR

# Stool Pigeons draws an eclectic crowd

A popular social hub, Stool Pigeons is sure to entertain those seeking sports and flirts, but, inevitably, will assault the senses



Located in the heart of Glenwood South, Stool Pigeons boasts a dining area filled with televisions to watch the big game. "This is one of the best bars in town," said one patron.

**Ashley Hink** 

Hot dog vendors have officially found

a new home — Glenwood South.

Come 2 a.m., bar hoppers on the
popular street desert their pseudoglamorous nights for the hot dog stand dining — a cheap, hardly glamorous post-drinking snack.

The first vendor to set up shop chose his spot wisely. The hot dog cart, now a sidewalk staple, sits amidst a steady flow of people coming and going from Stool Pigeons — a bar that retains popularity, drawing crowds with hot dog buying

They, however, hardly go for the hot

wieners.

Since taking over the old Rhino Club in an industrial-like space beneath Glenwood Avenue, Stool Pigeons has been a hit among college students and locals alike. Known as a sports bar — probably because of the lack of a proper theme — Pigeons caters to a variety of probable. people. Even those that swear they'll

never return seem to always go back

Despite patrons' love-hate relation-ship with the busy bar, Pigeons is almost addictive and unavoidable on the

bar social circuit.
For sports lovers that don't mind thick crowds and appreciate cute singles alongside a beer and ESPN's SportsCen-

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ter, Pigeons might be a dream come true. Lacking any degree of sophistication,

Pigeons boasts high walls packed with classic-neon beer signs and 20-plus TVs. While tuning

TVs. While tuning into multiple channels showing sports, national news and music videos in order to please a diverse crowd, the conflicting images can sometimes be over-stimulating.

Yet, that might be what Pigeons is

going for. With video games, a pool table and a contemporary version of a jukebox that plays videos along with the

songs of anyone from George Michael to Nelly and Kylie Minogue, Pigeons tests the nerves of people seeking simplicity. Pigeons, however, does offer ample seating thanks to couches, tables and deep booths that ready cocktail waitresses serve. From Thursday to Saturday nights, seating is scarce and standing room, too, is limited. A long bar that spans

the length of the room, however, serves as an awkward wall separat-ing the tables from the bar area and often traps people, making it difficult to get a drink.

Thanks to pretty
good prices, the wait
might be worthwhile
for the patient. From Mondays to

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Thursdays, Budweiser and Bud Light draft pints are \$1.50. On Wednesday, Kamikaze shots are \$3 and martinis are

\$3 on Thursdays.

Aside from drink specials, Pigeons offers a variety of draft and bottled beers

in addition to surprisingly good bar food, from pizza to burgers and chicken

Above all, Pigeons is undeniably a social hub. Attracting a crowd between the ages of 21 and 35, half frequent the bar to catch a game, shoot pool or simply hang out with friends while the

other half go to see and be seen.
Girls on the prowl strap on skinny heels and flaunt skimpy skirts, while men of equal maintenance go in colormen or equal maintenance go in color-ful button-up dress shirts and product-placed hair. If there's a place to pick up or be picked up, it's here. Whether going to flirt or take in the playground of games and TVs, some students love the Glenwood hot spot. Although, others might find the tight

spaces, over-stimulation and "meat-market" atmosphere to be nothing short

of annoying.

Loved or hated, Stool Pigeons finds a way to bring patrons back for more. For some, however, the hot dog on the way out might just be the most enjoyable part of the night.





# MOORE: "BUSH STILL

Despite his efforts with "Fahrenheit 9/11," a week after President Bush's reelection, film maker Mi-chael Moore announced he is going ahead with a sequel to the controversial documentary. "51 percent of the American people lacked information and we want to educate and enlighten them," Moore said. "Fahrenheit 9/11 1/2" should hit theaters in time for the 2008 elections



### PEE-WEE HARD ACT TO FOLLOW

With this week's release of "Pee-wee's Playhouse" on DVD, Paul Reuben (aka Peewee Herman) announces he has been hard at work on two screenplays. One, a big-screen version of "Pee-Wee's Playhouse," the other a satire on the pitfalls of stardom. This would mark an end to Pee-wee's 13year abstinence from the public spotlight.



## **BAYWATCH GOES BIG**

DreamWorks announced Wednesday that it had for film rights to NBC's 90's hit "Baywatch." No word as to which characters will resurface in the film. The lifeguards will pack up their thongs and head for box offices by 2006.

### CALENDAR FOR TONIGHT:

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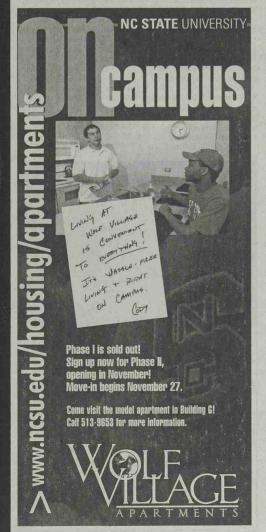


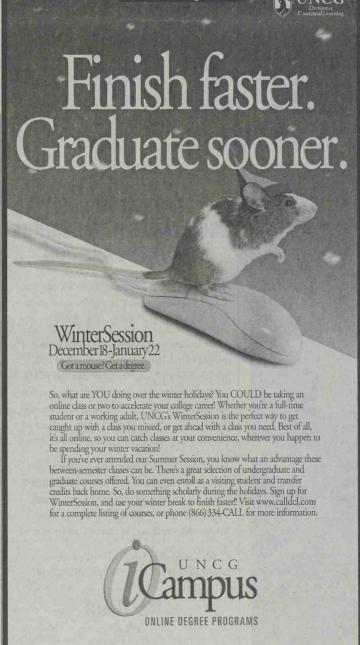
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# **FOOTBALL**

All four of its offensive pos sessions in the quarter started in State territory, the first two leading to rushing touchdowns, which gave Florida State a 14-10 lead it would only increase

The Pack defense got the first takeaway of the game midway through the third quarter. But State gave the ball away on the next play when tailback T.A. McLendon fumbled the ball deep in his own territory.

The subsequent turnover led

to a field goal, increasing the score to 17-10 in favor of Florida State.

On State's next possession, tight end T.J. Williams fumbled

the ball again in State territory while extending his arms in an effort to pick up the first down. The turnover didn't hurt State, though, as the defense held and

though, as the defense held and forced a punt.

The Pack's offense was stagnant all game, only accumulating 123 yards of total offense. Davis and Marcus Stone split time playing quarterback but neither was effective against a stifling Florida State defense.

State defense.
Davis completed six passes for 72 yards, and Stone was 3-for-6 with 28 yards passing.
"When you're not in a rhythm,

and you're not making first downs, it's frustrating," Davis said. "And it's frustrating to

State couldn't find success running the ball either. McLendon was held to 23 yards on 14 rushing attempts, and Reggie Davis only garnered 17 yards on the ground.

The only touchdown for State came on an 87-yard punt return from Darrell Blackman early in

the second quarter.
"When I made the first guy miss, as I got around the corner was just green right ahead of me," Blackman said. "Then I just figured it was going to be a footrace to the end zone

The return was the third longest in school history.

The first half was a battle of field position. A battle State

The Pack pinned Florida State deep in its own territory twice in the first quarter. Once on a punt from John Deraney that landed inside the 5-yard line and took a sidewards bounce before it

was downed at the 4-yard line. The other, an 11-yard loss on a sack from Mario Williams that pushed the Seminoles back inside the 10-yard line before being forced to punt.

On the ensuing punt, Chris Hall kicked the ball off the side of his feet, and it went out of bounds at the 26-yard line.

State took advantage, scoring its first points of the game on a Deraney field goal from 27

But it was the lack of offensive production from State that led to its demise

"They wreaked havoc on our offense — but so did we," Amato said. "They do that on everybody, we just couldn't get anything going in the second half."

# **Wolfpack Weekend**

Don't miss: Today vs. Florida State (7 p.m.), Tomorrow vs. Miami (1 p.m.)

The last two chances for a regular-season conference win this season come at home, as two Florida teams make the trip north to Reynolds Coljseum. State, fresh off another close loss to Virginia Tech, hopes to gain some semblance of momentum going into the conference tournament next week. That elusive conference win would certaainly do the trick.

## Wrestling

AUSTIN

scapegoat has been quarterback Jay Davis, who has thrown nine touchdowns but 11 interceptions. He's thrown eight interceptions in the last three game,

and spent much of the second half last night watching backup

team — the touchdowns called back because of penalties, the turnovers to kill drives and

momentum — is, ultimately, Amato's fault.

Williams said that the players are just as responsible for the

actions, though.
"You can't coach anybody not

to commit penalties," he said. Offensive coordinator Noel

Next Game: Tonight at Lehigh, 7 p.m.

The Wolfpack got the season started on Tuesday with an anni-hilation of Campbell on the road, taking down the Camels 45-5. Now the Pack travels a little farther as it goes to Pennsylvania to take on Lehigh

take on Lehigh.
Lehigh might not be a familiar name, but the team placed third
in the NCAA Tournament last season and Troy Letters won a National Championship in the 165-lb. weight class. Season tickets
for the squad's matches this season were sold out in just over a

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Mazzone will probably be the

ultimate scapegoat for the team. With an offense that did

# LUCAS

son, including the District III Championships this Saturday, her long-term goals are of great

My goal is to get an agent and try to get a shoe sponsor," Lucas said. "Hopefully I'll do well enough in college to get a sponsor and go out and work with a Team USA group."

The aspirations of Lucas keep her waking up at seven in the morning and working hard on a daily basis. On top of that, she still finds time to do what she

loves in writing.
Since her appearance on the Cross Country scene, Lucas has had only one career win, but she appears to be on pace for a

couple more.

Lucas stated that winning a race is probably one of the greatest feelings she could pos-

"The greatest part is when you are flying past someone on the final turn of the track and having no one ahead of you and knowing that you have just won a race," Lucas said.

Even after three years as a Wolfpack cross country run-ner, Lucas believes that she still doesn't fit the personality of a stereotypical runner. She believes that she fits the

personality of a writer or an

Either way, Lucas has come to love both running and writing and she admits that to do something that you are really dedicated to, it's going to be tough, but that is how life is.

'Distance running and everything that it requires doesn't re-

ally fit my personality," Lucas said. "I grew up as a girl who would like to be up at three in the morning writing or

painting.
"But just being on this team and being part of such an elite group and doing everything that is required of it is probably the hardest part. But I think that doing anything you are really dedicated to — that is how it's going to be."

Both the men and women will compete in this weekend's championships.





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# Marcus Stone try unsuccess fully to move the football. The Florida State game had its moments when it mirrored the rest of the season. The McLendon fumble, the T.J. Williams fumble and the runat the most inopportune time are the most glaring. But the game didn't really mirror the way State lost many of its game this season. It broke even in the turnover battle and committed only seven penalties. The team's best play on first down was a 3-yard run on a direct snap to Chris Hawkins. The rest of the season was a differ-ent story. These were not games lost by a bad offense alone. No, these games were lost because of penalities, and turnovers. The greatest irony of the entire season is State's now well-known motto, "discipline." The lack of discipline on this

little in the last few games, he will be lucky to escape the off-Sure, there are plenty of will be lucky to escape the off-season with his job intact. In fact, he probably won't. But this is Amato's failure, his greatest one to date, and he should probably schedule a meeting with Herb Sendek to-morrow to chat about what its excuses. The most obvious is the team losing three starting offensive lineman, causing the best part of the offense (the running game) to sputter. For the second straight game, star running back T.A. McLendon averaged less than three yards per carry. The other great

like to have your employment called into question. This will be the Pack's first losing season since 1996, and the first time the team doesn't go to a bowl under Amato's reign. Amato seemed undeterred by the fact after the game, promising bet-ter in the future.

"It won't happen again,"
Amato said.

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Clearly, Amato deserves more time to fully establish himself.

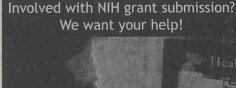
He's brought the kind of talent to Raleigh to win 10 games a year (only Miami clearly outclassed the Wolfpack this year). The defense has become a force behind its speed, aggressiveness and Reggie Herring's coaching. Despite the improvement on that side of the ball, the first class of seniors that Amato has really recruited will be leaving with no bowl to show for it.

"We had a good run of three bowl games in a row," Amato

The run is over, and this season will leave a sour taste in the mouth of everyone involved, and the pressure on Amato to repeat the success he enjoyed in 2002 will come stronger next season. While many ACC teams will be heading to bowls this holiday season, State will

be watching.
"It's hard to accept now, but come December and January it's going to be even harder," defensive end Manny Lawson

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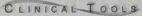


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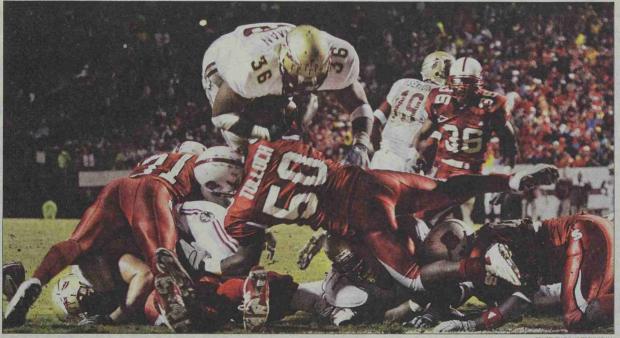
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**GAME 10: FLORIDA STATE 17 | N.C. STATE 10** 

# Pack waves bye-bye to bowl



Fullback James Coleman leaps over linebacker Stephen Tulloch for a 1-yard touchdown run during the third quarter of Florida State's 17-10 win over the Pack on Thursday night.

## **SEMINOLES SCORE 17 UNANSWERED POINTS TO DENY N.C.** STATE A BOWL BID FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE AMATO ERA

Ryan Reynolds

Not a drop of rain fell in the first half of the Senior Day game between N.C. State and Florida State. The Wolfpack took advantage of Raleigh's fortune when it came to avoiding a sloppy playing field by taking a 10-0 lead heading into halftime by capitalizing on good field

position.

The weather and field position wasn't so promising in the second half for the Pack, though.

Many of the fans in Carter-Finley Stadium put on ponchos to seek some shelter from the rain that started coming down.

The State players didn't wear ponchos to dodge the rain, but they couldn't seek shelter from the

Florida State storm that quickly dropped 17 points on the Pack in the third quarter.

As the rain kept falling throughout the second half, so did the bowl aspirations of the Pack,

which eventually disappeared as the players retreated to the locker room, heads down, after losing 17-10 to the Seminoles.

"Whoever has field position was going to win the ballgame," quarterback Jay Davis said. "It was a split, but they just got more points out of their field position."

The loss was the fourth straight for State and the longest losing streak under Coach Chuck Amato. It was also the second consecutive year the Pack has lost on Senior Day, last year's defeat coming at the hands of Maryland

"Dagumit, it's just one of those years [for rate]," Florida State Coach Bobby Bowden Statel," Florida State Coach Bobby Bowden said. "When Chuck's been there as long as I have, he'll find out that's part of it. Knowing

him, he's going to be down."

After accumulating only 38 yards of total offense against a stingy Pack defense in the first half, Florida State woke up in the third

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# Losing season falls on Amato



Austin Johnson

The 17-10 loss to Florida State on Thursday night ended State's postseason hopes, its hopes of finishing above .500 and its hopes of making the final game of the season relevant.

The season is basically over. No one outside of the East Carolina or Wolfpack fan base will care about the final game of both team's seasons in Charlotte. They shouldn't. It becomes a bowl game by default for the two teams involved, something defensive end Mario Williams reluctantly accepted.

"It's not the [bowl] we wanted," he said.
Make no mistake, at the end of the day, the blame for this season falls at the feet of Chuck

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Ten games into the season, State finally found a way to reduce inane penalties and hold on to the ball. No matter. Turnovers and penalties didn't lose this game -offensive ineptitude did. State held FSU to less than two yards a play, but the Seminoles converted their favorable second-half field position into touchdowns when it counted.

### WHY IT MATTERS:

Entering the game below .500 for the first time this late in a season since 1996, the Pack is assured of a losing season, again, for the first time since that 1996. The Pack will not be eligible for a bowl game for the first time in Chuck Amato's five-

### GAMEBALL:

North Carolina product A.J. Nicholson led a FSU defensive unit that terrorized whichever passer took snaps for the Wolfpack. The linebacker totaled four solo tackles, two sacks and also forced a fumble

### INJURY REPORT:

Quarterback Marcus Stone was questionable entering the game, but shared snaps in relief of maligned starter Jay Davis. Tramain Hall, bothered by back spasms, had a single touch for just two yards. Derek Morris entered the game with a high ankle sprain and went down early in the third quarter. He did not return. State has 16 days until its next game, and Amato noted after the game the break would be welcomed to get guys healthy. He added that Jud Paulsen and Jeroy Harris would almost assuredly miss the final game.

# BOX SCORE:

	FSU	NCSU
Rushes-yards	50-48	34-23
Passing yards	73	100
Penalties-yards	6-62	7-43
Turnovers	2	2
TOP	34:01	25:59

## INDIVIDUAL LEADERS:

Rushing: McLendon 14-23 R. Davis 3-17 Passing: Davis 6-19-0-72 Stone 3-6-0-28 Receiving: Williams 4-57 Barrett 2-25

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## **CROSS COUNTRY**

# Lucas writes personal success story

Julia Lucas, who finished fifth at the ACC Championships, plans to continue running after college while writing novels

Nicholas Jeffreys

Julia Lucas spent the majority of her childhood never really imagining herself as a cross country star. She envisioned a life full of writing novels and

creating art.
Since Lucas made the decision to come to N.C. State from her hometown of Charlotte, she has been able to have the best of both worlds. While cross country takes up the majority of her day, Lucas still finds time for her major and her hobby - creative writing, Both the men's and women's team will be in action tomorrow in Greenville for District III

Championships.

The passion of writing came from her dad, who is a writer

Lucas claims that he led her in direction of becoming a writer.
"I would have to say that he's my

inspiration," Lucas said. "I hope to write novels one day." With all the time wrapped into the daily workouts and the constant school work, Lucas claims that any time she can have time off, it's important that she cher-

"Balancing school work and being an athlete can be very tough," Lucas said. "It definitely requires tant to use those 20-30 minutes between classes to just relax and

not become too stressed out. Those 20-30 minute breaks are about all the time she has to relax

during a regular day.
"Usually I get up at seven and run for a little bit, and then I have

a normal day of class until about three," Lucas said. "After class, I'll usually go to the training room and get ready for practice. Then I go to practice and do my regular workout, and after that I'll usually go lift weights" go lift weights.

Even after Lucas graduates, she plans to keep up the hard work, both on and off the track. After graduation, Lucas still

wants to continue running and writing.

The money situation of being a runner and a writer after graduation isn't glamorous, but it's something that Lucas wants

"I would really like to write novels and keep running," Lucas said. "I'm definitely going to end up being very poor, but I'm okay with that"

While Lucas has many goals for the final two races of the sea-

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Splitting time between creative writing and running, junior Julia Lucas wants to continue doing both.



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