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## Senate mulls over possible campus initiated tuition increase

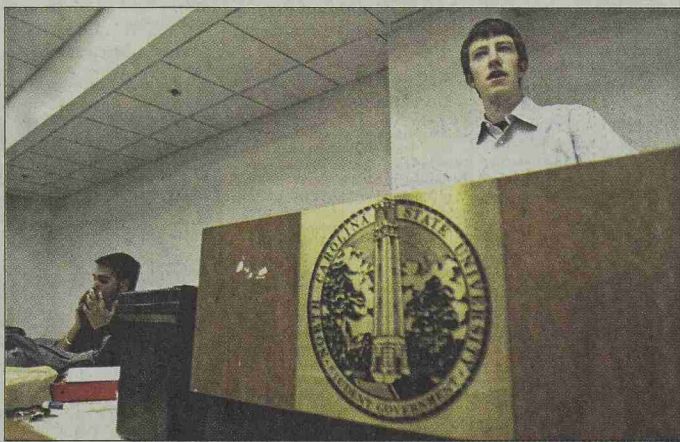
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Staff Writer

Stepping aside from talk over student appropriations for the first time in a month, Student Senate mullied over the Board of Trustees likely discussion regarding campus initiated tuition increases, which will come today or tomorrow, and debated over a failed resolution to suspend students with a 1.0 GPA.

Straying from its previously issued edict, the UNC System Board of Governors last week in Chapel Hill allowed campuses to kick-start discussion of possible tuition increases.

"As of now they are going to allow campuses to discuss tuition increases," Student Body President Tony Caravano said. "As to why they are so hard-pressed to do it now, I don't know, as we haven't been given any guidelines."

Those guidelines, according to Caravano in previous discussions with Technician, would serve as a framework that UNC member institutions



Student Senate President Pro Tempore Patrick Cleary speaks to the group on Wednesday night.

would follow while discussing these tuition increases.

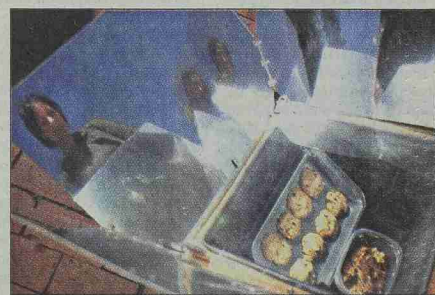
Caravano voiced a bit of surprise at the BOG's turn of direction.

"It looked like all the ducks

were in a row for no [Campus Initiated Tuition Increases]," he told the Senate. "I am under the understanding that this is because of one campus — UNC Chapel Hill. A lot of the

push came from Carolina, and that's what pushing a lot other campuses [back into the CITI debate]."

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Lynna Clarke, a junior in math, checks out the cookies baking in the solar oven at the Energy Fair Wednesday.

## Energy fair explores alternative fuels for vehicles

Ben McNeely  
Staff Writer

### Hybrid cars now popular

Cars that run on vegetable oil? Sun-cooked cookies? Sounds futuristic, but all were found in the Brickyard Wednesday.

The Alternative Energy Fair, sponsored by the Campus Greens, showcased alternate and renewable energy resources. Hybrid cars, like the Honda Civic Hybrid and the Toyota Prius, demonstrated the efficiency of hybrid technology, where electric batteries and fuel-combustion engines are combined to create a more fuel and energy efficient motor vehicle.

Other fuel options displayed were biodiesel, a fuel made from ground up corn or used-up vegetable oil.

Adam Kraft, a post-graduate student in geographic information science, coordinated the fair.

"We wanted to show alternative forms of energy other than gasoline," Kraft said. "As far as gasoline goes, the supply does not meet the demand. We are going to need other means."

The N.C. State Solar Center had displays out, including a car that ran on the used vegetable oil.

"It's a regular diesel engine that has a heat exchange component that heats the oil up before it enters the engine," John Garner, a research assistant at the Solar Center, said. "It also has a filter that cleans up the oil a bit."

Garner said any diesel engine can run off of vegetable oil or biodiesel. All that is needed is a conversion kit that includes a heater and filter.

"You install the heater and filter, and you got it," mechanical engineering graduate student Garner said.

Morgan Crawford, a doctoral student in mechanical engineering and Solar Center research assistant, got the diesel car back in the summer and drove it up here from Florida.

He drives the car on a daily basis and gets about 30 miles to the gallon.

Regie Silvia of Leith Honda, who was showcasing the new Honda Civic Hybrid, said that demand for hybrid cars varies.

"When an article is written about it, demand shoots up," he said. Usually eco-minded people are the ones buying the hybrid cars, not so much students," Silvia said.

Hybrid powertrain systems work with new technology called integrated motor assist, where an electric motor assists the gas-powered motor in propelling the car. The IMA system will help start the car adding an extra jolt to get the car running, boost the acceleration speed and will recharge itself when the car decelerates.

Honda also has a variable cylinder management system that will cut off three of the cylinders when the car is cruising, thus saving gas.

Here's a comparison of the Toyota Prius and the Honda Civic hybrid cars:

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Availability: 6-9 month wait

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Price: \$21,290  
Engine type: 8-valve inline 4 cylinder  
Gas mileage: city - 40 (53 in economy mode), highway - 43  
Availability: according to Silvia, "Right now, you can drive it off the lot."

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"The fuels bills have been reasonable. I haven't had to buy fuel in a while," he said. "It's like having a fuel station in the trunk. You can run up to a restaurant and you're on your way in minutes."

Many restaurants will donate their waste oil if asked, Crawford said.

Other exhibits included a sun oven, with reflectors, that baked cookies using direct sunlight and solar panels that ran a laptop and personal fan.

Since gas prices are hovering around \$2.00 a gallon, Kraft said students need to be aware of other energy sources.

According to Kraft, General Electric is working with the Solar House and Appalachian State University to bring wind turbines to North Carolina as a renewable energy source.

"I think we'll see more cleaner-burning diesels and hydrogen engines in the future," Kraft said.

### SURVEYING THE SITUATION



Senior in civil engineering Jennifer Roy gives the thumbs up to her group, as Andrew Wells, a junior in construction engineering management, records the data gathered on Wednesday afternoon in the Court of North Carolina. Roy and Wells have been doing a topographical survey of the Court of North Carolina with their surveying class over the past couple of weeks.

## Group aims to increase passports, studying abroad among students

Manisha Dass  
Staff Writer

The world is getting smaller and the university's Committee on International Programs hopes to help students along the way. The group plans to spur students to travel and study abroad, but one thing is imperative to travel beyond the United States: a passport.

A large number of students, for numerous reasons, do not hold passports. Chair of the group, Robert Kochersberger, and the committee are encouraging students to get passports in Caldwell Hall today.

Planned deliberately during International Education Week, the group will help students get new passports or renew their old ones and have an opportunity to learn that it's a small world after all, Kochersberger said.

Students can apply for a new passport with a copy of their birth certificate or renew old passports by bringing them in. Payments can be made via check.

"By making it easy to get a passport on campus, we are encouraging students to think about studying abroad and developing their own international expertise," Kochersberger said.

"It is unmistakable to develop the opportunity to travel and be comfortable in the midst of other cultures and languages."

Participating in three Fulbright Scholarships in three other nations, along with joining a study abroad program for next summer in Melbourne, Australia, Kochersberger is an enthusiast about traveling abroad and hopes to spread that spirit.

"I did not get to travel abroad until I was 32 and I would like students to start it earlier. The world is getting smaller, and borders are going away. I really do believe that Americans have a hard time being understood

abroad, and Americans have a hard time understanding things that goes on abroad," he said.

The Committee on International Programs hopes to steer the university into becoming more international according to Kochersberger. The passport event is a small effort to make that happen. In the past, the committee has awarded more than 20 study abroad scholarships and internationalization seed grants to start international collaboration with other institutions and professors abroad.

The event will include a rep-

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## SENATE

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What that will mean for NCSU is still up in the air, according to Caravano.

"We still don't know what were going to get out of it," he said.

Meeting today and tomorrow, the NCSU Board of Trustees is likely to restart discussion over a campus tuition increases.

Caravano, who has repeatedly shown opposition for such tuition increases, questioned the need for such hikes once again, saying that the oft given reason that increases would help boost the university and its standings is a weak argument.

"We've definitely proved as our ranking has slipped that those increases aren't helping out," he said.

Soon after Caravano fielded questions from the Senate, Student Senate President Will Quick suggested that fellow senators and students show up at this week's BOT meetings.

Breaching through a number of bills and resolutions, discussion stalled over a proposed bill that would immediately suspend students that have earned a cumulative GPA of less than 1.0 after attending the university for at least 12 credit hours.

Stemming from a university-wide debate that is going on at the administrative and faculty level, Senate leaders backing the failed bill argued that students that fell under the purview of the bill were hurting the university's reputation, while taking seats from students who wish to attend NCSU. Saying that the current standards are lower than fellow institutions, the First Year Undergraduate Suspension Policy Change bill would voice support in raising the minimum GPA requirement for freshmen.

"When the university sets

standards lower than other peer universities its sends a message that we don't set high standards here," Sen. Patrick Buffkin said.

Figures in the bill cite that of 682 freshmen in the past four years that received a GPA lower than 1.0 their first semester, a little more than 89 percent failed to bring it up to a level of 1.8 — the level necessary to continue enrollment at the university by their second semester.

"These students put a strain on [the university] beyond belief. We are not doing them a favor by letting them stay. They are taking the seats of people who want them," Sen. Ken Hoy said.

"It sort of helps clean up shop for those who don't need to be in college," Sen. Robert Wilburn said. "This is a great bill that cuts out weeds so that the university can grow."

Voicing sentiments for his freshman constituency, freshman Sen. James Hankins voiced strong opposition for the bill. Saying that the proposed bill essentially took a safety net out from underneath ailing freshman, he urged fellow senators to allow a more lenient system so that freshman don't "strikeout" at their first at-bat.

"How can we sit here as a representative body of the students and pass a bill that works against them," he said, drawing a number of claps from the senate after his impassioned plea.

In a close vote, the senate swayed to Hankins' side, failing 23-21.

Afterward, the senate was set to work through 14 other bills.

Reflecting the agenda of senators past, only two of the bills entailed actual action impacting their constituency directly; a resolution against CITI and the First Year Undergraduate Suspension Policy Change. Two other bills voiced senate stances on credit card solicitations on

campus and another to investigate student substance abuse.

Highlighting a litany of 11 bills, comprising 24 of the 33 pages of legislation that primarily addressed senate bureaucracy, a proposed Anti-Debate Appropriations Act, written by Senators Erich Fabricius and Forrest Hinton, would rework portions of the appropriations process that took a great deal of heat at a Oct. 20 senate meeting.

With a senate bubbling with side conversations and disengaged gazes by senators, the Sargent-at-arms had to repeatedly reel in the some 50 senators present.

In one instance, a senator requested a bill to be read aloud, straying usual practice that representatives read bills before attending the senate meeting. Such discussion of reading the lengthy bill aloud was followed by a quick quip of one senator: "You guys need to be doing your homework — this is said," he said.

In another case, the senate mulled for nearly six minutes, requiring two votes to see if the group should enter a 10- or five-minute recess.

Senator and Ticket Administrator Scott Stephenson outlined the ticket policy for the initial set of men's basketball games, saying that there would be no vouchers for games against ACC foes Virginia, Virginia Tech and Florida State University.

Tickets for the Manhattan game will be distributed on one day with no vouchers. Stephenson also said that no camp out would be held for the game against Duke because of its proximity to winter break, but one may be planned for Georgia Tech.

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representative from the passport processing center in Charleston, S.C. and also a representative from the Student Health Center addressing health issues for travelers, immunizations and general precautions to take while traveling. Students will also get the chance to win a pair of tickets donated by Independence Air.

"This is the first step in something that can broaden students' horizons in something that they can't even begin to imagine," Kochersberger said. "By obtaining a passport, students can open doors to a world of possibilities."

## Clarification

In yesterday's Technician's View titled "Pope donation not a big deal," the editorial reported that the Pope Foundation wants to give \$14 million to UNC Chapel Hill to start a Western studies minor. While technically correct, the editorial failed to mention that the donation would be given out in installments to the tune of \$500,000 for the first five years.

If the Pope Foundation thought the program was successful, then it would donate the remaining \$12 million. This was not made clear in the editorial. Technician regrets any confusion.

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## POLICE BLOTTER

10/16/04

## 11:44 A.M. | FIRE

A staff member reported that three subjects had gotten out of a car on Mid Pines Road and attempted to set the hay bails on fire at the location. An investigation is on going.

## 11:17 P.M. | TRAFFIC STOP DWLR/ARREST

A subject was stopped for turning around at the checkpoint. The subjects license came back revoked. The subject was arrested for driving while license revoked.

## 5:46 P.M. | TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

A student struck another students vehicle at the crosswalk on Dan Allen Drive. The damage was estimated under \$1,000. Driver information was exchanged.

## 8:46 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT

A staff member reported they

put a boot on a black Isuzu Rodeo this morning while the vehicle was parked in the Weisger-Brown Lot and thought the vehicle was missing along with the boot. The officer located the vehicle at Weisger-Brown. There was a miscommunication between DOT and the staff member about the exact location of the vehicle.

## 9:01 P.M. | ASSISTANCE

A student wanted information on how to retrieve information on a call they had received in their room earlier. They stated the phone call had come from an unknown person wanting to talk. The officer told them to call back if they get any further unwanted

## 9:54 P.M. | HIT AND RUN

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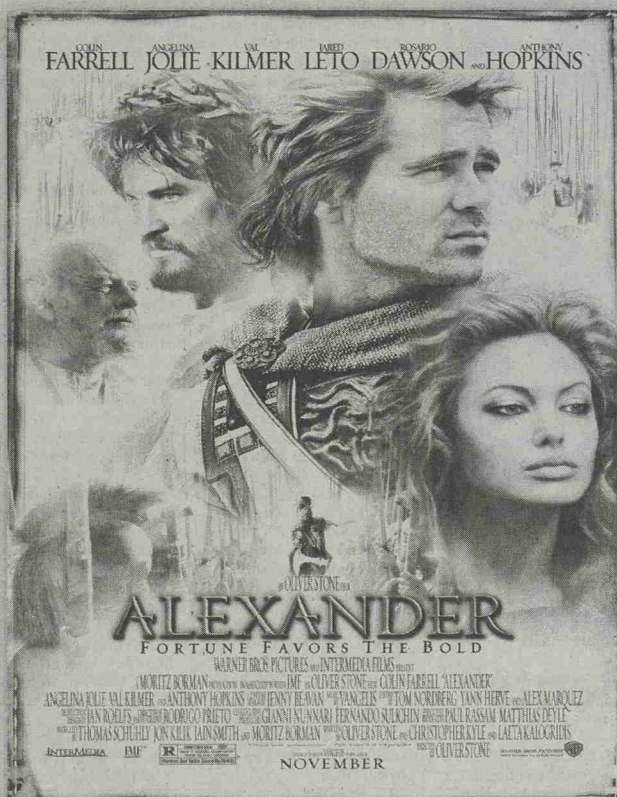
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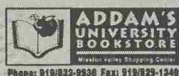
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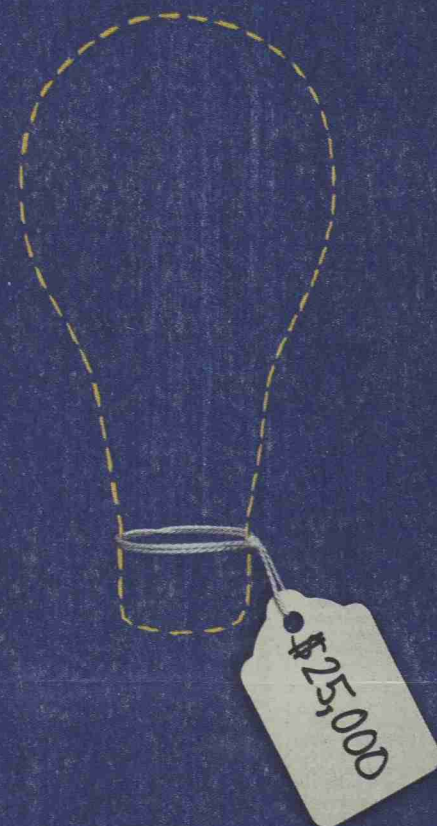
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## To vote or not to vote

I object to the comments made by Jeff Gaither in his column about voting being overrated and putting our self-interests first. Staying home and sleeping instead of standing two hours in line to vote is not having your basic priorities straight.

He said "Good to them who put their self-interest first," but the non-voter suffers from laziness and not selfishness, for selfishness would drive a man to demand his voice be heard and not let others decide his future for him.

Americans all over the country stood in line to vote, in some instances for several hours in terrible weather. How can you say to them that they weather their vote?

We should applaud those who took advantage of their right to vote, which is a rare privilege throughout the world, instead of mock them and discredit their patriotism. Granted, if you have the right to vote you also have the right not to vote. But remember that your vote will not only affect you, but also 300 million other Americans.

I also disagree with you that selfishness is the American Dream. Our country was founded on "treat your neighbor as yourself," but self-worship with no regard for others will eventually lead to anarchy. The laziness that prevents us from voting and letting others determine our leaders is shouting distance from communism. And our forefathers didn't fight for either of those outcomes.

Kevin Carden  
Senior  
Business Management

In a column entitled "Voting has become overrated," Jeff Gaither demonstrated his lack of understanding of the spheres of politics in the U.S. He implies that the only one contest in the election worthy of his attention and cast only one vote – for the president of the United States.

Gaither has fallen victim to the media hype and was fooled into thinking that the president is all that really matters. That couldn't be further from the truth.

Of course, every U.S. citizen has the right to not vote. It's a choice. Some may decide that they have enough faith in the system to believe that the country will work, no matter who's in office.

Some people with the "screw the system" attitude have no faith in politics at all, and choose to not vote as a form of protest. Some simply recognize that they don't know or care enough to cast a knowledgeable vote and defer to those who do. Whatever the reasons, it's an inalienable right. But please, don't lose faith in elections or interest in politics just because your candidate lost. In a close race like 2004, even the voice of the losing candidate is heard.

Want to keep from getting that feeling next time? Don't just vote for the big guys, take a look at state and local elections too. Do some research, find some local issues that matter to you, find out where the candidates stand.

Then, cast some votes for state representatives, county commissioners, city council or the board of education. Sometimes only a couple thousand votes are cast in a single race, so one vote carries a lot more weight. And they're the ones who decide our ordinances, fund our schools, operate our police department. The importance of such positions should not be understated.

Owen Evans  
Senior  
Computer Engineering

## Wolflene does not service middle school

I would like to add to the mention of transportation troubles at Centennial Campus in "Under the Belltower." N.C. State and the Wolflene system are not doing enough to ensure that all students and faculty have access to Centennial Campus, particularly Centennial Middle

School.

CCMS is a partner with the University that relies on student volunteers to assist, observe, student teach, and bring innovative activities to the classrooms. Numerous groups and classes within education (and beyond) send students to CCMS daily, such as the majority of ECI and EMS classes, Teaching Fellows, and grant programs.

CCMS is not yet connected to Centennial Campus. In fact, to get from one to the other would involve hip waders and maybe even scuba gear. The closest bus stop is actually a CAT bus over a half mile away. With the William & Ida Friday Institute for Educational Innovation opening adjacent to CCMS in the fall of 2005, it will become critical that the Wolflene makes it possible for people to reach all parts of the NCSU campus conveniently.

Rachel Greenstein  
NC Teaching Fellow/RAMP-UP Fellow  
Middle Grades Science Education

## UNC faculty has an obligation to question gift

In Technician's Wednesday opinion, "Pope Donation Not a Big Deal," the editorial writer notes that "It seems Carolina is looking a gift horse in the mouth." Some faculty and students at UNC are protesting a potential endowment of at least \$12 million from the Pope Foundation to fund a Western cultures minor.

As any scholar of Western culture knows, Homer had this one covered: The Trojans didn't look that large Greek gift horse in the mouth. They should have.

It is, indeed, an obligation, not just a good idea, for faculty to question any gift that has the potential of restructuring curriculum. And \$12 million is a big deal – especially in this era of tightening state budgets.

What the Pope Foundation is doing is buying itself a curriculum – with only a pretense at full faculty input, real discussion or debate.

That's partly because any time a faculty member dares to openly criticize either the John William Pope Center for Higher Education Policy or the Pope Foundation, they are mocked and framed as dangerous extremists.

Indeed, both a spokesperson for the Pope Center, as well as Art Pope, a former state legislator and president of the foundation, immediately stepped in. Any faculty or student who protested the process were members of "fringe groups" and "fearful radicals."

No wonder it's hard to create any deliberative process for this problematic proposal. And despite what the Pope Center wants the public to believe, both UNC and N.C. State already have substantial numbers of courses and course content in Western civilization across the curriculum.

What UNC faculty and students are rightly protesting is a track record: It is disingenuous for anyone to continue making a distinction between the Pope Foundation and the John William Pope Center of Higher Education, which has constantly and unrelentingly attacked the humanities and social sciences at public universities statewide.

It is disingenuous for university administrators to say they will not allow donors to dictate curriculum.

For that is exactly what they are allowing. Gift horse? Hardly. A Trojan horse.

Cat Warren  
Associate Professor, English  
Director of Women's and Gender Studies

Robert Bruck  
Alumni Distinguished Professor  
Plant Pathology, Forestry and  
Environmental Science

## Progressive thinking improves society

The moral majority in this country needs to step down from their pedestals and take a look around. The country is changing drastically in all different directions and as citizens we must embrace it.

There have been arguments on both sides of the gay marriage issue: one side fighting for their rights as humans and the other pushing for a religious agenda; one basic argument against gay marriage is that God does not approve.

Before anyone decides what religious values this country will follow, we should seek to respect the beliefs of those around us. In other words, keep your religion to yourself.

Why can't homosexuals receive the same privileges as the rest of society? For all those who say this will take away the sanctity of marriage, think about the divorce rates in this country.

Why can't we let two people, no matter who they are, be happy and love each other, while enjoying the same benefits and rights as the rest of us? Just as we shame our parents' generation for the struggle of civil rights, our children will look at our struggle with gay rights in the same light. Equality is the only thing that will bring us together. Being open-minded and thinking progressively will help us improve our quality as a society.

Emily Pomeranz  
Sophomore  
Political Science

## Separation not original, first intent

Emily Duncan's column on Friday is representative of many of the objections being raised.

This development, the argument runs, poses a fundamental challenge to the integrity of our system – eliminating our nation's historic respect for church-state separation – as the Bush administration and Congressional Republicans plan an assault on our nation's moral "progress" over the past century – particularly in the realm of abortion rights and Roe v. Wade.

A major problem with this line of thinking is that it assumes President Bush aims at overturning Roe in the first place. If Bush plans on doing so, there is little evidence from the past four years to corroborate the idea.

Funding for Title X – which includes appropriations for Planned Parenthood – is higher than it was under the Clinton Administration. Federal funding of surgical abortions under Title XIX of Medicare has continued – with the consent of a Republican Congress – under Bush's leadership.

A second issue is the consistent misrepresentation of the Constitution and its relationship to religion in American life – misconceptions that were perpetuated by Duncan. Duncan writes that the separation of church and state is "one of the most essential and important constitutional liberties that protects Americans from tyranny." Alas, it is nowhere to be found in the text of our founding document.

The First Amendment states "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." The term "Congress" referring explicitly to the national legislature.

The Ninth and Tenth Amendments gave all powers not delegated to the federal government in the Constitution to the states. The original intent then of the First Amendment was to build a wall of separation between the federal government and the states so a centralized power could not meddle in local jurisdictions.

James Lawrence  
Sophomore  
Biomedical Engineering

## TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

## CUT BACK ON COMMERCIALS

**OUR OPINION:** THE UNIVERSITY NEEDS TO CUT OR SEVERELY REDUCE THE NUMBER OF ADVERTISEMENTS IT SHOWS ON THE LARGE-SCREEN TELEVISIONS DURING FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL GAMES.

Thousands of fans piled into the RBC Center last night to watch the No. 19 Wolfpack open its basketball season with a 92-58 win over New Orleans.

Coming on the heels of a football season that will yield no bowl game for the first time in this young century, rabid NCSU fans have their athletic aspirations hanging on the shoulders of 2004 ACC basketball Coach of the Year Herb Sendek and reigning ACC Player of the Year Julius Hodge. State holds its highest preseason ranking in 15 years.

But last night was about continuation more so than optimistic beginnings. As in the continuation of atmosphere-killing commercials and advertisements the university lets plague its two major sporting venues – the RBC Center and Carter-Finley Stadium.

The commercialization of college sports has gotten out of control – N.C. State is no different. Incense ads run rampant during its home games, all in the name of making money.

While the dollars continue to stockpile, the tackiness remains unmatched by any school in the league. Nothing riles up the crowd after a timeout-forcing 3-pointer quite like Jerry Seinfeld and Kelsey Grammar appearing via outdated television clips to promote their syndicated sitcoms.

During timeouts at basketball

games, for instance, our nationally ranked cheerleading squad is forced to sit and wait in formation while an ad runs its course.

At football games, the organization the university calls the "Power Sound of the South" – the marching band – is reduced to the "Inaudible Sound of the Day" before and during much of the football game. More and more this season, the band stood silent on the field during pregame festivities for nearly 10 minutes waiting for third-grade cartoon videos to finish showing.

Ridiculous.

The university's booster club has gone to great ends to help finance nice big-screen Jumbotrons. Instead of selling ads that detract from the game, the athletics and marketing departments should use the million-dollar screens to exclusively promote the university.

Show accomplishments of the school's academia. Promote laudable student-athletes more than once. Show replays of the game to fire up the crowd and keep the aura of support palpable.

Just don't keep showing us Hank Hill or the proper way to fry breaded hush puppies. That is nothing but selling NCSU out to corporate sponsors and takes away from the spirit and hype surrounding either athletic event.

The focus is supposed to be on the student-athletes – not the advertisements.

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## Campus parking needs to be put into focus

Trevor Behar describes the problems associated with parking on campus and explores other options for reconciling student woes surrounding the issue

Campus parking – a luxury and pleasure for those that need a car while attending school. For the small fee of \$236, anyone can have their very own sticker and be able to park on campus.

It's helpful for those that like traveling home on weekends or to jobs that are a little further than walking distance. But what does this little sticker in the corner of your windshield mean? It means maybe if you're lucky enough, you can park where you want. It means you might be able to get a spot close to the vicinity of your classes or dorm, it means sometimes there won't be anywhere to park.

Yes, for the past few years, campus parking has become an ever-growing problem. Although the university issues only a set amount of passes, it's not always easy to find a place to park, especially during peak hours of the day.

DE spaces up and down Cates Avenue are full from sunrise to sunset. DW spots are also relatively difficult to come by at certain parts of the day. And for those that live on campus and like to party late, good luck finding a spot that is within a few hundred feet from the dorm, spaces begin to disappear after 10 p.m.

Natasha Herting, a freshman in chemical engineering, was able to obtain a parking permit; however, she was surprised when she got to campus how inconvenient it is to have a car.

"I would have thought that for the money I paid, I would be guaranteed something, but sometimes it takes me 15 minutes just to find somewhere to park and usually it isn't even close to where I need to be," she said.

There just isn't enough room on campus for students to park.

The student parking on campus is horrible and with all the renovations taking place on campus, still nothing is being done about parking. There are no new decks being built, no new levels being added to the existing decks, and no new improvements at all are taking place as far as student parking is concerned.

There is some new construction going on behind the Student Health Center on West Campus to create a new lot, however it will be for faculty and of no help to students during the day. At the same time, it would be impossible to make spots any smaller; they are already tiny as it is.

Walking through campus it's easy to find cars parked inches from each other with seemingly no room to get out the door, and it's not because anyone is too close to one side, they are usually parked well within both of lines.

The university does offer two parking decks

with hourly rates and a few metered spaces here and there for those that are only staying an hour. For those that carpool, it is fairly inexpensive for parking in the decks.

However, for those that ride alone or with a single passenger, daily parking can get quite expensive. Of course these places to park are filled at prime times of the day, and walking by Reynolds deck in the morning or the bookstore in the afternoon, one can clearly see the line of cars waiting for someone to leave in order for them to be able to park. Also with only an hour time limit on campus meters it's easy to realize these spots weren't meant for students.

One of the few good things about some zones is the nine to five hours, allowing students a little more parking freedom after five.

Also during weekends it's quite easy to find a close spot, because all spaces are free to anyone. As far as overnight parking is concerned it is nearly impossible to find DE or DW spots after 10 p.m. There are always spots in employee zones during the night, but parking there only means waking up quite early to go on a treasure hunt for another place to park.

Yet students will do anything to try and get a good spot somewhere close. When there isn't any legal place to park students just park in the wrong zone or leave the meter past due. Where else are they supposed to go? It's easy to spot

those unlucky individuals who were unable to "cheat" the system that day.

They are the cars with the little red and white presents on their windshield just waiting to be read and angered over. With such parking disasters at State and probably dozens of tickets issued daily, it's a mystery why these tickets aren't going to fund parking upgrades.

Another consideration is what will happen to parking spots on Pullen Drive once construction shuts down part of the road. More spots will be lost, but none gained anywhere else.

Centennial Campus has been so well planned that there are many free lots and quite a few large decks but why has on-campus parking not been alleviated. With a slow shift of certain undergraduate programs to Centennial, there is sure to be enough room currently for extra traffic flow, but again, what about the heart of campus.

One parking solution could be the development of West Lot into a three- or four-level deck, which would relieve some stresses of student parking. But regardless of what could be done, something definitely must be done. The university is in need of major improvements as far as parking is concerned, and it should be a top priority.

Tell Trevor your parking experiences at [viewpoint@technicianonline.com](mailto:viewpoint@technicianonline.com)



Trevor Behar  
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## AUDIOPHILE

# A Dogg's life

## A QUICK LOOK AT THE MAN BEHIND 'R&G (RHYTHM & GANGSTA): THE MASTERPIECE,' SNOOP DOGG.

Chris Reynolds

Senior Staff Writer

Gangster Rapper, father of three, Softcore porn producer, little league coach. Snoop Dogg is probably the most iconic figure in the Rap industry, and part of the few genuine stars in the industry with real staying power.

Born Calvin Broadus in 1972, he was nicknamed Snoop by his mother for his resemblance to the Peanuts character Snoopy.

Raised by his single mother in Long Beach, Calif., Snoop spent most of his free time rapping with Warren Griffin (Warren G.). The two, along with Nate Dogg, formed a rap trio called "Three the Hard Way." The trio's tapes eventually found their way to Dr. Dre, who happened to be Warren G's half brother, was impressed with Snoop's unique lyrical style.

The two teamed up for work on the "Deep Cover" soundtrack, which generated an industry buzz that exploded with Dre's release of multi-platinum "The Chronic" in 1992. Snoop served as a prominent figure on "The Chronic," rapping just as much if not

more than Dre throughout the album. Snoop even wrote "Nuthin' But a G-Thang," the hit single off of "The Chronic," which spent more than eight months on the charts.

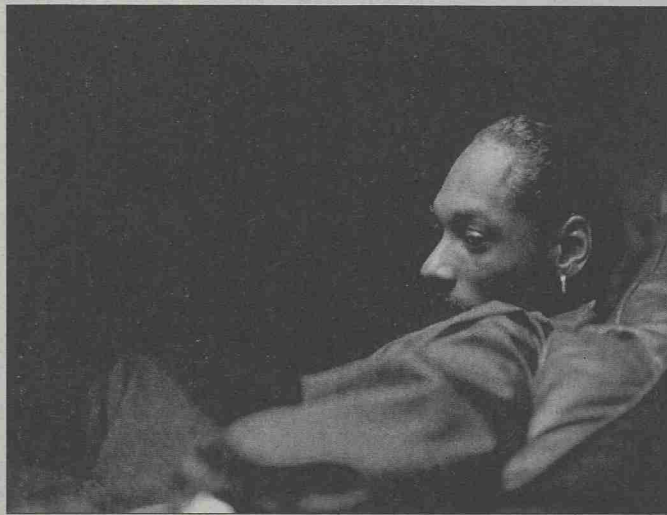
Are you humming it yet? Snoop took his quickly gaining momentum to release his solo debut "Doggystyle" in 1993, which became the first debut album to enter the charts at number one.

"Doggystyle" had two top-ten singles, "What's My Name?" and "Gin & Juice" — both helped to catapult the album to sell more than five million units in the U.S.

I know you're humming those.

During the recording of "Doggystyle," Snoop was arrested as an accomplice in the drive-by shooting death of Phillip Woldemarian. According to the charges, Snoop's bodyguard, McKinley Lee, shot Woldemarian from the car as Snoop drove. Snoop, claiming self-defense, alleged that Woldemarian was stalking him. After his performance at the MTV Music Awards show in September 1993, Snoop turned himself in.

Occupied with the trial for the next three years, Snoop's



Rhythm and Gangster: it is the combination that has made Snoop Dogg a multi-million dollar success.

career was faint, with few releases save the trial-inspired "Murder Was the Case."

Snoop's career took yet another stumble with the disappointing sales of his second album, "Tha Doggfather."

Gangster Rap had changed

since "Doggystyle" and "The Chronic," and perhaps Snoop's three-year hiatus left him lagging behind the rest of the industry. However, this sparked Snoop's adaptation. His lyrics calmed and he made moves to spread his music to the Rock

demographic Gangster Rap had left behind. Snoop began with doing a stint on Lollapalooza's 1997 tour with heavy hitters like Tool, Atari Teenage Riot and Prodigy — which left

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On a side note



## PERSON OF THE WEEK

He was co-founder of Wu-Tang Clan; He was the father to more than a dozen children; He was convicted of assault and shoplifting; A legend; he is Ol' Dirty Bastard.

Russell Tyrone Jones, better known as ODB, died Saturday of unknown causes after complaining of chest pains and difficulty breathing. Jones formed Wu-Tang with his cousins, RZA, GZA and Ghostface Killah, in addition to Raekwon, Inspectah Deck, Masta Killah, U-God, Cappadonna and Method Man — 10 men from New York who fashioned themselves as ghetto superheroes with magic rapping powers. Sadly, ODB became better known in the latter end of his life more for his rap sheet than his rapping. 1968-2004



## OFF THE WALL

## 'Prayer' asks life's unanswerable questions

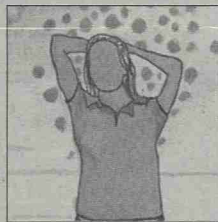
Grayson Currin

Senior Staff Writer

"Rejoice." That's the first easily audible word on the debut album from Animal Collective melodic mystic Panda Bear, and it only comes at the end of the second untitled track.

The lyrics here are skewed beyond mention in a quavering, octave-jumping falsetto. But that solitary word floats out, hovers for a fraction of a moment and is lost in a shroud of silence. Indeed, mystery applies.

That single utterance is the



## Young Prayer

Panda Bear

Paw Tracks

★★★★★

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## MUSIC BIN

## Beats freshen an old protocol

Chris Reynolds

Senior Staff Writer

A new album from Snoop Dogg is kind of like the State of the Union address. For someone that's been in the game this long, in a genre that forgets stars faster than they hit the charts, when the president speaks, people listen.

Snoop's multi-platinum history and forefather status may contribute to his sales, but keeping fresh is still important.

"Rhythm and Gangster" takes some musical risks that translate into freshness. The best example is the chart-topping single "Drop

it Like it's Hot." The Neptune's contribution to the single involves a simple beat, but with a novel use of tongue clicks.

Along with the inventive tongue clicking are other wild musical elements. Jazz guitars, pianos, Steve Miller Band samples and even glittery trumpet-stab disco complete with Justin Timberlake on "Signs." Sounds almost like a recipe for disaster for a gangster rap founding father, but Snoop, for the most part, pulls it off using his lyrical styles to connect the feel of the album to listeners of his previous works.

Snoop's rhymes stay brutal and intense throughout most



### Rhythm and Gangster: The Masterpiece

Snoop Dogg

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★★★★☆

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## UNIT ON THE SPLITS

Santa Monica Police issued a warrant for the arrest of G-Unit rapper Young Buck on Tuesday in connection with the stabbing of a man who attacked fellow rapper Dr. Dre at the Vibe Awards Monday. The 26-year-old Los Angeles native Jimmy James Johnson allegedly assaulted Dr. Dre during the event at the Santa Monica Municipal Airport hangar. Buck (born David Darnell Brown) is seen in surveillance videos as one of two men with knives who assaulted Johnson.

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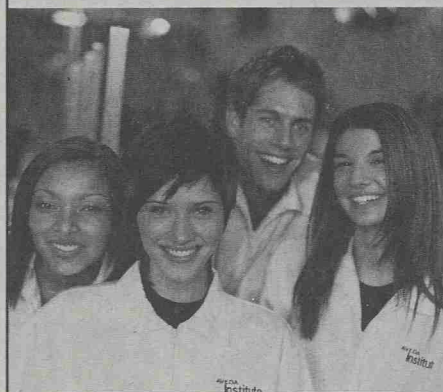


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most in attendance scratching their heads (while bobbing them).

"I wanna be seen as an artist that grew in the public's eye," Snoop has said in published reports. "A lot of people don't know how to accept growth. But I wanna be the artist that grew; the public accepted it."

By Y2K, Snoop was pumping out albums faster than he could count the money he was

making. Most of his next seven releases varied in quality and some were even grossly sub par, but by then it was the whole Snoop Dogg concept that sold records.

Snoop is now all over the place. There are even rumors he is going to get into the barbecue business with the "Snoop DeGrill" to rival George Foreman's Signature Grill. Snoop has even left his mark on the silver screen with both hits and flops like "The Wash" and "Soul Plane." He even produced his own "Girls Gone

Wild" last year.

Of his children, Corde, Cordell and Cori, he says he keeps them sheltered from his work. Snoop said, "You shouldn't let your kids watch everything and then blame the rappers for not doing enough, it's your job to parent your kids."

While it's hard to reconcile the show-us-your-boobs Snoop with this little league coaching Snoop, it's helpful to recognize that in this business, "Da game is to be sold, not to be told."

piece."

Snoop gets a little help from 50 Cent, Nelly, Lil John, Soopafly and Pharrell, which is a nice touch. Having sold middle-school aged children records their parents would slap me for letting them buy, I do have to say, "Here we go again."

Snoop's abrasive, more malicious rhymes pepper the listener with questions like "If she won't do what you say, why aren't you slapping her?" or "Can You Con-

trol Your Ho," or "Never met a b\*\*\*\* a pimp can't slap," which has the warmth of Mr. Rogers with an Uzi.

As degradation of women and violence are nothing new to gangster rap, it's hard to hold it against him, but it's hard to dismiss it. Having been two years since his last release, "Paid the Cost to be the Boss," it's obvious with "Rhythm and Gangster" that Snoop hasn't been on vacation.

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sum of "Young Prayer." The title is appropriate: it reflects not only the youth, but the anxiety and nervousness behind Panda Bear's nebulous waverings, beautiful long-and-free-form vocal sequences lifted toward the skies above a spattered tapestry of acoustic melody and percussive exploration.

It's hopeful, broken and resounding. As such, "Young Prayer" seems strangely accessible and esoteric, as open to personal interpretation as any album to be released this year.

The prayer is a conversation with God, a dedication and commemoration of the artist's recently deceased father.

The sense that something tragic has happened here comes long before the discovery of the liner notes dedication ("This is for my Father. Goodbye Dad. I hope you

are good where you are.") The pain of the second track comes crashing down midstream, as a harshly strummed acoustic guitar rolls and quakes with Panda Bear's breaking voice, one note smeared across several pained measures.

Five tracks later, there's a distinctly meditative tone, the troubled poet considering the meaning of his father's death via Gregorian-styled incantations. Other untitled gems uncloak similar sheets of desperation, exasperation and frustration, allowing severe emotional purity by singing lyrics that are really there, just skewed beyond ready recognition. It is an immediacy that doesn't require words.

But this isn't 28 minutes of the bereaved simply bemoaning God. This is, after all, a young prayer, equipped with the profound belief that better days are not only behind, but ahead. Panda Bear recognizes the grace of his father's death, his transcendence of a world mired in the details.

"Untitled 5" is a clap-and-stomp funeral party, where the

tears are exchanged for a belief in something above and beyond. The multi-tracked vocals recall kid's campfire nostalgia, while the beautiful piano lilt of the third track recalls happier, indelible memories.

And, for an album that was composed in the same house in which its paramount died, the capacity for fond recollection above and beyond grief is as-tounding as it is reassuring.

Ultimately, this isn't an album that asks the tough questions: Why do people die? Why do bad things happen to good people? Why are we here?

It instead let's the tough questions be asked, turning the quest for some fit, formable answer into the reason for living. And, confronted with death, the attempt to catch those answers — as elusive as smoke ring — is the only creature comfort we may have. Rejoice.

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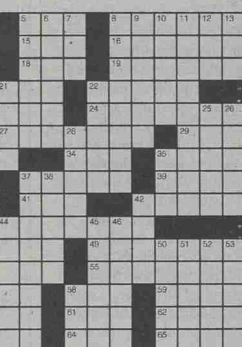
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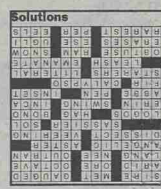
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# Sports

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2004

## Schedule

Football vs. East Carolina (Charlotte), 11/27  
Basketball in BCA Invitational, 11/18-19  
Women's basketball vs. UNCW, 11/19, 7  
Volleyball vs. ACC Tournament, 11/18  
Swimming & Diving at GT Invite, 11/19-21  
Wrestling at Navy Classic, 11/20

## Scores

Men's Basketball 92, New Orleans 58



## TECHNICIAN

### COMMENTARY

## What could have been

Three teams in the top five. Six teams that believe they have a chance to cut down the nets as both ACC and NCAA champions.



**Austin Johnson**  
Sports Editor

This season had the chance to be the greatest ACC season in memory. So much returning talent, so many teams with high hopes.

But expansion has already tainted the season.

The football-fueled, money-driven idea to bring in Miami and Virginia Tech pulls the league down tremendously. Instead of seven or eight good teams in a nine-team league, you now have seven or eight good teams in an eleven-team league.

Sure, maybe the good teams get to pad their record in the league a little, but the overall strength of the ACC falls. It might still be the best basketball league in the nation, but it no longer sports the top-to-bottom depth it once did.

So while ACC officials were listening to the sound of cash registers when they drew up a league-expansion plan (we all see how well that has worked out so far), they ignored the sport which has always been the strength of the conference.

To fit all the new teams into the schedule, the old schedule had to go. No longer does every team play every other team twice, no longer is everyone's schedule equally difficult. The change in schedules taints the title of regular season champion, an honor that was just as prestigious as winning the ACC Tournament until this season.

N.C. State will not play at Duke this season. The Wolfpack gets to avoid the terror of Cameron Stadium, instead they will travel to Miami to play the Hurricanes. I can't name the arena off the top of my head, but I'm sure their fans are just as loud and creative as the Cameron Crazies. No doubt the Miami game will be just as thrilling as the Duke game would have been.

Maryland will not play at Georgia Tech this season. One of those teams went to the championship game last season, while the other is just a few years removed from winning the national championship.

Wake Forest will not play at Carolina this season. If you'll recall last year these two teams played at the Dean Dome. It ended with a 119-114 triple-overtime win for the Deacons. Some argued it was the greatest ACC regular-season game ever played. The rematch? It won't happen. Luckily for fans of both teams, they can find solace in the fact that Wake gets the opportunity to go to Blacksburg in February, while the Tar Heels host the Hurricanes in late January.

Instead of match-ups between the best programs in the country in historic venues, fans will be treated to blowouts in arenas you've never heard of before this year. Congratulations ACC, this is your new league. I hope you like it, because I sure don't.

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### BASKETBALL

## Fast start ignites State win

**Spero Katsanos**  
Staff Writer

First it was 2-0. Then it was 5-0; after that, it became 8-0. Finally, one more 3-pointer from the Pack prompted former N.C. State player and current New Orleans coach Monte Towe to ask for a timeout with his team already facing an 11-point deficit less than two minutes into the game.

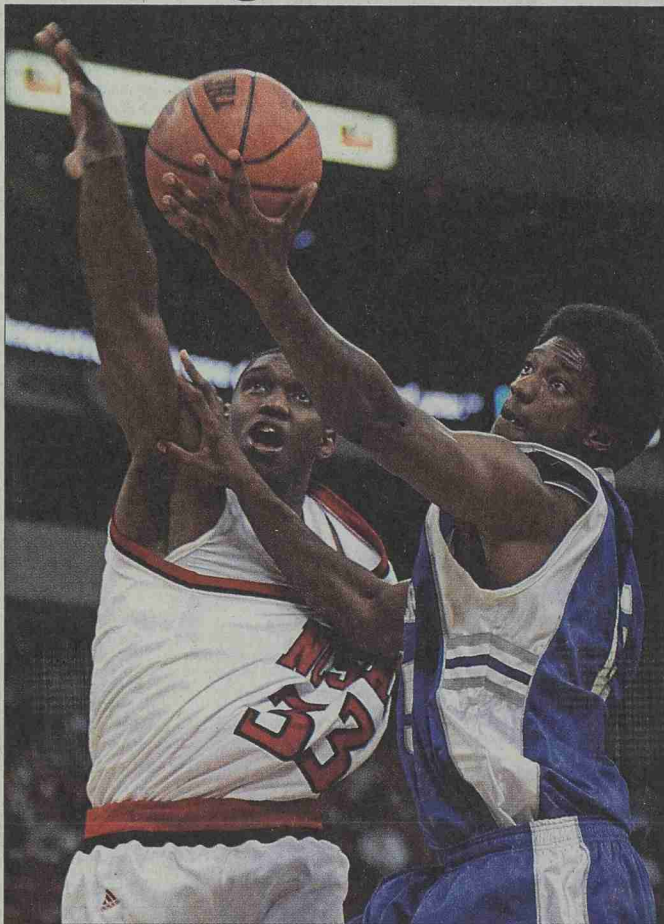
It quickly became evident that State's sharp shooting would be the theme of the half, and indeed it was, as the Wolfpack headed to the locker room at the break carrying a 54-27 lead on Wednesday night during the opening round of the BCA Invitational at the RBC Center, on 59 percent shooting overall and 56 percent (9-of-16) from behind the arc. New Orleans never closed to within 25 points in the second half, and the Pack played through to a 92-58 victory for its first win of the 2004-05 season. Senior Julius Hodge said the goal was to come out and jump to an early lead against the Privateers.

"Coach told us to make the first four minutes as a mini-game," Hodge said. "To be aggressive and make them call the first timeout."

The early lead allowed the Pack to settle in and play the ball control offense that has worked so well when State has been ahead over the past few seasons, an offense which often forces the opponent into bad decisions in an attempt to even the score.

For most of the evening, State exhibited the kind of precision and efficiency expected from a team running this Princeton offense that the coaching staff has worked to implement in recent years. The Pack committed only 14 turnovers in a game in which it scored 92 points, and showed patience in getting good looks at the basket.

"They were playing zone and



Freshman Cedric Simmons goes for a block on a shot by Jacob Manning in the Wolfpack's 92-58 win.

we did a good job of handling the ball and looking for each other," Engin Atsursaid. "We always found wide open shots." In addition to good efficiency and decision making, State also displayed the unselfishness

characteristic of teams running an offense more oriented towards ball control. Coach Herb Sendek believes that his team's cohesiveness is in top form. "The guys are really playing so

unselfishly," Sendek said. "I'm really proud of the way they are looking for each other, and trying to be a team this early in the season."

Junior transfer Tony Bethel was also impressed with the

more intangible things that his team did on the floor.

"I thought our hustle and our willingness to play defense was important," Bethel said. "We had a couple of guys take charges out there, blocking out, and sacrificing their bodies to make the play."

Early on in the game, Jordan Collins made his presence known, connecting on his first three attempts from the field. Collins scored a career-high 17 points, and his muscle inside the paint allowed the Pack to get better looks for the nine 3-pointers the team scored in the first half. Ilian Evtimov thinks Collins adds more than bulk to State's interior if he continues to play as he did Wednesday night.

"We're a much better team when Jordan plays well," Evtimov said. "We're a team that has a much different dimension. He's been working very hard in the offseason, and that showed tonight. If he keeps playing like this, we're going to have a very complete game, an inside-outside game."

State out-rebounded the Privateers 37-27, and played a stifling man-to-man defense that frustrated New Orleans into only 36 percent shooting from the field. The game was well out of hand by the time freshman guard Gavin Grant finished the evening off with a dunk, giving the crowd a definite lasting image of the resounding win.

### BCA Invitational RBC Center

**Wednesday's first-round results**  
East Carolina 60, Pepperdine 58  
Oregon State 69, Siena 67  
N.C. State 92, New Orleans 58  
Elon 73, Fairleigh Dickinson 59

**Today's schedule**  
Siena vs. Pepperdine, Noon  
New Orleans vs. F. Dickinson, 2  
Elon vs. N.C. State, 7  
Oregon State vs. East Carolina, 9

### VOLLEYBALL

## Pack has one more chance at conference win

*State heads to ACC Tournament complete with third consecutive season winless in conference*

**Mary Beth Usher**  
Staff Writer

Mariah Carey's raspberry "Glitter" had just hit theaters. The nation stood in courage and patriotism in the wake of terrorist attacks. Carolina squeaked by Florida State to win its home football game. And the Wolfpack won its last conference match to date.

Since its victory over Maryland on Sept. 22, 2001, the volleyball team has failed to defeat any ACC school in regular season play, subsequently staining the reputation of the N.C. State volleyball program. Three seasons without a conference win will do that.

"It's definitely disappointing to not have any conference wins," Coach Mary Byrne said. "It's a very tough time."

Significant strides were made this season, however, to improve team performance. The team attack percentage hit 0.189, a distinct increase from 0.139 in 2001. Conference play set State at a 0.141 team attack percentage. The Pack also expanded its execution in four and five game matches, illustrating amplified resilience and technical ability.

"We were much closer in the conference this season on a technical level, as seen in the number of four and five game matches," Byrne said. "We didn't have

this in the past. It's definitely a sign of improvement."

Coach Byrne also applauded her players for maintaining psychological toughness through the season, regardless of the conference record.

"I was really proud of our team because they mentally prepared when they could have given up," she said. "I believe this allowed our games to be closer at the end."

But with such an increased technical and psychological ability, what is preventing the Pack's conference success? Sheer number analysis pointed for State to beat Virginia Tech — a team the Pack beat just last September before its addition to the ACC — twice this season, yet the team fell 3-2 on both occasions.

Junior middle blocker Stefani Eddins feels the trouble lies within the lack of continued execution and team cohesiveness.

"We need to fight hard throughout the match," she said. "It is a team effort — the coaching staff can only do so much. There were a lot of individuals this season. We are a young team trying to work together, but I believe we are a good team."

Coach Byrne firmly believes one win will garner tremendous momentum.

"It's very frustrating," Byrne said. "We need to win one to get over the hump." Team consensus agrees, as just one victory will heighten emotional sentiments on the court.

"The team just really wants — and needs

— the feeling of winning again."

The Pack has the opportunity for this shining moment as it meets Virginia in the ACC tournament today. State fell 3-1 to the Cavaliers at the last meeting in Reynolds Coliseum, despite accumulating 14.5 blocks as a team.

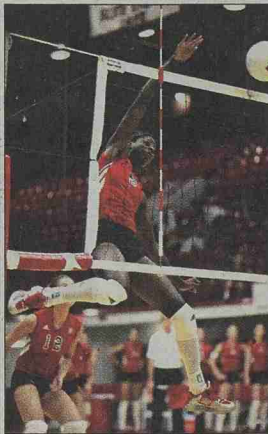
"Going into the ACC tournament, we haven't given up," Eddins said. "We plan to surprise people at the tournament by going in strong like we have for the past few games, staying strong and fighting to the end for the victory. Emotionally, we haven't given up yet."

State will enter the tournament 10-20 overall and 0-16 in the conference. Leading the way offensively is senior outside hitter Melanie Rowe, who posted a team-best 321 kills this season.

Junior middle blocker Adeola Kosoko has contributed as well with 314 kills and 0.276 hitting percentage, followed by Eddins' 243 kills and 0.267 hitting percentage. Eddins has also delivered a strong defense this season, leading the ACC and setting a Wolfpack record with 163 blocks, an average 1.52 blocks per game.

Setters freshman Lauren Markowski and sophomore Melissa Rabe have secured the offense with 900 and 256 assists respectively. Freshman libero Andrea Bentley leads the team in digs with 320.

Coach Byrne says she plans to beef up the offense and continue to concentrate on a stronger defense in order to be successful at the tournament. Additionally,



Junior middle blocker Adeola Kosoko slams down a spike against UNC earlier in season. Kosoko, like most of her Wolfpack teammates, has yet to win a conference game in three years of playing at State.

she hopes to cut down on the number of unforced errors.

"The team has put up a constant fight this season," Byrne said. "No matter what outsiders say, the girls continue to come out, show pride and work hard on and off the court every day. As a whole, this team is really close."

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