



Workers attempt to repair a broken gas line following a leak Monday morning.

Gas leak shuts down **Dan Allen**

CREW BROKE LINE WHILE INSTALLING **NEW SIGN**

T.S. Amarasiriwardena

A construction crew installing a new cross-walk sign broke through a public utility gas line running on Dan Allen Drive, forcing Campus Police to close the street, evacuate two buildings and cordon off a one-block area Monday morning. " "In the process of putting new road signs, [a construction crew] pierced the gas line," Captain John Goodrow of Campus Police said. A construction crew installing a new cross-

said

Part of the Transportation Department's efforts to put up new pedestrian signs, these new signs would mark the bump up near

new signs would mark the bump up near Bragaw Hall. Occurring shortly after 10:30 a.m., the crew immediately called Campus Police via a cell phone after they realized what hap-pened, Goodrow said. Soon thereafter, Campus Police closed off a portion of Dan Allen Drive. The West Dunn Building and the first floor of Pullen Hall were evacuated, with a sizable portion of the front lawns of Bragaw Hall and Witherspoon Student Center cordoned off. Wolfline buses and cars were rerouted elsewhere for the du-ration of the incident. Part of a distribution line for PSNC Energy,

Part of a distribution line for PSNC Energy, based out of Gastonia, the natural gas line feeds a distribution point of Dan Allen for

portions of campus. An additive, made specifically to aid detec-tion of gas line breaks could be smelled in the

tion of gas line breaks could be smelled in the air for about half-an-hour after the incident until PSNC could shut off the line. A Raleigh Fire Department crew on the scene aided the crew that shut the line, wa-tering the area down. Campus police remained at the scene until 12:30 p.m., Goodrow said. According to Angie Townsend from PSNC, the burden of the cost to repair the line de-pends on a case by case basis and has yet to be determined in this instance. This type of line break is fairly common she said. line break is fairly common she said.

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Freshman Jay Hann, sophomore Rodney Bass, freshman Otto Afanador and junior Michael Pettitt play in the glow of the newly released Halo 2.

NEW TECHNOLOGY REDEFINES THE COMMON GAMER

Tyler Dukes

His name is Assassin.

Watching his movements, it's easy to realize that the title is an accurate one. His first enemy is slain from behind with the butt of a battle rifle. The next follows quickly with a blast from a shotgun. Yet another falls at his feet from a face-to-face

barrage of sub machine gun fire. His streak ends however, with a well-placed sniper rifle shot from an unseen opponent. On the ground, his body is struck with

On the ground, his body is struck with the blunt end of a rocket launcher as the holder collects the ammo and supplies of the fallen warrior. Although not obvious at first, the op-ponents in this bloody arena are friends. They kill quickly and efficiently, with little regard for kinship or the rules of warfare. warfare But such is the world of Halo 2

Released in late November, the much anticipated X-Box title sold about 2.38 million copies within the first 24 hours of its sale. It has continued to fuel the craze began by its predecessor, the origi-

nal Halo, in November of 2001

nal Halo, in November of 2001. Tesented as a first-person shooter, the figure faluers diverse weaponry, intel-ligent alien opponents and almost two full hours of animated cut scenes within the complex storyline. Assassins' real name is michael Pettitt, a junior in riminology. To many of his fellow players, who met him through the guessen name. Electrical engineer-

Electrical engineer-ing sophomore Rodney Bass said he played Pettitt for about a month before he actually met him. Even then, he said, it took him a while to get used to it

used to it. used to it. "It probably did take me about a week or so to re-member his real name," Bass said. "I still call him Assassin sometimes, it's

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A FEMALE PERSPECTIVE

Erin Welch

Potentially a girlfriend's worst en-emy—it steals her man's attention, time and money. But Regina Ev-erett has to thank this passive

erett has to thank this passive enemy for introducing her to her boyfriend. "Without Halo, my boy-friend and I would probably have never been," Everett said, describing how they met when he would play Halo with a mutual friend of theirs. of theirs.

The 2001 release of what may be the Holy Grail of video games, Halo almost instantly turned the heads of males of many ages. Boyfriends quickly transformed

into Halo lovers; consequentially, girlfriends quickly became Halo haters. And now, with the recent re-lease of the highly anticipated Halo 2, girlfriends have an even more fierce competition fighting for the atten-

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THEIR FAITH | BUDDHISM CHRISTIANITY ISLAM JUDAISM HINDUISM **inside**technician Bringing faith, friendship to local teenagers Brad Springer's past Alabama" and takes on other per-sonalities in SNL-like skits in atothers. Yet make no mistake, he resists being called a "Bible beater," the all too common steexperiences of teenage woes tempt to provoke the attention of the teenage onlookers and gain a few laughs. and a wavering Christian reotype of evangelical hypocrisy often plastered to young, out-spoken Christians, especially on Pack meets challenge faith strengthen his beliefs Julius Hodge led NCSU to today and drive him to share While the students laugh, cheer spoken Christians, especially on college campuses. "It's easy to stereotype Chris-tians, like anyone," Brad said. "Some might find them [Chris-tians] hypocritical, telling others not to do something and then do-ing it themselves." Brad attempts to combat this potion through "activaly loving" Purdue in a cold-shooting AC C/Big 10 while the students laugh, cheer and sing along to the entertaining mix of performances, the "club," as it's called, isn't entirely a social event. Brad and the other college students are leaders in Young it with local high school Challenge game last night at the RBC Center. See page 8. students that face what he, too, once did viewpoint diversions classifieds Life, a non-denominational Christian organization that provides creative outreach and Ashley Hink notion through "actively loving people," acceptance and respect. Without this attitude, he might weather In full costume and with education to high schools all education to high schools all over the country. Brad, a senior in religious studies, lives his life as a devoted Christian and is an active partoday tomorrow guitar in hand, Brad Springer spends his Wednesday nights as an entertainer in houses packed with high school students. He belts out songs like "Sweet Home 7 1 not be able to break through with Brad Springer (right), worships at Hope Community Church with fellow friends from N.C. State. 61°/49° 64°/36° FAITH continued page 3 ticipant in sharing his faith with Mon - Thurs 336 Every Tues & Thurs C sammy s ammy s Almost Everything 2 for 1 dinners Jumbo Wings ap & Grit ¢2.50 5:30-7:30 Sun - Thurs 755-3880



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tion of their boyfriends. The affinity for video games generally doesn't just transcend male and female boundaries, leaving gilfriends wondering how a game such as Halo can hypotize their boyfriends the first time they play. "I'd rather spend my time do-ing something else, anything else for that matter," Regina Everett, a freshman in business and mar-keting education said. "Games just acen't my thing."

So why are guys so fascinated with video games? "To them it's a staple, it's some-

thing some guys just can't live without," Everett said. Jennifer Davis, a sophomore in religious studies, simply doesn't understand her boyfriend's fascination, either.

"There's just something about it—they're addicted to it," she said, explaining how her boysaid, explaining how her ovy-friend seems to get into a trance when playing Halo 2. "That's why we hate it. As girlfriends, it just doesn't make sense." Davis described how her boy-friend and his roommates even went to the extreme of howing an

went to the extreme of buying an X-box just for Halo. "They even project it onto a wall like a movie theater," she

added.

The consuming hobby of video gaming receives different perspective from males and fe-males, according to Everett.

"Guys are fascinated with video games because they are much more than just a trend to them," she said.

Referencing game systems from old Ataris and Super Nin-tendos, Everett said males have always had a connection with video games and the vicarious

video games and the vicarious life they can live through a con-troller pad. Whether it's a competition factor or simply having the ability to blow things up, many males seem to achieve a sense of accompliablement through video accomplishment through video games.

They just have this connection with being able to put themselves in a position of power," Everett said. "I think that's what games

said. 1 think that s what games give them." For some girlfriends like Heather Peyton, video gaming is not such a issue. "I really don't care if he plays [video games], if that is what he

[video games], if that is what he thinks is fun and wants to spend his time on, that's fine," she said. "I can just do something that I like to do and he doesn't." The Lara Crofts of video games also may provide another reason for why video games do not appeal as much to females as males.

as males. According to Davis, the major-ity of video games target males as their main audience.

"All the games out right now are guys killing each other and

are guys killing each other and blowing things up and playing football," she said. "How many chick video games do you see-and what would they be?" Everett agreed that advertising targeted males. "It's a 'sex sells' thing with guys, it's more incentive for them to buy it," she said refer-ring to the scantily clad female characters, which appear in a number of male-oriented video games. games.

games. However, Everett said she is not offended by the focus on males as a main audience. "That's like saying Victoria's Secret shouldn't be geared to-ward only women," she said. With video games running anywhere from \$40 to \$60, Ev-cret was amazed at the money

erett was amazed at the money her boyfriend spends on his

gaming hobby. Conversely, the girlfriends agreed that males most likely would not understand their love for shopping as they don't understand excessive money

spent on video games. "He [my boyfriend] doesn't understand how I buy things when they're on sale. To him, it's still spending money," Ev-erett said. "I don't understand how he can spend money on those games—they don't ever go on sale.'

K-Mart Park-and-Ride to discontinue

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Parking changes in place for next semester

Clark Leonard

After more than a decade of a great working relation-ship, University Transporta-tion will no longer be able to provide a park-and-ride lot at the K-Mart on Western Boulevard. University Transportation

University Transportation has been in a written agree-ment through the store in which it was able to use the lot for free, but the actual land used for the park-and-ride is under the control of the prop-erty courser. erty owner.

erty owner. The owner has decided to change how the lot is used, and the Wolfline's park-and-ride lot at K-Mart will officially close on Dec. 14. Transit Manager Pat Mitch-ell said she is thankful to have

had such a great partnership

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just easier."

According to freshman in computer engineering Jay Hann, the screen name is all

rann, the screen hance is an important when getting seri-ous about the game. Bass's alter ego for example, is keinEnde, German for "no end." It's a mark that read-ily identifies himself to other

In the second se they'll remember something you did in some game one

time Bass, Hann and Pettitt are a small part of an entire subcul-ture of gamers at N.C. State.

These games include not just Halo, but a growing expanse of online multiplayer games on both consoles like the X-Box,

both consoles like the X-Box, PlayStation 2 and PC's. With the growing popularity of games like Counterstrike, Half-Life 2 and Warcraft, players have begun to tran-scend the normal definition of a camper of a gamer. "It suprises you how many

people play. People that I would never expect to be gam-ers are actually really good." Bass said. "There used to be a stereotypical gamer. Now it can be anybody."

With the advent of read-ily accessible online gaming, this form of entertainment is seeping more and more into the mainstream, and accord-

the mainstream, and accord-ing to assistant professor of computer science R. Michael Young, the social aspect is bringing many more people to this new playground. "It's mostly popular because it's a social activity. [These games] facilitate this kind of social interaction that games didn't used to have before," didn't used to have before," Young said. "It's something that you do with your friends,

and its a lot easier than setting up a soccer game." Halo 2 enhances this trend with advent of a new X-Box Live option, which enables players to join games with members opling

people online. The system sees about 300,000 unique players on

"Live is the only thing that makes Halo 2 interesting," Pettitt said. "I like how you can get on and play when can get on and play whenever you want. Live is where

it's at." The growth of gaming, Young said, is not something that will cease in the near

fluences students

with the store, and said she want-ed to make it clear that K-Mart is not kicking anybody out. "We have been told by the property owner, not by K-Mart management, that we will not be able to use the tot as a note, and able to use that lot as a park-and-ride lot as of the end of the fall semester," Mitchell said. "He has given us the appropriate notice, so we're working to give our riders the appropriate notice.

ers the appropriate notice." University Transportation officials say they are confident that the other changes for the upcoming semester will help alleviate problems that could be caused by the closing of the K-Mart lot and the loss of its nearly 100 methicsments 400 parking spots. Mitchell and Information

and Communication Specialist Christine Klein stressed that the two best options for those who have been parking at K-Mart are the Carter-Finley and Westgrove

Mitchell said it is a well-kept secret that the Westgrove lot has

"Gaming is so pervasive now from kids 5 years old to people in their teens and 20s," Young said. "Its going to be the case that in 15 years the president of the United States played Mario when he was a kid."

The industry isn't slowing down in the near future, either.

etther. The game and online entertainment industry grossed about \$10 billion last year alone and has made more money than the film industry on the domestic level for the last six to seven

But it's not just the United States that is delving into the new high-tech frontier, people from every corner of the world are taking part in

online games. "South Korea is a country of 47 million people and 10 million of them subscribe to one massively multi-player online game," Young said. "Twenty percent of the population of the country is in one game."

so why do games like Halo strike a chord with so many people?

According to Young, it's all about being well-rounded. "[Halo] had real compel-"[Halo] had real compel-ling graphics, a strong ele-ment of story, good AI and a real rich environment," Young said. "It may not have been the richest envi-ronment or the strongest AI, but they had a great design that put it all together." Although Bass states that he doesn't play the game all of the time, he does admit that the gameplay gets ad-dictive.

dictive.

"It's really hard to stop when you play a little bit," Bass said. "It's like crack." The nature of games like Halo 2 have even compelled some students to find room in their schedules for free

time. "We still have priorities," Hann said, while concen-trating on the TV screen. "If we have something to do, we'll do it, but if we can put it off, we will." But obsessions aside, Bass points out the simple fact that playing a game like Halo is just another form of recreation in the hectic college lifestyle. time

college lifestyle. "If I have a lot on my mind, like if I do bad on a test or quiz, I'll play," Bass said. "When I play, all I can think about is winning. It's just something fun to do.

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For more info...

Information regarding campus transportation and the latest Wolfline routes can be found by vis-iting www.ncsu.edu/transportation or www.ncsu.edu/wolfline.

125 spaces but usually only has a 125 spaces bit totally only has a couple dozen cars parked in it. Instead of 15-minute service, this lot will now be serviced every 30 minutes, since the Westgrove Route 4 will no longer be serving Pullen Road or Carmichael Gym on Morrill Drive. "It bluk it's one of those won-

on Morrill Drive. "I think it's one of those won-derful little secrets that we try to promote," Mitchell said. "I think because K-Mart is there and visible, everyone tends to use the K-Mart lot."

Another viable option for those looking for a new park-and-ride lot is the Carter-Finley lot across

from the football stadium. Mitchell says that currently only the corner of the lot is used

because it is near the current stop at Carter-Finley, but that there

are still plenty of spots that can be used. Service to the Vet School and

continuing to Scott Hall from the stadium will be every 10 min-utes. The stop at the fairground lot will no longer be serviced. "We essentially have the whole lot to use when there aren't other

events going on there—which is 98 percent of the time," Mitchell said of the lot at Carter-Finley. Also starting in the spring se-mester will be additional service for the Centennial Shuttle, in part to accommodate College of Engineering's two new buildings on Centennial Campus.

on Centennial Campus. "It's a limited stop route, It's basically designed to go from...Centennial Campus up to Main Campus at the Current and Stinson area as quickly as possible with as few stops as pos-sible," Mitchell said. "And we've got just wonderful feedback on the route. People want it to run more often, so we're going to do that." The Centennial Connector, a bus from Centennial park-and-ride up to Centennial Campus, will be rerouted to run south on

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will be rerouted to run south on Main Campus Drive. Mitchell added that Wolf Vil-lage will be gaining another bus in the spring to keep its 10-minute service.

There are also a limited num-ber of "B" permits available for the second semester in West Lot on campus with 10-minute ser-vice by shuttle and by a few other

routes. They are on a first-come, first-serve basis. University Transportation will be seeking to get the word out about the changes this week with flyers and through television and radio advertisements radio advertisements.

When all the changes are com-plete and the new routes are in place, Mitchell believes every-thing will work out quite well. "Come January, it's really going to look good," Mitchell said.

educator for Health Promotion, said. "Alcohol inhibits behavior between men and women and

may cause them to cross the

Health Promotions also defines

consent as a clear and verbal "yes" from both partners, which is still null and void if alcohol is

other "rules to remember" can be found on Health Promotion's

Web site, such as, "a sexual part-ner has a right to say no at any time" and "never presume that silence or a lack of resistance means yes."

Resources on campus can help survivors of sexual assault.

survivors of sexual assault. The Women's Center supports 618-RAPE, the Molly Hayes Glander 24-hour Rape and Sexual Assault Response Line. "We've had RA's call to know how to better assist a resident. Anyone can call, if they need to talk to someone about it," Leg-gitt said. "We've had fathers call us and ask what they can do for

ght said. We had had rates can us and ask what they can do for their daughter, boyfriends call and ask what they can do." The Women's Center is also

available to educate groups about

Gourdine from the Men's Pro-gram specializes in challenging men to rethink their attitudes,

men to rethink their attitudes, beliefs and knowledge about sexual assault, rape, relationship violence and masculinity. He also advises a group of men on campus called Men Against Rape Culture. "It's important to have MARC because men in the past have been passive," Gourdine said. "It's time for men to get in the game and plan and be allies of women, men can educate other men about violence against

men about violence against women." Leggitt thinks it is important

for survivors to seek counseling, either through the Counseling Center or elsewhere because of

the numerous effects rape has on a person.

There are many psychological,

social and health issues that af-fect rape victims, Leggitt says. "It will affect them whether

they think it will or not," Leg-

Counseling appointments with

Health Services can be made by calling 515-2423.

gitt said

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women's issues.

CAMPUS RESOURCES

Rape remains highly unreported crime

people age 18 or younger. Women are more likely to be victims of sexual violence than

men. Of the rapes and sexual as-saults reported in the 2002 National Crime Victimization Survey, 87 percent of the victims were women and 13 percent were

Sexual violence has been called a "tragedy of youth," according to the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. The NCIPC states that more than

half of all rapes of women occur before age 18 and 22 percent of these rapes occur before age 12. The NCIPC recommends

these rapes occur before age 12. The NCIPC recommends awareness of vulnerability fac-tors in order to prevent sexual violence. A vulnerability factor is anything that increases the likelihood that a person will outfor home.

Research has identified that young age, drug and alcohol use,

prior history of sexual violence and multiple sexual partners are vulnerability factors for sexual

In the cases of the 12 reported incidents of rape last year, alco-hol was consumed by one or both persons of the crime. "Alcohol is the number one

date-rape drug," Campus Police Sgt. Jon Barnwell said. "Too much alcohol can cause a

The math accord car care as misperception of feelings." As for women with prior his-tory of sexual violence, a study found that women raped before the age of 18 were twice as likely to be raped as adults, compared to these with no bitcore feetual

to those with no history of sexual

Women with many sexual

partners are at increased risk of experiencing sexual abuse. Many researchers believe that

risky sexual behavior is a cop-ing strategy for sexual violence that increases the likelihood that

An intoxicated partner cannot legally give consent. According to Health Promo-

not respecting to relating Promo-tion, intoxication is no excuse for not respecting a partner's wishes nor does it provide an excuse or legal defense in cases of rape and castral coversion

"Alcohol plays a very impor-tant role in these situations that happen on campus," Larry

Gourdine, a violence prevention

a woman will be victimized

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A recent study reported possible reasons why so many rapes go unreported

Tara Zechini

Many women do not charac-terize sexual victimizations as a crime because of embarass-ment, not knowing the legal definition of rape or because they blame themselves for their sexual assault, according to a recent study by the National Institute of Justice. The study focused on the sexual victimization of col-lege women and found that 95 percent of rapes go unreported because of the belief that it is not a crime. Many women do not charac-

"There is a lot of shame and

embarrassment even though it's not their fault," Laci Leggitt, as-sistant director of the Women's

Center, said. Some women do not define assaults as rape because they do not want to label a person they know, who victimized them, as a rapist. a rapist. Nine out of 10 victims in the study knew the person who sexually assaulted them. Most often, a boyfriend, ex-boyfriend, classmate, friend, acquaintance or coworker sexually victimized the ucomme

the women. "Most of the rapes on campus are acquaintance rapes," Leggitt

said. Victims gave a number of reasons for not reporting their victimizations to the police, such as disbelief that the incident was

harmful or important encound to alert authorities. However, other reasons sug-gested that more barriers prevent reporting, such as not wanting family or friends to know about the incident the incident.

"Many students don't seek medical attention because they don't want the insurance report don't want the insurance report to go to their parents' house— they don't want their parents to know," Leggitt said, "We encour-age survivors to get medical at tention and we encourage them to report it. If they don't report it, at least they're getting the medi-cal help they need."

Certain groups are more at risk

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Brad Springer claps along to songs at Hope Community Church, but come Wednesday, he's leading teens in song at Middle Creek High School's Young Life club and mentoring them in the Christian faith.

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the teens he pours his time, en-ergy and faith into. With a worn cap, thick beard, colorful ensemble of outerwear, colorful ensemble of outerwear, an ever-ringing cell phone, a nearly permanent smile and welcoming disposition, Brad looks more like "one of the guys," rather than a stiff gospel preachin" "beater," undoubt-edly contributing to the attrac-tion teens have to him and their heightened attention to the mesheightened attention to the mes-

sage he brings to them. "I've seen kids come to the Lord," Brad said about the high schoolers he's been involved with. "God changes lives."

Brad, however, knows this best not through witnessing others changing and becoming Christians, but because his own

Christians, but because his own life has changed. Going through a roller coaster of ups and downs in his own faith, Brad has struggled in his own "walk with God." "We all screw up," he said. "The difference is how I walk away from that. I know now that it doesn't matter because

away from that, I know now that it doesn't matter because God loves me for me." It's his struggles as a teen that have made his faith as strong as it is today—enables him to share it with others, from his family and friends at N.C. State, to 15-year-old high school students seek-ing spiritual guidance through tough, teenage years.

In grant and guarantee through tough, teenage years. While Brad's first exposure to church was as a young child with his family, he noted that they "went to church because everyone went to church," and when they stopped going he

everyone went to church," and when they stopped going, he was left to discover or abandom a personal faith of his own. When entering high school, it seemed like he had abandoned it—following "the crowd" and all the things that come with them, including drugs and al-cohol. cohol

At the same time, Brad be-came involved in Cary High

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THURSDAY	Judaism
FRIDAY	Hinduism

Young Life. He started to form a relationship with his leader, James Galvin, and as the two became closer, Brad's life began to change

to change. "You know, in high school, no one cares about important things. But James cared about me, loved me because I was Brad Springer, it was a love I'd never seen, It was unchanging," Brad said Brad said.

Brad said. After entering NCSU, Brad immediately began Young Life's freshman leadership in order to become a leader himself. "I said to myself, 'You know heat The secure hear fung"

what? Those guys have fun,'" Brad playfully reminisced about the leaders that changed his own

the leaders that changed his own life as a high school student. In his sophomore year, he be-gan as a leader at Athens Drive High, but struggled to personally remain strong in is faith and quit only after a semester. After Brad took time to find himself in his crumbled faith, he returned the following fall as a leader at Middle Creek High.

a leader at Middle Creek High,

this time for good. A leader there for a year-and-a-half, Brad has devoted his Christian faith to sharing it with kids that face the same struggles between teenage life and the convictions of faith that he, too, once faced.

As a leader, which is completely volunteer, Brad does everything from lead Bible studies to attend high school athletic games, work concessions stands for Middle Creek events and hang out with his guys by playing Frisbee golf or just talking. At least four days out of the

week, Brad is involved with Young Life—driving all over the

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Raleigh-Cary area to spend time with his high school students that now, are much more than proteges of the Christian faith. "They're not just Young Life kids, they're my best friends," Brad said.

Brad said. And for his new best friends, his service in Young Life to share the message of Christ, Brad makes personal sacrifices. "The other night, I think I was up until 5 a.m. writing a paper," Brad said. "Half of it is just being lazy, but Young Life takes a toll on school."

on school." "It's tough spending hours planning and leading club when you have a test the next day. You have to make sacrifices," Brad

By giving Young Life an impor-tant place on his list of priorities, he also gives up an enormous amount of free time and abil-ity to have what so many other college students have, a serious

college students have, a serious relationship. "Tm not in the right place to have a girlfriend," he said. "I couldn't put enough time into doing it right." Yet with a smile, he added, "I wouldn't have it any other way."

way Serving in Young Life, while taking a lot of his time, isn't the only reflection of his Christian

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Church. Brad won't be a Young Life leader forever and doesn't yet have specific plans for a career when he graduates next De-cambae cember. Yet, he's not worried about

Yet, he's not worried about what's in store and is certain, that whatever he does, will continue to be in the name of Christ. "I'm leaving the door open to do God's work," Brad said. "I'm just going to continue to love people in the way God loves people, and treat people the way I want to be treated. It sounds simple, but that's the real deal."

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Rising figures spark discussion

Cynthia Marvin

With this year's inter-national theme for World AIDS Day being "Women, Girls, HIV and AIDS," the Student Global AIDS Cam-paign sponsored a party for sexual empowerment for sexual empowerment for women in the Witherspoon Student Center last night.

With an overwhelming and unexpected turnout of over 200 women from NCSU, Meredith and Peace, senior in psychology Giovonni Sea-wood began the event with an "icebreaker."

With the use of different colored note cards, she held a mock demonstration to show STD statistics Holders of the blue note

card represented one of the 15,085 reported people who had gonorrhea last year. Pink had gonorrhea last year. Pink reflected one of the 26,066 reported chlamydia cases, while purple showed the one in five infected with herpes. To conclude, yellow card holders represented those who are HIV positive. After the giving the at-tendees a shocking taste of reality, Seawood continued with the facts as she shared that the HIV virus outbreak has continued to rise.

has continued to rise. According to Seawood, in

According to Seawood, in 2000 there were six reported cases of HIV in North Caro-lina, in 2001 there were 19 and in 2004 the number did more than quadruple with 84 reported cases. She noted that the year has not yet ended.

Some women in the audience looked as if they knew these numbers already, the majority however looked to the stage in awe. Of the numbers that were recited by Seawood, she remind-ed the audience to keep in mind ed the audience to keep in mind-ed the audience to keep in mind those statistics were developed from "reported" cases, and over 50 percent of the U.S. population have not been STD tested.

There are approximately 37.8 million people in the world with HIV, and over 17.1 of those are women, according to Seawood.

women, according to Seawood. Those present also learned that women are also more likely to contract an STD than males. The Student Global AIDS Campaign then had four skits prepared for the event, each of which would lead into an inter-active discussion. The topics cov-ered Body Image, Relationship and Communication, Testing and Communication, Testing and Prevention and a segment called "Be Honest About Your

""" "Why does the media want us to try to keep up with these standards when they know we cannot meet them?" Giovonni asked during the Body Image discussion

asked during the Body Image discussion. A lot of time was also spent covering what a "loving" re-lationship is. The event gave women the chance to share if they thought they were in a so-called "loving" relationship and why. Two guest speakers were invited and they broke down what a relationship should consist of, both with your "sig-nificant other" and with friends nificant other" and with friends

in general. The consensus was that no relationship should involve

abuse, verbally, emotionally or physically. "I hope that people under-

stand the gravity of this AIDS pandemic and how it is affect-ing our generation," said Tracina Williams, a senior in Zoology/ Microbiology. Williams stated her concern

within stated her concern after reading the statistics that stated between the ages of 15 and 24 accounted for 50 percent of new HIV cases world wide so far in 2004. The events will continue this week with a docucontinue this were write a order mentary shown in Poe Hall, room 216 tonight about one of the world's youngest AIDS advocates followed by a speech from an NCSU communication professor, James Kiwanuka who has researched the prevention has researched the prevention methods in decreasing HIV in his native country of Uganda. The Student Global AIDS

The Student Global AIDS Campaign encourages everyone to come out to the Brickyard Wednesday, Dec. 1 to find more out about the World AIDS Day. They will be handing out free shirts, condoms, lubricant and giving out basic information about STD testing. Everyone can receive free STD screen-ings Wednesdays at the Student Health Center from 12-4 p.m. and it is completely confidenand it is completely confiden-tial. Seawood stated that she was astounded at the turn out

of the event. "I think that the number of people that showed up today re-ally shows that the women in our area are really concerned about the issue at hand," Giovonni said. "I really think we should be the generation to end this AIDS pandemic."

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Viewpoint

Frank 11-29-04 We are liberal ELF fighters, we attack and destroy the property Welcome to the club. of those we disagree with. 2

As the end draweth nigh Brian Onorio reflects on his past, present and future in his final Technician column.

and headed

for "the city." During those

first few weeks in college, whenever I told

someone I was from the beach,

As the cliche goes, you never know what you have until you lose it. I packed my bags three and a half years ago from a little beach town called Morehead City



they would Orino Staff Columnis gasp in awe about how cool it must have been to be from the

beach, to have it at your footsteps, to hear the ocean's roar whenever you wanted.

you wanted. I would simply say "yeah it was pretty alright." But it wasn't until I saw the murky waters of Lake Jordan that I realized exactly what I had lost. It never kicks in until it is the late And so the same scene plays out

today. At the news that I received a job in Kansas City, Mo., I was excited. After all, a computer software guy getting a job in today's economy

getting a job in today's economy is quite a task. But my excitement quickly faded into a solemn smile, and then to frightened frown. The city that I have called home for the past four years and the state that I have called home for the past 21 was now going to be behind me to be replaced by a Midwestern metropolis where the culture is completely alien to what I grew up with. On my first visit out to Kan-sas City (the farthest West I have ever been), my first impression was

ever been), my first impression was that it would be just fine. It seemed like a nice city, the

people seemed nice. But then I go into a restaurant and I am asked what I would like to drink and I responded with my favorite (and native) sweet tea. The waitress looked at me like I had five heads and responded with a bewildered "uh, raspberry tea?" On a similar note, I got the same look whenever I uttered the word "y'all." It was then that I really noticed

It was then that I really noticed that I would be moving far, far from home. It was then that I real-ized what I was losing. Hove N.C. State, Raleigh, North Carolina's Bojangles and the fiddler. I have taken my home for grant-ed. I never realized exactly what makes our beloved South so great. Nothing makes a girl sexier than a southern accent; food is always better fried or slathered in gravy; "yes ma'am" and "yessir" are terms used for loved ones and strangers alike; and how can I forget mama's

used for loved ones and strangers alike; and how can I forget mama's lemon meringue pie? Kansas City is completely dif-ferent. Instead of that sexy south-ern drawl, I get that annoying Michaeter prochage and the sexy southern drawl, I get that annoying Midwestern speech concoction. I swear, if I hear another person say "Chic-aaaaa-go," I might chop my ears off. A turkey sandwich comes prepared with barbecue sauce? In fact, everything comes standard with barbecue sauce (KC Master-nices to he exact)

with barbecue sauce (KC Master-piece to be exact). The pace is quickened and instead of a "how are ya?" by a stranger on the street, you're lucky to get a glance and an insincere "hi." These are the things I never realized and appreciated until I am about to lose it. The abundant pages of the book called "Life" are made great by the small things and the small things are often forgot-ten.

the small things are often forgot-ten. It is perplexing to me when I hear people say they hate the South. They say they hate the humidity, they hate the accent, they hate food, the people are uneducated and there's never enough to do. With all its flaws, there truly is no place like home. The graduating seniors fully

The graduating seniors fully realize this as we venture out into "real life." With this I implore the underclassmen to really cherish ev-ery moment you have here. Before you know it, it will all be gone; it seems like just yesterday that I was moving into Lee Hall and taking freshman English.

freshman English. Appreciate the small things, they will be the only things you remem-ber when it is all gone. So the next time you call your parents for your weekly "I need money" phone call, tell them that you appreciate and love them; call up your grandparents just to chat; put down the calculators and go out and play catch; order sweet tea tomorrow and often; take a long weekend trip to the mountains weekend trip to the mountains just to stargaze; take another to the beach to watch the dolphins; appreciate the things you have and learn to appreciate the things you don't; enjoy the place and time you are in and take advantage of the are in and take advantage of the

fore you know it. So it is with this that I bid fare-well to N.C. State. It has been quite a ride filled with ups and downs; some of the best times of my life some of the best times of my life and some of the worst; some of the best friends and the worst heart-break; some of the hardest courses and the pathetically easy ones. And to my Technician reader-ship, thank you for the, well, spir-ited debate. It has been interesting at times, derogatory in others, ridiculous in between. To my supporter: thank you for

To my supporters: thank you for the encouragement (and for un-derstanding how the world really

To my detractors: thank you for teaching me the lessons of dissent (and the Wolf Web posts – you have no idea how much you in-

fated my ego). And once again, PII pack my bags and head a bit farther west. But PII take with me the eternal apprecia-tion of the South and the know-how to make my own Southern errays and neefforth breathern gravy and perfectly brewed sweet tea. If you pass my car along the way, now doubt you'll hear that fiddle playing on the radio.

TECHNICIAN'S VIEW TRANSPORTATION ISSUES CAN BE RESOLVED

OUR OPINION: STUDENTS WILL BE FORCED TO FIND OTHER METHODS OF PARKING NEXT SEMESTER WITH THE CLOSING OF THE K-MART PARK-AND-RIDE. TRANSPORTATION SHOULD ADEQUATE ALTERNATIVE LOTS EXIST FOR THOSE LEFT WITHOUT A PLACE TO PARK

Two hundred students will be out of parking spots next semester.

Those that park in the K-Mart Park-and-Ride at the corner of Western Boulevard and Blue Ridge Road will not be able to park there anymore. The property owner has changed his or her mind, and N.C. State will no longer be using the lot for free.

The Department of Transportation for NCSU has offered several suggestions to alleviate any issues

that the change may cause. One suggestion is for students to use the "Best Kept Secret" – th - the West Grove lot, which is a short distance from the K-mart lot on Blue Ridge Road. At the same time, however, they will be doubling the time of wait for that, as buses will run every 30 minutes instead of every 15.

If more students are to be parking there, then how would increasing the amount of wait time for the Wolfline be beneficial? Not only that, but there will be no service from that lot to Carmichael Gym-nasium on Morrill Drive or Pullen Road – both are areas that students travel to and from frequently.

There is also the issue of safety There have been reports periodically throughout the semester of break-ins at the K-Mart parking lot, which is juxtapose to the Blue Ridge movie theater – an area of Raleigh notrious for break-ins. There is reason to believe that crime will continue even if in a different lot.

This issue can be avoided if Campus Police makes periodic checks at the parking lot – checking for

both personal safety as well as au-tomobile safety. Transportation is also suggesting

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use of the parking lot across from Carter-Finley Stadium. Implementing this would be beneficial, because the stadium is just about as far from campus as the K-Mart parking lot and is easily accessible to the Wolfline. One implication of closing the

lot is that the free two-hour park ing in the neighborhoods behind Hillsborough Street and around Clark Street will become more packed than they already are. Students often search for long periods of time to find a spot that is free for two hours.

Students have also been known to park back there for two hours then go move their cars to a different spot for another two hours. This option may be attractive to more people now.

Transportation would also be wise to consider the implement-ing another Park-and-Ride lot or even building a new deck at Centennial Campus for two reasons. One, there will be a higher demand of parking places there since the College of Engineering is slowly

migrating there. Two, the Centennial Shuttle is fast and efficient; it moves a lot of students quickly. It is relatively inexpensive to park on Centennial Campus and students would be willing to take a brief bus ride to Main Campus in exchange for the lessened cost.

Simple alternatives would keep the students and their cars safe as well as prevent future problems. The unsigned editorial that appears above is the opinion of the members of Technician's editorial board and is the responsibility of the editor in chief.





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of the donor.

Instead of Tar Heels, the new nickname of UNC-Chapel Hill is "Double Standard." Faculty



and students at the nation's oldest public university like to lambaste others but when the criticism is pointed at them they call it an attack on academic freedom. The controversy surrounds a proposed Western Culture Studies minor and the pos-sible \$12 million gift by the John William Pope Founda-tion to find the preserve

tion to fund the program. The Western Civilization

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program was developed by faculty in UNC's College of Arts and Sciences The university approached the Popes to fund the program.

the program. Honoring the university's request, the Foun-dation gave the institution \$25,000 to plan the minor. Ultimately the program will cost between \$600,000 and \$700,000 a year which requires an endowment investment of \$12 million. Members of the Pope clan, led by former state representative Art Pope, are generous benefac-tors to numerous higher-education institutions

including N.C. State. Just recently the family gave NCSU over \$500,000 to develop a program to investigate the relationship between politics

pendent non-profit policy think tank, has been highly critical of activities, faculty and programs at Carolina. Of-

ten the criticism is in the form of the Pope Center's "Course of the Month.

According to the Pope Center Web site, courses are chosen because of their "overt political content, rabid infatuation with pop culture or sexuality and abject silliness. As a general rule of thumb, anything with 'studies' or 'awareness' in the course itilaic foir cume." the course title is fair game." As you can imagine Carolina is usually the

target of ridicule by the Pope Center for courses taught on their campus. Courses mocked in-clude "The Social and Economic History of the Black Presence at UNC-CH" and "Girl Culture: Studies in Femininity and Feminism."

oome at Carolina, including faculty and stu-dents, don't want the foundation's money. Why? The Pope Foundation Policy. The Pope Center, an inde-pendent non-profit policy. hinge on the poresolutions against accepting the money. The graduate student asso

ciation resolution denounced the possible donation because the Pope Center and John

Locke Foundation "have systematically attacked professors and programs at UNC-CH and in the UNC System," belittled "the core values of the UNC-CH mission" and created "a climate hostile to academic freedom for instructors, particularly graduate instructors I have a suggestion for the folks at Carolina

 take the money.
 I am in no way a supporter of the Pope Center.
 In the past, the Center was highly critical of my work as President of the UNC Association of Student Governments. The Pope Center's staff because activitized my columns in Techniciano. has even criticized my columns in Technician's

But acceptance of gifts by universities should not hinge on the political ideology of the donor. Critics of the donation site an attack on academ-ic freedom but where is the freedom when only certain viewpoints are accepted on campus. Neither the Pope Foundation nor the Pope Center for Higher Education Policy will have control of the faculty or the content of the cur-

Money is scarce for North Carolina's public universities. Instead of picking the pockets of students for more money with astronomical tuition increases, embrace the private gifts of

everyone, including the Pope's. Perhaps a class in the new curriculum will end up on the Pope Center's "Course of the Month"

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small things. It will all be gone be-fore you know it.

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Diversions





Racks of used clothes flank the racks and any other random hanging space (above) in a room of Father & Son, a thrift store de ries like those draped on the mannequin (left) are equally abundant and often cheap, fashionable buys.

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Turning used into vintage new

SECOND-HAND FINDS FROM THE CLOSETS OF RELATIVES AND LOCAL THRIFT STORES LIKE DOWNTOWN RALEIGH'S FATHER & SON GIVE STUDENTS FASHION INDIVIDUALITY, FOR A BARGAIN PRICE

STORY BY KATE PETERS BOWRA | PHOTOS BY CHRIS REYNOLDS

Ponchos with fringe - the more, the better – bell-bottoms, logo t-shirts, athletic jerseys, knee-high boots and pea coats are just a few of the items that have come back into mainstream fashion in the last few years. While it's easy to obtain modern versions of the classic look, it's just as easy to run down to a local vintage clothing store and pick up the real thing.

Many a time have gone by when children snatch clothing from older brothers or sisters and even from their parents. What happens when all of these items get tossed aside? Often, clothes end up in vintage or second-hand clothing stores.

"I've been wearing vintage since my 10th grade year in high school," B.J. Barham, a ju nior in communication, said. Barham has been seeking vintage wear from around the

vintage wear from around the state, primarily from Goodwill and Salvation Army stores. His thrift finds also can be seen in the spotlight when Barham, the lead singer of local band American Aquarium, performs for local audiences. Hillary Paul, a former N.C. State student, also into the vin-tage clothing culture said, "To be honest, my interest in vin-tage clothing began to take off in high school when style was becoming a very personalized

becoming a very personalized

thing. People were finally be-coming brave enough to stray for what you'd find in the GAP or Abercrombie & Fitch." In the Triangle, vintage shops are hiding out in nooks and crannes throughout the area. Chaped Hill has Time After Time Vintage Thrift located on Franklin Street. The store is top-ranked by the Best of City-search Triangle and by all who are frequent shoppers. For Durham, there is Untidy Museum – where one can even

Museum – where one can even negotiate the price on certain items. This storehouse could easily be compared to a junk-yard with the amount of items it contains, but true junk is no-where to be found.

As for Raleigh, Father & Son Antiques lures lovers of vintage

"Going to vintage stores is an amazing experience altogether, but walking into to Father & Son is like stepping into a cul-

ture of the past with all of the different passages and setups the store has in each area," Paul

said. Father & Son houses a large collection of retro furniture, odd gadgets and an assortment of clothing sure to entice a vin-tage-shopping buff. This store frequently changes stock, like most stores that house vintage items. If nothing appears to be that perfect item on an initial visit, odds are that something perfect will show up the next time.

time. The vintage look stands out from the Rainbows and baggy pants that clothe a large por-tion of the college population. Most importantly, it is another style that allows students to speak out as an individual in a creative way.

"Everyone makes cracks here and there but they respect the individuality [of vintage cloth-ing]," Barham said, "They all say things like, 'if I wore that I'd get laughed at, but with your percendity you can bull your personality you can pull it off."

Department store junkies will say they find the best sales in their store of choice, but for second-hand shoppers, the price of vintage gems always outshine the latest seasonal

"My best find would have to be my 1967 brown tweed Saks Fifth Avenue blazer that retails for \$300. I found the jacket on

half-price day for \$1.50. I wear it everywhere," Barnham said, triumphantly recalling his pur-

For Paul, her favorite item wasn't something found in a lo-cal thrift store, but in the home of a special relative. "My favorite vintage item

"My favorite vintage item from my collection is a pair of shoes that I inherited from my Grandma. They're a pair of 1960s lemon yellow snake skin shoes that came from German-ny. The shoes are so German and European looking. I love them," Paul added. "Unfortu-nately the shoes are two sizes too small, but I keep them out just because I like them." Thrift treasures can come from anywhere. Yard sales, stores or handed off from a friend, it doesn't matter how the items are found. Old cloth-

the items are found. Old cloth-ing gets to have an extended life when it becomes retro to

If the original owner. "There is so much magic in each piece of vintage clothing. Wearing other people's clothes makes you think about the item's past and what took place when it was being worn." Paul when it was being worn," Paul said. Who knows the origin of

each vintage item? A little mys-tery creates a bit of magic in the world of vintage clothing. May-be we'll never know if a famous rock star donned the \$2 T-shirt from Goodwill, but at least it heare neorbe guessing

LSAT

keeps people guessing

Colorful and borderline tacky costume jewelry might not be popular in modern collections, but is embraced by vintage jewelry fans. Broaches and earrings like this pair found from a local flea market, are often prized finds. Jewelry designers are even producing vintage look-alikes and trend-savvy consumers are buying in.

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While logo, vintage T-shirts might be all the rage and even mimicked by contemporary clothing stores, polo's like this brown lzod found in the racks at a coastal thrift store, are must



Classic clothings items, like this woven wool skirt from a mom's stash of 70s clothing, are sometimes more practical than other thrifty finds. Many pieces might be made better than modern mocks, and definitely much easier on the wallet.



Purses, handbags and clutches are some of the most sought after items at thrift stores or mom's closet. Classic vitrage bags have proved to be equally popular as trendy, new items. Some might clearly reflect their times like this 60s wood-beaded clutch found at a Cape Hatters thrift store, and others might be more classic like this handed-down, stripped Gucci bag.

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BBALL

State shot 33 percent from the

floor after averaging 58 percent over its previous four games. Starters Engin Atsur and Bethel were a combined 1-of-13 from 3-point range and scored only three points combined.

three points combined. "We shoot a lot of threes," Cameron Bennerman said. "The ones that we missed, we're going to make. I think everybody has confidence in their shot and we will be knocking those threes down. down

down. "If that doesn't work, we need to go to something else and I think just by playing together, by sharing the ball more, and playing better defense, we can win and that's what we did tonight."

Bennerman and Ilian Evtimov helped Hodge to lift the Pack over Purdue. Although they



outscored Purdue's bench by a nargin of 23-4. "There are no real starters on our team," Evtimov said. "You can go with a very different team in different situations. "The new guys need to take it as a learning experience and guys like Cameron and myself when we get into the game we just want to help out the team. Whatever it takes. " it takes.

When State struggled to make shots, it was Hodge who swooped in and started taking control at

different points of the game. Besides his 22 points and four steals, Hodge also pulled down eight rebounds and had five as-sists. In each category, Hodge

was the team leader. As Purdue tried to come back at the end of the game, it was Hodge out on the court, imploring the State fans to make some noise.

"There were times when we went in a scoring drought for a couple minutes," Hodge said. "I took it upon myself to cre-ate some things for the team and a lot of the times that was

In the end, however, the Pack remained undefeated and re-tained its No. 13 ranking. Up next for this year's edition of the basketball team are the Manhattan lasher.

Manhattan Jaspers. "At this point last year we lost," Bennerman said. "That says a lot especially with the guys that we have. We have three freshman who have chances to play tonight and this season. "It's going to be a long season.

We came a long way from last season to this one."

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"I don't think I'd want to be "I don't think I'd want to be in it because you have to go to other games which is stupid because I don't have the time," Meador said. "It's not like they're even really supporting the teams either, they're just doing it for football or bas-ketball [tickets]. If you're in Wolfpack Club you're pretty much paying for a \$30 T-shirt and I'm not trying to pay when I can get tickets for free."

and I'm not trying to pay when I can get tickets for free." Complaints are also being ex-pressed about fans getting up and leaving right in the middle of games when they are permit-ted to sign out. Some teams like volleyball have repeatedly had to ask the club to move the location of the sign-in sheets due to the distraction of fans leaving after their hour. leaving after their hour.

"It got to be a problem

because we had such a large group of people trying to sign out that it was distracting the team," Glanton said. "We tried to move the table to a less visible

to move the table to a less visible area so people that need to leave can do so discreetly because the worst thing that we can do is to discourage any of our teams, and that's how it was taken." Players have even become involved at times such as Chris Gannon, a senior on last season's men's soccer team. After scor-Gannon, a senior on last season's men's soccer team. After scor-ing one of the biggest goals of the season for the Pack against seventh ranked Virginia, the first thing he did was run to the Wolfpack Club seating and yell, "Don't come to get football tickets, come to see us!" "I didn't appreciate the respect our soccer team was getting over

our soccer team was getting over the past few years," Gannon said. "I think it's changed a little bit this season. We've seen a better fan base over the year, so hope fully it'll continue."

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Other teams are fonder of the club and just like having fans in attendance like the women's soccer team. "All students have a tough time

"All students have a tough time managing their time, we know that. If they can come here for an hour, great, we'll take them for an hour. If they can come for 15 minutes, we'll take them for 15 minutes. We're just happy with their support," Coach Laura Kerrigan said. With only enough tickets for

Kerrigan said. With only enough tickets for about a third of the club, the board has begun the fight for more, who hope it will pay off in the future. "A lot of it has to do that we've grown so much over the pact

grown so much over the past years and it's just been difficult to try and keep up," Glanton said. "We're requesting more tickets, but there have just been some people that aren't too open with giving us more tickets, so we've had to make due with what we get."

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COMMENTARY A confident Wolfpack

I was starting to have deja vu all over again. Memories of the 1999 ACC/Big 10 Challenge were in the way back of my



mind – un til the two - un opponents took the floor at the RBC Center last night. A Justin Gainey esque 3-pointer

needed for the Wolfpack to seal a victory

the worlpack to sear a victory over Purdue this time. A heavy dose of All-Every-thing Julius Hodge and a tena-cious defense handled that. But the game was closer than anticipated

anticipated. Back in 1999, Purdue was ranked No. 19 when State up-staged them in West Lafayette, Ind. on Gainey's go-ahead 3-ball in the closing seconds. This season the Pack was the ranked squad, coming in at No. 13, and it was the one that had to hold off a last minute push by Purdue to secure a 60-53

victory. And the final scoreboard may indicate that State isn't too far removed from its 61-point out-

ago, but the difference is really night and day. The win over the Boilermak-ers in 1999 was considered a huge upset and was one of State's best performances of the seeson

Purdue was hoping to pull Purdue was noping to pull the same type of upset last night, but throughout the game, the Pack played with the attitude that it was going to win. Despite shooting 33 percent from the field for the game. State was confident if game, State was confident it

game, State was confident it would come out on top. "I think we used up all of our made shots the first four games, and didn't have any left tonight," Sendek jokingly said. In a way he doesn't have to joke. The Pack doesn't need to play perfect Princeton-style of-fense every night to win - a dif-ference from seasons past. The reason is simple. The Pack is overwhelmingly confi-

Pack is overwhelmingly confi-dent. It boasts too much talent to know otherwise, and Hodge is the main reason the team ex-udes greatness. With a little over a minute

left, Purdue had gained all the momentum, slicing the deficit to four points before forcing a turnover. Then Hodge demonstrated

an attitude that seems to have caught on with the team. In a calm demeanor he held In a caim demeanor he heid both hands in the air, motion-ing for the Pack to slow down and just play its game. Then, without hesitation, Hodge flapped his arms in the air to get the attention of the crowd. It responded generating the

It responded, generating the loudest noise all game, and then the Pack defense also responded, forcing a bad shot that all but ended an upset bid for the Boilermakers.

Still, there could have been some deja vu for fans in the building – but not for Hodge. "I don't think so," was the reply when asked if he saw the

game five years ago. And even if Hodge did see the game, he might not have recognized the Pack because, talentvise, the difference betwee the two teams is night and day.

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N.C STATE'S DEFENSE COMPENSATED FOR A COLD SHOOTING **PERFORMANCE TO BRING A WIN IN AN UGLY GAME**

Pretty would never be the word used to describe

Pretty would never be the word used to describe last night's game between N.C. State and Purdue. Neither would high-scoring or impressive. In the end, the Wolfpack was able to pull away from the Boilermakers by a final score of 60–53. Purdue (1-3) nearly upset a State (5–0) team that was ice-cold at times. State guard Julius Hodge, who finished the game with 22 points on 8–of-15 shooting, was called for an intentional foul with 3:26 remaining in the contest. Purdue used to opportunity to build momen-tum and eventually closed to within four with a

Purdue used to opportunity to build momen-tum and eventually closed to within four with a minute-and-a-half to play. At just under a minute remaining, point guard Tony Bethel turned the ball over and Purdue had an opportunity to make the game even tighter. Instead, the State defense clamped down and Purdue guard David Teague missed a jumper as the shot clock neared zero. After that, the Pack sealed the game with free throws.

"You obviously have to give a great deal of credit to Purdue's defense," Coach Herb Sendek said. "On the other side, I think that most nights we're going to shoot the ball better than we did tonight. In some ways our defense was our best offense tonight." Defensively the Pack was able to force 21

offense tonight. Defensively, the Pack was able to force 21 turnovers which led to 27 points. Jordan Collins was a force around the basket as he collected six blocks for the game while Hodge contributed four steals four steals. Offensively, both teams struggled.

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N.C. State 60, Purdue 53

NCSU 27 33 - 60 Purdue 24 29 - 53

State shoots just 28 percent from behind the 3-point arc (8-of-29), but remains unbeaten and opens the ACC/Big 10 Challenge with a win for its conference

NCSU LEADERS

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 Points:
 Julius Hodge 22

 Rebounds:
 Hodge 8

 Assists:
 Hodge 5

 Steals:
 Hodge 4

 Blocks:
 Jordan Collins 6

Next game: Sunday vs. Manhattan, 5:30

Do the perks of SWPC outweigh the effort?

The Student Wolfpack Club is known to be the rowdiest section at State games, but are they really the die-hard fans they appear to be?

Minutes before kickoff and the line to sign-in becomes increasingly long. The Student Wolfpack Club has arrived at

match, the sound of a pin dropping can be heard when the public announcer decides to take matters into his own

cheering." Messages like these delivered earlier in the fall at a women's soccer game have become all too common, directed at N.C.

The club runs on a system driven by points for attending non-revenue State sporting events. The reward for going to more non-revenue games is an in-creasingly better chance to get tickets to



meets are boring and there's no possible way to go to every event, so you have to cheat. The Wolfpack Club is doing homework, they're not cheering," fresh-man Ben Henry said. The club has had to respond to accusa-tione such as these for many years and tions such as these for many years, and still believe that it's only a minor problem because most students are into the game

members just bring it along. While they do their homework, little, if any, atten-tion is paid to the game and support is at a minimum for the team they came

to cheer. "I think the soccer matches and swim

because most students are into the game and supporting the teams. "When you bring 600 people to a Tues-day night volleyball game and you have 25 people doing their homework, why are people overlooking the other 575 people paying attention?" Glanton said. "There's always going to be a few bad apples." While some students have used the club as asource for tickets already. others have

The solid state of the solid sta their seats may be. Students like Kathryn Meador, a freshman in First Year College not in the club does not hold a high opinion about it.

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Guard Julius Hodge swats the ball away from a driving Matt Kiefer but is whistled for an intentional foul after the play.

Andrew Tanker

Method Road Soccer Complex in full force

By the middle of the N.C. State soccer

Free T-shirt to anyone who is seen

State's most diehard fans — the Student Wolfpack Club.

"The purpose of the club is to gener-ate support for all non-revenue sports.

Fans in the Student Wolfpack Club section at the RBC Center display mixed reactions to a play during the ACC/Big 10 Challenge game against Purdue on Monday night. Sports where it would normally be poorly

attended, pretty much anything but bas-ketball and football," Student Wolfpack Club President Darryl Glanton said. As the year starts off, many eager fans pack the stands at these games, but as the year wears on, attendance tends to die off. Games are marked either as one point or two-point games depending on its importance relative to the team's season. For one-point games, Wolfpack Club members must attend the game for

one hour, for two-point events however, they are required to stay for the duration of the game. "I don't like the fact that I have to

facker complain about missing time to do homework while at events, many club

spend time missing classes or missing time to do my homework to get points, just so I can have a better chance at getting seats," freshman club member Jay Hoffacker said. Though some members such as Hof-