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## iPods cultivate campus craze

Apple's musical gadgets continue to lead among competitors

Josh Harrell  
Staff Writer

iPods are the newest craze seen along college walkways and city sidewalks alike.

Users are easily identified as they walk around with their earlobes colored white and with a chord dangling down their sides.

A culture has arisen within the iPod network, and along with it comes a certain cachet that many people recognize.

And at no time is the boom of this rapidly growing societal icon more prevalent than in the holiday season.

"We have sold about four times our normal amount since Thanksgiving," Circuit City employee Tyler Parker said before Christmas.

During the Christmas season, the iPod was expected to be a hot item, but even those expectations were exceeded.

"We would get a big shipment of them every three days," Parker said. "And by the end of the first day they would all be sold out."

What makes this music box appealing? It could be that iPods can store up to 10,000 songs, or it could be the handy size of such a prize.

"The biggest reason people get iPods is because of the space they offer compared to other mp3 players," Brandon Lennox, senior in computer engineering, said. "Being an organizational freak, it's really nice to sort things by album, artist and genre."

The members of Pack Mug, a Mac-users' club at N.C. State, are thrilled with the continuing popularity of their favorite company's hottest item.

"They just work so well," former Pack Mug secretary Ian Meyer said. "You can put just about all your music on there, and quickly pull it up."

However, iPods are not cheap by any means, as most normal 20 to 40GB iPods cost between \$300-\$400. But their popularity persists none the less.

"I think it's the fact that they are so popular," Parker said. "They work so much better than all other mp3 players."

This easy utilization has attracted not only college students and city dwellers, but movie and music stars as well, such as Bono, Will Smith and John Mayer. Many musicians enjoy the layout and shuffle features of iPods.

Musicians are even starting to add their own flare to the craze as Apple introduced the new look of the U2 iPod in October.

Other musicians are getting into the craze as well; many believe it to be the future of music.

But this future may not be so bright for those in the CD business, as many iPod critics say that they could eventually replace CDs.

People with iPods have started buying only one or two songs off of an album from iTunes and putting it on their iPod, without ever buying the CD.

"You can go and download a

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## Vendors offer legal downloading

Erin Welch  
News Editor

They're on iPods and MP3 players, mini discs and blank CDs. They're playing in dorm rooms on computers, on car stereos and in runners' ears.

Amid the intensifying debate over the legality of downloading music and other copyrighted files off the Internet, college campuses all over the nation, including the N.C. system, have sought out a way to offer students a legal outlet.

On-campus residents can now legally download music, videos and games from one of four different file-sharing companies, according to Communication Technologies Student Services Supervisor B.J. Attarian.

Rhapsody, Cdigix, Ruckus and Napster offer residents the ability to share music for free as part of a pilot program for several universities in the state.

The UNC Office of the President asked N.C. State to take part in the pilot program in addition to five other universities.

The five other universities, in addition to NCSU, participating in the pilot program are: N.C. A&T, N.C. School of the Arts, Western University, UNC-Wilmington and UNC-Chapel Hill.

Attarian said he thought the Office chose NCSU and UNC-CH because they are two of the biggest universities in the 16-university system.

Prior to the beginning of the semester, on-campus residents received an e-mail where they

were given the opportunity to choose one of the four vendors. Once they chose a company to download music from, students could not change companies.

Attarian said the pilot program allows students to download unlimited amounts of music for the semester; however, he referred to this program as a "tethered download."

While Napster boasts access to more than 100,000 songs, Rhapsody claims access to more than 800,000; both vendors charge \$9.95 a month for use of their services. The free access to downloads from Ruckus, Cdigix and these two vendors granted to on-campus residents will only last from Jan. 7 to April 30.

At this time, students will lose any music or other files they have obtained during the

semester.

"The only way for them to keep their music would be to continue a relationship with the vendor on their own," Attarian said.

He also said students could burn their music onto CDs before the end of the program to not lose the music files.

All four vendors visited campus on Dec. 2 to give students a preview of what their programs had to offer. The vendors will return to campus on Jan. 20 at Talley Student Center from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. to show their programs to interested students.

"Record labels are looking to make new business models," Attarian said. "If students don't do it [participate in the program] when it's free, they're probably never going to do it."

### STUDENT HOUSING

## Off-campus housing provides sweet alternatives

Soup delivery, shuttles highlight perks

Stacy von Drehle  
Staff Writer

With the new semester gearing up, many students are preparing to start their search for next year's living arrangements.

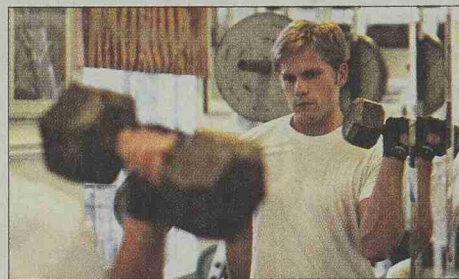
For those interested in off-campus apartments, perks ranging from 24-hour gyms to chicken noodle soup delivery for the sick may be among the swaying factors in making the decision for the big move.

Apartment complexes such as University House, University Woods and Ivy Chase are some of the top living picks for students and are located further from campus when compared to other student living facilities.

"I do not mind that University House is farther from campus," said Lonnie Coulter, a senior in environmental design in architecture.

For student convenience, University House provides a private shuttle for its residents.

"Sometimes the shuttle schedules can be a little off, but



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Tyler Schweitzer, junior in nuclear engineering, works out in the University House weight room. "I like the atmosphere here."

that's not a major complaint," said Coulter.

Students at University House had few complaints when asked about the living facility.

"University House was very appealing because they were so willing to work with us," said Jennifer Crutchfield, a junior in biochemistry. "They have great extras like a 24-hour workout room, a computer lab, grills, a tanning bed and a pool."

Coulter added, "It's far enough from campus that you don't have the constant activity of Avent Ferry or Western Boulevard."

Students say University House, located on Compatible

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SOURCE: UNIVERSITY HOUSE, UNIVERSITY WOODS, IVY CHASE MANAGEMENT

she has enjoyed the free plant watering service as well as the free chicken noodle soup offered when you're sick.

"What more do you need than freshly watered plants and some chicken soup?" Miller said. However, she also points out that one disadvantage to the 18-building community is that it lacks the fitness center

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### GREEK LIFE

## Greek Life continues to grow

Pi Beta Phi becomes the seventh Panhellenic sorority at N.C. State

Stacy von Drehle  
Staff Writer

Just as Fraternity Court waved goodbye to one organization, it opened its arms to another.

Pi Beta Phi is the newest addition to the Panhellenic Association at N.C. State.

Their first installation will be Jan. 28-30.

"International officers and alumni from all over the country and even Canada will be in attendance for the ceremony," Lauren Dutton, resident graduate consultant for Pi Beta Phi, said.

A banquet will follow the inductions as well as a ceremony to honor the new members.

"There will be a campus and community reception to celebrate and officially welcome Pi Beta Phi's 134th chapter to NCSU," Dutton said.

Members of the fraternity say they are looking forward to the inductions.

"We are a new chapter, so we do not have older sisters to induct us," Caitlin Kelleher, a junior in environmental engineering and vice president of membership development, said. "I am looking forward to being inducted by the national leaders who are coming to the ceremony."

Students on campus have a growing interest to join an organization such as Pi Beta Phi.

"Greek Life at NCSU is growing and finding that more and more women are interested in being a part of the system," Dutton said.

The fraternity is excited about the new chapter here on campus and has many events planned in the near future. They are also planning to move into the former Delta Zeta side of the duplex on Fraternity Court.

"This will definitely help us to remain competitive with the other women's groups," Dutton said. "We are currently meeting in classrooms for our weekly chapter meetings, but are looking forward to having our own space in the fall."

As the resident graduate con-

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bunch of songs," freshman Seiji Nair said. "But it's just not the same as going to a record store and getting a real, tangible object."

But Mac users insist, the situation is not as bad as critics may say.

"I've heard of many artists who are against it, but it's better for the consumer, as artists are forced to make higher-quality albums," Meyer said. "I would go buy a really good album, but I enjoy the freedom of if I don't like the whole album, I can get one or two songs off of it from iTunes."

Another possible problem caused by iPod use is the seemingly non-communicative nature of a white-earlobed college student.

"I think that communication patterns are definitely hurt by new technology such as iPods and Instant Messaging," psychology professor Jutta Street said. "People are either shutting away others or finding new, less personal ways to communicate."

iPod users have started forming a personality through their collection, much the same way

CD collectors or music downloaders do.

"Playlists define personality as much as a t-shirt with a band name on it," Nair said. "But they shouldn't define who you are."

So far, Apple has beaten out the competition as far as mp3 players go.

But many non-iPod users believe differently.

Many iPod users still think the iPod is the leader.

"iPods really already have a foot in the door," Lennox said. "So many people already have them that it's going to be hard for the competition to beat it out."

As Nassa also said, many people already do have iPods, and it has become the new "hip thing."

So whether you are part of the new iPod clique or an outsider looking in, the rise in popularity is evident.

But only time will tell what iPods will do to the music scene as we know it today, or maybe even as we used to know it yesterday.

"iPods will continue to sell in the future because Apple has such a tremendous lead already," Pack Mug President Arman Assa said. "This is mainly thanks to the ability to easily download songs off of iTunes."

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and pool that many neighboring complexes offer.

"My dislikes about University Woods would be that there is no pool or workout room," Miller said. "I have to call up my friends to use their facilities."

Ivy Chase, another popular apartment complex in the same area, does have a fitness center and a pool, which piques the interest of senior Chris Morgan.

"I have always been interested in living at Ivy Chase because of

the pool," said Morgan, a business management major.

I am thinking about moving there next semester."

The apartment complex is known for its luxurious living with high ceilings and walk-in closets.

"I like the high ceilings at Ivy Chase because it makes the rooms seem bigger," said Nasir Ismael, a senior in biology. "I never feel like I am cramped into a small apartment. I also want to be close to campus without living on campus [and] Ivy Chase is in a perfect location right off Gorman."

## PI PHI

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sultant, Dutton lives close to campus to help continue the development of the new chapter. Students on campus were interested in joining the fraternity for many reasons.

"I was attracted to their programming. The fraternity puts a lot of emphasis on values," Kelleher said. "We do workshops and take lessons to learn how values play into the services we do."

One of the biggest strengths of the organization is the value-based programming that the fraternity offers to its members during their collegiate years and in life.

"The values that are at the

foundation of our organization are honor and respect, integrity, philanthropic service to others, personal and intellectual growth and sincere friendship," Dutton said.

Other members showed interest in Pi Beta Phi to get involved with the campus community.

"Sometimes it's hard to get involved with stuff at NCSU because it is such a big campus. I wanted to start something new and get involved in things," Ashley Herring, a sophomore in FYC and vice president of event planning, said.

Pi Beta Phi also attracts members who are interested in their philanthropy.

The organization is currently in the process of building a partnership with an after-school program to do tutoring

and mentoring in the area.

"Instead of just raising money for a charity or organization we get to have actual one-on-one time with kids by providing them with tutoring or mentoring," Herring said.

Pi Beta Phi also views leadership as an important aspect of the fraternity.

"We believe that every member has the opportunity to be a leader in some way and to serve the chapter and its members.

There are many leadership roles on Executive Council, as well as many committees for which every member has the opportunity to serve," Dutton said.

Leadership development is considered one of the cornerstones of Pi Beta Phi's "Leading with Values" Program.

"We hope that our members will be viewed as leaders on campus, within the Greek community and in the larger community, and that they will be known as a close sisterhood that works together to further the mission and vision of the international fraternity," Barbara LaMaster, grand vice president of membership, said.

Pi Beta Phi recruits new members by publicizing through various media and inviting interested young women to participate in a mutual selection process for membership.

More than 115 women signed up for the recruitment process last fall and 75 pledged.

"We are starting out fresh on campus to show everyone how great Pi Beta Phi is," Herring said.

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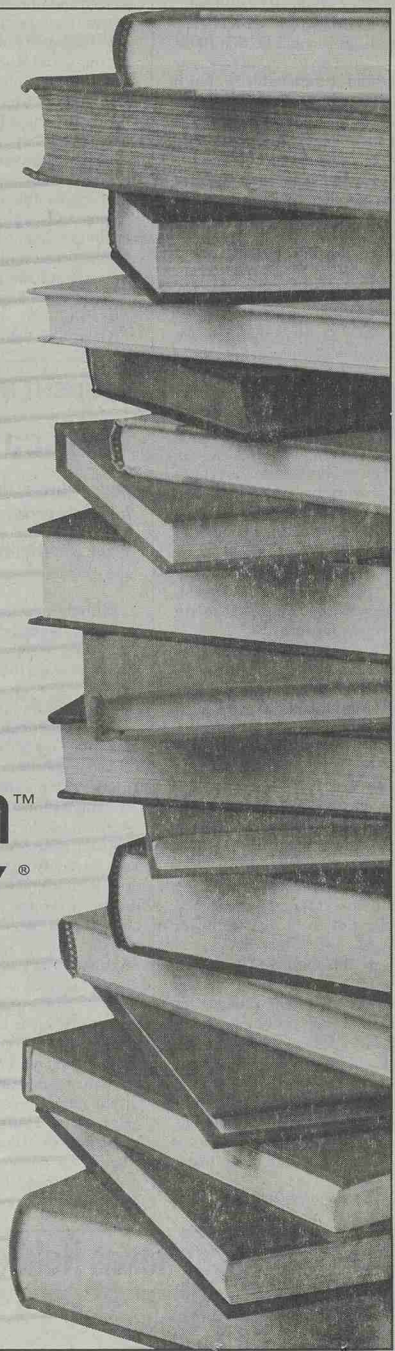
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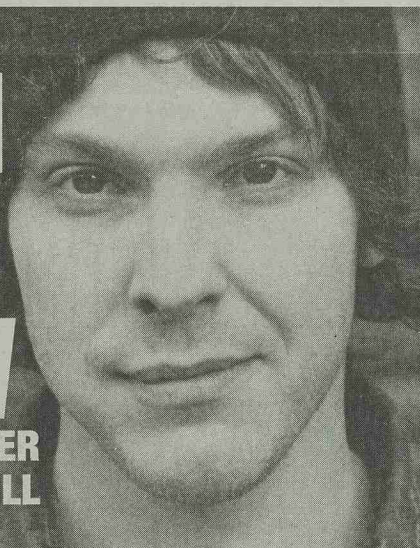
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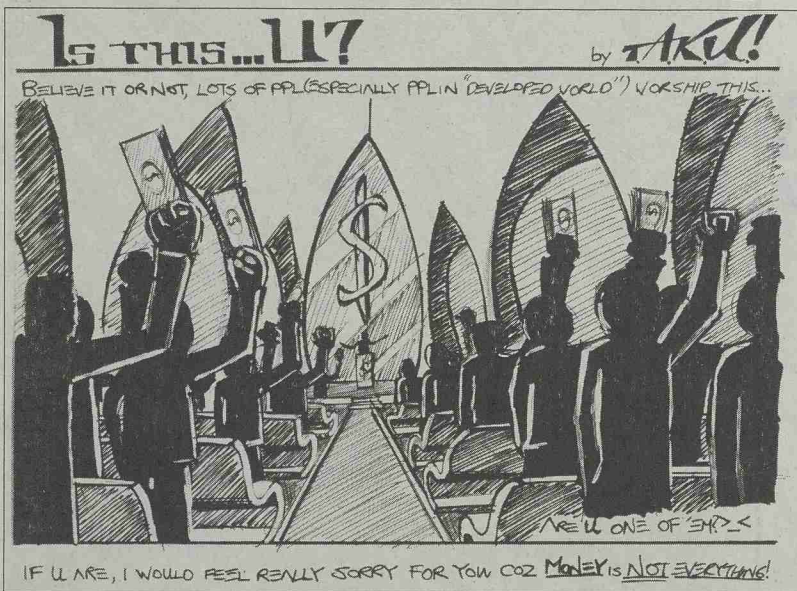
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### History doesn't treat flag fairly

I write regarding Michele DeCamp's column "Pulling 'Confederate' detracts from school history" about retention of the name of Confederate Memorial Hall at Vanderbilt University. I concur in your conclusion that the name should be retained.

You then went on to indicate that you were offended by the Confederate flag. Well, I would get all in a lather over the flag. What it stands for depends on who is waving it.

Twenty-first century white and black folks need not worry about the Confederate battleflag being a symbol of slavery anymore than they worry about the Stars and Stripes being such a symbol. None of their ancestors were brought to these shores in ships flying any version of the Confederacy's flags.

If you look at pictures of real Klan rallies rather than those depicted on television, you will note that it is the Stars and Stripes that is their flag of choice. TV typically portrays Klansmen as using the battleflag, but historical photos tell a different story. What many tend to do in our time is to hold people of the past to the view of today. These men who courageously fought and died to protect their homes and families tolerated incredible hardships. The overwhelming majority of them never owned slaves and never would.

They sought their independence from what had become an overbearing central power far from their homes. It was the identical situation their forebears faced. They deserve to be remembered as much as our revolutionary ancestors. This message is from Washington, where the tallest monument in this town is dedicated to the largest slave owner in Northern Virginia. The monument is visited by thousands everyday.

None suggest that it be removed, renamed or changed in any way.

John Zebelean  
Lt. Col. USAF (Ret.)

### Flag does not support slavery

As an N.C. State graduate, I read Michele DeCamp's commentary "Pulling 'Confederate' detracts from school history" with great interest.

As a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, I am charged with seeing that misconceptions about our ancestors are cleared.

Many persons who display the various flags of the Confederacy do NOT do so out of a desire to return to an era of "enslavement" of Black Americans.

Rather, many seek to both honor and remember the constitutional principles and the sacrifices made by their ancestors

in fighting for that cause. Also, Confederate soldiers should not be singly identified as defenders of slavery.

While I agree with you that they should not be ignored, I do not think that it should be in spite of the fact that "they didn't understand that all men and women were created equal."

An often ignored fact of history is that blacks were afforded no more rights or equality North than South. In fact, in four states that remained in the Union, slavery was maintained until after the war's end in 1865.

Racial discrimination and oppression were not attributes only in the "Old South," nor was slavery.

David Robinette  
Microbiology and Immunology  
UNC-Chapel Hill

### Flag, Southern values should be respected

I am completely appalled at Michele DeCamp's commentary "Pulling 'Confederate' detracts from school history." The writer says that the Confederate flag is more offensive than the actual word — obviously she has no idea what the flag stands for. Just because certain hate groups such as the Ku Klux Klan display the flag as its colors, does not mean that it represents hate and racism. It stands for a way of life that promotes self-dependence and southern pride.

This way of life does not mean slavery, but instead following in forefather's footsteps and continuing the traditions of a family.

At N.C. State, we as students are taught to respect all cultures, and more people should start to respect those of us who still stand for traditional Southern values.

Kyle Bostian  
Turf Grass Management  
Freshman

### DeCamp's view warmed graduate's heart

As a former student at NCSU, my heart was warmed by Michele DeCamp's commentary "Pulling 'Confederate' detracts from school history." What a relief to read a positive word about the Confederacy being spoken on a college campus.

You are right, the names on the buildings are memorials to past leaders who thought enough of the university to give of their time and/or money to see it move forward. I hope everyone there agrees with what you are saying and sees the need to honor the past so that those who gave so much then did not do so in vain.

This country is great today because of what it has gone through, not in spite of it.

James Davis  
NCSU Alumnus

### Don't forget Old Glory represents racism, too

The Confederate Flag is not the official flag of any hate group nor it never flew over any slave ship. The Confederate States of America, in Article IX of its constitution, outlawed international slave trading before the United States. Remember, the Emancipation Proclamation did not free slaves in territory occupied by or under the control of the Union Army. It was not until ratification of the Thirteenth Amendment that slavery ended under the American Flag.

If you're going to call the Confederate Flag a racist symbol, you can't do so with a straight face without acknowledging the racist, slave mongering acts of the United States before, during, and after the Civil War. Yet, no one is advocating a ban on Old Glory.

James E. Hickmon  
Charlotte

### Crossword repetition stunts mind growth

About halfway through the ACROSS section of Monday's daily crossword, I felt that my brain had made these connections before...then it hit me.

Technician printed this same crossword last semester.

Now, I've never complained about Technician before. In fact, I highly disagree with much of the criticism you receive from the NCSU community. But, you must realize that some people rely on your crossword as a daily intellectual exercise. Some rely on it for the whole of their brain function for the day before turning the televisions back on.

To print a crossword repeat is to negate the entirety of these people's intellectual confidence. You may in fact have caused many of these people to have an incredibly unfulfilling day, empty and solemn.

Not that I'm one of these people. I just felt someone should stand up for them, and that someone should kindly let you know of this mistake, so that you may use it, in whatever fashion you deem necessary towards the improvement of our beloved Technician.

Keep up the otherwise outstanding work.

Wes Hall  
Botany  
Junior

## TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

# A WAVE OF RELIEF NEEDED

**OUR OPINION:** STUDENTS HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE THE LEAD IN A CAMPUS-WIDE RELIEF EFFORT FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE TSUNAMI. EVERYONE SHOULD SEIZE UPON THIS AND GIVE AS MUCH AS THEY CAN TO THE RELIEF EFFORT.

A meeting was held Monday night to discuss possibilities for aiding the victims of the tsunami that hit Southeast Asia on Dec. 26. Leaders from several campus organizations as well as concerned students showed up with the intention of making a difference and contributing wherever possible, which is exactly what happened.

Those that did attend deserve acknowledgment for being concerned about other people and committing themselves to making a difference.

What was decided at the meeting will ultimately be a huge, campus-wide initiative that will serve as a large contribution to the relief effort.

A goal of raising \$200,000 within two weeks was set for the relief effort deemed "Wave of Relief"—this amounts to approximately one dollar for each victim.

In order to achieve that goal, there will be large white buckets next to ticket distribution centers for basketball games. There will also be buckets in place at the RBC Center during the Duke and Georgia Tech matches.

To make the initiative more widely known, announcements will be made during those games to remind patrons in attendance to donate.

Alternative ideas for raising the money included charity shows, dinners and balls.

Rather than having a series of

events to raise the money, one, maybe two, large events will be more effective in getting money donated.

A semi-formal or formal event that include a dinner and dance where all proceeds and ticket money go directly towards the relief effort was one idea presented.

Not to mention, any donations made explicitly for the tsunami relief effort between now and Jan. 30 will be deemed tax deductible.

The potential for this effort to extend beyond the campus borders depends on one crucial factor: approximately 900 N.C. State students were deeply impacted by this disaster.

Many foreign students' families were in that area and saw some of the damage end in their front yards.

The logic behind the goal is simple — if every student simply gave \$7, the goal would be met. This does not include faculty or any outside donations at basketball games.

Most importantly, however, is that the Wave of Relief is not for the sake of fund-raising or setting and meeting a goal — the intention here is to make a difference for the people in Southeast Asia.

This effort is about getting people food, clean water and a secure place to stay so that people can get their feet back on the ground and their lives working again.

Plain and simple.

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# Humanity shines through in wake of tsunami

The tsunami tragedy that happened just a few weeks ago was one of the most devastating natural disasters that happened in my lifetime. The death toll is more than 150,000 people. Many countries have stopped looking for survivors and are just trying to put things back together again.

The number dead combined with the massive amount of destruction is only made worse when these countries are at civil unrest and fighting endangered relief workers. However, a few good things have come of this — namely the amount of money sent to help these countries as well as scientific discoveries that may help prevent this high of a death toll in the future.

Countries all over the world have chipped in their support so fast that the United Nations is having a hard time keeping up with how much has come in. "We are recording pledges of between three and four billion dollars, which shows that indeed the world is coming together in a manner we have never ever seen before," U.N. Humanitarian

Chief Jan Egeland said. Also being sent from countries are helicopters, ships, food, water and cleaning supplies, to name a few. Volunteers are pouring into the 12 countries to provide medical services, help distribute supplies and clean up the destruction.

It is so wonderful to see this kind of support from all over the world. When many countries are at war and are so distrustful of each other, it is good to see them put aside that distrust for a common goal.

While world peace is still just a dream, a small step such as coming together to help people that are worse off than us is hopeful.

Individual people are being very generous too. Sandra Bullock pledged \$1 million and President Bush gave \$10,000. Leonardo DiCaprio gave a "sizable" amount, although he is not telling exactly how much.

Small donations mean a lot, too, such as the 3-year-old boy that dropped off a sandwich bag full of money at the American Red Cross. One California boy went without a birthday party this year and told his mom to send the money to help the tsunami victims instead. The support is amazing, from the big bucks to the simple prayers that people are sending to the survivors. Science has benefitted from this catastrophe

also. Meteorologists are studying the tsunami to try to find a way to better predict this type of natural disaster.

If they can find a way to more accurately pinpoint when an earthquake happens and then issue warnings, thousands of lives can be saved. As with hurricane and tornado prediction, the system will never be perfect, lives will always be lost and land destroyed. But with warnings, the damage can be lessened considerably.

Animals may help too. It has been documented that thousands of animals, domestic and wild alike, exhibited many signs of agitation well before the tsunami hit.

Elephants were trumpeting and wailing, flamingos were running inland, along with many other species of reptiles, mammals and birds. Scientists are wondering just how these animals knew to get away.

Some say it's just natural instinct that an animal will flock inland, to the forest where they live. Others believe animals have a more fine-tuned sensory system that picked up on ground vibrations from miles away, and knew to get as far away from those vibrations as possible.

These animals were able to somehow "feel" the earthquake, and scientists want to replicate that in laboratories. That way, instruments can

be used to feel the earthquake and people can be given adequate notice to vacate, much like a hurricane warning.

While it has been known for years that animals have more developed sensory organs than we do, this disaster such gave us a good look at how this development can be used to benefit all. The situation has not been good, but some of the outcomes may be.

The American Red Cross and countless other charities are asking for money and volunteers. Many Web sites have donation links, such as Amazon.com and google.com.

Reports say that it will take, at the bare minimum, six months of aid to help the folks in these countries get back on their feet. Tourism, one of their number one sources of income, has dropped dramatically and will stay that way for some time.

The mental suffering many people will go through after losing most, if not all, of their family is tremendous. Certainly your support in any way, shape or form, be it money, volunteering, or simply your thoughts and hopes that things will be better, is appreciated.

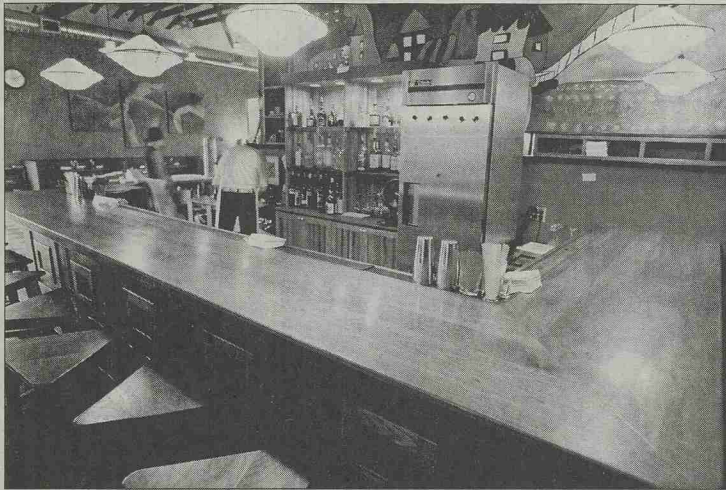
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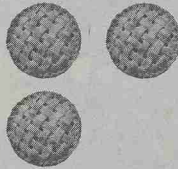
## Downtown tapas

### Humble Pie

317 S. Harrington St

Website: [www.humblepiebakery.com](http://www.humblepiebakery.com)

Rating:



ANDY DELISLE/TECHNICIAN  
Brightened by the paintings of local artists, Humble Pie serves up a variety of delicious tapas plates and sweet cocktails from the bar.

Humble Pie Bakery is a fantastic secret resting in downtown Raleigh. The daily menu includes a variety of tapas — that would be appetizers — large enough to share with friends, or individual portions for those who want to keep the delicious and colorful tapas plates to themselves.

The wide variety of tapas are priced anywhere between \$3 and \$15.

Weekday specials run Tuesday through Thursday. Thursday has the best deal of the week with \$5 martinis and cosmopolitans.

What truly allows Humble Pie to stand out above the average tapas and spirits restaurant is the location's Sunday brunch.

The menu is small, but there is an item sure to please any individual looking for breakfast outside of the Bojangles' realm.

Sweet potato pancakes, served with blueberry maple syrup and a side of hash browns or a breakfast burrito filled to the max with eggs, bacon, salsa, cheese and a dollop of sour cream will fill up any stomach without emptying a wallet.

A tapas menu may not be the first choice for diners looking for a steak and potatoes meal. However, Humble Pie is certainly the place for a weekend brunch or an evening sharing tapas and sipping the restaurant's oh so delicious Key Lime Pie Martinis.

## Italy meets Glenwood South at 518 West

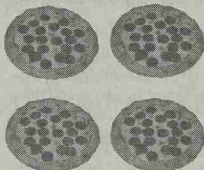


### 518 West Italian Cafe

518 West Jones St.

Website: [www.518west.com](http://www.518west.com)

Rating:



ANDY DELISLE/TECHNICIAN  
The popular pizzettes made at 518 West are just part of the Italian menu that keeps this Raleigh establishment packed.

Want a taste of Italy in the Triangle? 518 West has the answer. Traditional pasta dishes, pizza, salads, appetizers, desserts and drinks will please those wanting to stick to a diet or stay with childhood favorites of spaghetti and meatballs.

The sheer variety of items available starts off the dining experience with a bang. Choosing the Hot Spinach Dip to begin the meal could easily stop hunger cravings, but it wouldn't keep anyone from trying 518's pizzettes.

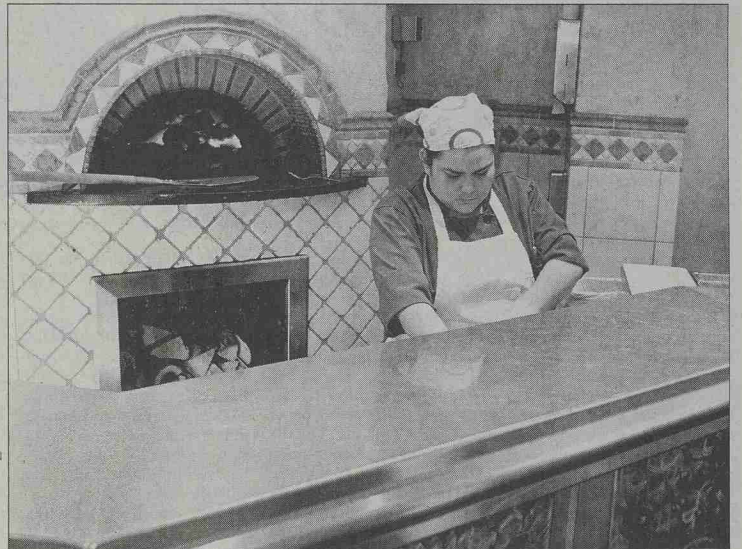
These small personal pizzas are slightly smaller than a dinner plate, but pack toppings surely to win any competition against the average take-out pizza joint. For a simple choice, the four-cheese

pizzette is a classic. As for the pizzette that takes the cake, try the Sun-Dried Tomato.

The entrees are equally as fetching. Items like the Whole Wheat Fettuccine loaded with grilled chicken, mushrooms and a cream sauce made to perfection rank at the top of menu. Finishing off the meal with a dessert won't break the bank at 518 West, as they are easily large enough for two.

Prices are incredibly fair at this downtown cafe for all menu items — not much more than one would pay for a mediocre meal at the Olive Garden.

Try something different or stick with favorites, but don't miss out on what 518 West Italian Cafe has to offer.



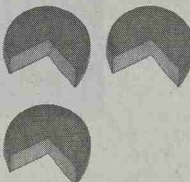
## Double-dipping is in

### The Melting Pot

3100 Wake Forest Rd.

Website: [www.meltingpot.com](http://www.meltingpot.com)

Rating:



CHRIS REYNOLDS/TECHNICIAN  
Cheese might be the dip of choice at The Melting Pot, but the most tasty fondue is found on the dessert menu like strawberries and chocolate pictured to the left.

The Melting Pot is unlike any other restaurant in the Raleigh area. For one, double-dipping is encouraged.

While the signature entrees are a delight, the draw for those with an appetite for non-traditional eating should veer toward the fondue. Treat a group of friends or family to main menu cheeses and luscious chocolate-dipped desserts.

Only a few options for cheese fondue appear on the menu, a number far fewer than the list of desserts. Be sure not to overlook the Cookies N' Cream Marshmallow Dream or the Chocolate S'mores. Favorite sweets take on a new life when they're melted, mixed and ready for eating.

For diners of legal drinking age, The Melting Pot has an

extensive wine and champagne menu. Wine is served by the glass, while a much larger selection can only be purchased by the bottle. Start with a glass of red or white wine for an average \$7, or splurge for a bottle of Cristal at \$265 only to drink the night away like your favorite celebrity.

A special tip that shouldn't be forgotten: Sign up on the restaurant's Web site with their "club fondue" and one will receive a \$10 coupon off your next visit.

An entire five-course meal is certainly too steep for most student's wallets. However, on a student budget, The Melting Pot is a fabulous place for drinks and desserts on any special occasion.

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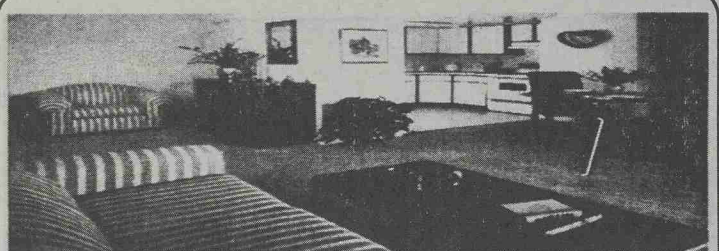
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## The windmill circles 'round

Jake Seaton

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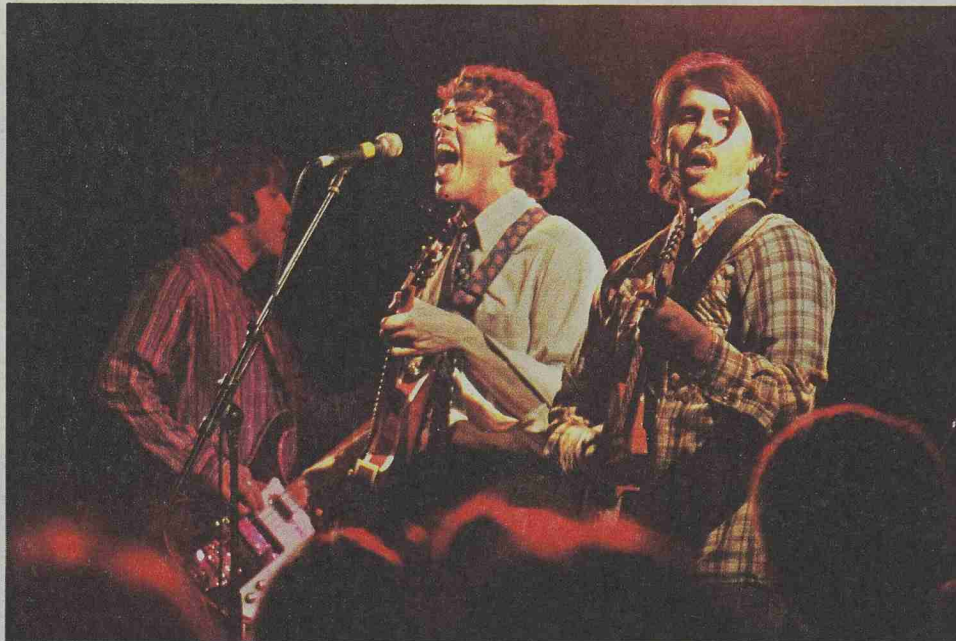
Unlike the group of struggling musicians found festering in a beguiled music scene around most college campuses, SpencerAcuff served as the welcome mat for a warm crowd of fans who know this Chapel Hill quintet is ready for bigger and better venues.

The band's music is clean and refined: two traits that are usually found in only the most seasoned musicians and commonly missing from those trite frat party bands. Each chord finds its place comfortably within drummer Tommy Perkison's solid and precise beats and John Henry Trinko's disillusional piano.

Whether one is really aware of it or not is a mystery, but a death wish for most grassroots "bands" — and more specifically college-based outfits — is the vocal talent. No matter how strong or weak the instrumental work may be, the initial reaction one may have is in regards to the lead vocals — think of judging a book by its cover, it just happens. These bands, more than likely, can jam, I mean really rock. The musicians are gifted with unbelievable talents — let's face it, we've grown up in a society that almost requires the guitar as a male right of passage.

However, rest assured, with those remarkable musicians, there will be a less-than-remarkable lead singer who will favor the Ross Perot approach to singing. Snuffalufagus would be a better-suit lead than most people \*cough\* International Orange \*cough\*.

SpencerAcuff proves to be the ideal exception as the music is



SpencerAcuff welcomed Chapel Hill with the release of its new album *Chasing Windmills* at an album release party at Cat's Cradle.

CHRIS REYNOLDS/TECHNICIAN

clearly and sultrily sung rather than forced through the nasal cavity. Perhaps lead vocalists David Spencer and Will Acuff actually paid attention when taught to sing from the gut in primary school.

*Chasing Windmills*, the latest release from the group and its second LP, stands to be the golden bridge leading to fields of deserving opportunities. The more the album spins, the easier it is to see how connected each member is with each other. The band's harmonizing steps back to the County Western of The

Carter Family rather than the flowering, white-Pop of The Beach Boys.

It's a shocker, I know, to pride a band on its Country Western influences, especially if you are snooty music critic Jake Seaton; but it's refreshing when the only contemporary comparisons are dull, dry and uninspired — it's time for Rock 'N' Roll to circle back around and it all starts with the roots.

"Far From Here" opens the album with a sound that is frighteningly similar to that of The Killers... instrumentally

that is. As the vocals are introduced, it quickly turns to what could be mistaken as Adam Duritz of Counting Crows and then Chris Martin of Coldplay. "Say to Me" drops off slightly in comparison to "Far From Here." It is still, however, hardly sub par.

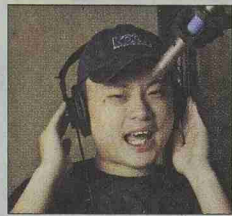
Lyrical, the track is intriguing with its broken verse and even the music is interesting as their is an odd-ball melange of Smashing Pumpkins via *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness*, Blind Melon and Counting Crows, but the vocals seam forced rather than as natural as

they could be.

"Circus Came to Town" highlights the album with the march and chant of "I have made this/ I have done this/ Walk slowly/ No one else to blame." The track serves as a fun interlude and evident crowd pleaser.

Perhaps one of the more Pop songs on the album but also the ideal closing track is "134 (Maybe in Heaven)." Guitar solos riddle the song while the bands glorious harmonics illuminate what could be one of the better albums released from the Triangle.

On a side note



PERSON OF THE WEEK

Mad \*daps\* this week goes to the American Idol reject and pop culture phenomenon William Hung as he takes top honor of Technician's first Person of the Week for 2005. Recently, Hung performed his grand duty as a man with huge star power and performed in Hong Kong at a benefit concert to aid tsunami survivors. The benefit of that was the concert ended. Hung will also attempt to match his singing ability with acting talent in the Cantonese-language film *Where Is Mama's Boy?* "I would like to preserve a good image and not play the bad guy or do anything that's obscene," the Hong Kong-born entertainer says.



SAY IT ISN'T SO, MACAULAY

Former child star Macaulay Culkin may testify against Michael Jackson, according to ABC News. The prosecution would like to hear from seven people allegedly sexually linked to Jackson, among whom are a "famous child actor who denies anything sexual happened between him and Jackson" and "an Australian who now works in Hollywood." The former child actor most likely refers to either 80s film mainstay Corey Feldman or *Home Alone* star Macaulay Culkin.

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-JAKE SEATON

## O Brother, where have you been?

Ben McNeely  
Staff Writer

As they strolled onto the stage at Cat's Cradle, the announcer mentioned they were from Nashville. I thought immediately, "Great, another loser band out of Nashville trying to make it big in an already crowded Pop-Country field." Then I looked at their instrumentation. It looked like an upright bass for a second, but then I looked closer. It was too small to be an upright bass.

Holy cow, could it be? It was! A cello. This band featured the cello.

Now how many bands out of Nashville have a cello player? The only thing coming out of Nashville these days is lousy Pop-Country that is a disgrace to proper old-timey Country, Folk and Bluegrass. Faith Hill, Tim McGraw, Alan Jackson, even (gasp) rebel Toby Keith cannot ever hope to follow in the musical footsteps of

greats like Willie Nelson, Johnny Cash, Hank Williams, Patsy Cline, Loretta Lynn and Doc Watson.

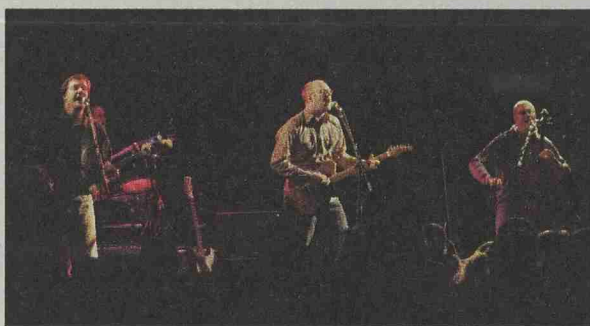
I digress.

Country music has lost its soul, but Brother Henry may have found it. This band has Folk and Bluegrass as its underpinnings topped off with a twist of Rock and Funk, along with old-timey four-part harmony. Brother Henry brings Country music into the modern age while still being respectful of their musical past.

And then there is the cello.

Ah, the cello, from which smooth-as-silk baritone notes float out and tie the whole ensemble together. The cello — a classy, civilized instrument that adds another dimension to the group, a depth of feeling that many groups use only in power ballads for sentimental impact.

But Brother Henry places the cello front and center and explores every nu-



CHRIS REYNOLDS/TECHNICIAN

Brother Henry complemented SpencerAcuff with a strong show at Cat's Cradle.

ance of the instrument.

It carries the melody at times. Other times, it accompanies with a healthy plucking that can only come from playing the cello like a guitar.

Cellist, David Henry, has been playing in orchestras since he was a kid. Classically trained, he found a new use for a very old instrument and integrated the cello into the group without sticking out like a sore thumb, but not allowing the sound to fade into the background.

It takes a true musician to do what

David Henry pulls off nicely.

But the cello is really the icing on the cake. Brother Henry is musically strong and their Country roots are most apparent.

Their style is subtle and it works well. There is so much wrong with Pop-Country music nowadays, but Brother Henry is doing so much right. Maybe Bluegrass supergroup Alison Krauss and Union Station should consider adding a cello to their ensemble.

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## IAN

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The USSF is as stubborn as a skier, but there's fault on both sides."

Monty, if this saga continues, who loses more?

"The players need national matches to increase their exposure and generate interest from wealthier European clubs, and USSF needs the World Cup to generate a large part of its revenue. It's a lose-lose situation if this keeps up."

I'd just give them a choice of Door No. 1, Door No. 2, or Door No. 3, and hope they don't get zonked!"

That you would, Monty.

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## HOCKEY

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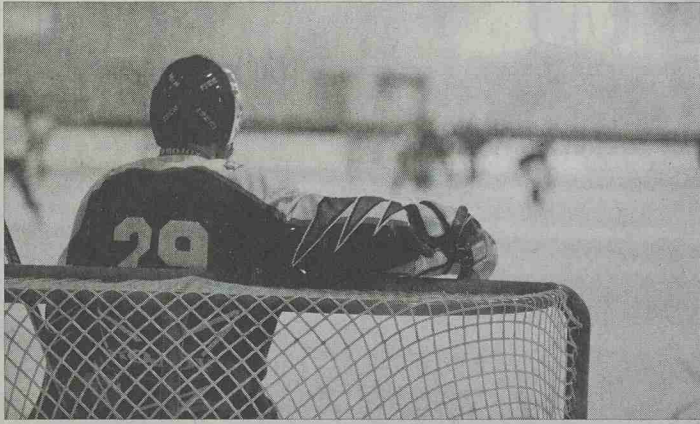
the puck and time management becomes crucial after a team gets the lead."

The group boasts around 23 active members, which comprises two different teams. But they are always looking for more members to join the club.

"We're hoping to get more people involved in this sport, and let the public know what roller hockey is all about," Cedermark said. "We have tryouts at the beginning of each semester if anyone wants to join." State is coached by a player's dad who played minor league ice hockey.

Many of the core players on the team grew up playing roller hockey together just outside of Raleigh. The members believe this familiarity gives them a decided advantage.

"Teams that have just been



N.C. State is ranked No. 5 nationally and has expectations of bringing home a national championship.

thrown in college don't have the kind of camaraderie we do," Wargo said. "They can't compete with the amount of

practice we have had together." The foundations of the roller hockey club helped get the current members involved.

"The older members were real accepting, and we just kind of took off running with it," Cedermark said.

## WRESTLING

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certainly takes its toll on even the most seasoned athletes.

"We have three months of preseason with running and lifting and we meet everyday," Cummings said. "In October, we go into the wrestling room for two-hour practices every day. It's a lot of work. It's a pretty drastic change coming out of high school, but you get used to it quick."

Getting used to the skill on the college level can certainly help contribute to success in any sport.

There really is no clear-cut answer to whether donning the crimson jersey for a season will guarantee success for an inspiring grappler. That's just where the hard work and training comes in.

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1 Seethes  
6 Punt or junk  
10 Agronomist's concern  
14 Come to terms  
15 From scratch  
16 Magnani or Pavia  
17 Eastwood or Black  
18 Wraparound garment  
19 Brown quickly  
20 Pause  
22 Well-built man  
23 Seniors  
24 Quips  
25 Film festival site  
28 Food on the hoof  
30 Large-scale productions  
31 Characteristic  
33 Saloon  
36 Feudal serf  
37 Civil rights org.  
38 Faithful  
39 Comprehend  
40 Extent  
41 Coiling form  
42 Circular instrument  
43 Margin for error  
44 Illuminate  
47 Regard highly  
50 Curved molding  
51 Powerful working dogs  
55 Level  
56 Moranis or Mears  
57 Musical exercise piece  
58 Legal wrong  
59 Feed the pot  
60 Commuter  
61 Mediocre  
62 Porgy's love  
63 Act part

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2 Eye lasciviously  
3 Eye part  
4 Laxity  
5 Comes to rest  
6 Sew loosely

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8 Of the science of flight  
9 Minnesota ballplayer  
10 Strut nonchalantly  
11 A point ahead  
12 Cookin'hamie  
13 Escapades  
21 Promos  
24 Kind of plane  
25 Average grades  
26 Church part  
27 Five after four  
29 Actor Tom  
31 Loose-skinned citrus fruit  
32 Scott Joplin tune  
33 Forehand  
34 Mystique  
35 Depend  
37 Bobsey twin  
38 Topical  
40 Baldersdash  
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# Sports

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2005

## Schedule

Men's Basketball vs. Duke, 1/13, 7  
 Women's Basketball vs. UNC, 1/14, 8:30  
 Men's Tennis at ACC Indoors, 1/14-15  
 Track & Field at VT Invite, 1/15  
 Wrestling at Illinois, 1/15

## Scores

No games scheduled



## TECHNICIAN

### COMMENTARY

## Let's make a deal

To celebrate the New Year, I recently invited four avid Technician readers to join me for a snowboarding winter escape



**Ian Jester**  
Senior Staff Writer

to the Appalachian Mountains. The fact that the lucky winners were my best friends did not affect the selection process, I can

assure you.

So our party of five proceeded to have an amazing time, despite a moment of consensual irritation.

It was geared towards the actions of our fifth companion, who ditched everyone to go shopping.

Our shopper left the slopes after about 10 minutes of sulking on the peak. No one likes a quitter, or a crybaby for that matter.

That's why Ryan Leaf didn't get an invitation from us this year. And Ricky Williams, well, I haven't returned his phone calls.

Sadly enough, this comedy is the mirror image of a disappointing incident spurring from within our national soccer organization.

The United States Soccer Federation, the governing body of soccer in this nation, and the U.S. Soccer Players Association, a union which represents our men's national team, have been at odds over the holidays, unable to decide proper game compensation for our players.

Simply put, the players want more money for playing in international matches, games such as the 2006 World Cup qualifying match against Trinidad and Tobago in February. The USSF isn't ready to give it to them.

Fans are peering into baseball's stains and hockey has left us to lock themselves in a closet.

During a time when two of the four major sports are in a state of disarray, soccer has passed on a golden opportunity for national spotlight, so they can quibble over money.

I'll take this time to welcome our labor dispute analyst, Monty Hall, from the legendary 1960s game show "Let's Make a Deal," who we've just stolen from the cancelled NHL negotiations. Monty, what's the latest?

"Well it seems the players are just like our shopping friend before; they're crying and quitting on every soccer fan in the nation, when playing for the national team should be about pride and prestige."

Right on, Monty. But is the USSF keeping that money in their pockets?

"The union claims the federation has locked the players out, while USSF states the players are on strike."

We play home to the No. 11 ranked team in the world, and despite how rich the USSF might be, they still paid each player on the 2002 World Cup squad over \$200,000 for their quarterfinal appearance.

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### CAMPUS RECREATION



ANDY DELISLE/TECHNICIAN

Wolfpack roller hockey club President Ryan Cedermark attempts to block for goalie Justin Sanders during practice at Carolina Sportsplex in Morrisville on Tuesday.

## Wolfpack rolls over local competition

The club roller hockey team has a perfect record and a No. 5 national ranking this season.

**Josh Harrell**  
Staff Writer

High speeds, vicious hits, fatigue and, of course, another win. That's all in a days work for the roller hockey club.

N.C. State has worked its way to a 12-0 record and a No. 5 national ranking this season as it prepares for tougher competition leading up to the ultimate goal — a national champion-

ship.

Last year the team made the trip to Anaheim, Calif. to compete in National's after winning the Southeast regional.

"We had a blast going to California last year," club Vice President Michael Downer said. "The whole area was really nice. It was the first time I had ever been to the West Coast."

It is experiences like these that have formed a bond between the members. A bond that has led the team to regional dominance.

The club competes against teams such as Charlotte, UNC-Chapel Hill, East Carolina Uni-

versity and Elon University. "Our biggest rival is Charlotte," President Ryan Cedermark said. "They usually give us our toughest regional competition."

But after a while, regional competition gets redundant for the club. The Pack is trying to expand its borders by playing other teams to help prepare for stiff competition in Nationals.

"We've been trying to get some games scheduled against teams up north like Philadelphia schools and against some in Florida," Cedermark said.

Traveling to places like these, as well as California is no cheap

affair, and most of the payment for these trips comes from the members.

"We get a little money through the school, but most of our funds come out of our own pockets," Cedermark said. "Most of the money we spend is on travel such as hotel fees, equipment and rink time."

Equipment-wise, roller hockey has an advantage over its icy counterpart.

"In roller hockey you don't have to wear shoulder pads or a girdle," Downer said. "We just wear shin guards, knee and elbow pads and a helmet."

But this doesn't mean that

the game is less physical. Roller hockey is much faster because it is played on wheels and a very slick floor.

"Hitting is just as prevalent in roller hockey as it is in ice," Cedermark said. "Many times the hits are even harder because of the speed of the game."

The rules to roller hockey are basically the same with a few exceptions; shorter periods, no off-sides and one less player.

"With only four players on the rink the strategy of the game really changes," sophomore member Jake Wargo said. "Control of

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### WRESTLING

## Red-shirting athletes gives them 'year to mature'

Coach Carter Jordan weighs in on the upside of the redshirting process

**Stephen Federowicz**  
Staff Writer

The act of redshirting in college sports has always been fairly popular. A sort of insurance policy, both for the athlete and the coach.

A year of eligibility is preserved for an athlete who may become injured, or a coach can preserve a year for a player who shows potential, but will not see any playing time their freshman season.

The wrestling team, perhaps, takes the biggest advantage from this practice. Redshirting grants over half of the wrestlers on their roster comprised an extra year of eligibility.

Coach Carter Jordan feels that, ideally, the redshirt is given out to aid the athlete in their journey to the next level of competition.

"Well, in a perfect world," Jordan said. "You bring in a kid as a freshman and



RAY BLACK III/TECHNICIAN

Jeremy Colbert stretches before last week's dual meet at Reynolds Coliseum.

give him a year to mature."

Wrestlers that received a redshirt their freshman season, such as redshirt sophomore Garrett Cummings, felt that the extra year to train and develop with

college-level athletes was helpful.

"Just wrestling with guys like George Cinton, who was a two-time ACC champion during my freshman year," Cummings said. "That was very beneficial for

me. I mean you don't have that kind of quality in the room in high school."

However, there are exceptions to every rule.

"We don't make a habit of red-shirting every freshman," Jordan said. "In fact, we have two true freshman starting for us right now. It depends on the young man, he's either ready or he's not."

A few true freshmen have already contributed to the Wolfpack's success this season. Freshman Cody Hamrah, who picked up three big wins for the Pack at the dual meet last Saturday at Reynolds Coliseum.

"We tried to make the decision at the beginning of the season," Jordan said. "Obviously, I think we made the right decision with Cody. He has really turned things around for us."

The grueling training regimen of a college wrestler is also a valid reason for a redshirt. Bulking up, slimming down, all to make a certain weight class can

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