

WEDNESDAY

ELECTION 2005

Collaboration the key on election tickets

candidates declare their intent to run on a ticket in Student Body Elections.

Haley Huie

The books for Student Government spring elections closed Monday night, ending the period in which a candidate can file to run for office.

After the 5 p.m. deadline, many candidates were able to speak publicly about their intent to run on a ticket, which allows them to pool resources

and collaborate through the duration of their campaigns. The student body will see three ticket campaigns this year with several candidates.
Will Langley, Forrest Hinton
and Seneca Toms; Will Quick
and John Small; and Lock
Whiteside and Tommy Ozbolt will all be running ticket cam-

paigns.
Will Langley, a sophomore in political science, is running for Student Body President and will be sharing a ticket with Student Senate President candidate Forrest Hinton and Student Body Treasurer candi-

date Seneca Toms
Langley pointed to shared goals as a reason that many candidates opt to share a platform, but noted that campaign

finances also plays a role

"We all have common visions, and are all very involved in the Student Senate," Langley said, explaining that many of the candidates form alliances ecause of their ability to collaborate.

He also said that while sharing funds makes it easier for candidates to publicize their names, the platform is

ultimately the deciding factor in the elections. "Students will vote for the best candidates," Langley

Hinton, a sophomore in math education and political science, will be sharing a ticket with Langley and Toms, a senior in

Hinton is running for Student Senate President, and explained that the allocation of funds is an incentive for shared campaigns, but that primary motivation is the candidate's

"We share a common ideology," Hinton said. "That's our number one reason for running

together on a ticket."

Hinton said he is unsure that running on a ticket is more effective than running independently, but the ability to combine resources is often helpful for campaigns. Lock Whiteside III, a junior

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Lobbyists take on state legislators to push student issues

Student lobbyists hope to continue visiting with legislators downtown every two weeks to discuss issues that impact the University.

Erin Welch

The Student Government committee on government rela-tions met with state legislators Monday to lobby for students issues, a practice they hope will last throughout the semester

and into future years.

Matt Latrick, a junior in political science, Nathan Eagle, a freshman in computer engineering, and Cameron Guice, a sophomore in construction engineering, visited state leg-islators Monday to lobby for issues which are pertinent to NCSU students.

"We got an idea of what they "We got an idea of what they do and what their priorities are for legislation that is up in the House right now," Guice said. "They also got an idea of how we feel about those issues."

Latrick said ideally, Student Government would like to have student lobbyists talk to legislators every two weeks.

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"What the goal is to have one

"What the goal is to nave one school go every week to lobby with legislators," Eagle said.
"We were trying to do it last year, but we were unable to get any kind of core group organized and going," Latrick said. "This year we finally got acround to it and you a core around to it and got a core group of students that were

willing to go."

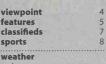
Latrick said that there are about two or three other indi-viduals interested in lobbying

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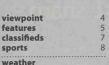
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Ag week kicks off

A windy Tuesday afternoon couldn't stop workers from setting up for Ag Week

Josh Harrell

Gusty winds and occasional sub-40 degree temperatures couldn't stop workers Tuesday morning and afternoon from setting up Ag Awareness Week for the various animal and agri-cultural clubs at N.C. State.

Workers set up tents and loaded in animals to give the Brickyard the feel of a farm.

Most of the programs will happen today with the various clubs involved in the Brickyard, showing off the research they showing off the research they have done and educating the college public about what kind

of work they do.

of work they do.

"The purpose of our fraternity is to educate people about agriculture, and this is our biggest event of the year," Connie Taylor, president of the Agribusiness/NAMA Club, said. "The purpose of it is really to expose people from different areas of the college to what we do and why it is so important."

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More than 20 clubs such as Animal Science, Collegiate 4-H, Poultry, Zoology and others will be in the Brickyard today and tomorrow, playing games and talking to students and the community.

community.
"I look forward to educating people about the animal science club, and hopefully by people getting more information about it, it will make them it, it will make them want to join," Michael Shields, a sopho-

Most of the people who worked on setting up the event Tuesday had been involved with the program in the past and were looking forward to it again this

year.
"I just love having people come out here and asking ques-tions and getting to talk about tions and getting to talk about the importance of agriculture in North Carolina, Allison McCabe, a grad student in agri-cultural education, said. "It's just fun being able to show people what the College of Agriculture is all about."

The group in charge of planning and holding the event has been working on the event for a long time and believe that the amount of work put in will pay

'We've planned for almost an

entire year for this event," Taylor said. "Hopefully a lot of people will come out and see what kind of research is being done that many people here may not know about."

Organizers hope the event will help others realize the sig-

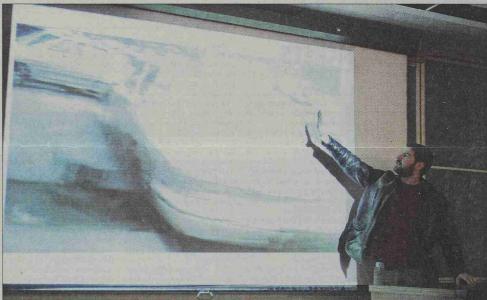
will help others realize the significance of agriculture in the state and at the University.

"NCSU was founded as a land grant institution for agriculture. The purpose of 'State College' was to educate farmers and send them back knowing how to farm," Taylor said. "So even though the school has different colleges its original purpose is colleges its original purpose is still there, and hopefully they will realize that we would be nowhere without agriculture."

Educating students is one of

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PICTURE PERFECT



N.C. State Alumnus and Pulitzer Prize Finalist Chris Hondros spoke in Williams Hall on Tuesday night. Hondros works for Getty Images as a photographer covering events from around the world. Hondros has visited a dozen countries, including the war-torn lands of Kosovo, Liberia and Sierra Leone. He just returned from Iraq six days ago.

'CSI' show inspires forensic science courses

The University looks forward to offering forensic science courses in the future

Lia Kotsopoulos

The new TV series "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" has been a paradigm for the popular new forensic science class, Science Behind CSI, at Meredith college.

Francie Cuffney, a biology professor at Meredith who created the course along with her colleague Walda Powell, said the idea for the course came during one of her biology classes when she experienced an incredible amount of feedback during one of her presentations dealing with forensic science.
"Students are very interested in forensic

science because of the TV show CSI," Cuffney said. "It is popular in culture now, so students want to learn more about it.

The course is a single course for honors students and is interdisciplinary colloquia that consist of both biology and chemis

According to Cuffney, it is looking at the science behind forensic investigation.

"This course is so popular that it closed the day of registration," Cuffney said. Throughout the semester students in the class will learn about topics such as blood spatter analysis, trace evidence, hair evidence, drug analysis and lifting

finger prints.

"In one investigation we did, students tried to lift a finger print and they found it's very different from TV — TV makes

it s very different from IV — IV makes it look so easy when it's actually very difficult," Cuffney said.

"If N.C. State offered a course in forensic science, I would definitely take it as a free elective because I think it would be interpreted in the state of the esting to learn about criminal investiga-tion and how it works," Seantel Nielssen, a senior in communication, said.

According to Ann Ross, assistant direc tor of sociology and anthropology, there is in fact a course offered in forensic science, titled "Introduction to Forensic Anthropol-" which she teaches In addition to the introductory course,

Ross is creating an advanced course, "Advanced Methods to Forensic Anthropoland is hoping to establish a minor in forensic science soon.

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Blogging sites help students keep in touch

When it comes to keeping up with friends and news, some college students turn to online journals.

Kate Peters Bowra

Hiding diaries or sneaking a peek at one is now a thing of the past as students are choosing to make their personal writings open to the public eye of the Internet in the form of a weblog.

Popularly known as "blogs," some prefer to use them to share surface information, while others delve into deeper discussions ealing their innermost though

One popular blogging site used by university students is LiveJournal.com. The site allows users to register and post their messages free of charge and also offers premium services for users wishing to add more pizazz through additional photos and layout options to their journal for a small monthly fee.

Melanie Wong, a senior in electrical

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to legislatures in the future and that a member from the government relations committee would always be present during

lobbying.

He said the frequency of visits relied heavily on the legislators.

"It all kind of depends on the schedules of legislators and making sure we can have access to the people we need to," Latrick

The three Student Government members met with Rep. Deborah Ross, Rep. Jennifer Weiss and Rep. Grier Martin. The lobbyists choose these representatives be-cause they are all Wake County representatives and because they felt they would be receptive to

'We figured we'd want to hit "We figured we d want to not them first just because we knew they'd be strong supporters of State, especially with their constituency being mostly State students," Guice said. Latrick said the lobbyists tar-geted legislators to meet by the

committees they served on and the counties they represent. He also said they will choose legis-lators to meet with who have a connection to NCSU whether through attending the University in the past, currently having a child at NCSU or through some other interest in NCSU.

"Being our first time, we tried to go talk to people who were more supportive of N.C. State and receptive of the ideas we were going to present to them,' Eagle said.

The four main issues which Eagle, Latrick and Guice spoke to legislators about Monday were the general enrollment growth and continuation budget, a fac-ulty salary increase of 7.5 per-cent, an elementary education major and funding to move the engineering department over to Centennial Campus.

"Right now, those are the main issues we wanted to talk to them about. As the session continues more legislation is going to come up so we're wanting to address that as it comes," Guice said.

Eagle said one reason the lob byists thought faculty salaries ere important to discuss due to competition with other

"It's important that we of-fer competitive salaries so our teachers don't just pack up and go to other schools," Eagle said.

N.C. State is one of the only schools that doesn't have that major [elementary education], Eagle said, pointing out that with NCSU being a larger state school and North Carolina having a shortage of teachers, it would be

beneficial to have such a major. Latrick said that when the three met with Martin, they were the first student group to ever sit down and talk with him since his time in the General

"[To] have people actually tell him 'these are the things that are really important to us, and to have face-to-face contact — it was a lot more impactful as opposed to him just reading through a piece of paper he got in the mail," Latrick said.

Guice also said that the legislators had never spoken with a group of students about issues which concerned them specifi-

"The three legislators we talked to said they had never had students from any school come to them about anything,"

"It definitely left a good im-

pression with them."

Overall, Latrick said he felt the meetings were successful and the legislators were helpful and welcoming.

"Every legislator we met with was very perceptive and they gave us some good advice as to how to talk to other legislators and how to help them advocate



STUDENT MEDIA

SMA names new media heads

Three media positions to be determined at meeting on March 28

Tyler Dukes

The Student Media Authority met last night to appoint the newest leaders of the six outlets of University media for staff

turnovers later this year.

The board appointed Mi-The board appointed Michelle McLean and Tahnia Davis as co-editors in chief of the Nubian Message, Josh Bassett as editor in chief of the Agromeck and Rebecca Heslin as editor in chief of the Technician.

Discussion of the three other positions of Americana editor, Windhover editor and WKNC general manager were post-poned until the board's next meeting on March 28. Staff turnover takes place on April 1 for all outlets except Wind-hover and Agromeck, which turn over a month later due to production schedules.

The two postponements were a result of notified absences from Emmanuel Lipscomb

for editor of Americana and WKNC general manager, respectively. The appointment of the Windhover editor was also postponed, as no applications were received.

Although McLean and Da-

vis, who ran as an unopposed tandem, did not meet the qualifications required for their positions, the board chose after meeting in executive session to waive the restrictions. SMA rules state that a candidate must have been a member of the staff for at least two semester, be a for a least two senester, be a fulltime student, have at least two semesters left in school and carry at least a 2.25 GPA. McLean and Davis stated that

they wished to work together to see the Nubian Message grow even further from the progress the paper has made in past se-

McLean specifically stressed her goal to increase the "amplification of the African American

"I want to be different. I want to be unique," McLean said. "That is what the Nubian Message is and what it should continue to be.

Agromeck editor in chief candidate Austin Dowd also did not meet the board's requirements, but the qualification restrictions for his case were also waived.

The board, however, chose Bassett, the Agromeck's current editor in chief, over Dowd.

Bassett said that although serving a second year at the position could be perceived as a stagnant disadvantage, he said this would not be an option if the yearbook continued on its

current, improving path.

"There is the possibility of becoming subpar if you keep going on the same level, but I don't think that will happen,"

Bassett said.

After an extensive round of questioning of both candidates for leader of Technician, the board chose Heslin over Jason

She said that her experience in multiple sections of the paper, coupled with her commitment to the publication, made her an excellent candidate for the

position.

"You have to be prepared to give up of any semblance of a life [for the paper]," Heslin said.

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the chief goals of participants of this event who believe they will receive a positive

response.
"I think the response will be positive because people are be-coming more and more aware that if it wasn't for agriculture then we wouldn't have clothes on our body and food on our table," McCabe said. "We just need to be ready to answer the negative people that don't be-lieve in the importance of what

we're doing."

The weather on Tuesday was a bit of a problem for workers,

but Taylor said she believes the weather will get better and students will come out and see what is going on today.

"Every year it seems to rain, so right now we're good from that standpoint," Taylor said. "But it's supposed to be really pretty...so we're hoping for the best."

Wednesday lunch and dinner will be served by the Poultry Club and Agronomy club respectively.

The Clogging Team will perform at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday and clubs will be out in the Brickyard to show off their animals and talk to students all day Wednesday and Thursday.

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Ross is currently engineering a joint web-based program between NCSU and the Office of State Archeology Research Center that will focus on forensic science.
"The program is for law

enforcement agency. It will provide contact, technical information and services to law enforcement agents and medical examiners throughmedical examiners inrough-out the state on issues relating to medical, legal and death investigation," Ross said.

In May, Ross will hold a workshop called "Bugs, Bones, & Botany" for law en-

forcement agents and medical

examiners.

The proceeds from the workshop will be used to fund the program along with an Exten-

sion and Engagement grant.

Because of increasing interest in the study, many colleges are now offering courses in forensic science

Campbell University re-cently announced a forensic science course that will start

"I would definitely take a course in forensic science because it might actually be more beneficial to me than chemistry," Katie Sawyer, a junior in communication, said. "It sounds like more fun than learning about the periodic learning about the periodic

TICKETS

in political science and social studies, will also be campaigning for the position of Student Body President.

Body President.

He is sharing a ticket with Tommy Ozbolt, a candidate for Student Senate President, who is currently a junior in political science and philosophy of law. Whiteside has served as a student senator for the past year, and Ozbolt is currently serving on the Judicial Board.

Whiteside said that he and his

Whiteside said that he and his partner have known each other since freshman year and he feels confident that they are able to

work well together.

"The goal of running on a ticket is to ensure a collaborative effort between the Executive Branch and the Senate in

order to accomplish goals,"
Whiteside said.

He also said that he feels students base their voting on platforms, and that when students see the policies he and Ozbolt share, they will make informed decisions based upon the issues.

Quick and John Small, a senior in poultry science, are also running on a ticket for the positions of student body president and student senate

Quick said the prevailing idea behind ticketing is the money issue. However, he said that the events Tony Caravano, Mital Patel and himself hosted last year were not any more extravagant than others' events.

He said that being a part of a ticket last year with two previ-ous Leaders of the Pack helped him as a freshman to get his name out on campus.

He also added that the diversity of their ticket helped the candidates last year to connect with different parts

"It's what you bring to the table — different constituencies, different ideas, new ideas,
— that's the important thing," Quick said.

Patel, a senior in computer science, ran on the ticket in the 2004 elections with Quick. Patel said he felt a joint plat-

form was an effective campaign strategy because candidates campaigning collectively ensure cooperation between officers. "I thought that I could do a better job if the three of us worked together," Patel said. "It ultimately boils down to the individual candidate,"

to the individual candidate," he said, but added that a joint campaign allows candidates to tell students that their running mates are people that they can easily collaborate with.

Meghan Hart, a junior in communication, agrees with candidates' onting to run on a

andidates' opting to run on a shared ticket.

"People that run on a ticket are often more recognizable to the student body on Election ' Hart said.

She said she finds it easier to remember groups of names than individual names.

Hart said that she voted for the candidates on last spring's "Caravano, Quick, Patel" ticket, and often pays more attention to candidates who pool their resources in order to gain at-

tention.
She said that the connections that the candidates are able to make were obviously effective

in last spring's elections.

"Being able to cooperate during a campaign shows effective teamwork," Hart said.



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engineering, said she has been blogging her life events on LiveJournal.com for a little

"I definitely like how blogging is easier than a traditional handwritten journal, but it's not as much of a keepsake as a traditional handwritten in the state of ditional handwritten journal," she said. "Of course, I might not want to remember this year's

want to remember this year's angst too much anyway." Wong has had a paper journal for most of her life, but said she feels that the electronic version is more convenient as she uses her journal to keep in touch with friends as she plans for

graduation.

"Many of my friends are moving off to different graduate schools and it's a good way to [keep in touch]," Wong said.

"We can know what's going on in each other's lives without the bulky emails.

Many online blog sites give users the options to post pictures, note their current mood and even list the current music they listen to as they write their

Wong said she believes the features set by the blogging sites enhance communication. She said she specifically liked the "mood icons" on LiveJournal.com.

"A lot of the times, it's hard to tell what emotions the person is feeling as they are typing," Wong said. "The mood icons help the reader paint a certain tone into each entry."

While the bloos of personal

While the blogs of personal acquaintances are commonly read, notable writers and some celebrities also choose to make their blogs accessible to the public

Comic writer Dave Barry, for example, frequently posts his web journal with tidbits of information and humorous quotes for readers to enjoy at weblog,herald.com/column/ davebarry/. Barry is a wellknown columnist for The Miami Herald.

"I tend to read industry jour-nalists and political reporters' blogs," Jordan O'Mara, a ju-nior in computer and political

science, said.
O'Mara said he does not have an online journal of his own, but enjoys perusing the journals of others to keep up with friends and world news.

Honestly, news tends to break faster over blogs than it does in normal media outlets, although there's very little editing and fact checking done," O'Mara said. "Sometimes, reading the thoughts of an interesting person with an important position in the industry you [want to work for] is interesting also."

Keeping up with the pace

of technology and news is a difficult task, O'Mara said. However, the information has now become more accessible through blogs on company

eb sites.
"There is a company blog at Apple that often has news up-dates about upcoming Apple products and software that breaks several days before you would hear it anywhere else,' O'Mara said. "Google has simi-

lar people."
Although blogs have the po tential to turn regular people into celebrities, O'Mara also pointed out that they can take down a career in a matter of minutes.

"Recently, an employee got a bit too ambitious with his blogging and was fired as a re-sult because he revealed some secrets he wasn't supposed to,'

POLICE BLOTTER

02/27/05 10:26 P.M. LARCENY

A student reported their wallet was stolen from Paul Derr Track on Saturday. The wallet was left unsecured and unattended in the victims shoe while they played soccer.

10:37 P.M. LARCENY A staff member reported the dry erase board was stolen from the Bragaw Hall 1st floor activity room sometime today between 4:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m.

A student reported that someone has entered their unlocked Honda Accord and stole their stereo. The vehicle was parked in the Pi Kappa Alpha lot and the incident happened between 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Thursday.

FIRE ALARM
Officers and Raleigh Fire Department
responded to a fire alarm at the Phytotron. Upon officers arrival there was a
smoky haze in the building. It was determined a air handler motor had over
heated. Facilities was notified.

6:22 P.M. FIRE ALARM Police responded to Wolf Village Build-ing C reference a smoke head activa-tion. No signs of fire detected. Cause of activation was cooking. Raleigh Fire Department did not respond due to the residents of the suite calling and advis-ing all was O.K. System reset.

LARCENY
A student reported that their wallet
was stolen from Fountain Dining Hall
at approximately 7:30 p.m. They then
later called back and advised a friend
had taken the wallet so it would not be
stolen. No larceny occurred.

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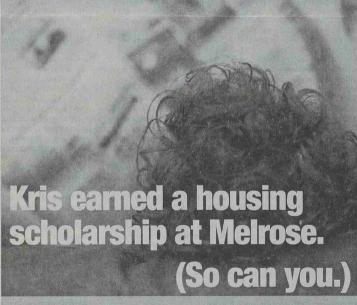
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Technician needs to support BGLA community

BGLA community

On Feb. 28, the Daily Tar Heel published an article on the front page titled, "UNC junior attacked in hate crime." The article detailed an incident that occurred Feb. 26 at approximately 2 a.m. where a 21-year-old UNC junior was assaulted by six to seven men who began by making derogatory remarks about the student's sexual orientation, and finally physically assaulted the student, who sustained injuries including broken bones.

It is understandable that this event did not occur on at N.C.State, however, UNC-CH is a school with close ties to NCSU, and a hate crime occurring on a nearby college campus should warrant at least some space within Technician's columns. It is understandable that the permanent closing of Brothers Plizza, a community landmark, is important to the NCSU student body, but should some attention not have been paid to raising campus awareness on an area hate crime which was committed at a public university and on a student of that university?

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entire NCSU community, including the GBLT students at NCSU. While the efforts made by the NCSU BGLA toward greater campus activism are admirable, without support from the campus community at large (including Technician), no further progress will be made toward a community that is accepting and open-minded toward GBLT students.

J. Michael Lynn Sophomore Electrical Engineering

Some 'amazed' by new WebAssign fees

First, I find it bordering on unethical that faculty and/or employees of the school could invent a tool, take it private and then sell it back to the school. The school provided the wherewithal and environment to invent the tool in the first place. The school also provided the institutional set-up that enabled the inventors to receive a grant of taxpayers funds to continue to support and expand the product and service set. It is highly

unlikely they would have received these funds were they not associated with the University. In a way the student has already paid for/subsidized the product by paying their fees to the school and paying their taxes and are now being asked to pay for

their rees to the school and paying their taxes and are now being asked to pay for it again.

I know from running an academic research project at the University of Toronto and from spending the better part of five years on the vendor side that there are hosted technology solutions that can be had for \$15 to \$25 per year. This fee would cover all the courses a student would take in an academic year. Given that a normal student takes somewhere between 7-10 courses a year that works out to a cost of \$1.50 to \$3.50 per course. That said, I wonder why the WebAssign tool is costing \$9.95 per course. With nine years of elearning experience behind me I continue to be amazed at how much money is wasted, how decisions are made and how in the end the students are always made to pay the price.

*Paul Jacobelli**

*Persident**

President EdTek Services Inc.

Liberals, Carolina fans very much alike

This column has many different purposes. Its primary purpose is to comically entertain those who agree with the points made



Meghan Woodall

I am saying this to warn those who sup port the liberal agenda or the Carolina way of life against reading this column. The points I am about to make and the ideas

I am about to relay, to those of you who choose to read on, are purely my opinion, although I think many people will

agree.
I make the trip to Chapel Hill more than I would ever choose to, however, my boyfriend attends UNC-Chapel Hill, and so I must suffer through it on a regular basis I have been a Duke and N.C. State fan my entire life and I never plan

to change.
UNC-CH has a very respected academic program and is pretty to drive through, but it lacks fans that don't drive outsiders crazy. A similar list can be made for liberals. Af ter the recent election, I have been continuously faced with negative comments and unnecessary re marks from anti-Bush citizens

I understand that last comment may have infuriated many of those who continued to read this col-umn even after I said they would not like it. This should be a lesson to those people, and yet another reason why I dislike liberals and Carolina fans, they never do what they should do.

A good example of this in liberals is celebrities. Celebrities drive me insane during election years be-cause they seem to think they have some duty to be loud and obnox ious supporters of anything against

Conservatives.

I was very tired of seeing Enter-tainment Tonight and Access Hol-lywood air coverage from democratic rallies in which multiple stars performed and donated time to attend. Don't get me wrong, it is fine for celebrities to support their presidential candidates, and I am not criticizing that. I am criticizing the fact that once the democratic coverage was over, these television "news" shows barely mentioned where President Bush was on his campaign trail before going to a commercial break. Call me crazy, but that doesn't seem too even or

This lack of "sportsmanship" on the part of televised programming coincides almost perfectly with Carolina fans. Carolina fans lack sportsmanship in almost every aspect of the word. When Carolina loses, most Carolina fans will argue that it was because Raymond Felton was out, as was the case in the Santa Clara game, or because the referees were bad, as was the case in the Duke game or the Wake Forest game, never because Caro-lina was simply outplayed.

When the election was over and the winner was announced, I heard many negative comments from those who supported John Kerry and John Edwards that sounded more like the excuses usually received from Carolina fans after a losing game.

One comment I found especially interesting came ironically from a Carolina student.

The comment stated that the reason President Bush won was because America is full of mindless bandwagon-joiners who are dragging our country down with them, not because he won fairly by a considerable margin. There is always an excuse that faults something other than Carolina's basketball team or liberal candidates.

As I stated earlier, my boyfriend goes to Carolina. We have dated for almost three years, and yes, I was dating him before he decided to go to there. I never thought I would find someone that has an almost perfectly compatible personality to

my own. We don't ever seem to get sick of each other, and yet, I can't seem to get far enough away from him when he is watching a Carolina

game.
I think Carolina fans have mul-

tiple-personality disorder. It's not fair either, because you can't tell anyone has this Carolina disease until you sit with them during a game. One minute, you are having a nice, relaxed conversation about how great the upcoming game is going to be, and the next minute, you are the most unintelligent disgrace to the human race for pulling for the team opposing Carolina.

For those people still reading this column even though they disagree

with every point I have made, I strongly urge you to stop reading now. For those people who agree with me, and think I have hit the nail precisely on the head, read on!

On one hand, most NCSU stu-dents will agree that during games Carolina fans are about the lowest form of human life. They whine about calls whether correct or in-correct, they yell at their friends for making innocent statements against Carolina and they wear that horrendous color.

On the other hand, many NCSU students will agree that during elections, liberals make naive judg-ments about why President Bush won, alienate their friends by being close-minded and mumble unnec essary statements whenever they

Carolina fans need to calm down. Nothing in their lives is go-ing to change if Carolina loses to Duke again, God willing. Unlike Carolina fans, most fans of other sports teams have enough character to win or lose with grace. Liber als need to get over the election, it's

President Bush will be the president for the next four years, and there is nothing they can do about it. They need to stop making com-ments during class and disrupting the flow of the professors thoughts, and start supporting the country as a whole.

There are many ways we can help our country, but this continuous animosity will only get us nowhere

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TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

GET IT TOGETHER

OUR OPINION: GREEK LIFE HAS, ONCE AGAIN, BEEN AT THE FOREFRONT OF CONTROVERSY. THE MEMBERS OF DELTA SIGMA PHI HAVE BEEN SHOWN FAVORITISM AND IT'S TIME FOR GREEK LIFE TO STEP UP TO BETTER STAN-DARDS. THE INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL SHOULD LEAD THE WAY,

Greek Life is at it again. But, this time, it's not just the fraternities

Sure, another fraternity has been allegedly hazing its members which is ironic in the wake of the fraternity instances from last fall. But the outcome of the recent incident will depend on Greek Life's other emotional baggage

Delta Sigma Phi — a fraternity that was found in violation of University policy against hazing last semester - has new members that the group wants to make an official part of its organization. So they appealed their violation and have been granted permission to initi-ate the pledges that didn't get that opportunity last semester. That's a problem.

The other fraternities found in the same violation have not appealed. Why? Because they didn't know they could. Such a process does not exist in writing.

Clearly, in order to be fair and consistent, Greek Life needs to go ahead and draft an appeals process so that all fraternities and sororities can be given an equal, fair chance.

What is even more disturbing, however, is the high-ranking alumni involvement in the process. Bob Kennel, the first president of the chapter at N.C. State and current candidate for the Board of Governors, has been involved with the investigation since November.

There is no coincidence that his direct involvement led to Delta Sig getting favorable treatment.

His involvement shows a blatant favoritism for one fraternity - not all of the troubled fraternities. He is quoted as saying, "We are prepared and planning to share what we did — how we got into it and how we got out of it — with the other fraternities." Given that he is running for the Board of Governors - a body that looks out for not one, but 16 campuses-they should be really concerned with someone who informs other fraternities methods of getting around a system.

Granted, it's admirable that he stands up for his fraternity, but this comes to a simple issue of right and wrong. His involvement without consideration for all of Greek Life shows that Delta Sigma Phi is obviously his priority — not the bigger picture. Every other fraternity is waiting. They shouldn't have to. The Interfraternity Council has been on the forefront of making a real and honest effort for change in the culture of Greek Life - whereas, after this situation, the administration is not.

The Interfraternity Council should swiftly move forward to demand a real answer. If the Offices of Greek Life and Student Affairs can't answer to their own studentrun governing bodies, what standards do they really uphold?

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What to look forward to during the week of Spring Break

"Have fun, be

safe, and re-

member, what

happens on

Spring Break,

stays on Spring Break."

Spring Break is almost here! The halfway point of the spring semester serves as the much needed break for students. Some choose to hop in a car or on a plane to relax at home for the week. Others choose to find a more ex-

otic location, whether Europe or the Caribbean. For many, the goal of Spring Break is simple: live it up and forget it all.

Recently it's been said that

Matt

what happens in Vegas, stays in Vegas. I once thought that about Hoboken, N.J. until that damn chick couldn't Campbell keep her mouth shut talking to her friends. Regardless, the kid isn't mine

No matter where you end up for this week-long reprieve, Spring Break has that Vegas attitude that no matter what happens, life will go on the next week as though nothing happened at all. People take advantage of this as men will stroll along the beaches looking for attention from the girls lathered in oil who are there looking for attention. At night, the drinks will come out. You know, water, soda, and juice. Oh geez, these drinks taste like burning.

But I like to consider this week before Spring Break as "Prep Week." The tanning salons around campus are bustling with business as women and questionable men hit the ar-

tificial tanning products for a head start. For instance, look at that orange girl sitting over there. Do you think she got that way from the blazing February sun? Maybe in Chernobyl. The campus gym and other

local fitness centers are at maximum capacity as college students look to lose those ex tra pounds in order to fit into that bikini. I haven't fit into my bikini since - ever, because I don't own one. I swear,

Campus eateries see a pick up in the consumption of salad and healthy sandwiches as the fried chicken and

honey-roasted lard take a back seat. Sensible people would eat right all the time or not at all. But many brave souls leave the diet to chance by relying on one week of fate so they can avoid one

I have avoided a diet but I do believe in a low

weight, high-rep workout plan. Sure, a half pound cheeseburger isn't that heavy, but I take at least a few bites and that's a lot of lifting.

At week's end, students will scatter across the nation and world in search of their Spring Break

Girls will set out to find a guy to help them forget about that guy back at school and guys will set out to find a girl that will help them forget that they don't have a girl at school. He buys her a drink Actually, he buys her both

drinks — and seven more.

The ladies go to the clubs to dance and let it all hang out. The guys go to the clubs because there are ladies dancing and, damn, that girl is really letting it ALL hang out. After a night of expensive drinks,

random hookups, itchy diseases, and many re grets, the next day is packed with more sun and more of the same.

Every morning is complete with stories that will never leave the room. Only your friends know about your hookup with Rachel and only you know that Rachel felt more like a Robert. But at the end of the week, as puffy-eyed champions crawl to the rest of the semester that is calling them back, many consider it all to be hundreds if not thousands of dollars well spent. The developing beer gut can be subsided and some Aloe Vera will take care of that peeling skin. No, no, not THAT peeling skin. Go see a

doctor.

For those of you going home, you are missing out. A \$49 ticket on Southwest Airlines for some home cooked meals and much needed sleep cannot compare to the glory of Spring Break. Try again next year. You are probably just saving your money, which is admirable.

For those of you with a ticket to an exotic

place, make sure you have taken advantage of the week. Sure, your life of gluttony has added some pounds and the stress of all-nighters has brought the hairline back a little bit, but if you start now, you can be primed and ready for all that is Spring Break. Have fun, be safe, and remember, what happens on Spring Break, stays on Spring Break. Well, except for that one time when you - oh, I'll save that for another time.

Let Matt know where you are going for Spring Break at viewpoint@technicianonline.com so he knows if he needs to avoid vou

Features

LIFE BEYOND

Westward

Sutyajeet Soneja, a recent graduate from N.C. State with a degree in biomedical engineering, will soon begin a job as an associate scientist in Kansas, a payoff for his years of volunteer and intern experience.

Nicole Black

Usually between the times of ostarly between the times of noon and 2 p.m. on weekdays, the peak viewing hours for elderly populations, the average viewer will most likely hear the phrase, "Order your Jazzy Powerchair today!"

while most college students could care less about senior mobility, Sutyajeet Soneja, a 2004 biomedical engineering graduate, dedicated his senior project to this cause.

Along with partners Nikki
Dinola and Scott Jarnagin,
Soneja created a wheelchair
that helped a man with cerebral
palsy wheel through the mulch
in his garden in his garden.
"He wanted to work in the

"He wanted to work in the garden, but could not get through because of the rocks and mulch — he can push himself now," Soneja says.

As a biomedical engineer, this project was just one of the numerous ways Soneja will be able to improve lives.

After looking for a job since.

After looking for a job since his graduation last May, he now has a job offer at Hills-Pet in Kansas, a company owned by Colgate, as an Associate Scien-

At Hills-Pet, Soneja will focus on pet nutrition and regu-lating animal diets. One of the main goals of his research will be to reverse osteoporosis in dogs. Hills-Pet is also working toward developing identifica-tion chips that can be implant-

Excited about his new career, Soneja hopes one day he will be doing research on his own,

perhaps after attaining a Ph.D. His freshman year, Soneja entered NCSU's engineering program, but knew he wanted to do something in the medical field. When Soneja first made up his mind that he wanted to be a biomedical engineer, he knew it was a fairly new field.





For his senior project, Sutyajeet Soneja designed a chair to help mobilize a cerebral paulsy patient. The chair his group designed was built in the pictured lab in Weaver Hall. It was designed to provide the patient with the ability to roll over mulch when gardening.

"I was concerned it would be

"I was concerned it would be hard to find a job," he says.

Discovering all that he could accomplish as a biomedical engineer, Soneja decided to stick with the program, despite his fears. "When you want to do something, you do it," he says.

Soneja graduated Cum Laude with a 3.39 GPA. He was given an award for the best senior de-

an award for the best senior de sign project by the faculty and his peers. This project included creating devices to guard and

monitor the nests of sea turtles. His dedication to the field, however, goes beyond the obli-gations of school and work. He is a member of the Na-

tional Biomedical Engineering Society, and attended a BME conference in Nashville, Tenn. He has also accumulated 600 hours of volunteer service at Carolinas Medical Center in

In 2003, Soneja interned at Quentiles Transactional, Inc

in Hawthorne, N.Y. where most of his work included technical writing. He also worked as a lab and community assistant for NCSU before graduating.

Soneja says biomedical engi-neering students are exposed to many different areas while in

college.
"We have a joke that we can't do anything specific, but a lot of little things. We have very

versatile courses," he says. Most of these classes include

engineering, biology and social

When asked about his future salary, Soneja estimates that he will be making about \$50,000. Undecided about graduate school, he says if he enjoys his job he will most likely find no

need to go.
Soneja advises that students get the most work experience they can while in school. "It's sort of a catch-22," he

Society expects students fresh from graduation to have work experience before they start their first job.

Hills-Pet requires employees to have two or more years of work experience related to bio-

work experience related to be engineering.
With today's highly competitive job market, Soneja proved he was steps ahead in his work, resulting in a job offer that many of his fellow graduates

TAKING ON THE JOB MARKET

Outlook good for biomedical engineering employment

Nicole Black

It is a question that has been asked since our first days of kindergarten, "What do you want

to be when you grow up?"

As children, we scanned our little brains for the few answers we knew, replying we wanted to be a doctor or a teacher. While both of these careers are hon-orable, there are now new and blossoming professions that are gaining more interest among today's students.
Perhaps when our children

are learning about future careers, they will hear more about

biomedical engineering.
N.C. State is well known for its College of Engineering, ranking the fifth largest in the nation. The biomedical engineering concentration was established here in the early 1990s.

Due to increased student interest, a separate degree program was developed in 2001, which is conjoined with the program at UNC-Chapel Hill.

Biomedical engineers combine knowledge in disciplines such as biology and medicine with engineering to develop medical devices and equipment. At NCSU, students have the chance to participate in different laboratories and get hands-on experi-ence. Some of these laboratories include breast-imaging, cell mechanics and cardiac electro-

The breast-imaging lab con ducts research for women who have breast cancer, as well as

other breast problems.

In the cell mechanics lab, students learn to understand the causes and effects of cell for the control of the cause and effects of cell for the cause an function and differentiation. Students look at electric stimu lation in the tissue of the heart in

cardiac electrophysiology. NCSU biomedical engineering students are required to do a se-nior project and make a Web site about it. Some of the most recent

projects dealt with ultrasound technology, artificial organs and biomaterials. The created Web sites give the history, ap-plications and ethical issues of

each of the projects.
While the thought of saving and improving numerous lives might give students reason enough to be a biomedical engineer, the salary isn't too shabby either.

either.
According to the U.S. De partment of Labor, the median annual earnings of biomedical engineers were \$60,410 in 2002, with the middle 50 percent earning between \$58,320 and 88,830. The lowest 10 percent earned less than \$48,450, but the highest 10 percent earned more than \$107,520.

In 2003, the U.S. Department of Labor also found that graduates with a bachelor's degree re-ceived starting offers averaging at \$39,126, while graduates with a master's were offered \$61,000. Biomedical engineers held about 7,600 jobs in 2002. About 38 percent of these jobs were for manufacturing companies, primarily pharmaceutical and medical instrument production. Many others were employed by hospitals and government agen-

But just how easy is it for bio medical engineering graduates to find a job?

According to Carol Schroeder of NCSU's Career Center, many graduates have to start out with internships after graduation.

Sometimes what seems to be the credit in the news isn't always what happens," Schroeder says. Yousif Alkadhi, a 2004 gradu-

ate in biomedical engineering, started out with an internship at Quentiles, a pharmaceutical

company.
According to Alkadhi, finding a job is not as easy as it sounds, stating that he knows fellow graduates that are now working in restaurants and "selling linge-rie at Victoria's Secret." Alkadhi

plans to go to medical school.

As many as 50 percent of students in some biomedical engineering programs go to medical school, according to the Biomedical Engineering Society. Some students prefer to ensure that into the biomedical constraints into the biomedical school. go straight into the biomedical engineering job market after graduation.

Neel Naik, in an interview with The Daily Northwestern of Northwestern University, would rather be making money than spending it in medical school.

"While you're in medical school spending \$50,000 to work extremely hard, all your friends are going to be making \$50,000 and having the times of

their lives," Naik says.

Most reports, such as the ones on university Web sites and from employment surveys, suggest that the job outlook for biomedical engineers is excellent. The Whitaker Foundation supports research and education in biomedical engineering and has

many jobs posted on its Web site concerning the field. Some of these job opportuni-ties include professor positions, research assistants, directors of project developments and MRI scientists. North Carolina does have job opportunities listed on

The Biomedical Engineering
Society said the future demand for biomedical engineers will increase by 31.4 percent though the year 2010, which is double the of all other jobs combined.

The U.S. Department of Labor attributes the rise to an increase in the elderly population of the United States, which in turn increases the demand for new medical instruments.

Biomedical engineering is an expanding field for one inter-ested in combining the aspects of medicine and design. More information can be found at NCSU's biomedical engineering page (bme.ncsu.edu) under student resources.

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to prepare for these things," Engle said. "When you get your shot, you step up and do it."

First baseman Aaron Bates also had a strong day, going 2-for-4 at the plate with two doubles and four RBI.

After the run for the Spartans with two outs in the second inning, the Pack pitching staff combined to limit UNCG to five hits and no

runs.

No player for the Spartans had more than one hit in the game as the team went a collective 7-for-33 exists (true sitching).

against State pitching.

Joey Devine pitched the ninth inning for the Pack and had two strikeouts.

Devine said that the after Satur-

Devine said that the after Saturday's setback, the team wanted to get back to the feelings of winning.

"The feelings we had after that ECU game, we don't want to be back in that situation," Devine said. "We

just came out with the effort and intensity to get ourselves back on track with a win."

Avent said that getting back on the

field was an important opportunity to leave the weekend behind and build momentum for this coming weekend's series at Miami.

He said that the team had actually been excited about the opportunity to play on Sunday before its game against West Virginia was rained

out.
"We were actually looking forward to playing Sunday morning down in Charleston [S.C.] against West Virginia," Avent said. "[After] a tough loss like that, you're anxious to get back on the field. It showed today."
On a blistering cold day when snow

On a blistering cold day when snow flurries were in the air at gametime, Avent said that his team showed resilience in rising to the challenge.
"Our guys played very, very hard on a tremendously tough day to play," Avent said.

Staff Writer Patrick Clarke contributed to this story.



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Walking in Herb's shoes

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know what it's like to be Herb Sendek. My coaching experi-ence didn't

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happen at a big-time
program, though. It happened on the hardwood at the Central
YMCA where I coached the Mavericks, a high school boys basketball team.

basketball team.

The makeup of the Mavericks was ironically similar to the N.C. State basketball squad.
Quentin was the playmaker, cutting through defenders like Julius Hodge to make a difficult layup. Ward was the shooter, often draining 3-pointers from well beyond the arc like Engin Atsur, which forced the Engin Atsur, which forced the defense to come out and guard.

Drew, George, Patrick and Reeves were my inside guys. All four were undersized but hustled and ripped rebounds

away from bigger players.

Bradford, the finesse player, took more hook shots in one game than Ilian Evtimov has this season. Most went astray, but all those misses were worth it to see one go in the basket.

Jack, Paula and Michael were my wreckless guards off the

John, a late addition, brought charisma to the Mavericks. Maybe it was the pink knee high socks and purple shorts that struck fear in opposing teams' hearts. Maybe it was the wind breaker he wore that was surely stolen from a closet at a nursing home. Either way, he brought swagger that no one else could emulate.

The only player missing was Temple coach John Chaney's "goon." What I'm trying to say is, we had some talent.

But just like Herb, the Mavs got off to a sluggish start. We started the season 0-2, including a 25-point loss to the blue team. I'm pretty sure they were better than St. Johns, though.

Nonetheless I took some heat, mainly from myself after enduring such crushing losses. I also felt a little snubbed by my assistant coach because he opted out of one game to attend the Super Bowl.

Amid controversy, the Mavericks persevered. Like the Pack, we picked up the de-fensive intensity to defeat the green team. The implications were huge. It guaranteed we wouldn't be the last seed in the

But we couldn't capital ize. After a back-and-forth struggle against the No. 3 seed purple team in the first round of the playoffs, our lack of height proved too costly and ended our upset bid.

Then my real season began. I had to assure myself of a coach ing spot next year. Forget the little people, I needed to impress the parents. Surely their support would buy me another season.

Michael's dad shook my hand after the playoff loss, surely feeling the pain from the tight-ness of my handshake. After taking a team photo, Reeves' mom gave me a big hug before

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BASEBALL

Pack humbles Spartans'spirit

N.C. STATE SCORS SIX RUNS IN THE THIRD INNING TO PULL AWAY FROM UNCG

One inning is all it took.

N.C. State scored six runs in the third inning — forcing UNC-Greesnboro pitcher Patrick Currin from the game — to up its record to 10-2 with an 11-1

victory.
State sophomore Gib Hobson pitched five innings, scattering five hits and one run, to earn his third win in four starts this season.

Hobson (3-0) said that coach Elliott Avent expressed to the team the need to bounce back from Saturday's 13-1 defeat against East Carolina.

"Coach preaches try not to lose more than one in a row," Hobson said. "It was important for us to bounce back and have a good game.

Coming off of the stinging loss to the in-state rival Pirates, State was able to recapture its swing against another in-

It was the second time in three home games that the Pack used a six-run in-ning to rally for a victory.

Coach Avent said that scoring is often an emphasis for his team and that it puts

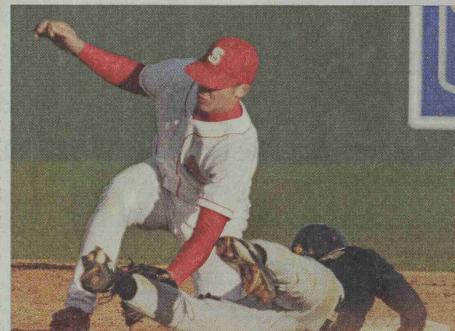
pressure on opponents that can lead to such big innings.

"We talk about trying to score in four or more innings. If you score in four or more innings, one of them's liable to culminate in a big inning," Avent said. "We've had a few of those, and it's nice

to get that six-spot."

Avent added that the six runs were important in squelching the confidence of the Spartans, who fell to 5-3 on the

season.
"The longer UNCG keeps the lead, they're gonna start to play a little harder. They're gonna start to play a little better,"



Second baseman Ramon Corona tags out a UNCG base runner attempting to steal second during Tuesday's game at Doak Field.

State leadoff hitter Matt Camp did not start after his ejection from Saturday's loss to ECU, but he came in as a pinch Right fielder Chris Engle provided

plenty of help in his place.
Engle was 3-for-5 with three singles, one RBI and two runs scored.

He said that it was matter of working

hard and waiting his turn to step into

the lineup.
"You work hard in practice every day

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MEN'S TENNIS

Taking the college route to the pros

Nick Cavady, a freshman from England, has helped guide State to a 10-0 record

Josh Harrell

Everything is bigger in

From the fast-food restaurants lining Western Boulevard and Hillsborough Street, to the over-flowing stands of Carter-Finley Stadium on fall Saturdays and the sardined atmosphere of the student section at the RBC

These are things that freshman Nick Cavaday noticed on his first trip to the United States, where "bigger is better." But they are all things that enhanced his overall experience here, just as he helped to enhance the Wolfpack tennis team to a 10-0 record going into ACC competition.

into ACC competition.

Cavaday made his first trip to the United States last December to compete in a tournament in Florida. The N.C. State coach-ing staff went to see him there after already seeing him once in Europe.

"There was something that separated Nick from everyone else at the competition," assistant coach Matt Halfpenny said. I remember calling coach [lon Choboy] and telling him 'I've found our guy.

According to Halfpenny, that one thing was maturity. At an age where much of the competition will throw their rackets and yell, Cavaday always kept his cool and took care of business. After seeing him play both



N.C. State freshman Nick Cavaday is one of two players from England playing for coach Jon Choboy. Cavaday attended State because "I want to be as good as I can, and that's why I chose the college route."

in England and in Florida, the coaching staff decided to ask Cavaday to come up for a recruiting visit that eventually sold him on the Wolfpack.

"When I came out here, my recruiting trip was really well done, the two days just went by so quickly, because everything they did was done so profes sionally," Cavaday said. "Me and Jon [Choboy] really had the same kind of vision of what

This vision is to ultimately become a pro tennis player, a goal that Cavaday has dreamed of since a child playing minitennis with a sponge ball on badminton courts with his friends in London.

"I do believe, without any question, that he is going to be one of the best players in the ACC over the course of his career and can play even higher level after college,' Choboy said.

Many promising young tennis players choose to skip the college professional ranks. But Cavaday chose to go to college for various reasons, the main one being that

"I want to be as good as I can, and that's why I chose the college route, because I felt as though I being at college than if I was at " Cavaday said.

But that's not to say that while

high hopes for State tennis. On the contrary, Cavaday said he believes this talented of a team is bound to do great things and put the Pack back on the tennis

map.
"When I got here, I realized how good we actually are, and what we can achieve, said. "I just want to help the team achieve that."

Cavaday knew some of his Raleigh last semester.

Junior Will Shaw and his family, who, like Cavaday, hail from England, were influential in both Cavaday's interest in State, and the coaching staff in-terest in Cavaday. He has come

Men's Tennis vs. Duke

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to respect the elder leaders of the team, such as Shaw and senior captain/fellow foreigner Conor Taylor.
Cavaday's style is reminiscent

of Mighty Mouse, as the small firecracker of an Englishman leaps into the air and explodes on the ball with each forehand

"My forehand shot has changed quite a bit since I have been here," Cavaday said. "But been here," Cavaday said. "But I think it has progressed for the

From the passion that Cavaday brings to his game comes a commitment that is obvious to him and others. One such test of this commitment came in a tournament in India where Cavaday had come down with food poisoning. He was forced to play through stomach pains and dizziness to help his partner

win a goubles championship.

"A lot of teams want to tell you everything that is wrong with them, but this team doesn't talk about that," Choboy said.
"Everyone is tired, but these guys don't care, and Nick just fits right in with the rest of that

group."
Coaches and players agree will lead to great things for both him

'When Nick goes on the court he, in a very non-arrogant way, believes he is going to beat you," Choboy said. "He pays you respect, but he knows what he is capable of. That's what separates Nick."



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