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Raleigh, North Carolina

STUDENT GOVERNMENT Pro-Tem impeachment back on table

Tyler Dukes

Student Senate passed a mo-tion Wednesday night to re-verse the decision to suspend the impeachment resolution for Student Senate Pro-Tempore Patrick Cleary.

Patrick Cleary.

The motion, which passed 28–8 in the Senate, effectively reactivates the resolution in the Senate's Government Operations Committee, which voted Sunday to suspend the impeachment bill indefinitely.

The resolution for Cleary's impeachment originated from accusations of voucher theft during the 2004 football season.

The motion, made by Sen. Erich Fabricius, will force the Government Operations Committee to report on the impeachment legislation to the full Senate either favorably or unfavorably by

"The only way to reach closure on this incident is for the Senate

on this incident is for the Senate to force the issue to come forward," Fabricius said.

According to Cleary, however, the outcome of the committee's debate on the impeachment legislation will not change.

"In the end, it's going to find the same result," Cleary said. "I would prefer not to deal with it anymore, but if that's the way it anymore, but if that's the way it has to be, I can deal with it."

Cleary also explained hir reservations about continuing to focus on the punitive process, particularly he said, when the Office of Student Conduct would

be capable of doing so instead.
"This is important, but there are other people that can do this," Cleary said. "We are the Senate and we need to focus on student rights."

The Senate also moved forward in the other impeachments and censures tied to the theft of vouchers, voting in the affirmative to initiate impeachment trials for senators Scott Ste-phenson and Adriadn Ortega, as well as censure for senators Heath Spivey, Sarah Thornton and Erin Lam.

GREEK LIFE

Hazing placed 'on trial'

The Office of Greek Life sponsored an event to address the negative aspects of hazing

Rebecca Heslin

The Campus Cinema was nearly filled to capacity last night by members of Greek organizations – and it's not even Greek Week yet. Thirty percent of each Greek

organization was mandated to attend the "Hazing on Trial" sponsored by Greek Life. In the last two years alone, five

fraternities have been suspended because of hazing, according to Shelly Brown Dobek, associate director of Greek Life.

National Hazing Prevention Week is scheduled for Sept. 26-30, but due to the influx of fraternities suspended for hazing on this campus, this event couldn't wait any longer, she said.

The last fraternity temporarily suspended pending haz-ing charges was Tau Kappa Epsilon. That suspension has since been lifted and the Of-fice of Student Conduct is not issuing any charges, according

to John Mountz, director of Greek Life. Dave Westol, the executive

director to Theta Chi frater-nity and keynote speaker at "Hazing on Trial," delivered a fiery speech about the negative aspects of hazing in the Greek

community.
"If hazing truly worked, our hazing chapters would be the best," Westol said. "Instead,

Westol went on to compare the mentality fraternity mem-bers have about their pledges to being "human Playstations," by explaining that brothers have

fun at the expense of the

pledges.

"Hazers are not complete people," Westol said. "Hazers lie."

According to Westol, the entire pledging process is a lie if hazing is involved. He said when a brother that hazes tells a pledge he will always be there for him, he only means he'll be there until he hazes him.

"I love fraternities and so-rorities—it's my job," Westol said. "But I know this—every case I've seen in hazing is lack-

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FOUNDER'S DAY



Stephanie Canady, sophomore in communication, shows off the posterboard detailing N.C. State's history to Brooke Beasley, also a sophomore in communication. Canady, a student ambassador, helped organize the Founder's Day event.

STUDENT LIFE

Talley gets gaming boost

Student Center basement now has Xboxes, PS2s, and à PC available for students

Rob Bradley

Students on their way to get a meal at the Wolves Den may have noticed a void in the base-ment of Talley Student Center where several arcade machines

To fill that void, the Wolves Den now boasts two Xboxes, two Playstation 2s and an Internet gaming PC

'It's pretty cool," said Emily Hanhan, a sophomore in tex-tiles, while using the gaming PC for her first time on Mon day. "It's different.

In the current game room setup, the Xboxes and PS2s connect to 32 and 27 inch

TVs, respectively, with seating

for four at each console.

The gaming PC is a custom-built computer with an Athlon 64-bit processor, IGB of RAM, 256MB of video memory, a 19 inch LCD display and headset, according to technology support analyst Jason Petters. Students can check out games

and controllers at no cost, or they can bring their own. The games currently available are Halo 2 for Xbox and Madden runs Counter-Strike: Source and Half-Life 2.

The Xboxes and PS2s are networked, making 8-player games of Halo 2 possible. Don Patty, business director

for the student centers, said the game room is in a free promotional period this semester.

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'Summer of Chaos' imminent

Josh Harrell

University Architect Michael Harwood calls it the "summer of chaos."

The amount of construction that will take place when most students are off enjoying their summer break will be unlike

any other.
"There is really going to be an unprecedented amount of work that's going to be going on this summer," Harwood said. "There is such a wide variety of areas being covered which just makes this whole project huge."
Some of the projects started

this summer will be finished before the fall semester, while others will carry over into the new school year, such as the renovation of the east wing of D.H. Hill.

The computer area in the East Wing will be completely renovated to have more room and tables for students to study in," Harwood said. "Right now we're making sure it's all in the budget, but it should start in June and carry through next school year."

The emptiness of the present East Wing is something that most students are not thrilled with, but would appreciate a renovation, such as the one that will be taking place this

summer. "Right now it looks like they just took everything out and put about \$10,000 worth of bean bags just to fill the place up," David Joyner, a sopho-more in civil engineering said. "Downstairs and the second floor Unity lab are always so crowded, so another computer lab addition would be great.

Arguably the biggest change that will be taking place on campus is the complete destruc-

tion of Riddick Stadium.
"We are now working on emptying out the stadium, and then it will be completely demolished," Harwood said. "When students come back in August it will no longer be

This gives extra room for the

School of Design, and even bet-

School of Design, and even better, in some design students' opinions, no more noise coming from the construction.

"When you are inside a building doing work it's not so bad," Rhonda Lewis, a freshman in architecture, said. "But when you are outside working on a project, the noise is very, very disturbing. Plus it would be good to have the stadium knocked down, because it looks kind of tacky with just half the bleachers just sitting there," bleachers just sitting there,' Lewis added.

But the extra space will not last for long, as the eventual replacement of Harrelson Hall will begin to take shape where old stadium currently

Aside from the usual summer duties of dorm renovation details, there are many other major projects happening this summer. Construction will start on both the Free Expression Tunnel to provide handi-cap access and a softball and

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MSA holds Islamic **Awareness** Week

Muslim Students Association holds lectures and comedy show to raise awareness of Islam

Daniel Clark

Throughout the week, the Muslim Student Association has planned daily events that it hopes

will appeal to both Muslims and non-Muslims alike. "We're really trying to look as friendly as possible, a lot of people are uncomfortable with Islam, and we want them to know it is just a monotheistic religion like Christianity or Ju-daism," Sarah Oraby, a freshman in materials engineering and publicist for the MSA, said.

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The organization put on an
"Intro to Islam" workshop on
Monday, a lecture entitled "Experiences of a Muslim Convert"
on Tuesday, and aired a documentary of the Prophet Muhammad on Wednesday night.
"The turnout was small on

"The turnout was small on Monday, but better on Tuesday," Oraby said. "We expect a real big showing for the comedy show on Friday."

Tonight, the MSA will host a lecture titled "World Affairs: An Islamic Perspective" at 6:30 p.m. in Harrelson 320. Guest speaker Hisham Sarsour will speak at the event, which will address world affairs and how Islam views and

affairs and how Islam views and addresses these issues.

For Friday night, the MSA will bring the "Allah Made Me Funny" tour to Nelson Hall, a "coalition" of traveling Muslim comedians Azhar Usman, Preacher Moss, and Azeem Muhammad. The show will start at 7:30 p.m. and student tickets are \$10 if bought from one of the MSA's officers ahead of time, or \$15 at the door.

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To end the week, the organization will have its annual MSA Night, an evening of dinner and entertainment featuring guest speaker Dawud Wharnsby. The event will start at 6:30 p.m. at the McKimmon Center. Tickets are \$15, and may be bought from MSA officers or at the Islamic Center of Raleigh after Friday prayers up until the show.

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According to the organization's website, the primary goals of the MSA are to educate students and staff about Islam, and to provide

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Biker injured in Dan Allen crash

Rebecca Heslin

A midmorning bike ride ended in a painful collision for one student Tuesday.

Adam Lowder, a senior in horticultural technology, was traveling on the sidewalk along Dan Allen Drive toward the Health Center when the accident

occurred.
"A facilities truck was turning

left into Hodges Labs and the biker failed to yield and ran into a truck," Sgt. Jon Barnwell of Campus Police said.

Campus Police responded to the incident and Lowder was transported to Wake Med

"[Lowder] suffered some [Lowder] suffered some injury to his facial area," Barnwell said. "He was con-scious, but did receive some serious injuries to the face."

Muslims a chance to meet and

learn on and off campus. With the mosque right

down the road, we really have a large, tight community,' Oraby said.

Officers will be attending each event to offer informa-tion about the MSA. Alternatively, the organization sets up an information table called the Dawah table every Wednesday in the Brickyard, or Talley Student Center in adverse weather.

soccer stadium as a part of Derr Track, which will take about a year. Projects that will finish Clark Labs and the Steam Plant, which may be finished by next

With the halting of construction of the Catalano Pavilion, plans for the Court of North Carolina will be further de-layed. Most students agree, though, that the school doesn't need to take action on such a controversial topic.
"I really think they should wait

for some kind of a unanimous decision on that so the number of people upset won't be so high,

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Joyner said.
Despite the construction of the pavilion, there is an exorbitant amount of work to be done by construction crews this summer, but according to Harwood, it all falls in line with where they need "Hopefully people will see that we have a gameplan for how we want to attack every-thing this summer," Harwood said. "There's a lot that going to be going on, but it will defi-nitely benefit the students in the future."

HAZE

ing that one person to stand up and say it's wrong."
While the fiery nature of the

presentation got the attention of the audience, some disagreed with Westol's tactics.

"Yelling at a group of college students doesn't seem like the best way to solve a hazing problem," Kelly Schwartz, a junior in communication, said.

While the growing number of hazing incidents on campus do seem to have students concerned everyone agree that the solution will be no small feat.

"Hazing has become a pressing issue on campus that needs to be addressed in order for Greek Life to improve," Tyler Helikson, a sophomore in communication, said. "[Westol] made some examples that hit home with a lot of Greek organizations, however noticeable change is going to take

Westol concluded by explaining that it's going to take people stepping up and admitting that hazing is indeed wrong for a change to take place.

"One of the casualties of hazing is that you think it's a secret – it's not," Westol said. "You're dumb if you think it is."

"If all goes well, I'd like to see a full 16-player [Local Area Network]," technology support analyst Jason Petters said.

Student affairs removed the ar-

cade games, according to Patty, when the university disassociated itself from the owner of the machines, Raleigh Amusements,

because of a federal investigation

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GAME

Currently, Talley Student Center administration is creating price models for Internet gaming n taking surveys to see what students like and want to see in the future.

Patty said no plans exist to charge students for using the

console gaming.
"We really want to be able to give the students something they can utilize whenever the want to with no cost involved,

Patty said. \$2500-3000 in student fees paid for the initial equipment

Patty said a modest charge for Internet gaming using the PCs is necessary because of the higher cost of the systems and the monthly licensing fee for the

software used. Any charges for using the gaming systems would not go towards profits, Patty said.
"Whatever we make on this

thing, we're going to pile it back into the system," Patty said. "We're not going to take the money and run."

There is room for future expansion of the game room, with eight empty tables next to the current setup.
"The expansion really depends

on the students and how much it is used and what they tell us,"

because of a federal investigation for electronic gambling.
Soloana Ingram, a student center employee who works in the game room, said more people use the game room now that the arcade games are gone and a lot of students ask her questions about the game room.
'It think it's going to be really "I think it's going to be really popular," she said.

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GRADUATION SPEAKER APPLICATIONS DUE MID-MARCH

APPLICATIONS DUE MID- MARCH Students interested in being the student speaker in May's graduation should turn in the requested form by March 17. The form is a valiable online at www.ncsu.edu/registrar/graduation/application.pdf. The speech's maximum length is five minutes, and tryouts to choose the speaker will take place on March 22 at 7 p.m before the Commencement Advisory Council.

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CALENDAR

Islamic Awareness Week: Multi-reli-gious panel with Asian week sponsors and guest speaker Saad Qadry in Har-relson 320 from 6-10 p.m.

SATURDAY
Muslim Student Association's MSA
Night 6 p.m. at the McKimmon Center. The evening will have dinner
and entertainment as well as guest
speaker Dawud Wharnsby, Tickets are
\$15 from any MSA officer and can also
be purchased at the Islamic Center of
Raleigh after Friday prayers up until the
show on Saturday.

LAKE WHEELER INVITATIONAL CREW REGATA
The NCSU Crew Team will host Ohio State, UNC-Chapel Hill, Florida State, Wake Forest and Old Dominion in the first-ever Lake Wheeler Invitational Regata. The regata is from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Parking is available off the main entrance to Lake Wheeler and the event is free to watch. Directions can be found on the NCSU Crew Web site, www.wolfpackrowing.com.

MONDAY, MARCH 21
Edward Albee, one of America's preeminent playwrights, will deliver the 2005
Harrelson Lecture. Albee received three
Pulltzer Prize awards for A Delicate Bal-ance (1966), Seascape (1974), and Three
Tall Women (1991). His most recent play,
The Goat, or Who is Sylvia? received the
Tony Award for Best Play in 2002.
The 2005 Harrelson Lecture is free and
open to the public, and will take place
at 3 p.m. in Stewart Theatre. A reception
will follow in the Grand Ballroom. The
event is cosponsored by the University
Scholars Program and Arts N.C. State.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31 CHASS 2005 International Connections Week: "The Global Within: Exploring North Carolina's Changing Identity," The focus will be on examining the impact of cultural, economic and politi-cal globalization on North Carolina by

2005 North Carolina Federation of College Republicans Spring State Convention. The convention will be held in Raleigh, NC, at the Hilton North Raleigh on April 1-3, 2005. Complete and detailed convention information can be found at www.ncfcr.org.

POLICE BLOTTER

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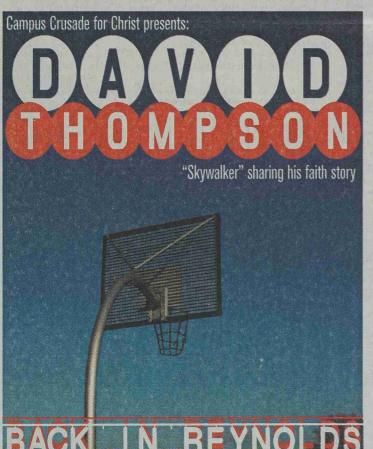


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A not-so-modest proposal for

Today on my way to class I realized that winter must really be fading and the good weather returning; the preachers have reemerged! I don't know which one he was, but his chosen topic of the day was, to no surprise, the "abomination" that is homosexuality. I listened for the thirty seconds that I had, and then as I resumed my stroll I began thinking about the fact that the only public speakers we seem to have in our courtyards are preachers. Yes, lusually disagree with them (especially on the aforementioned issue), but I am not by any means repulsed by them.

What I am sick of is the fact that on a campus so renowned for its diversity, the most frequent public exposure we receive with regard to societal order is so blatantly one sided — staunch Christianity. Thus my call to arms to the strictly scientifically minded out there who believe in their convictions as strongly as the preachers do: speak up!

How about a Brickyard duel of wits once in a while? I can't think of anything better that might spark an intellectual debate

n what I believe to be an intellectually stagnating environment. I am aware that "stagnating" is a fairly loaded term; certainly, there are many who have strong feelings one way or the other on a myriad of issues, but the crux of my complaint is that I just don't see any of this occurring in a publicly thriving manner, which is where it matters most.

As an example. I refer to Michael Moore.

a publicly thriving manner, which is where it matters most.

As an example, I refer to Michael Moore, Personally, I really, really don't like most of his opinions, I think some of his work could be considered as propaganda and his fiscal liberalism tends to make me nauseous. However, labsolutely love what the guy does, because he likes to get a national conversation going. This conversation is essential, particularly on a college campus. We are in the South, where the predominant religion is Christianity, so it makes sense that a good deal of the activism around campus is tied to it, but i refuse to believe that the minority who don't follow this movement are content to lie down, allow their voices to be muted, and simply chalk the circumstances up to environment.

It's your Brickyard, too. Put some of your

Bill Buchanan Nuclear engineering

Required diversity class an option

option

In response to the Viewpoint editorial,
"Practice and Preach," I wanted to share
some experiences with diversity, especially
on our campus. While it may be a stated
goal of the University to promote diversity,
that alone does not make students
want to attend events such as those
apart of Islamic Awareness Week. It is an
unfortunate reality on our campus: most
students don't have a yearning desire to
learn about other cultures. These students
may need an incentive. If this incentive
were academic credit, I have a feeling the
MSAS hard work in organizing these events
would have paid off.
The University should take a hard look
at a required one-hour diversity class for

at a required one-hour diversity class for freshmen.

Mital Patel Senior Computer science

When men become gods

Whenever I have a lot of time on my hands, I fall into the dangerous



Daniel Underwood

week, during spring break I was afforded time for my own good. Originally I had planned to go either to Florida or to New break; but, not

being one to break tradition, all my plans went break tradition, all my plans went swirling down the drain. And in the absence of having anything fun or useful to do with my time, I just luxuriated all week long — I slept late, read all day, and just generally did nothing of any great invordid nothing of any great impor-

As I spent each day doing prac-tically nothing, I found myself growing sickeningly bored. With time being a newly discovered commodity, I started doing a lot of thinking. One question that kept banging on my mind's door was how God could keep from being bored. If God is, as the common perception goes, infinitely knowl edgeable and infinitely powerful, just what would he do with his time? It is no mental exercise to see that he would have no use for many of the petty occupiers of our time. With no belly to fill, he would not need to work. Being the creator of nature, I can not imagine Him gaining much from cracking open a physical chemistry textbook or thumbing through the pages of "Discover" magazine. And he who set the planets in motion, could hardly benefit from a brisk jog or a sweat-breaking session at the local gym.

To many, these thoughts may be but further flag-posts of my own encroaching lunacy; but I was in-trigued by this thought. After all, we so often assume the problem with the boredom, or more ap-

propriately, the meaninglessness in our lives stems from simply a lack of power or money: "If I only had a million dollars! Or, maybe if I could just go back in time and undo some of the wrong choices I made in life, then I would be hap-py!" There is always "something" which we hope would bring fulfill-

which we hope would bring fulfillment to our lives.
But I would suggest that if we single-handedly had the power of Joseph Stalin, the personal fortune of Bill Gates, and the charisma of Deepak Chopra, we would still only live for poors. And oursely God only lust for more. And surely God is in possession of even greater than these. So how does God avoid boredom, how does he remain inventive and imaginative in the murmuring stillness of the infini-tude to which is he is the natural

Perhaps one of the most powerful men of the last 100 years was Joseph Stalin, a man responsible for the murder of more than 20 million people. What was the end result of his megalomania? Stalin's daughter, Svetlana Alliluyeva, says this of her father on his deathbed: "[He] opened his eyes and cast a glance over everyone in the room glance over everyone in the room [...] He suddenly lifted his left hand as though he were pointing to something above and bringing down a curse on us all [...] after a final effort, the spirit wrenched itself free of the flesh." Stalin's final act was a stubborn clenched fist, waited they have the state of the flesh raised toward the heavens.
Ernest Hemingway, one of the

20th century's most influential writers, was considered by many a brilliantly articulate and enlightsuccess and talent could not keep him from the alcoholism which ultimately drove him to suicide. No amount of fame, powe success can constitute a fulfilling

existence.
Like many kids, when I was younger I used to play a lot of video games. And possibly also like many kids, I was an extremely impatient youngster. After playing a game for

an hour or so, I would usually end-up searching for the "cheat codes" online. With these cheat codes, suddenly I became a master. I was invincible, had unlimited ammo, and knew where all the secrets were to be found. In one moment, I

gained everything.

But the excitement lasts for a short while. With nothing to conquer and nothing to strive for, playing becomes pointless and

Rest assured, I realize those were just games. But they are, to me, a strikingly succinct illustration of my point: we were never designed to be all-powerful, never intended to be "gods" ourselves. Boundaries, hardships and, yes, even accountability are fundamental facets of our humanity. Rest assured, I realize those were our humanity.

We live on a planet chaperoned by the sun, a star at the center of our universe, which gives us light and heat to live, binds our planets in orbit, and yet is blinding to look upon. The sun is literally, in many senses, at the center of our existence, yet we cannot look at it with our naked eyes or approach it with our bodies.

One of the supreme messages for all the ages of mankind is that there is a god who is greater than us, who transcends our nature, and apart from whose existence our lives lose their entire frame of reference; and we have been given the sun as a reminder. The symbolism in nature is so clear and undeni-able as to leave the supermen of

our time without excuse.

We are but spokes on a wheel.

We turn about the center of the by the centrifugal force of our own boundless aspirations into a chaos of self-liberation and autonomy where we know neither who we are nor in whom we derive the essence of life — we would be as at-home with ourselves as a fish in the des-

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TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

RAISE IT FOR THE MISSION'S SAKE

OUR OPINION: TOMORROW, THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS WILL BE DECIDING WHETHER OR NOT TO INCREASE OUT-OF-STATE TUITION FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR, N.C. STATE NEEDS MONEY TO SUPPORT ITS GROWTH, AND HERE IS ITS OPPORTUNITY. THE UNIVERSITY CAN GROW WITH A SIMPLE 'YES' FROM THE BOG, AND IT'S IMPORTANT THAT STUDENTS AND ADMINISTRA-TORS CAN REACH A COMMON GROUND. THIS IS IT.

Proposed tuition increases have taken a new turn. Earlier this semester, the Board of Governors voted to freeze in-state tuition for the upcoming academic year not an unreasonable vote given the consistency of rising tuition for the last half-decade or so.

But campus-initiated out-of-state tuition increases are still being considered and will be voted on by the Board of Governors tomorrow.

The N.C. State Board of Trustees requested a \$300 tuition increase for out-of-state undergraduate students and for all graduate students. So what should the BOG decide for NCSU's tuition future?

Increase out-of-state for sure. Doing so would generate approximately \$700,000 for the University to use at its will. With more than 50 percent of the proposed tuition increase money off the table, we need as much money as we can get to offset what - if any - budget cuts we may incur. The money, as most UNC chancellors claim, would be used for providing competitive faculty salaries and keeping sections smaller and high in quantity.

This would only be a 2 percent increase in out-of-state tuition, which is the equivalent of a mere \$68 increase for in-state tuition.

The mission of the University should be to provide education for North Carolina residents first. That is the primary focus; thus, an increase to out-of-state students is under different guidelines than an increase for in-state students.

In-state students pay tuition, but they also pay taxes to the state. Since they pay these taxes, their tuitions are and should be much cheaper.

Some of the money they pay in taxes comes back to the University and on a larger scale, the UNC system. Not to mention the state constitutional requirement that ensures higher education for North Carolinians for "free as practicable.

Also, out-of-state tuition is high already - non-North Carolina residents currently pay slightly more than \$15,000 to attend this University. And if a student can come up with \$15,000 to pay for school then another \$300 is within the realm of possibility.

The University can always use money for something and this will guarantee an amount that can be worked with since in-state tuition dollars will not generate anything

NCSU still wants - still needs - to grow. Here's the money to do so.

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An affirmative-action policy based on class, not race

Affirmative action is an ethical and political issue that separates Americans more than it unites them. It is commonly agreed upon that mething must be done to help advance women and minorities; however, the



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manner in which this must be done is the true subject of debate.

To guarantee greater fairness in education and the workplace, and to maintain and promote diversity, af-firmative-action programs should be mended, rather than ended. It is proposed that the program should provide preferences on the basis

of economic disadvantage rather than strictly on

the basis of race or gender. Despite the current flaws with the program, the intent behind its creation is nece honorable. The program's purpose, to remedy the past effects of discrimination against women and minorities, is absolutely essential to establishing an equal society. The past of the United States, in respect to civil rights, is disgraceful. The hardships and unfair segregation that women and minorities were forced to endure

continue to affect them today, especially in the

field of education and the workplace.

Affirmative action helps to increase the pe centage of minorities in positions to which they previously had no access. It must be continued as a means of compensating women and minorities for the past historical discrimination which has hindered their advancement. However, the current condition and practices of the program are

in need of alteration. While affirmative action is designed to rectify racism and reverse the effects of both past and present discrimination, in its existing state it arguably creates another form of discrimination, arguany creates another form of discrimination, giving one group extra advantages based upon their skin color. The program justifies racism by its own actions. Is discrimination the solution to resolving past discrimination? This cannot be an affirmative program if there is a form of discrimination involved.

It is extremely important that something be done to help advance members of society, particularly women and minorities, who as a result of previous and continuing historical discrimination have been held in subordinate positions. However, the current program does not do prop er justice to the purpose of the creation of af-firmative action. The program was constructed

with the aim to resolve the effects of discrimination, yet as indicated above, its existing policies merely re-create a new form of discrimination. Will this not have similar effects on people in

Today's affirmative action programs are about racial preference, which is discriminatory. The government's job is to help people who need assistance, but race doesn't necessarily determine who needs help. Income should be the only factor deciding who deserves aid; race-neutral programs must be created to help the poor of all races. Racial classifications, such as those on university applications and governmental forms, should be eliminated. The government has no business asking people what their race is. Conversely, it is the government's business to work to end racial discrimination.

Selecting individuals based on race and gender only continues to further discrimination in this country. It is a fact that the United States has not even come close to eliminating discrimination against racial and ethnic minorities. It cannot afford to allow programs to persist which produce any type of discrimination.

To end discrimination in America and to help advance those of lower economic standing, af-firmative-action programs should be based on

a system of class-based preference. Class-based preferences would supply far superior economic diversity than the alternatives, including a high percentage of racial diversity. It is much more probable that poor minorities are likely to live in areas of concentrated poverty than as poor whites. Therefore, by using a system based on economic disadvantage, minorities are still the prevalent group helped in the program, hence lping to eliminate the unfair legacy of past discrimination.

Household income can and should be a matter of importance when deciding admittance for individuals. It is undeniable that poor citizens have less resources and opportunities than afflu-

Minorities, who typically are of lower economic means, would still be the most highly considered applicants in an affirmative action program ered applicants in an affirmative action program based on economic disadvantage. A program of that sort would allow for people from lower economic backgrounds to be given opportuni-ties to succeed, and at the same time would end discrimination because no race could argue they

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Brilliant

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many to venture out of their homes and embark on the tradition of drinking copious amounts of green beer while making fools of themselves singing "Oh Danny Boy favorite local watering hole.

favorite local watering hole.

While that practice is all well and good, as long as there is a designated driver present or enough money to cover a cab, St. Patty would be quite distraught if he knew his beloved celebrators were consuming green colored Budweiser and Killian's Irish Red — the supposed "Official Beer of St. Patrick's Day,"

Killian's may be an Irish-style lager, brewed with George Killian's original Irish rewed with George Killian's original Irish

brewed with George Killian's original Irish recipe; however, present-day Killian's was introduced in 1981 and is brewed by the Coors Brewing Company — that is in the Rocky Mountains folks. The true official brew of St. Patty's Day is Guinness — an Irish stout founded when a man named Arthur Guinness decided to tackle the

The deep, rich porter he brewed became so popular he ousted the imported competition from the Irish market. At that time, "stout" was added to the porter description and an a porter what is significantly stronger with a fuller body. Eventually, stout became the word to describe Arthur Guinness' brew.

Brewed in 35 countries, the stout must contain the floured extract brewed at St. James's Gate in Dublin.

It is imperative, however, to know the facts

about the perfect pint before one can fully enjoy the decadent flavor of Guinness. First

and foremost is the pour.

The perfect pint of Guinness, from a tap, is poured in two parts. The glass must be held at a 45-degree angle to the spout and should only be filled three-quarters of the way. The glass should then sit for about two minutes — long enough for the Surge to settle.

The Surge, also referred to as the Cascade or even an Irish Lava Lamp, is the brew's settling — building a thick, frothy head.

After the settle, the remainder of the glass may be filled leaving about a quarter inch of the glass open for the handle to be pushed forward to allow a build of the famous head.

When that Surge settles — which usually When that Surge settles — which usually takes about two minutes — a three-quarter-inch head will have formed on top of the black stout. The head should rise just

The presentation determines a pub or bar's knowledge of a perfect pint. In addition to the three-quarter-inch head, the brew should be served in an imperial pint glass. Like a baker's dozen, an imperial pint contains just a little bit more. As for the actual Guinness after the pour

As for the actual Glinness after the pour is complete, a good pint is judged on the color of the head — it should be slightly off-white — and the residue, also known as the rings. With each swig of Guinness, a ring is left on the inside of the glass. If the rings are not there, the Guinness is probably thinner than typically served. probably thinner than typically served, the temperature may also play a part in their presence — Guinness should be served at about 55 degrees.

Once a pint is finished off, there should

be a three-quarter-inch head left in the bottom of the glass. This comes from the high protein of the brew and density, which both serve to contribute a significant head

Killian's Irish Red may claim to be the "Official Beer of St. Patrick's Day," but Guinness is and always will be the official



Connolly's Irish Pub

S4.50/pint
Served in: imperial pint
Pour: 2-part
First Surge: 1:55
Second Surge: 2:00

Connolly's Irish Pub is hidden amid the tope-ridden landscape of Cary off High House Road. It serves as a little slice of Irish culture in the middle of western Wake County with genuine Irish fare, whiskey and — you guessed it — Guinness.

Bob. the bartender, knew what he was choing—all thousers the cla-

Bob, the bartender, knew what he was doing — all the way to the cloverleaf on the top of the head. With an initial Surge of 1:55 and perfect 2 00 second Surge that yielded a thick creamy, almost yogurt-like, 3/4 inch

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Hibernian Pub

\$4.50/pint
Served in: imperial pint
Pour: 3-part
First Surge: 2:00
Second Surge: 1:30

Hibernian Pub on Glenwood Avenue is like stepping into a pub in old Dublin. In rich mahogany trim, the pub reeks of the Emerald Isle. So it is no wonder the preferred drink is Guinness. In fact, out of the 30 kegs they order weekly, the majority are Guinness.

The bartender, Alex, had only been working since Monday — he was filling in for someone else. Alex stays ahead with the Guinness, letting the stout sit in the glasses for about two

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Mitch's Tayern

\$3.75/pint
Served in: contemporary pint
Pour: Straight
First Surge: 0:00
Second Surge: 1:15

The venerable Mitch's Tavern on Hillsborough Street is the closest pub to campus in which to find Guinness and is also the cheapest. The atmosphere is classic American so it works for the Old School charm you would look for in a bar for St. Patty's Day. As for the Guinness, it was mediocre. The bartender showed only a straight pour, which does not yield optimal results for a properly-served Guinness. The cascade lasted only 1:15 minutes and yielded a seven-

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Ri-Ra Irish Pub

Served in: imperial pint Pour: 2-part First Surge: 1:00 Second Surge: 1:45

Ri-Ra Irish Pub is nestled in the blue light district of downtown Raleigh. With martini bars lining its perimeter, it is a relief to find an actual pub to calm the nerves of Raleigh's hustle and bustle. Irish novelties — anything from Guinness propaganda to fox hunt gear — cover the interior walls and adorning windows. But what most sets Ri-Ra apart from the rest of the area's bars is the Guinness. Carol Ayers — a native of Ireland — has poured pints for customers at

54.50/pint Served in: contemporary pint Pour: 3-part First Surge: 0:20 Second Surge: 1:50

Jillian's

It may not be the traditional Irish pub. It may not even be a traditional bar — what with video games and dance floors strewn across the building. But Jillian's knows how to serve a good pint of Guinness... for a club. The large building that occupies the corner of Morgan Street and West Street is the home of an annual party held in appreciation for the stout. It is invitation only and spokespeople from across the United States come to tell Guinness lovers of the wonders of the brew; this then is concluded with

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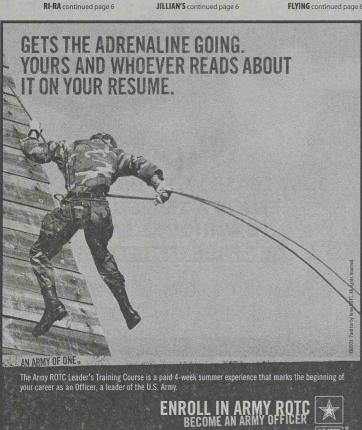
Flying Saucer

Served in: contemporary pint Pour: Straight First Surge: 0:00 Second Surge: 1:00

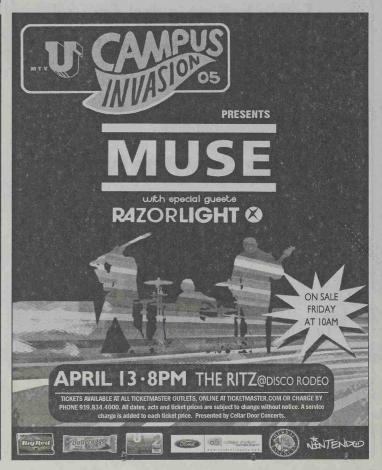
Flying Saucer in downtown Raleigh, on the corner of Morgan and Harrington Streets, serves as a favorite for college students. The bar boasts an impressive 78 beers on tap with a total 211 brews, and the atmosphere is dark and damp with cluttered walls — how a bar should be. But sadly, this "modest" bar has much to learn in the ways of Guinness.

The cooler for the establishment's beers is directly behind the wall of taps, this makes for ideal conditions for general beers, but this is Guinness

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head. The temperature was a little cool, but still acceptable.

The stout had a robust flavor — as Guinness should have. This is perfect to compliment a roast beef sandwich, fish and chips or any other traditional

pub meal.

Connolly's definitely has the atmosphere of an Irish pub, but for their St. Patty's Day party, Bob the Bartender will be performing Motown — not exactly heard in Dublin.

RI-RA

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Ri-Ra for a year and a half and she has brought quite a bit of knowledge of the art stateside.

Ayers poured three-quarters of the pint and then let it sit for a minute before finishing the pour. She then stepped away and allowed the Surge to take shape. What made her method of pouring extra special and unique to the experience is Ayers could shape a lovely clover into the stout's head. This marks a bartender who knows what he or she is doing.

The head sat at a beautiful three-quarter-inch and was full in thickness and flavor — as indicated by the bit of art. It then followed down the glass but left little in terms of rings and fell to one-quarter-inch when done.

The actual brew was rich and distinct with a strong dark roasted aftertaste. Although I'm not sure the exact location of the cooler, the temperature hit the mark and was not too hot and not too cold.

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Settr or a cappuccino nead would appreciate. It was a bit warm, but then again, Guinness is not supposed to be ice cold. Also, despite the foamy head, as the stout neared emptiness it didn't leave rings inside the glass, signaling the head was not quite full enough.

JILLIAN'S

four hours of free Guinness poured by

four hours of free Guinness poured by the lucky staff at Jillian's.
Naturally, one would assume an establishment that earns the rights of an appreciation party would pour the perfect pint. However, as the year passes, a free imperial pint glass accompanies a pint of Guinness. Alas, the club runs out and aficionados are served in contemporary glasses. Apart from the absence of the correct glassware, the coolers that chill the Guinness are not separate from the rest of the beer. These coolers also are far separated from the taps. This leaves the Guinness a bit warmer than desired.

The body of Jillian's Guinness is weak and the head is thin, but the flavor remains rich until finished.
The rings are disappointing as they resemble smeared, thinning milk-shake remains, but the final head is the three-quarter-inches the drink started with.

MITCH'S

eighths-inch head — which laid a quarter inch below the rim.

The head itself was weak and flimsy, but the flavor was strong, despite the other deficiencies.

Served in regular 16-ounce pint glasses and at \$3.75 a pint, Mitch's is decent place to get a decent pint of the good stuff, but not recommended for Guinness purists.

For students, however, staying close to home is worth the right price.

FLYING

we're talking about. Guinness should not be kept in a cooler with other beers, as it should be warmer. Flying Saucer pours an ice-cold Guinness straight into a contemporary pint in just one pour. Blasphemy I cry!

The head, which is already shorter than desired, is weak and does not carry the full flavor of the traditional pint. The Guinness itselfs flat and watery rather than the rich, robust flavor is should possess.

With rings like Flying Saucer's Guinness leaves, one may mistake the brew for a Yuengling Porter.

The Saucer is the ideal bar if you want something unique in terms of a brew as there are plenty of beers to choose from. In fact, for a little extra and downing 200 beers, a UFO member can have his or her own plate on the wall signifing the accomplishment. But if it is the perfect Guinness you're looking for, stay clear of the Saucer's subpar pint.



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A bowl of stew is only \$4 and it comes with Irish soda bread, a brown

grain bread that is a staple to any Irish meal. A must on a cold, rainy Dublin — or Raleigh — night.

Ri-Ra Irish Pub

Along the lines of Hibernian, Ri-Ra offers a potato and leek soup that also will warm you up on a cold sham-rock evening. The thick soup is blended smooth with potatoes and leeks, which are akin to beans. The soup has a distinct potato flavor, although it is disappointingly missing the large chunks of potatoes usually associated with any potato soup. There is also a hint of leek, freshly cracked black pepper and onion to round out the palate. Again served with Irish soda bread, Ri-Ra's potato and leek soup is a great appetizer to a full pub meal.

Modeled after an Irish pub started in New York, Connolly's offers a full board of traditional irish pub food to satisfy even the most "cultured" Caryite. The shepherd's pie— a beef and vegetable casserole— is just one of the many Irish specialties Connolly's boasts. Prepared traditionally, with mashed potatoes on top and thrown in the broiler, the shepherd's pie is full of vegetables in a thick, brown gravy that would make even the most burly leprechaun long for home and mother. The Irish Beef Stew is also a must. Full of hearty vegetables and big chunks of beef, the stew and the pie are true dishes of the Irish homeland.

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MEN'S TENNIS



Schermerhorn during their tight doubles match. The Wolfpack lost to the Demon Deacons 4-3 in a highly contested match which saw Schermerhorn's No.5 singles match decide the in-state ACC rivalry.

Pack's loss marred by a controversy

N.C. State lost its second ACC match this season in heartbreaking fashion to the

Josh Harrell

N.C. State seems to never play Wake Forest without some con-

troversy.

A week after the now infamous Chris Paul groin-punch incident, another controversy arose — this time in response to a tennis injury in the No. 40 Wolfpack's 4-3 loss to the No. 24

Demon Deacons
The loss dropped State's re cord to 14-4 overall and 1-2 in

In the deciding match, a con-troversy arose over an injury timeout by freshman Mason Schermerhorn. Coaches, referees and fans alike argued over the decision with each other and things got hostile, but nothing was resolved until the end when Wake Forest's Marius Adamski defeated Schermerhorn 7-5, 6-4 to decide the match.

"We were wrong and took an injury time out for the wrong reasons," State Coach Jon Choboy said. "The way the other team handled it wasn't so good, but it was a mistake on

The players said they believed the intensity of the game got the best of both teams in the situation, especially as Schermerhorn was on the verge of a

"Both teams just got a little frustrated, and nervousness started to set in," sophomore Andre Iriarte said. "Things just weren't handled well, and every-

one went at it." The negative ending seemed to outweigh the positives as far as the overall spirit after the

But the positives were present, highlighted by an impressive win by State freshman Nick Cavaday as the No. 1 seed by a score of 6-4, 6-1 and a comeback win by opponent with a score of 1-6, 7-5, 6-2.

"Will and [assistant coach] Matt Halfpenny made some good adjustments and put the kid in a situation he wasn't re-ally comfortable with," Choboy said, "And Will has been playing recently at a very high level, and he showed great composure in coming back the way he did.



Cavaday congratulates teammate Schermerhorn after a point during doubles play

The other point for the Pack came from sixth-seeded William Noblitt, who won his match 6-2.

The team was forced to play comeback from the beginning as they lost the doubles point and were never able to recover.

But a change in momentum was evident as Shaw pulled his comeback and Iriarte's comeback fell just short with a score of 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

"We struggled a little bit in doubles, but responded well in singles, as the momentum kind of changed after mine and Will's match, and it looked like we were coming back," Cavaday said.
"But Adamski really played well
in fighting off Mason, because Mason was really playing at a high level."

The coaches said they believed

the fact that the team fell behind too much in their matches was what eventually determined the

"We just played from behind too much, and we have been able to come back in matches earlier to come back in matches earner this season, but you're constantly living on the edge when you have to come back fro0m behind," Choboy said. "With a team like Wake Forest, there isn't much margin for error."

State's next match is Monday when it hosts Maryland.

"We just need to take this match and use it as motivation for the next one," Iriarte said.

"We just have to keep fighting." State said it has the talent to compete in the ACC this season, as is evident by both their overall record and ranking; they just need to put the pieces together.

"We're a young set of players, and we're trying to establish a new tradition here at State,

Cavaday said.
"Hopefully we can turn it around and win our next

Confident MTSU wants repeat of last season

The moment lasted only sec onds at Amedeo's on Selection Sunday, when the Wolfpack women finally confirmed its status as a No. 5 seed in the field of 64 and promptly prepared for a first-round showdown

But far from the famed Italian restaurant, there another banquet room sharing the same exciting moment on Sunday evening.

This excitement filled Corky's Ribs & BBQ with a capacity seating in Murfreesboro, Tenn., the hometown of Middle Tennessee State, who experienced its moment of selection with a southern flavor. Twelfth - seeded MTSU will be State's opponent Saturday night in Dallas

"Everything heightens dur-ing this time of the year — the media coverage, the fan interest, the excitement — it's all about the big tournament," Middle Tennessee State Coach Stephany Smith said.

The barbecue faithful in attendance experienced the mo-ment at the same time as the Pack and cheered on Middle Tennessee to relive the splendor of last year's 67-62 upset of No. 4 seed North Carolina. "Corky's had a great turnout,"

senior guard Patricia Holmes said. "They have pretty good barbeque, and we can see parents and friends and all the fans; we just have a good time."

Holmes is one to judge the turnouts at Corky's. She's racked up her third straight most outstanding player award at the Sun Belt Championship. She's started all 122 games in her career with Middle Tennessee, averaging 15.1 points

"She far outweighs any player I've ever coached," Smith said. The senior, leading her team in points, assists, steals and blocks this season, said she has

blocks this season, said she has one more feat left. "I've accomplished every-thing that I want to in my career except making it to the Sweet 16," Holmes said. "But I really feel that we can get there this year."

this year."
For the Lady Raiders to make the Sweet 16 for the first time ever, it will need to upset a higher-ranked State squad looking to go deeper than last year's first-round exit. "My goal is to have a top-20 program year after year," Smith

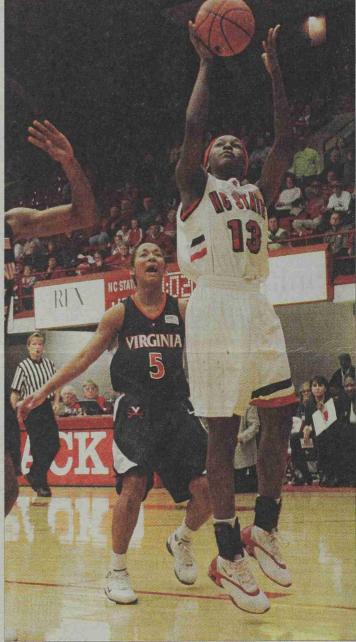
said. "We want trips to the NCAA to be commonplace."

Middle Tennessee State starts a three-guard lineup similar to State's backcourt trio of Kendra Bell, Billie McDowell and Ash-

extremely well," Smith said of State. "[Tiffany] Stansbury is a player, and I think Billie is an excellent shooter in her own right. I'm very impressed of their athleticism -- this gives you all the pieces to the puzzle and they have a point guard that can run the show.

"Athleticism has been the strength of our team all year, but State counters that with better size and impressive athleticism as well.

In her eighth year at the helm, Smith has delivered five postseason appearances since former Middle Tennessee and



Billie McDowell and the Wolfpack run an offense similar to Middle Tennessee State's three-guard attack.

Middle Tennessee State University

LOCATION: Murfreesboro, Tenn. FOUNDED: Sept. 11, 1911 ENROLLMENT: 21,163

NICKNAME: Blue Raiders
FAMOUS ALUMNI: Ex-Sen. Albert Gore, Sr., father of former Vice President

DID YOU KNOW? N.C. State Athletics Director Lee Fowler boasted the same job with the Blue Raiders from 1994 to 2000 before coming to Raleigh.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM: 23-8, champions of Sun Belt Conference
LEADING SCORER: Patrice Holmes, 14-9 ppg
LEADING REBOUNDER: Tia Stovall, 5.7 rpg
ASSISTS LEADER: Patrice Holmes, 3.7 apg

current State athletics director Horton and junior Tia Stovall, Lee Fowler hired Smith as head

coach.
"We asked her to be interim head coach for a year when the head coach became seriously ill," Fowler said. "We knew she was a great recruiter, and after that year I knew she would be

Smith has given out sig-nificant minutes to her starting forwards, sophomore Krystle

vith both averaging more than 10 points a contest. Horton also played on an AAU

team with Fowler's daughter, NCSU sophomore.

Smith had to go to Bishopville, S.C., where North Carolina where North Carolina or La'Tangela Atkinson was stealing the spotlight out of Lee Central High.

"We found her like a diamond in the rough," Smith said.
"When Patrice was in high school, La'Tangela drew all the media coverage, and fortunately for us, we were able to land a special player that never got the attention she deserved."

Now after four years of con-ference honors and Corky's barbeque, Holmes is ready to lead the Lady Raiders into Dallas. But she said she'll watch some

tape first.
"I haven't had a chance to watch their team play tape, but this kind of game will be a game of defense, and we can't commit turnovers if earlier this week.

And Smith made sure to point out one key aspect of Saturday's

"I'm a huge Kay Yow fan," she said about the Wolfpack's longtime leader.











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