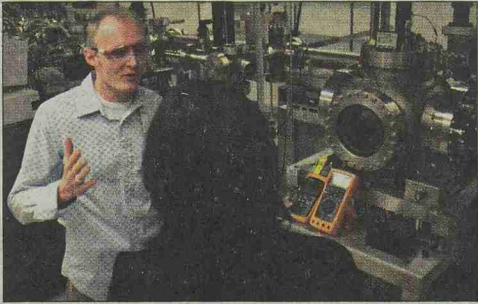


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Tokunaga Yukihiisa and Franz Koeck, graduate students, look at machinery in a lab in Partners III on Centennial Campus.

## Centennial turns twenty, celebrates

*Open house for new Partners III building features work of science students*

Josh Harrell  
Senior Staff Writer

In the midst of bringing more science programs to Centennial Campus, the new Partners III building held an open house Tuesday to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the campus. The Partners III building houses a large number of laboratories that combine sciences from different fields, a combination older buildings cannot boast. Graduate students and professors were on hand to show off the work they have been doing. The work that will eventually lead to even greater research as Centennial Campus continues to grow was also showcased. "It's such a lovely new building with state-of-the-art labs and

technology," Cecilia Upchurch, an administrative assistant, said. "It just further shows that Centennial Campus is the coming thing at State." Researchers hope to show the campus community the kind of advanced learning and experimentation that goes beyond the typical undergraduate degree. "We commonly think of the University as just a teaching institution, but it can also be a research institution where important discoveries are made that can really benefit people," Margo Daub, head of the Department of Botany, said. One of the aspects of the new building that has faculty and students most excited is the chance to work closely with people from different sciences. The first floor houses chemistry and physics while the second floor is home to biology and botany labs. Worakarn Neeyakorn, a gradu-

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## Forum focuses on AIDS awareness, education

*NCSU hosts AIDS campaign conference for students in North Carolina*

Carie Windham  
Staff Writer

According to UNAIDS, more than half of new HIV cases in the world are occurring in men and women between the ages of 18 and 24. For Marce Abare, Tracina Williams and Giovanni Seawood, that's simply unacceptable. "[College students] are the high risk group and we need to use what cards we have to stand up and speak out for ourselves and for others of us that can't," said Abare, a UNC-Chapel Hill student and international coordinator for the Student Global AIDS Campaign. Abare, Williams and Seawood

will be behind the scenes this weekend as N.C. State hosts the "North Carolina Student Global AIDS Campaign State Conference: Educating, Organizing and Mobilizing Students to End the Global AIDS Pandemic." For two days, students from across the state will meet and engage in sessions to strengthen their knowledge of the global AIDS pandemic and to learn the tools necessary to bring the fight against it to their campus. "Our goal is to build a grassroots student movement, where students are just as pumped up and passionate about this issue as they were about the anti-Vietnam or anti-apartheid movements," said Williams. "Not to diminish the importance of those movements, but AIDS is killing more people."

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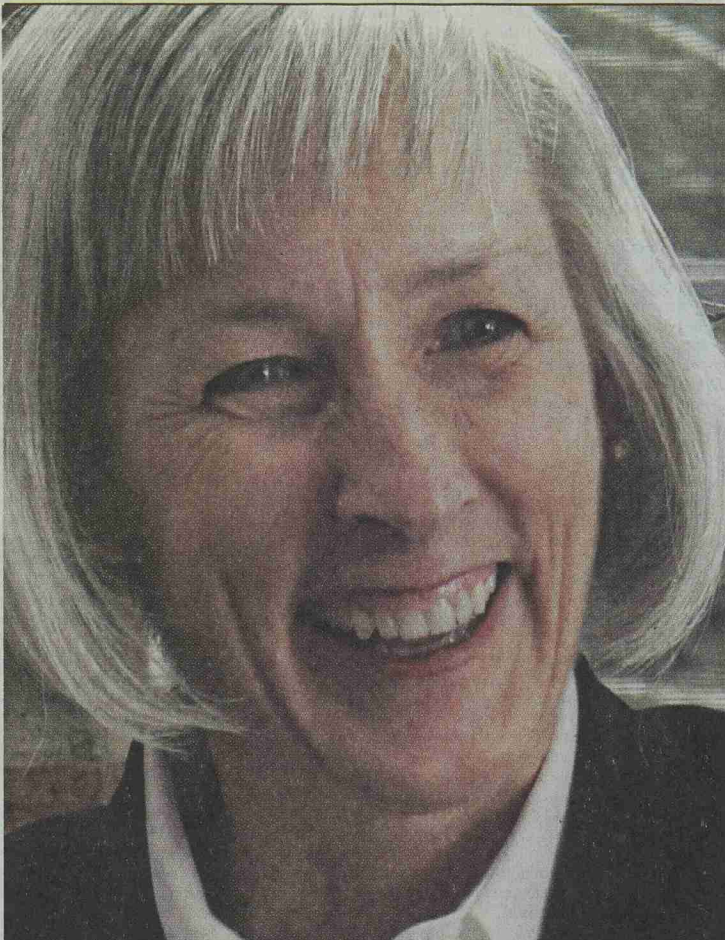
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## QUEEN OF THE TECH AGE

*Diana Oblinger — wife, mother, international expert on information technology — takes on a new role: first lady of the University*

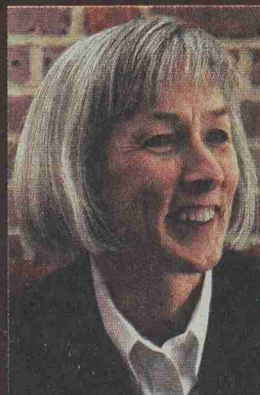
Ben McNeely  
Senior Staff Writer

At the announcement ceremony Oct. 8, Chancellor-designate James L. Oblinger stepped up to the microphone to address the University after he was announced as its next chancellor. His wife Diana and the couple's four sons looked on proudly. At a chamber of commerce meeting in Wilson, N.C. earlier this semester, Diana sat in the audience as her husband touted the successes of N.C. State to eastern North Carolina's business leaders on the first leg of his "Innovation in Action" tour. "Do you want anything out of the suitcase before the next stop, James?" she asks after the presentation. "I think I'll put on my sweater vest," he replies. The couple attended the ACC Tournament together and traveled to Syracuse to watch the men's basketball team take on Wisconsin in the Sweet 16. The duo have met with students, faculty and staff on campus and dined with alumni off campus during the first months of new chancellor's administration. At first glance, Diana Oblinger is the consummate chancellor's wife: supportive and visible. But looks can be deceiving. In fact, google the name "Oblinger" and see what comes up. The majority of the hits will be about Dr. Oblinger — not James, but Diana. Diana has a Ph.D. in cytogenetics, but she made her professional name in the information technology arena. As vice-president of EDUCAUSE, a large higher-education



### Diana Oblinger at a glance

**Married to:** James Oblinger, chancellor, 4 sons, 10 grandchildren  
**Position:** vice president of EDU CAUSE, adjunct professor of crop science and adult and community college education, N.C. State University  
**Degrees:** B.S. in botany, M.S. in plant breeding, Ph.D. in plant breeding and cytogenetics, all from Iowa State University  
**Hobbies:** cooking (favorite herbs: basil), hiking, exercise  
**Music:** classical  
**Authors:** Tom Clancy, Patricia Cornwell



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## 'Dismiss Southern Miss' named theme

*"Dismiss Southern Miss" will be the theme for the 2005 Homecoming Week*

Stacey Von Drehle  
Staff Writer

The Homecoming committee decided that this year's Homecoming theme will be "Dismiss Southern Miss." The 2005 Homecoming week will be Oct. 23-29. "N.C. State will be playing the Golden Eagles of Southern Mississippi for their Homecoming game," Amanda Lilley, a junior in chemistry and MDS and chair of the Homecoming committee, said. Committee members and students met in the Alumni Memorial Building on Tuesday night to vote on the theme. Other themes that were considered included "Defend the Den" and "Stop the Southern Miss-Take." "The theme that was chosen won by a large majority," Lilley said.

Suggestions for the theme were made by committee members and the NCSU community. Subcommittee chairs are responsible for planning events that will take place during Homecoming week. Simon Huleatt, a junior in business management and chair of the service committee, said he believes Homecoming is an event that brings the campus community together.

"I do not think most students know how much hard work goes into planning and establishing what they see and experience during Homecoming," Huleatt said, adding that the planning for this year's Homecoming festivities began early this year. "We do not want to wait until crunch time to start planning. If we pace it and start early it is more organized and will be a better event for the students," Huleatt said.

"N.C. State has been applauded for their well established Homecoming program," Huleatt said. To advertise this year's Homecoming theme and events, posters will be placed around campus.

"We will have posters and signs all over campus and we will have local ads in newspapers and radio," Cameron Guice, a sophomore in construction management and chair of the publicity committee, said.

"We are also hoping for billboards and banners to put on Hillsborough Street and Western," Guice said. Guice said he is most excited about seeing students get involved with Homecoming activities. Many members of the committee helped plan last year's Homecoming. "I worked with Homecoming last year and it was the best experience I have had. I was happy to see the campus community come together," Lilley said.

The first meeting for next year's Homecoming will be on Aug. 23 in the Alumni Memorial Building. Lilley added the Homecoming meeting will be open to all students.

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nology think tank, she educates educators about using technology for teaching and learning.

She's written numerous papers and books on the subject and travels around the country chairing lectures and seminars on technology in the classroom.

But Diana takes it all in stride.

"If you take away the titles, I would still be me," she said in an interview at the chancellor's residence.

### 'Mr. Wizard was cool'

Diana Oblinger grew up in Des Moines, Iowa.

"It was a nice, solid place to grow up," Diana said. "The people had a strong work ethic. Everything was based around agriculture. It was just very healthy."

Her parents were both professionals: Dorothy was a registered nurse, Bill an engineer.

From her upbringing, Diana learned the ideals of family and hard work.

She also developed a liking for science.

"I loved Mr. Wizard — he was so cool because he could talk about science and make it interesting and explainable," Diana reminisces. She was seven years old when she watched, but this laid the foundation for a future career in science — and teaching.

When she went to college at Iowa State University, she originally wanted to be a chemist.

"I loved science and I happened to be taking a botany course...I really enjoyed it," Diana said. "I got involved with plant breeding, but then it came time to ask, 'What am I going to do with it?'"

Her answer came from the ideas of Nobel laureate Norman Borlaug, whose work with plant breeding to solve world hunger won him the 1970 Nobel Peace Prize.

She continued her work with plants and agriculture in graduate school at Iowa State, earning a master's in plant breeding and a doctorate in plant breeding and cytogenetics.

She did research in disease resistance, herbicide resistance and increasing yields in plants, but Diana soon decided she wanted to teach.

When it came to teaching, Diana took her cue from the lessons she learned from Mr. Wizard.

"One of the things I learned about getting into teaching was the ultimate challenge was to take something and make it understandable to people and to make them want to know more," Diana said.

One of her favorite teaching experiences came from an Agronomy 101 class at the University of Missouri.

"My ultimate challenge was a 350-person freshmen class...and loved it. We had the Farmhouse fraternity on campus and the whole pledge class would file in," Diana remembered. "It was a great time to meet students when they were first coming in...and trying to get them started."

Soon, Diana would find that her love of teaching would direct her in a new direction.

### From plants to chips

Diana's interest in technology grew from her love of teaching and bridged a course from plants to computers.

She was fascinated about integrating technology into the classroom.

"I really liked teaching and learning — that was my passion — which is how I got into IT [information technology]," Diana said. "You could do things with these clumsy old computers that you couldn't do in the classroom."

Diana made a career change from academia into the private sector, taking a job with IBM as head of the Institute for Academic Technology, a joint program between IBM and UNC-Chapel Hill, in 1991.

She quickly moved up the ranks in IBM to head their higher education strategy, then went back to the University, where she was named special

advisor to the UNC president. She developed the information technology strategy for the entire UNC system and was named the system's first chief information officer in 1999.

But Diana never lost that connection to teaching. Even though she has been on the cutting edge of the IT world, she has made her focus on how people learn and molding technology to fit the needs of the user — something the IT world is now looking at.

"There is always that you are looking at, but you don't realize what the significance of it is until you start talking to people, so I have a lot of fun with it," Diana said.

She keeps teaching at the center of her work.

"I teach adults," she said, adding that it is "very different" from teaching students.

"It depends on who happens to be receptive. Somebody who is 18 can be every bit as difficult to reach as someone who is 65," Diana said.

Ron Bleed, the chief information officer for the Maricopa Community Colleges in Phoenix, Ariz., knew Diana when she worked with IBM.

"She's one of the smartest, wisest people in our business to associate with," Bleed said.

He would bring Diana out to conduct seminars on information technology. Bleed said people would "sit at the edge of their tables when she speaks."

"She's a remarkable speaker. I don't know if we have better audiences or better attention when she comes out," Bleed said.

"The beauty of what I do now is that so many of the audiences want help seeing things differently, so they're not accepting, they're inquiring," Diana said.

### 'My dream job'

Diana left the UNC system to become the executive director for higher education for Microsoft, where she stayed until 2004.

But all her experience at IBM, UNC Office of the President and Microsoft led Diana to her

ultimate job: vice president for teaching and learning of EDU CAUSE.

"I can honestly say there is nothing I hate about my job," Diana said. "This is my ultimate job; I wanted this job for 10 years."

As vice president, she is in charge of EDUCAUSE's National Learning Infrastructure Initiative — a national community of technology and academic professionals that focus on teaching and learning with technology. Part of the mission is to be on the cutting edge of technology and to stimulate interest in assimilating technology with teaching the learning.

Susan Metros, deputy chief information officer for Ohio State University, said since Diana has been in charge of the NLLI, she has "totally redirected" the program.

"The biggest focus now is on the student. She re-invented it to focus on how students use technology," Metros said.

Metros said that faculty assume students are just 18 to 24 year olds, but that is not the case anymore.

"There is a lot of research on what the new student looks like and how faculty might change their teaching to meet their needs," Metros said.

"Diana Oblinger is one of the authoritative voices on e-learning nationally and internationally. Her research is very focused, but it touches a lot of different areas," Metros said.

Brian Hawkins, president of EDUCAUSE, said her writings lately are "the most important pieces on how technology can change education."

Her new book, "Educating the Net Generation," co-edited with her husband, and EDUCAUSE's first e-book, has reached 4,800 downloads in the two months it was released.

"She has a pattern of solid writing. She listens better than anyone I know," Hawkins said.

"The ultimate challenge to me is how do you make it possible

for people to learn more, learn better, learn easier," Diana said. "Many times, technology is the catalyst for how those questions begin to get answered. Anytime you interject technology into the equation, all of the sudden, it causes some sort of upset to your functions and how you do things and causes you to think, 'Why am I teaching this, how am I going to teach it, are they really learning?'"

"There is always something new...learning something new — I get a chance to do that every day," Diana said. "I am lucky. I am unbelievably lucky."

### The consummate multitasker

When she is not jetting off across the country, teaching about use of technology in the classroom, Diana is in her home office, usually on the phone in conference calls — which usually totals to about six hours a day.

But she tries not to let work interfere with her family.

Every Sunday, the family sits down to dinner and catches up with one another.

"I enjoy cooking — that is one of my creative outlets — and I have to have someone to feed it to," Diana said. "When the other boys were around, they would bring friends, girlfriends, and we'd have these boisterous family get-togethers."

Some family favorites include chicken pot pie, Brunswick stew and potatoes au gratin.

"I also have this great homemade lasagna recipe," she said.

Brian Helsel, one of Diana's sons, who attended NCSU and now works at SAS, said they started the Sunday dinner ritual after he and his brothers started going to college.

"Every Sunday, we would go home and get a home-cooked meal. Sometimes, I'd take a big load of laundry home and maybe take some left-overs back for the week," Helsel said.

He said that lately, dinners had been somewhat rushed because Diana and Jim were in the middle of moving into

the chancellor's residence on Hillsborough Street.

"We would be packing up the house," Helsel said.

Brian remembers his mother working a lot when he was growing up, but "she always made time for me and my brother."

"She would come home and help with our homework. She was busy, but she always made time," Helsel said.

He wasn't sure if his mother inspired him to go into computers — "that is a chicken or the egg question," he said.

"I loved tinkering with stuff. I always had a computer, so it just became something I loved doing," Helsel said.

"But I think we fed off each other. She would bring home something neat and cool and I started learning about it. If she had problems, she would ask me questions," he said.

When he was 14, Diana took Brian to her lab at IBM.

"She brought me in and let me do stuff a 14-year-old could do," Helsel said.

Brian's best memories were the family trips every year.

"Once a year, we would go on trips — one year, we went out West. We would go hiking a lot. She is always in the gym and I'm active, so she and I would go off on our own, a litter bit farther, a little bit higher," Helsel said. "Family trips were always a good time."

"We enjoy the kids, not just as our kids, but as people — people we want to be with," Diana said.

### 'Not a casual affiliation'

With an empty nest, Diana and Jim have time to enjoy each other. Both will work until 7 p.m., then come home and unwind together.

"Jim will come in and read the paper or watch the news while I cook dinner," Diana said.

They also get out of town when they can — usually to Blowing Rock, near Boone.

But their main getaway is across the Atlantic to the Lake

District in England.

"It's very rural there, a lot of history," Diana said. "We usually go walking all day, come back, build a fire and have dinner."

They have been going to England every December for about 10 years now.

"In the mountains, people can still get to you by phone for fax. But when you're out of the country, it's a different thing. You don't have those distractions," Diana said.

Being professionals, Diana and Jim have learned to not let their careers get in the way off their relationship.

In fact, Diana says they have a better understanding of each other.

"It has worked out nicely. Since I have a career, it is much easier to understand him," Diana said.

Because she worked in the public education system, Diana says she "got an idea of what his challenges were."

Now, as Jim steps up and takes the reins of the University, Diana is new to being the "first lady."

"I'm new at this, and the role will evolve," she said. "The most important thing is that I be there and visibly support Jim — to be where he has me where I can support him."

"My affiliation with N.C. State is not casual," Diana said.

One of the more striking thoughts about her new position came in an e-mail.

"Someone mentioned to me how they were glad to see a chancellor that has a working spouse," Diana said. "I never thought about it that way. I think it means more to people that a woman can have a career and support her husband."

And even though her job and who she is married to keeps her in the public eye, Diana doesn't let it affect her.

"It's all a part of you — you don't consciously make these shifts. All of those [roles] are a part of who I am," Diana said.

"I'm not any different from anyone else," she said.



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ate student in physics, said. "It's nice to have everyone moving together into the same lab, as we really do have similar work, and it makes things a lot quicker and easier."

Assistant Director of North Carolina Agricultural Research Winston Hagler called the new building "one of the state's showcase buildings for research."

"It opens up the opportunity to break down department lines and inter-collaborate the work being done," he said.

A doctoral student in physics,

Leigh Winfrey hopes to show the community that the work being done at Centennial Campus will benefit the public.

Winfrey's work is funded by the Air Force to grow new materials for machinery that reduce surface friction.

"We hope to show people that their tax dollars are not wasted and that it's necessary to accomplish our research," Winfrey said.

Robert Nemanich, a professor of physics, was the presiding professor in the Surface Science Laboratory where Winfrey and other students worked.

The lab combines surface processing, film growth and spec-

troscopic surfaces to characterize various things for electronics.

"We try to understand how to construct materials one atomic layer at a time to develop new devices," Nemanich said.

"The 17 vacuum chambers in this particular laboratory were designed and built by students, and all the work is being done by students," he added.

Nemanich said most of his students go on to work for semiconductor companies and build various electronic devices.

"Students here are learning fundamental technology but [it] is related to the more advanced technology they'll be working with in the future," Nemanich

said.

"These are the highly trained students who will build the technology of the future."

Students say they have enjoyed showing off the work they've been doing.

They believe the publicity from this event will help a continually growing respect for the work done one Centennial Campus.

"We're hoping to create an awareness for what's being done, and the name of the game is exposure," James Perkins, a graduate student in physics said.

"But now that I'm here showing off what I do every day, I'm having fun."

## Calendar

### FRIDAY, APRIL 22

The Campus Environmental Sustainability Team (CEST) will present its 2nd Annual Earthwise Awards on Earth Day. These awards will recognize and reward outstanding contributions to environmental sustainability on the NCSU campus. Each recipient will be presented with a plaque as well as a \$250 prize. There are three separate categories: faculty, student and staff. Any number of

people in any category may be nominated. Awards will be presented at NCSU's Earth Day celebration on the Brickyard.

Send the name, NCSU position and description of sustainability-related achievements of the person you are nominating to **Leslie Hester** at [lahester@ncsu.edu](mailto:lahester@ncsu.edu) by **March 15**.

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and the Provost's Office. Abstracts and applications are due by Friday, April 15. For more information or for application forms, contact George Bartholomus, director of undergraduate research at 513-4187 or access the Web site at <http://www.ncsu.edu/ugrs>.

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Participation in the conference, spanning Saturday and Sunday, is open to any North Carolina student and registration is currently open and accessible via the NCSU Global AIDS Campaign Web site ([clubs.ncsu.edu/sgac](http://clubs.ncsu.edu/sgac)). There is a \$5 registration fee which includes breakfast and lunch on each day.

The conference is structured to focus on education the first day, then action on Sunday.

"You can't advocate for something you don't know about," Abare said. Sessions on Saturday will focus on worldwide and state statistics and issues, including the impact of intellectual property rights and trade on worldwide access to treatment and the ability of state and national organizations to meet local demands for affordable care.

"If you live in rural North Carolina, your chances of getting drugs if you are poor are about as likely as in Tanzania and people here don't know that," said Abare.

The intention of the workshops, according to organizers, is to inspire and motivate participants by showing the impact of AIDS on their local community

and the roadblocks set up in North Carolina and around the world for treatment.

The following day, students from across the nation will lead sessions in becoming advocates and activists for the cause from lessons in civil disobedience and direct action to classes on using the media and elected officials to take action.

"The hope is that with all of these new tools and powerful speakers and students, we can incite more people to become involved and to really build a coalition of students in North Carolina," Abare said.

The conference is targeted at college students, specifically, with many sessions led by student activists from peer universities. Organizers say that's intentional as they want to deliver a "wake up call" to North Carolina students by showing the impact that youth are already having.

A similar eye opener inspired Seawood and Williams to start the first SGAC chapter on campus in fall 2003 after they attended the national SGAC conference and mixed and mingled with activists from across the nation.

"We were amazed that students were so committed that they drove down in buses and vans and slept on people's floors to be there," said Seawood, including

a group of Canadian students that crossed borders in a van to take part.

"It was contagious," said Seawood. The pair started a campus chapter that fall and, with the help of a small but steady membership and the support of Health Promotions and the HIV Task Force, have hosted various events on campus over the last year.

The conference will be the capstone of their efforts and an attempt to join forces with other universities to start building networks for action, Seawood said. "We know coming together will make us much more powerful."

Registration fees will help pay for a small portion of the conference but the remainder of costs have come from the SGAC budget, with various chapter members pitching in their own money from time to time to cover small costs.

For Williams, the sacrifices and time will be worth it on Sunday.

"Our goal is that our generation will join the fight and will take over that fight and demand that the United States, as a superpower, take the lead in fighting the fight against the AIDS pandemic," she said.

## Police Blotter

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### 1:57 A.M. | LARCENY

A staff member reported that her laptop computer was taken from a room in Aventura Ferry Complex while she was away.

### 10:14 A.M. | LARCENY

A staff member had placed his bicycle in a closet at the Administrative Services II Building. When he went to retrieve his bike, it was gone.

### 6:51 A.M. | DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

A staff member reported that there was damage to the walls of the planters in the Talley Student Center Atrium area. The damage appeared to be from skateboarders.

### 9:18 A.M. | B/E BUILDING

A staff member reported that someone entered his office in Patterson Hall and stole a laptop.

### 10:44 P.M. | ODOR COMPLAINT

A student reported a possible odor of marijuana on the third floor of the G Building in Wolf Village. Officers checked the area, but were unable to locate any odor.

### 10:53 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT

A student reported a loud boom near Alexander Residence Hall. An officer in the area heard the sound also, but was unable to locate any problems.

### 12:58 P.M. | TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

Two students were involved in a traffic accident in Central Campus Lot. There was minor damage to both vehicles.

### 3:36 P.M. | INFORMATION - POLICE

A student reported that a friend of hers was involved in a domestic situation in Halifax County. She was advised of what actions could be taken and the use of the Counseling Center.

### 4:19 P.M. | TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

A student was riding on the sidewalk at Schaub Lot when he ran into a parked fork lift. He suffered minor injuries and refused EMS.

### 6:24 P.M. | MEDICAL ASSIST

A student was struck in the face by a golf ball on Lower Miller Field. She refused transport by EMS; she was to be transported to Rex Hospital by a friend.

### 6:36 P.M. | SAFETY PROGRAM

Chief Younce and administrative staff attended a town hall meeting at the pavilion behind Syme Hall.

### 6:45 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT

A student found a bone in Harris Field. A doctor at the Small Animal Hospital identified the bone as a tibia tarsal bone from a turkey. The bone was disposed of by the Small Animal Hospital.

### 8:45 P.M. | MEDICAL ASSIST

A student injured his knee while playing basketball in Carmichael Gym. He was transported to Rex Hospital.

### 9:46 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE

An officer found a staff member sleeping in his vehicle. The subject appears to have been living in his vehicle while parked in Sullivan Gravel Lot. He was also seen in Sullivan Hall at the drink machine. He was advised he needed to leave the area. The staff member was also advised to remove his vehicle (there was an insurance stop on the vehicle). The subject left the area.

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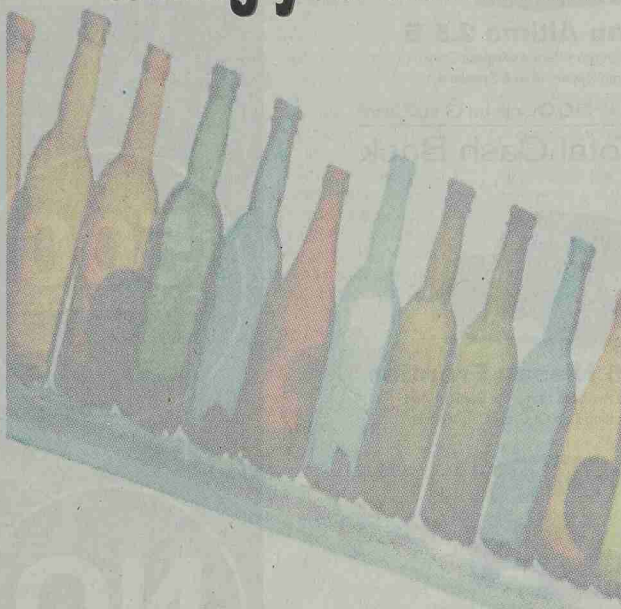
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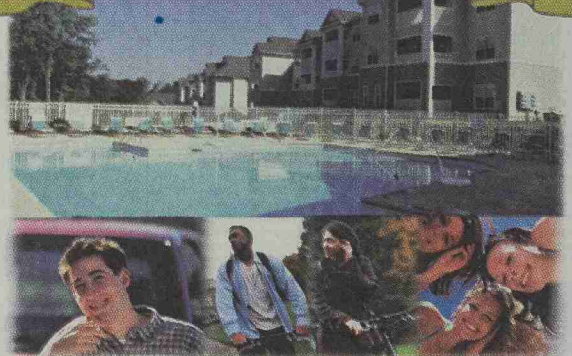
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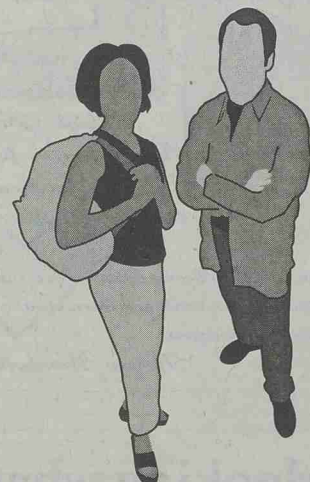
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## Overlooking what we always see

I have (and I think many people have) a tendency to overlook the obvious. By definition, the obvious should be easy to see; but it doesn't always work out that way.



Jeff Gaither  
Staff Columnist

For there are times when the cold, hard truth is staring us straight in the face, and yet we refuse to acknowledge and accept it. We pretend not to know the truth,

and instead give ourselves some wild, complicated explanation for a phenomenon which is perfectly simple and straightforward. For example, a while ago I was trying to hook up with this young woman whose number I had obtained. So I called her and left a gruff message (a little experiment; this was in the days when I believed the best way to win a woman was to be a jerk), and she never returned my call. I called her again a week later, and as soon as I said "Hey, this is Jeff," she hung up.

The obvious explanation was she had hung up on me because of my gruff message. But I didn't want to accept that. So I sat in my apartment a while, wondering whether she was cut off at exactly the wrong moment, and couldn't call me back. Eventually I decided to call her again, just to make sure. This time she hung up without even saying "hello" and that clinched the matter.

I knew perfectly well, you understand, that she had hung up on me the first time. But I didn't want to know, so I didn't.

There are probably dozens of things in my head (and yours too) that we know, but don't allow ourselves to know consciously. These little half-facts lay nascent in the depths of our subconscious, and prompt us to tell ourselves little lies, to preserve our fragile egos. Part of the reason we don't rec-

ognize these little lies we tell ourselves, is that they're not little at all: they're huge. They're so big and so fundamental to the safe workings of our everyday lives that we never stop to question them.

For example, do you (you personally) think you're a happy person? You might say yes: your life is OK. But if your life is merely OK, then you're not happy. If you're constantly struggling from this problem to that, with only the briefest moments of true happiness thrown in from rare occasion to rare occasion, then you're simply not happy.

Now, if I've just burst your bubble, I'm sorry. But I personally am happier for having recognized that I am rarely happy. It took me years to recognize that I am not happy except when reading, writing, playing the harmonica, playing basketball, hanging out with friends, smoking cigarettes, eating or drinking. So now, I simply do these things whenever possible, and try to be lost in literature or my own imagination the rest of the time.

I recognize that a lot of my life (read: school) sucks; and in recognizing this fact, I make it more bearable.

A lot of people tend to overlook the fact that they're unhappy in a relationship. They tell themselves that they are merely in a fighting-phase and that things will work out. But they know, at heart, that there are irreconcilable differences between themselves and their partner, and that the relationship is only going to become more and more difficult. However, since they do not want to go through the nuisance or pain (depending on how serious the relationship is) of breaking up, or they do not want to hurt the other party, they tell themselves that the relationship is fine, and that all will soon be well again.

One reason I do not work well in relationships (besides the fact that I am a freak) is that I am totally

honest and refuse to deceive myself or live a lie in any way. As soon as I perceive serious problems between my girlfriend and myself, I bring them out in the open, and then she says, well, yes, she didn't want to hurt me, but now that I've mentioned it, perhaps it would be better if we stopped seeing each other.

Each time this has happened, I probably could've dragged the relationship on for weeks or months more, if I'd just left well enough alone. But I refuse to have any atmosphere between a girlfriend and myself but complete and total understanding. As soon as clouds, no matter how wispy or white they might be, come between us, I recognize and mention them, and thus transmute them into thunderclouds, and they rain down and ruin everything.

So I try to refrain from self-deception in relationships. And yet, perhaps I am deceiving myself more than anyone.

For I hold firmly to the creed that there is a woman, somewhere, who is looking for me and is me, and with whom I will share my mind.

But this might be the greatest self-deception of all. I am beginning to suspect that she does not exist.

Enough of that, however. A great many of the lies we tell ourselves concern other people, and the control they exert over us. We tell ourselves that we really want to major in electrical engineering, or cease hanging out with all our friends, when really, that is just what other people want us to do. But I say that your job on Earth is to live your life; not to dictate how anyone else lives theirs, nor to allow anyone else to dictate how you live your own. As usual, Shakespeare says it better than anyone:

"This above all: to thine own self be true; and it must follow, as the night the day; thou canst not then be false to any man."

E-mail Jeff what you think at [viewpoint@technicianonline.com](mailto:viewpoint@technicianonline.com)

### TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

# ALCOHOL BAN IS IMPRACTICAL

**OUR OPINION:** GOING TO A BAR ON THE FIRST HOUR OF YOUR 21ST BIRTHDAY AND DRINKING AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE BEFORE THE BARS CLOSE IS PRACTICALLY AN AMERICAN RITE OF PASSAGE. A NEW PROPOSED STATE LAW IS AIMED AT PREVENTING SUCH ACTIONS — AND IT COULDN'T BE MORE OFF THE MARK.

For many the freedom to drink in public is the true mark of adulthood.

When they turn 21, instead of getting plastered and falling over drunk at a friend's place, people can do it in public.

To celebrate this passage into adulthood, many go to a bar at midnight, the first hour of their 21st birthday and try to drink as much as possible before the bar closes at 2 a.m.

And that's on top of whatever drinks they had to drink before going out.

However, this attempt to cram too many drinks into too short a period of time can have serious health consequences such as alcohol poisoning and in the most extreme case, death.

In an attempt to prevent this excessive drinking practice, the state legislature is considering passing a "21 + 8" bill saying no one can legally buy or consume alcohol until 8 a.m. the day they turn 21.

Birthday drinking would be able to begin at 8 a.m. instead of midnight.

Not exactly prime drinking time.

But that is exactly the law's intention — to discourage binge drinking.

The intention is good but these

efforts won't make a difference.

Anyone who is absolutely committed to getting drunk because he or she is turning 21 will find a way to do so, whether they are in a bar or not. Someone who wants to drink because of a birthday can do so at home or at a friend's house — and just continue in public the next day.

What the law addresses is not something that will change what is currently in place.

The concern here isn't institutional — at least in terms of the legislature. There is nothing wrong with the current law system the way it is.

The problem here is cultural and that is what would have to change in order to prevent fresh 21 year olds from drinking too much during the night. The new "of-age" individual feels that it is necessary for them to go out and have this good time at the first possible moment — and that lies within the culture.

So yes, the bill does have a positive sentiment and is intended to change things — but it won't. The laws need to address the real issues here because the real issue isn't the people going to drink at midnight of their 21st birthday.

The real issue here is why they even have that desire to do so.

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## Beginning the quest for cool originates at revitalization

Four years. I have been here for four years. I have been living the college life and living the college dream. I've taken my courses in order to learn new things. I've gone to the parties and bars to meet new people. Yet as the end comes into sight, I feel as though it hasn't been enough. I feel empty and I feel used. I need to learn some skills that I can use in the real world. I need to know what it takes to be cool.



Matt Campbell  
Staff Columnist

You should have seen me when I was a one-year-old kid. I was the coolest kid on the block. Walking? I did it. Talking? Please, challenge me here. I would strut around in my Osh Kosh B'Gosh overalls and my Cookie Monster Velcro shoes. I'd pass by the ladies and say, "Hey baby, C is for cutie and you're good enough for me." They would "ooh" and "aah" — mostly because that's all they knew how to say.

But as the years went by, the coolness faded. Perhaps I hit a dead end in the Hammer-pants era or the grunge-rock scene. I'm now at the point where I feel out of the loop. They need programs or classes for this. I'd be first in line.

In this age of information, I had only one option. No longer could I sit around allowing my desire to be cool to stew like a dead raccoon on the side of the road during the hot, steamy days of summer. Sorry, too graphic? I needed to get out there and truly find what it takes to be cool.

This would take research and when I think of research, I think of the library. Surely at the library I could find what it takes to be cool. I searched books, magazines, encyclopedias and even some microfilm. Alas, I couldn't find anything. It was either the lack of useful information or the fact that some guy in the corner looking really creepy that helped me quickly decide it was time to move on.

My next stop was a local bar. Bars are the pinnacle of the college social scene with a cast of the "who's who" of the area. Apparently the A-list is all guys. As I watched all of these gentlemen aggressively pursue each of the two girls in the place, I took notes. Finally I have found the material I needed.

As I relaxed in bed before a good night of sleep that night, I thought, "What is that on my

back?" After I kicked my roommate out of my room, I thought of all I had learned that night and how the next morning would be the start of a new me.

A shifted tuning dial caused my clock radio to spew out static at the end of my slumber. Some would consider that the start of a bad day. However, I had bigger plans as today was a new start.

As I looked back on my notes, I developed my game plan. First, I needed the clothes. Unfortunately, that would require shopping, which requires money. The fabrics in my closet and drawers would have to do.

I needed expensive shirts, expensive shorts and expensive shoes. I had none of the above. Luckily, it was a little chilly that morning so without thinking twice, I just layered on several polo shirts, a few pairs of shorts and two pairs of shoes. Those size-20 basketball shoes I had laying around finally came in handy. All together my outfit was worth \$52. I have to stop shopping at Old Navy.

So perhaps this was a bad start to my quest for

cool. Nevertheless, I went forward in my notes. My next goal was to develop an accent from a place I'm not from. This one guy at the bar was talking like some awkward southern New Yorker, but it was working! Wait, I am from New York, that won't work.

I could adopt a strong southern accent but I'd feel compelled to buy one of those camouflage baseball hats. I couldn't imagine people not being able to see the top of my head on a backdrop of greenery. Canadian accent it is.

Finally, what is being cool good for if you can't get yourself a lady? I saw how the other guys worked their stuff. I saw the good, the bad and the ugly. However, in trying it out myself, I quickly realized that there is some sort of progression and acceptance that takes place before you go up to a girl and grind your body on her.

Things like this take time. It's been a long time since my cool days fresh out of the womb. For now I'm just a Canadian-sounding, Performance-Fleece wearing, gyrating mess of a man. But pretty soon you can find me under "cool" in the dictionary, eh? Ha, get it? Canadians? The end.

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"Yet, as the end comes into sight, I feel as though it hasn't been enough."



## STUDENT LIFE

# 21 years + 8 hours = The New 21



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## PROPOSED LEGISLATION SEEKS TO CURB "POWER- HOUR" DRINKING BY HAVING 21 YEAR OLDS WAIT 8 HOURS TO BUY THEIR FIRST DRINK

Michelle Eggleston  
Staff Writer

It is midnight on your 21st birthday. You stand excitedly in line at the bar waiting for the chance to proudly flash your legal ID. You contemplate which drink you will have first. Maybe you will take straight shots or maybe you will indulge in some exotic cocktails. The options are unlimited.

You have spent 21 years waiting for this moment. But, as you show the bouncer your ID he denies you entrance to the bar.

Your jaw drops in dismay and you ask, "Why?" The answer: you are still not legal to drink because of proposed North Carolina law would require you to wait until 8 a.m. to buy your first alcoholic drink.

No, this law has not yet passed in North Carolina. However, Texas, North Dakota and Minnesota are currently trying to pass this bill in order to prevent deaths due to binge drinking. The tradition of "power hour" or "21 for 21" is what sparked off this legislation act.

At midnight, newly legal 21 year olds only have an hour or two to consume as many alcoholic drinks as possible.

This tradition has led to deaths, people lapsing into comas and people being sent to detox from over-consumption of alcohol. The power-hour bill is trying to slow down the rate of alcohol consumption by delaying the legal drinking age to the next day. Lawmakers behind this bill say that only criminalizing the midnight binge can stop it.

Beth Uhas, a junior in criminology, will be turning 21 in two weeks and is planning on going out to the bars at midnight on her birthday. She said that she would not be

taking 21 shots even though her brother said that he is going to buy them for her.

"Even if they did enact the law, I would still be drinking on my birthday just not at a bar," said Uhas.

Jason Schultze, a senior in business management, did not go out to the bar on his 21st birthday because he was the oldest of his friends. Instead, he went to a party to celebrate his milestone.

"I don't really remember how much I drank that night, but people take it to the extreme on their 21st birthday," said Schultze. "You just get caught up in the moment."

Nick Verna, a junior in applied sociology, hit up the ABC store on his 21st birthday. He did not go out to a bar; instead he drank with friends at a party. He remembers drinking about 10 or 12 drinks that night. He went out to bars that weekend where he consumed only a couple drinks.

"People are going to get drunk other ways even if they don't go to bars. This law would only change the venue for drinking," Verna said.

Bartenders are the sober eyes that see all the action. Kristan Jones, a bartender at Playmakers, said friends often order the craziest shots for the birthday boy or girl. No one has ever been hospitalized for over drinking at Playmakers even though a guy did fall asleep on the toilet one time, Jones said.

She said she could see North Carolina passing this law because it has such strict laws already. She does not think the law would be effective because it is only one night.

"A law is not going to keep people from drinking," Jones said. "They'll just drink more the next night."

## "OVERHEARD,"

How did you celebrate your 21st birthday?



"I had a scuba diving trip three days after at the rock quarry. On the day of my birthday, I went out to dinner with friends. It was a quiet night. No alcohol."

**Andy Petters**  
Graduate student in higher education administration



"I went and bought the alcohol and came back to the apartment. I pretty much had a lot to drink and partied all night long. I had 10 shots."

**Sam Hayes**  
Senior in criminology



"I didn't drink. I don't drink at all. I went out with my friends to eat and we went to see the Lord of the Rings."

**Melody Sawyer**  
Senior in arts application

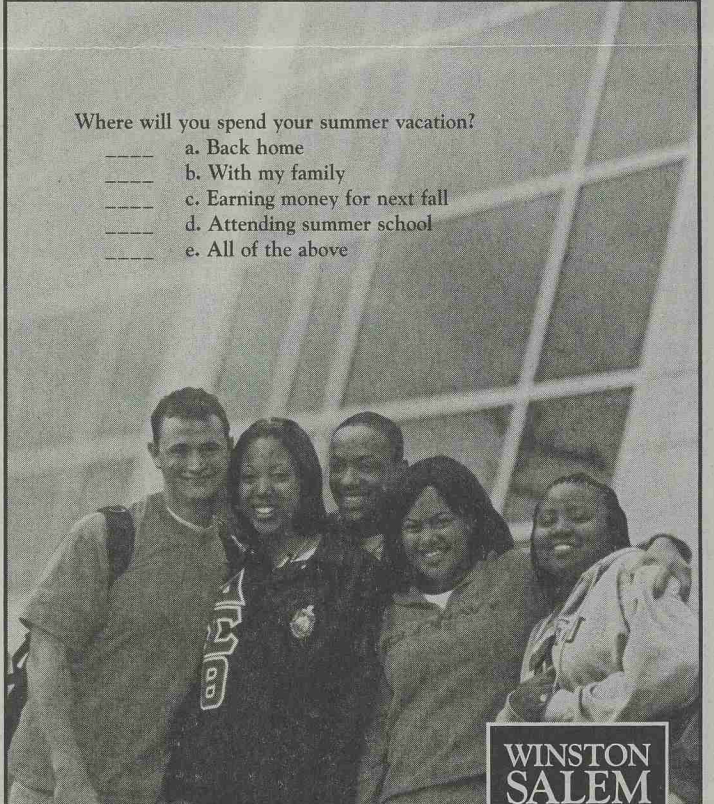


"I drank for the first time. I had one shot and one mixed drink and I had one kidney stone because the alcohol dehydrated me."

**Jessica Tiller**  
Graduate student in higher education administration

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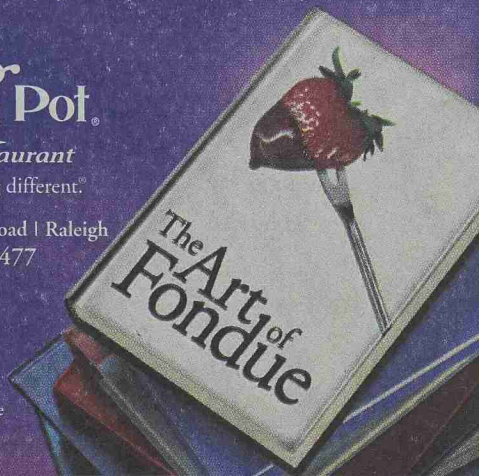
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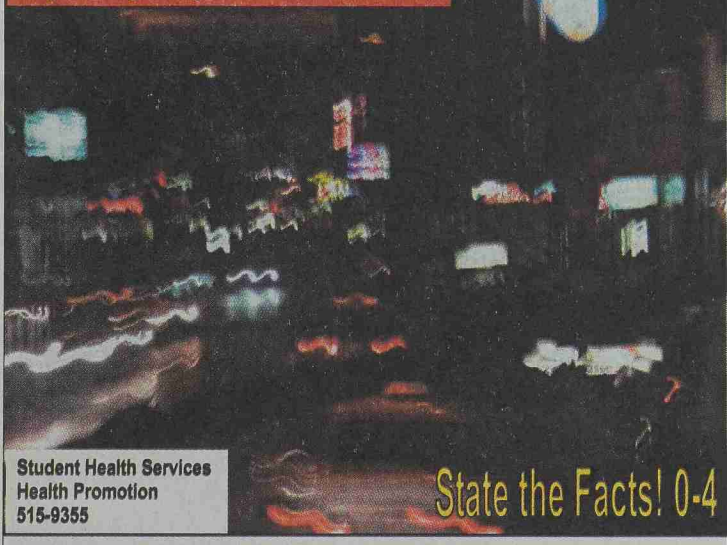
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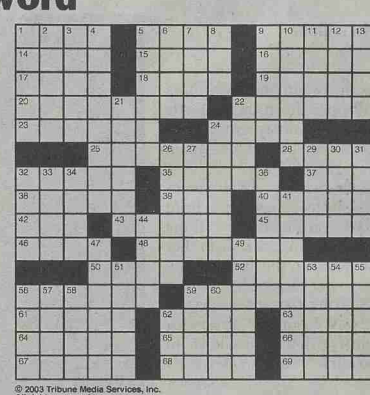
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23 Favor
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35 Make merry
37 Halloween cry
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39 Poie
40 Greek letter
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48 Nome resident
50 Sibilant sound
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56 Creamy
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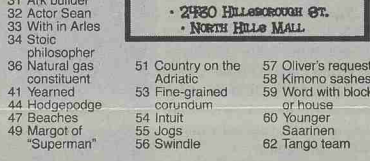


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# Sports

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2005

## Schedule

Softball vs. Coastal Carolina, 4/20, 3 (DH)  
Baseball at East Carolina, 4/20, 7  
Men's Tennis at ACC Tournament, 4/21-23  
Women's Tennis at ACC Tournament, 4/21-23  
Track & Field at ACC Championships, 4/21-23

## Scores

No game scheduled.



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## DREAMS OF PLAYING GOLF STARTED ON THE COURSE CLOSE TO LORRAINE BALLERANO'S SOUTH CAROLINA HOME

J. Mike Blake  
Staff Writer

As the bright South Carolina sun shines down on a Myrtle Beach golf course, a young girl follows close behind her dad up to the green.

Sometimes she caddies, sometimes she tees it up herself from the 150-yard marker — all the while growing closer to her father, and to the game played right in her backyard.

Years later, the girl would pedal her way from her Prestwick Country Club home down to the course's familiar Bermuda greens, to attend whatever summer golf camps were taking place.

It was the summer of her fifth-grade year when that girl, Lorraine Ballerano, who now plays golf for N.C. State, left Myrtle Beach for a golf camp at Western Hills, Fla.

"That's when I decided, 'Hey, I really like this,'" Ballerano said. "And about that time, there had been a college tournament at my home course and I kind of helped out with scorecards and stuff and I realized, 'This is fun.'"

In September 1996, a Plantations Junior Golf Tour event played host to the first meeting between the then-12-year-old Ballerano and future teammate, Molly Birmingham.

As the young girls hit the links, a friendship was forged.

"I was glad she was there, because she was such a nice girl and I had no idea what I was doing," Birmingham said. "We were best friends for a couple years there and then kind of had a falling out. When we got here it was fine, it was like nothing had changed."

Around her junior year of high school, Ballerano started to get noticed by several universities. Among them were Tennessee, Vanderbilt, Furman and College of Charleston, as well as State.

"I knew I wanted to go to a bigger school in the Southeast," Ballerano said. "I took a few visits and this one was my



Lorraine Ballerano putts on the fifth green during the ACC Tournament in Charlotte this past weekend. Ballerano helped the Wolfpack earn a third-place finish.

second-to-last one. After the second-to-last visit, I knew this is where I wanted to go. The athletic program and golf were good, and I fit in well with the team and coach.

"Our high school was big on athletics so I wanted a big football and basketball program. I went to the State-Virginia football game and it kind of sealed the deal."

Ballerano saw little action her first year, only participating in

five tournaments.

The next year she played in all but one of the team's tournaments, and finished third on the team with a 77.8 stroke average.

"It didn't quite go my way, it was frustrating," Ballerano said of her first year in Raleigh. "But I still worked hard, I knew I still had three more years left. As long as I worked hard I was going to be fine."

This year Ballerano led the

team with a 76.3 stroke average, and shot a career best 69 at the Bryan National Collegiate in Browns Summit, N.C., the last tournament of the regular season.

"This spring has been a lot more fun posting some good numbers and getting some top finishes," Ballerano said. "Other coaches have been telling me 'good play' at the tournaments. It's nice to see my hard work paying off."

Once frequent competitors in their younger days, Ballerano and Birmingham now play alongside each other and have roomed together the past two years.

"She's a great teammate," said Birmingham. "She always knows what's going on, she's always on top of everything and is going to be a great captain next year."

Ballerano said her father remains one of her biggest supporters after going the extra mile

for her when she first started playing.

"We spent countless weekends in middle and high school traveling around. It didn't matter what thing was going on in Myrtle Beach like a men's golf tournament with the club, he wanted to take me," Ballerano said.

"He sacrificed a lot, but he never complained. He's definitely my biggest influence, not only my biggest critic. But he still always wants me to do good."

### MEN'S TRACK & FIELD

# Hoverstad's drive for success 'keeps him going'

Senior pole vaulter Eric Hoverstad will compete in his last ACC Championship starting Thursday

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For most people, it would take a little more than bulging calf muscles and a pair of Air Jordans to jump over a bar 16 feet above the ground.

Well, just give senior Eric Hoverstad a carbon-fiber pole and he'll make mincemeat of the task.

A biological sciences and pre-dental major, Hoverstad's tasks are not limited to the gym.

This semester he is taking 18 hours of class, while training for the ACC Track and Field Cham-

pionships.

So, what does he do with his free time?

"What free time?" Hoverstad joked.

Growing up in Raleigh, Hoverstad was a multi-sport athlete at Millbrook High School.

He was also conference wrestler of the year his senior season with a record of 39-5.

Even though Hoverstad certainly had the grappling talents, the rigors of college wrestling did not appeal to him.

"The wrestlers are too tough here," Hoverstad said. "I just couldn't cut the weight. Wrestling is tough. I think it's probably the toughest sport there is. I'll just stick to pole vaulting."

Even though a pole vaulter may not lift weights as much or go through the trouble of

making a certain weight class as a wrestler does, Hoverstad said there are still important skills necessary to excel at the event.

"You need to be athletic obviously," Hoverstad said. "Speed, strength, and control of your body, almost like a gymnast. But you also need to be a student of the sport. You need to know what you're doing and what you need to be doing."

However, Hoverstad swears he has never taken a gymnastics class.

Even with all his natural athletic ability, Hoverstad still views his coaches as the main factor for his success.

"They've stuck with me through the ups and downs," Hoverstad said. "This sport is very mental, it's easy to go crazy,"

Perhaps the fact that he is the only pole vaulter on the men's track team adds some stress.

According to coach Gail Olson, though, having only one competitor for the event is not that big of a risk.

"Eric does what he's supposed to do. He doesn't slack off or put himself into a position where he's going to get hurt," Olson said.

Aside from his coach, Hoverstad always has a loyal fan in the stands in his mother, Laura Perry.

Living in the Triangle makes it easy for her to attend her son's meets.

"I've come to every single ACC and regional meet of his college career that it's been possible to," Perry said.

"Unfortunately, I had to miss last year's [regionals], but we'll

be going down to Tallahassee this week and up to New York later on for his regionals," he added.

Perry saw through her son's bulky, athletic frame to an individual who possessed certain intangibles that couldn't be taught or inherited.

"Eric has always had that drive," Perry said. "Even when he was young, I don't know what it is, but it just keeps him going and doing his best at whatever he does."

His coach found the word for it.

"He just has determination," Olson said. "Even when things aren't going well, he focuses on the things that he needs to do to get better."

"It's something that's really helped him over the years."

This week, Hoverstad will compete in the ACC Outdoor Championships in Tallahassee, Fla.

With only a few meets left in his college career and no real plans to compete on the Olympic stage, the memories Hoverstad will take with him are not of practicing and competing.

Instead they reflect the friendships he's developed and the light-hearted moments during his four years at State.

"You're like a family when you travel. All second semester you're always with the same people," Hoverstad said.

"We'd always play jokes on each other or something would always happen. Like we would get stuck in some city or we couldn't fit the poles on the plane."

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