

Free Expression Tunnel to close for renovations



The Free Expression Tunnel is one of three tunnels that allow students to pass under railroad tracks . The tunnel will be closed beginning in June.

Updates include aesthetic improvements and ADA compliance

Clark Leonard

Free expression will take a different form at N.C. State for about nine months starting in June. The Free Expression Tunnel,

where students paint every-thing from group announce-ments to political beliefs, will be closed for renovations until March.

John Palmiter, project manager for University Construction Management, said

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the tunnel accessible to all students in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. 'The intent of this project is

that the changes will make

to make the Free Expression Tunnel ADA-compliant," Palmiter said. "Basically the only way to get from one side of campus now to the other is either go up to Pullen or Dan Allen or taking the bus around." Palmiter said that the inside

of the tunnel will remain vir-tually unchanged, but that a brick facade will enhance the look of the outside of the tunnel.

"It's going to look sig-nificantly different from the outside," Palmiter said. "The interior of the tunnel itself is going to be basically the same.

The tunnel's face lift is just one portion of the bond projects for the UNC Sys-tem, according to University Facilities Planning and Man-

Facilities Planning and Man-agement project manager Steve Bostian. "[North Carolinians] voted on the bonds in the year 2000," Bostian said. "That was when the voters of North Carolina voted for bonds for all the voted for bonds for all the University system schools." Bostian said that \$2 mil-

lion of the \$500 million that NCSU received in the bonds will be used for the project, which will also include a new planted area and benches on the Brickyard side of the tunnel.

Senior class president Carla Babb said that she is excited about the renovation, class especially in regard for its added benefits for disabled students.

"If you're disabled, you never really get to experience the Free Expression Tunnel," Babb said.

Microbiology senior Tracy

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Spirituality a common focus for students

Tanner Kroeger Senior Staff Write

A recent study conducted by the Higher Education Research Institute at UCLA suggested that spiritual development is a high priority among college students

The study, which surveyed 112,232 freshmen students in the class of 2008 at 236 different universities, examined religious and political preferences, as well as spiritual and faith-based ac-

Highlighted results of the study said 80 percent of the stu-dents are interested in spiritu-ality, 81 percent attend religious services, while 79 percent believe in God.

The study also revealed that only 69 percent of students surveyed pray on a regular basis. According to Shadi Sadi, a se

nior in business management, religion plays an important role in many N.C. State students' lives

Sadi, a former member of NCSU's Diversity Committee, is a practicing Muslim. "I just grew up into it." Sadi

is a practicing Muslim. "I just grew up into it," Sadi said. "In high school, I got stronger in [Islam] because I just wanted to learn more about it." Sadi said no single event made him go out and search for a

Instead, unanswered questions

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NORTH CAROLINA SENATE PASSES BUDGET BILL WITH PROVISIONS THAT WOULD SEPARATE N.C. STATE AND UNC-CHAPEL HILL FROM THE UNC SYSTEM IN THE TUITION PROCESS IF APPROVED BY THE HOUSE

STORY BY REBECCA HESLIN

The recently approved budget of the North Carolina Senate has some wondering what the 16-piece puzzle of the UNC System will look like after the removal of its two largest pieces.

Within the budget plan is tucked away two provisions, the first of which would allow N.C. State and UNC-Chapel Hill to sidestep the UNC-System Board of Governors in setting tuition.

"It will hurt our University as a system if we are removed [in tuition matters]," Student Body President Whil Piavis said.

"When schools within the system petition downtown, it's usually just NCSU and Chapel Hill because we're the closest [in proximity]. If we're removed, others will have a long way to come just to be heard.

Under the provision, the BOG, which historically serves as a filter between individual ability to plan for and govern the

institutions and the General Assembly, would be removed from the tuition process, allowing the Board of Trustees at both NCSU and UNC-CH to propose their own tuition increases directly to

the legislature. "Current state law makes clear that the Board of Governors holds responsibility for setting tuition rates and budgets for each of the 16 campuses and the University overall," Molly Broad, president of the UNC system, said in an official statement May 3.

"This provision would lead to a serious erosion of the Board of Governor's fiscal authority and University effectively." Scholarships: in state vs. out

Competition within the admis-sions process to UNC-System schools has historically remained within state borders. That could all change as competition crosses state lines.

"[The scholarship provision in the bill is] completely unfair and a simple way to usurp the au-thority of the BOG once again," Student Senate President Forrest Hinton said. "UNC and NCSU have their

mouths watering at recruiting more out-of-state students, but they have to remember to balance their desires to become 'premier universities' with the universities' mission to educate

the people of North Carolina. The number of out-of-state students could increase in the near future, as the second pro-vision in the N.C. Senate's budget bill would allow institutions within the UNC System to by-

pass the 18 percent out-of-state **PIECES** continued page 4



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Russell McClure watches as his damaged pick up is pulled from the front of the Sigma Phi Epsilon house. No one was injured as the house was empty at the time of the accident.

Truck opens doors ahead of schedule

Wreck causes damage to Sig Ep house, driver unscathed **Rebecca Heslin**

The doors of the Sigma Phi Epsilon house were reopened Thursday night for the first time since the fraternity was evicted last fall — but in a fashion no one expected.

Just before 8:20 p.m., Rus-sell McClure drove his pick-up truck through the left doors on the front of the former Sig Ep residence, according to Campus Police.

"I just passed out," a scratch-free McClure said. After driving down on the wrong side of the fork on Fra-ternity Court, McClure went over the curb, through the fence and right through the doors of the house.

"I woke up once I was in the building," McClure said. According to Sgt, Jeff Sutton of Campus Police, McClure was not under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Sutton added however, that McClure said he did have medical problems.

Although McClure is as epilep-tic, according to Campus Police,

Hutcherson, a disabled veteran who served more than 11 years in the Army, said that the reno-

vation is a positive step, but that much remains to be done to

make the campus fully accessible.

"This is definitely a step in the right direction," Hutcherson said. "[The University has] been slow in responding to that prob-

lem, and they are slow to respond

to other problems." Hutcherson said that among

other things that need to be ad-dressed by the University are the

dorms that lack handicapped ac-cessibility, the difficulty of gain-

ing access to Harrelson Hall for disabled students, lightening the

load of paperwork required for parking for permanently disabled

students and better crossing sig

nals on Hillsborough Street for

handicapped students. "They're aware of the prob-

lems," Hutcherson said. "They've chosen not to place them at the

He said that in fairness to the

University, he understands that the great costs and the benefits to only a small portion of the

campus have played a role in the decisions that have had to

"It is a cost issue. It is a lim-ited benefit," Hutcherson said.

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they aren't sure if a seizure was

they aren't sure if a seizure was the cause of the accident. "He doesn't remember coming through the building," Sutton said of McClure. The incident was reported to Campus Police at 8:22 p.m. and Jon Mountz, director of Greek Life, was notified at 8:29 p.m. "He just missed hitting an electrical box, a fire hydrant and

electrical box, a fire hydrant and he didn't hit the bricks [of the building] square on," Mountz said. "We're lucky — he wasn't hurt, no one was in the building and the building wasn't terribly damaged."

University Facilities was on site to pull the truck out of the door-

"That's understandable."

Despite these concerns, Hutcherson that the University still must realize that handi-capped students are a vital part of the school's student community.

"The disabled students of N.C. State are...part of what [the uni-versity] is," Hutcherson said. A plywood alternative to the

Free Expression Tunnel will likely be close to the current site of the tunnel on the outside of the construction site to allow students to continue the tradition of free expression. Student Senate President For-

rest Hinton said that Campus Activities is working for such a solution and that the details are still being worked out.

"I'm pleased that Campus Activities was thoughtful of the students and budgeted money for free expression alternative, Hinton said.

Babb said that she is also pleased that along with the reno-vations there will be an alternate free expression area.

"It's very important that students have a place to express themselves," Babb said. "As long as they give us some place we can express ourselves I think it's a great idea."

Bostian said that, following the renovations, students will also be able to enjoy better lighting as they paint in the renovated tunnel.

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"The pedestrian tunnel is going to have new lighting in-stalled which will make it much brighter," Bostian said. "The tunnel will still be available for painting by the students, but you'll be able to see what you

A contractor was also con-tacted to assess the damage, according to Mountz. "Sig Ep plans to colonize a new chapter and they plan to reoc-cupy this building [in the fall],"

According to campus police, the incident is being treated as an accident and no charges will

be filed against the driver.

paint from now on." Palmiter said that with the new and improved look for the outside of the tunnel, he hopes students will keep their painting inside the tunnel.

"We hope that the students take pride in their university and don't want to deface it," Palmiter

He added that while the project may upset some students at first, the final product should be something everyone can be proud of.

"I realize that's going to cause some heartache or hardships for a while, but I think once the project is finished it'll make it accessible to more people, so it's worth the disturbance," Palmiter said.

While some students are pleased and some are unhappy to see the tunnel closed for renovations, Eric Mitchell, a junior in parks, recreation, and tourism, said that the project will have

little affect on him. "As long as I can still get to the other side of campus I'll be fine," Mitchell said.

about the human existence that sparked the then high school

sparked the then high school junior's interest. "I was looking for a reason for life," Sadi said. "There was just a curiosity. There is that un-ending question "What is the meaning of life?' and 'Why are we here?' That's not something your uncells thick boat used! you usually think about until you get older, and I didn't think about it until the 12th, or maybe 11th grade."

Like many young people, Sadi found difficulty in taking every word his parents taught him as

truth. As the UCLA study suggests, his religious faith is a product of his interest in spirituality.

"You grow up, and your parents always say 'Islam says this, and Islam says that," Sadi said. "Like, you can't eat pork in Islam. I grew up all the way into high school not eating pork, but not knowing why. Eventually, there is a time when a person wants to know answers to questions about life and to figure out why he is here."

Today, Islam plays a major role in Sadi's life.

"It's something to turn to,"

"Whether it's your daily life, your homework or even driving, anything that you go through during your day, Islam encom-passes all of that. You're always remembering. God. through remembering God through everything you're doing." Being a Muslim in post-Sept. 11 America, Sadi says non-Mus-

lims always have questions about how Islam influenced the

attacks in Pennsylvania, New

attacks in Pennsylvania, New York and Washington D.C. "You meet people that are always questioning Sept. 11," Sadi said. "It then becomes a matter of telling them what your religion is, and what those people did on that day. You have to distinguish what our religion is, and what those people did." No matter what faith young people choose, Sadi said young

people choose, Sadi said young people want a God in their lives to fill a specific, non-tangible

void. 'Everyone is searching for the meaning of life," Sadi said. "We all live our lives, and eventually we grow up and say, 'What am I here for?' There has to be a reason, there has to be

a purpose.' The largest sect of students surveyed by UCLA was Roman Catholics.

The study said young Catho-lics, representing 28 percent of the surveyed population, had the most religious skepticism, but worked or more winfed eccu

but wanted a more unified, ecumenical Christian church. Mark G. Reamer, the pastor at St. Francis of Assi's Catholic Church in Raleigh, said the Catholic faith should be looked at in its entire population, not

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relationships in accordance to scripture."

ity through one of the world's mainstream religions.

Liani Zabala, a sophomore in zoology, became a casual Wic-can after exploring Christianity

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and other popular religions. "In high school, I start started looking for something that fit what I was feeling," Zabala "I found Wicca to be what I

believed in because I've always felt more at ease around nature and around animals. I found Wicca to be an equilibrium in myself." Zabala said Wicca was a bal-

ance in her beliefs, as well. A nature-based faith, it has

strong ties to Christianity, with many Celtic traditions. "Wicca is a belief that God is in nature and in all of us,"

Zabala said. "It's a way of morals and ethics. We don't do things that

harm others." She added that her experiences as a Wiccan satisfy the same spiritual questions as

any mainstream religion. "People need purpose," Za-bala said. "Nobody just wants to be on

a piece of rock without a reason to be there.'



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"As far as young people try-ing to figure out the world," Reamer said.

and old both. [As Catholics,] we just try to teach how to build

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Not everyone, however, in-vestigates his or her spiritual-



way and to board up the doorway "Hell of a way to get a garage in this place," Gary Thompson, associate director for facilities said as the department did their work. A contractor was also con-

Mountz said.

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N.C. Department of Justice publishes student's internet safety guide

"INTERNET SAFETY: WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW CAN HURT YOUR CHILD" WARNS PARENTS ABOUT **PITFALLS OF THE WEB**

Matt Wilson

An online safety guide de-signed by an N.C. State design student was chosen by the North Carolina Department of Justice for distribution statewide.

Caroline Okun, a senior in Caroline Okun, a senior in graphic design, created the design for the guide called "In-ternet Safety: What You Don't Know Can Hurt Your Child." The 48-page booklet offers parents tips about the charac-teristics of online predators and how to keep children safe while using the internet. The Internet Crimes Against

The Internet Crimes Against Children task force, headed by Attorney General Roy Cooper and led in part by the State Bureau of Investigation, began an educational campaign last year to produce a video and safety guides for free distribution. The DOJ contacted Assistant

Professor Tony Brock last Fall and offered his studio class of 16 students the chance to design

It students the chance to design the first guide for parents. "Brock did a project about internet predators with his class and the DOJ caught wind of it," Okun said. "They came to Tony and said, 'have your class take a shot at designing it."

According to Brock, each student created their own variation and the designs were shown to several representatives from the Department of Justice.

The DOJ representatives then gave the students feedback about their entries. "They were very open to giv

ing students nicely detailed critiques," Brock said. Okun's proposal was chosen and fleshed out over winter

break.

Okun finished in the early part of the spring semester and more than 11,000 copies were printed and distributed statewide, along with a video produced by the

According to Okun, her proposal was chosen above the others for its inclusion of a human element; photography of children.

While other entries featured pictures of empty playgrounds and computers, Okun featured

and computers, Okun reatured children. "I was the only person who had actual photographs of children. That's really what's going to get to parents," Okun said. For the booklet, Okun photo-arranda deward children includ

graphed several children, includ-ing her niece, who is pictured on the front cover.

"I photographed my sister and a young boy who is twelve years old. It's interesting because [subjects] who aren't profes-sional models have a tendency to overact," Okun said. "It was just like catching them in the right stance."

The parents could empathize with the images," Brock said. "It put a nice face on who's very much being impacted by this information." Although Okun did the guide

Annough Okun did the guide as a class project, the DOJ has hired her to design the next guide, one to be distributed to teachers and administrators.

"This first one was a pro bono, but I did get a job to design the next guide for teachers," Okun Okun may also be nominated

for a Printing Industry of the Carolinas Award, or PICA, a unit of printing measurement. "The printer who we worked

with is going to submit some of the spreads for PICA awards," Okun said.

Other than online predators, the teachers' guide will also cover what teachers should do if they learn a child is being harassed or bullied online. Okun also said they were work-

ing on some posters to be put in



The cover of the new internet safety guide adopted by the DOJ was designed by Caroline Okun, a senior in graphic design.

schools. attention than the video, and According to Okun, the parparents can download it online ents' guide will receive more for free at the DOJ Web site, as

well. "It's amazing for my portfolio. For one, it's because I'm work-ing for the government. And two, for the first run they printed over 11,000 copies," Okun said. "It will end up in people's hands more than the video." Brock will also continue to

work with the DOJ with his future classes Brock said his class is beneficial in a number of ways, including

improving interpersonal skills. The class met three times a week for three hours, and much of it involved one-on-one interaction with faculty.

with faculty. "The assignments aren't hy-pothetical. [Students] have to sit down and talk with outside contacts and work through the information," Brock said. Brock said the class also gives students a good sense of online persons and the online com-munity.

munity.

"Who do you know who you're talking to?" Brock said. The guide could also serve as an example for prospective

design students. It gives them a good sense of the kind of work that is meaningful," Brock said. "It gives some

one a sense that graphic design can be about education

NIH grants \$2 million to glaucoma genetics research

Researchers will use the model fruit fly to identify

N.C. State researchers received \$2 million from the National Institutes of Health to study

Cynthia Marvin

genes that may suggest susceptibility to glaucoma

> find new approaches to under-stand the function of myocilin, a recently — back then — protein found to be linked to glaucoma," Borras said.

"We realized we had labs just a few miles apart and we could join our expertise. We began a small 'exploratory' project, mostly for fun, funded by the GRF, and we

The funding from the NIH will be for four years, enabling NCSU and UNC-Chapel Hill to use the organism Drosophila melanogaster, the fruit fly, in order to identify potential genes that may suggest susceptibility to

glaucoma. "We took the human protein and made genetically engineered flies that expressed the human myocilin protein in their eyes," Anholt said. "A Russian exchange student named, Tatiana Morozov actually developed this model."

tion in Puerto Rico, Anholt and Dr. Terete Borras, professor in the Department of Ophthal-mology at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine decided to join together for

research. The seminar was designed to

Anholt said they had observed

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these flies extruding liquid from their eyes. "This was a very unusual phe-

This was a very unusual pne-notype, the easiest explanation we had was it was from built up pressure in their eyes, very simi-lar to that of hypertension." The findings led researchers to look for other genes that changed the flies expression, this process is known as one transcriptional

is known as gene transcriptional profiling.

prohling. Glaucoma causes blurred peripheral vision, later leading to tunnel vision and eventually blindness. One out of every 100 people over the age of 40 has glaucoma, and rates for African-American and Hispanic popula-tions are especially high. NCSU scientists will be col-laborating with the Duke Eve

laborating with the Duke Eye Center as they have an ongoing esearch project of Glaucoma in Ghana.

"The ongoing process in Ghana proves useful not only because glaucoma rates are higher in African-Americans but because this Myan population is very homogeneous, there is not too much variation," Anholt said.

Borras said that this is a great opportunity for NCSU and UNC to transfer technology from an invertebrate, the fly, to the human — especially if their research were to yield surprising results.

What we hope to achieve is that down the line we can obtain a panel of DNA sequence in important genes, which will be able to predict the risk of develoing glaucoma in individuals, Anholt said.

"We also hope that we can identify such genes and they can give us insight in the mechanism of how it [glaucoma] develops, Anholt said.

Because the research has just started, there are not many stu-dents on-board with the project. There will be some graduate students, a post-doctorate, and a new technician who will soon become involved.

"We are all excited," Borras said. "This is the first project where the fly is going to be used to try to find new genes potentially associated with glaucoma."



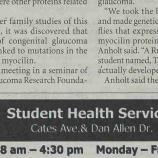
to it In later family studies of this protein, it was discovered that cases of congenital glaucoma were linked to mutations in the

the genomics of glaucoma, the progressive degeneration of the Robert Anholt, professor of re-cology and genetics and di-rector of NCSU's Keck Center for Behavioral Biology, says the research dates back to the 1980s when he and other researchers discovered a new protein

"We named at new protein. "We named it [the protein] olfactomedin," Anholt said. "We didn't really know its function but it became very clear that

there were other proteins related

protein myocilin. After meeting in a seminar of the Glaucoma Research Founda-



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University is already strapped

for money." "Our teachers can't even print out syllabuses on paper,"

Cerkovnik said. Munesh Farmah, a senior in

business finance, said that he disagrees with the budget cuts

and the provision on the bill. "N.C. State knows better than

UNC state knows better than UNC what its needs are," Farmah said, noting his concern about the possibility of having UNC and NCSU following similar

and NCSU following similar patterns of raising tuition. "I could see the NCSU Board of

Trustees trying to compete with UNC," Farmah said. Farmah said that he feels that

there should be more research

done before a budget plan is

Student Senate President For-rest Hinton said that he was con-

cerned about the proposals to cut funding for the UNC system,

"It's a horrible idea to sepa

rate two universities from the system," Hinton said, echoing the sentiment of the next UNC

Association of Student Govern-

"We've made progress in the proposed budget cuts," Wynne

said, adding that he hopes all the schools in the UNC system

will work together and keep the system as a whole.

Hinton also noted that he

was pleased with the progress that the General Assembly has

made with reducing the cuts in

people' motto," Hinton said.

NCSU's inclusion Aside from financial and his-

torical implications facing the UNC System from this bill, many

are unclear as to why NCSU is

"In order to make the deal as justifiable as possible, NCSU was included in the tuition au-

tonomy to add a level of fairness to our university," Hinton said. "Although our chancellor has remained unusually quiet about

this new policy, he has hinted that he believes in keeping the

UNC System unified under one

According to Lunsford, "The question is who is pushing for

The answer, she said, is

They could finally raise the

cap on out-of-state students," she added. "I just find this all fascinating." Administrators could not

be reached for comment after multiple attempts were made

to get in touch with several top

is very open to the students...I've gathered that there are some ma-

jor 'behind closed doors' discus-sions happening," Hinton said. "I really do appreciate our ad-ministration, but they have been

unusually quiet [about this]." E-mails were released in early

May illustrating the communi-cation between UNC officials

and the Senate - particularly

involving Senate Leader Marc Basnight and Sen. Tony Rand.

These e-mails left many conjecturing what is really go-

ing on and just who exactly is

"Although I don't know the

official answer to why NCSU is involved, it's been speculated

this whole deal with N.C. Sen-

te Pro Tempore Marc Basnight,"

Student Body President Whil

Piavis said he is among those

confused as to the inclusion of NCSU in this bill.

Hill was on their own, and we

just got thrown in there," Piavis

said. "[Chapel Hill] was saying we are the flagship university and should have that privilege [of separating from the Board in utition metters] but as a utility

tuition matters], but as a whole

I think it'll weaken the university

"Originally I thought Chapel

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Hinton said.

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POLICE BLOTTER

05/22/05 1:19 A.M. | SUSPICIOUS PERSON

A Securitas Officer at ES King Village reported an intoxicated subject was at the Method Road Stadium and was attempting to stop vehicles as they drove by. Officers searched the area but were unable to locate anyone

11:12 A.M. | SUSPICIOUS

INCIDENT ECC reported a small child attempting to order food through a blue light near the playground at ES King Village. Upon arrival, officers made contact with the juvenile. His parents were not in the area Officers went door to door looking for anyone who may know the child. A subject came to the scene and stated he was the child's tutor. Th child was released to the custody of

his sister 7:15 A.M. | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE noticed a vehicle parked inside the gate near the observatory on Reedy Creek Road. The driver was sitting in his vehicle reading. He complied to leave the area.

11:53 P.M. | DRUG VIOLATION

A student reported smelling the odor of marijuana in a suite in Wolf Village. Officers checked the suite and were able to detect an odor of something but were not sure what is was. Officers could not detect an odor of marijuana in the area

2:54 P.M. | LARCENY

A non-student reported the theft of her mountain bike from the bike rack south of DH Hill Library. 5:08 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS PERSON

A staff member reported a suspicious person asking for directions to Wrightsville beach in Patterson Lot. Officers were unable to locate the subject

7:06 P.M. | MEDICAL ASSIST

A staff member reported a subject in the lobby of North Hall complaining of chest pains. RFD Eng 5 and EMS 8 responded. The subject was transported to Rex Hospital d re-trespassed from all NCSU

7:56 P.M. | DOMESTIC DISPUTE

A student reported she heard screaming and doors slamming. Officers responded and heard no signs of any disturbance. Officers check all remaining rooms and all as OK

05/23/05 10:21 A.M. | SUSPICIOUS

10:21 A.M. | SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT A faculty member reported that his department had received several letters in the mail from an inmate in NC Central prison. The letters were addressed to "Student NCSU" and appear to be a search for someone to correspond with. A follow up with DOC will be conducted to have the letters stopped

10:23 A.M. | FIRE

10:23 A.M. | FIRE A high voltage transformer on the East side of Reynolds Coliseum had an electrical short which caused a fire. Officers, Fire Protection, and Raleigh Fire Department responded. There was extensive damage to several rooms on the East side of the building. There were no injuries reported.

1:34 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS

1:34 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT Officers responded to Coliseum pay lot and spoke to a student whc could not pay his parking bill. A license check revealed that his NC Driver's License was revoked. Pape work was filled out and he was warned not to drive and to have someone else pick up his vehicle. who

2:19 P.M. | TRAFFIC STOP DWLR A student was stopped on Dunn Avenue and arrested for Driving while license revoked. The stop was related to the call above. The student was transported to Wake County Public Safety Center. He was referred to the University.

2:34 P.M. | ASSIST OTHER 2:34 P.M. J ASSIST OTHER AGENCY Officers responded to the Bell Tower area in reference to a report of a person stabbed at that location. On arrival officers discovered that the crime occurred across Hillsbrough Street near the Bell Tower Mart. Officers assisted Raleigh Police Department with securing the crime scene and crowd control.

05/24/05 10:15 A.M. | DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

PROPERTY A staff member reported that while he was weed eating in the Carmichael Lot a rock was kicked up and cracked the windshield of a vehicle belonging to a staff member. The staff member was notified of the incident

7:57 A.M. DAMAGETO PROPERTY

A staff member parked his vehicle in the McKimmon Center lot and when he returned to his vehicle he noticed it had been keyed on the right side.

8:42 A.M. | FIRE ALARM The fire alarm went off at the Vet School both RFD and Officers responded to the area. The cause of the alarm was an oven that had been smoking. The system was shut down and reset.

12:00 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS PERSON A staff member reported a subj looking at the bikes on the bike rack at Brooks Avenue when he rack at Brooks Avenue when he saw her he immediately walked away. Officers were unable to locate him.

12:57 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE

Officers responded to a report of a silver van North of DH Hill Library selling stereo equipment. Officers responded to the area but were unable to locate the vehicles.

1:35 P.M. | FIRE ALARM The fire alarm went off at the EGRC deck. Police and fire responded to the area and the panel indicated a water flow alarm. The cause of the activation was unknown

6:46 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS PERSON A student reported that two people were in the brickyard that he knew had been trespassed. Officer responded but were unable to locate the individuals.

7:04 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS PERSON A student reported that four individuals had entered the library that had been previously trespassed from NCSU Bookstore. No further action was taken

05/25/05 10:55 A.M. | ASSIST OTHER

AGENCY RPD called NCSU Police for APD called NCSU Police for assistance in serving a search warrant to two NCSU students. Officers found several marijuana plants, and a large bag of marijuana The residents were then arrested by RPD. The students were both ferred to the University for these charges.

NOTE - FOLLOW UP A student was arrested on two warrants for Sexual Battery in Greenville and was referred to the University. 1:06 P.M. | MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

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1:45 P.M. | INFORMATION POLICE Officer Foor was walking through the freë expression tunnel when she noticed gang tagging painted on the wall. An investigation is continuing.

2:04 P.M. DAMAGE TO

PROPERTY A staff member parked her car in Admin Service parking lot. When she returned she noticed her drivers side mirror had been pushed forward and the glass was broken

6:01 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS

NCIDENT A student reported seeing a subject with a nose clip and smoking a white pipe walking around the Coliseum Deck. Officers were unable to locate the subject

8:26 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE Officer Menzie observed a burgundy Honda Civic parked at the big oak tree on Mid Pines Rd. Two non Students stated they stopped for a moment to use the bathroom. Subjects complied to leave the area.

05/26/05 12:25 A.M. | CHECK PERSON Officer Christian saw a student sitting in his car in Riddick Lot. The student advised he was napping while waiting for the computer lab in Daniels Hall to open. No action two takan

1:10 P.M. | TRAFFIC ACCIDENT A student was driving on Jeter Dr. when he was struck by a non student who was turning into the parking lot at Reynolds Coliseum. The damages were minor, with no injuries.

10:45 P.M. | FIRE ALARM Police responded to Harrelson Hall in reference to a smoke head activation. No signs of smoke or fire were detected. The cause of the activation is unknown. RFD responded, and the system was reset.

12:58 P.M. | INFORMATION

POLICE Officers have been assigned to locate all graffiti on campus. All locations have been documented, pe given to facilities to be cleaned up.

6:48 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS PERSON A student at the Carmichael Gym reported seeing another student which had been banned from the area. Officers spoke with the subject, and he complied to leave.

8:12 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS PERSON An officer observed two non students standing next to a tree near Caldwell Hall. The subjects appeared to be urinating on the tree. Their files were checked with negative results. The subjects vere told to leave the area, they

8:22 P.M. | TRAFFIC ACCIDENT A student on Dan Allen Dr. report seeing a pick up truck driven by a nen student leave the roadway a collide with the front entrance of rted and

complied

Sigma Phi Epsilon causing extensive damage to the building. The subject did not appear to be impaired, but may have possibly blacked out while driving. No injuries reported. Proper staff were notified, and the house was secured.

05/27/05 2:03 A.M. | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE

CCBI Agent reported a suspicion car in Centennial Park and Ride occupied by a non student. The CCBI agent spoke with the subject, and he complied to leave the area.

6:51 A.M. | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE A subject was located sleeping in a vehicle at the Partners II lot. The staff member was early for work, and dozed off.

12:53 P.M. | SKATEBOARDERS A staff member reported severa skateboarders jumping off the steps at the EGRC deck. Officers nded to the area, but we

unable to locate the skateboarders.

05/28/05 1:23 A.M. | TAMPERING WITH **EMERGENCY PHONE**

Ecc reported someone activating the emergency blue light phone in the West Dunn Building. Officers were unable to locate anyone upon arrival.

3:38 A.M. | ASSIST OTHER AGENCY

A student was arrested by RPD for DWI, Filing False Police Report, and Hit and Run. He was referred to the University.

11:06 P.M. | ASSIST OTHER A staff member requested the presence of an officer while the Tournament at the Carmichael Gym was let out

4:48 P.M. | FIRE ALARM TROUBLE Officers responded to the Fire Alarm at the Doak Field House. There is no known cause why it was activated. Electronics responded to the scene and everything was checked okay.

05/29/05 3:20 A.M. ASSIST OTHER AGENCY

AGENCY Officers responded to North Campus to assist RPD in an area search for an assault suspect. The assault took place on Hillsborough St. The suspect was a male wearing a ball cap, and black sweatshirt.

3:48 A.M. | FIRE ALARM

An officer responded to EGRC in reference to fire alarm trouble. The same fire alarm had been disabled on 05/24/05. There is no know cause for the activation. Electronics has been notified. TROUBLE

5:36 P.M. | FIRE ALARM

Officers and RFD responded to the fire alarm in the College of Textiles. There is no known cause for the activation. Electronics was notified, responded to the scene, and they were able to reset the alarm

6:30 P.M. | FIRE ALARM Officers and RFD responded to a smoke detector in Wolf Village. Food that had been burnt in the kitchen caused the activation.

05/30/05 8:51 A.M. | SUSPICIOUS PERSON There was a report of two subjects running on the indoor track at Reynolds Coliseum. The two juveniles were located, and complied to leave the area.

9:21 A.M. ASSISTANCE A staff member reported a client at the Vet School was causing a disturbance. The subject was upset about her dog. Arrangements were made, and she complied with the requests of the Vet School.

10:52 P.M. | ASSIST OTHER

AGENCY Police responded to Varsity Dr. at the request of RPD for assistance on a foot pursuit. RPD advised units to disregard the request due to the suspect fleeing in a vehicle prior to

11:47 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE

An officer observed a vehicle parked in the middle of Faucette Dr. with a female sitting on the curb. The occupants were two non students. The subjects advised that everything was ok. The vehicle was uninsured. The vehicle was parked, and the subjects called a friend to give them a ride.

5:25 P.M. | FIRE ALARM

Officers and RFD responded to a Fire Alarm in King Village. Smoke was coming from inside one of the rooms. Officers knocked on the door, but there was no one head rooms. Uttreers knocked on the door, but there was no one home at the time. Officers gained entry to find food burning in a pot on the stove. The resident of the room was located and advised not to leave food cooking unattended. The system was reset.

8:54 P.M. | SUSPICIOUS PERSON An Officer observed a non student coming out of the woods near Main Campus Dr. The subject advised that he was just walking through. All filed were checked, results were negative, and the subject complied to leave the area

Budget cuts discussions continue

There has been strong oppo-

sition to the idea," Nielsen said, adding that he was unsure of

According to Nielsen, the cuts have been reduced to 1 percent

for the academic budget and 4 percent for facilities and other

provisions within the budget.

These proposals result in an overall 2 percent budget cut for

the upcoming year. Nielsen cited an increase in

enrollment as money that would become available for other ini-

"Small cuts we can handle," Nielsen said. "We're happy to see other areas of funding."

Alex Cerkovnik, a senior in communication, said that she is

concerned about the proposals

to have the Board of Trustees

"Budget cuts OK, just not the free rider," Cerkovnik said.

Cerkovnik said that she doesn't

trust the Board of Trustees abil

ity to set a tuition rate without a

raise tuition, I'm afraid that State

will try to compete," Cerkovnik

Cerkovnik, a native of Denver,

Co., said that she is particularly concerned about the out-of-state

'The out-of-state tuition is al-

She said that she feels that the

proposed budget cut is better than the 4 percent, but that "the

the belief of proponents that merit scholarship providers, such as the Park program and the Morehead at UNC-CH, will benefit from this change and

such provisions will allow more out-of-state students to attend.

"There are currently more than 200 [Park Scholars], with 46 coming in the fall," Lunsford

"One third of those were go

ing to out-of-state students, but because of tuition increases, we

had to reduce to one quarter for

Another incongruity stirs

The intent was that it would

from the language of the pro-

only be students on full scholar-

ship such as athletic or Park, who

the legislation was intended to

benefit," Mallette said. "It's possible if you read the

language of the legislation that students receiving multiple

scholarships that equal a full scholarship when combined could be considered in-state students."

Lunsford pointed out that if

scholarship foundations, such as that of the Park scholarship,

are paying equal amounts for in-state and out-of-state stu-

dents, somewhere along the line the University will be asked

to come up with millions of dol-

lars — money no one is prepared

"If I just saved \$100,000, that's

two in-state awards, but we still

have tuition increases," Lunsford

"It's not clear to me that we would make additional awards

until we were certain we could have those funds."

Broad has announced strong opposition toward the bill's

already are challer

provide adequate need-based financial aid to qualified North

divert scarce campus dollars to

nonresident students without demonstrated financial need

is completely inconsistent with

historic state and University

Hinton agrees with Broad in

that North Carolina's Constitu-tion explicitly calls for affordable

tuition and fears the document

will lose money, the UNC System will be weakened and N.C. will

step farther back from it's 'for the

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what the outcome would be.

plans for the upcoming year is still unclear Haley Huie

The UNC system's budget

Deputy News Editor The battle over proposed budget cuts for the UNC system

could rage on for several more months, according to Interim Provost Larry Nielsen. Nielsen said that the process for determining budget cuts is only one-third of the way through. The North Carolina Senate has presented its budget proposal, which will be followed by the State House of Representatives formal budget proposal. According to Nielsen, after

the two have been presented, they will be reconciled before Governor Mike Easley signs off on the official budget plans.

"People remained very con-cerned, but we're relieved that we're discussing a 1 percent cut in the academic budget rather than 4 percent," Nielsen said.

The possibility of havin UNC-Chapel Hill and N.C having State's Board of Trustees set the tuition rate for the upcoming year is a provision in the budget bill, one which could be eliminated during talks to decide on a

plan for the upcoming year. The addition to the bill would grant the Board of Trustees the ability to set tuition without the approval of the Board of Governors.

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student cap set by the BOG.

The legislation states that "any person who receives a full scholarship to a constituent institution and who attends the institution as an undergraduate student shall be considered and treated for all purposes as a resident of North Carolina.

The discrepancies dividing those in favor and in opposition to this bill appear to lie within the weighing of the benefits and repercussions

"One troubling provision [of the proposed budget] dictates that all out-of-state undergraduates who receive full scholarships (academic, artistic or athletic) to attend UNC campuses will pay in-state tuition rates," Broad

Because no funds are provid-

ed to offset the fiscal impact of this requirement, our campuses

would have to redirect existing

tuition dollars currently paid

UNC administrators are es-timating a loss of \$32 million

from the tuition of approxi-mately 2,800 students across

the system. "The legislation is basically

saying 'yes we would reduce tuition,' which means the Park

foundation and Wolfpack Club,

wouldn't have to pay...the value of the scholarship they will be covering will be lower, the loss of

those tuition revenues will not be compensated by the legislation,

Julia Rice Mallette, associate vice

provost and director of scholar-ships and financial aid, said.

tuition receipts the Univer-sity would have to bear for the

Many at NCSU worry this would be more devastating to the

University than advantageous in

ministration will now be able to lower tuition, but I don't think it

will be administration's preroga

tive to lower it at all," Piavis said. "It's kind of foolhardy to think

that they would." Laura Lunsford, director of

Park Scholarships, is another questioning the benefits of this

She said she disagrees with

I've heard students say ad-

shortfall."

the long run.

provision.

The legislation will not mpensate for the loss of those

resources to replace nonreside

from private sources Who makes up for the loss?

TECHNICIAN

<u>Viewpoint</u>

Job Hunting 101: Introductory Course

I have often believed that the most profound things in life that I have, am and will learn do not happen inside the classroom



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pain-in-theyou-know-where processes I have ever been through. That's not true,

has got to be one of the most

ever been through. That's not true, getting and having braces I think tops that. Regardless, I have compiled a list of things to know when look-ing for a job, interviewing for a job all the way to the moment you are hired. This is one of those things that should be a university region that should be a university require-ment, by the way.

1) INSIDE BEFORE OUT. First, know what type of job you want to have. Do not be fixed on a specific job, or just go after one with everything you have. If you do not get the one job you had your hopes on, then what will you do? Don't get attached to one and go after several at a time. Do not reveal their identities to your potential employer, however. The only thing they need to know is that you are wanted and that you will make the decision that is best for you and the company.

Ideally, you want them selling to you. That is the end result. But you have to do something else first.

2) SET YOURSELF UP TO WIN. Don't apply for a job you have no cred-ibility to get. Don't try to become a veterinarian if your hands have been typing on keyboards for the last four years. It may be obvious but those are things that are often

3) CALL FIRST. Whenever you have found a job that you would be will-ing to do, that pays what you can work with and has what you con-sider a reasonable time commitment, call them. Find the contact person and get a hold of them. Talk to them and do not let up until you do. Don't be overbearing, maybe

once a day, perhaps a little less frequent than that. You want them to know you are seriously interested, not some arbitrary college student stabbing in the dark and hoping to get lucky. If you get a voice mail. always sound professional — even if your heart is crushed because your significant other trashed you. Employers need to know your personal life will not affect your performance (and if this happens, this doesn't mean forget about the emotions, but just make sure you don't take out your aggression on the person on the other side of the phone.) And, make sure you give them a reason to call you back. Don't be long-winded, rather make

your calls precise, concise and powerful. No employer wants to hire a wimp. Also, calling sends the message that you don't waste your time. An employer on the other line realizes that you are job searching, which means you are doing this for more than just their company. They

know that you are efficient — t you don't waste your time with - that things that will waste your time. Don't drive all over Raleigh and visit four places when you can call from home and nail 15. Find out

if it is even worth it — reputable businesses will respect that.
4) VISITATION. If, for whatever reason, you are unable to call this employer and have left several messively. sages, visit the place. Ask to speak directly with the person you need to talk to. Make sure you know who that is, too. Be dressed appropriately. No one is going to hire the kid with flip-flops and shaggy hair to represent the company. I recommend business casual until told otherwise. Look like someone they want to work for them. Remem-ber, ideally, you want them selling

themselves to you. Also, carry your resume with you at all times. Have several copies. When you drop by, you can leave one with them. When you go to an interview, have one with you. And ALWAYS, ALWAYS take a

pen with you. It sounds small but if you forget a pen (like you won't be filling out forms), that illustrates a lot about the type of person you are. And borrowing from the com-pany before you're even hired is

just generally a bad idea. 5) INTERVIEWING. Duh, this is critical, so don't screw it up pressure.

Again, be dressed appropriately and to what is suited for the comand to what is suited for the com-pany. If it's a corporation, go pro-fessional. If a restaurant, between casual and business casual. But be presentable and act like you know how to "clean-up." Like I said be-fore, no one wants a slob working for them for them. Shake their hand, firmly, even

if they don't do it back. Introduce yourself powerfully and refer to them as Mr. or Mrs. until they tell you otherwise. Always make direct eye contact

when giving your answers and make sure you know what you're saying. Speak clearly, and make sure you are clear about what you're speaking. Don't stutter, pause, stammer or anything else like that. If you have to pause in mid-sentence, pause in mid-sen-tence. You want the employer to know that you think before you speak or act. That is very reassur-

ing on their end. Never lie. Don't even exagger-ate or embellish (which is a form of lying). Be real about what you know. And if you don't know, then you don't know. Maybe they want someone who doesn't know. Always be honest because even if you don't get the job, you have credibility with them as a person — and that they will not forget if

you return or meet them later on down the career path. 6) ALWAYS THANK THEM. Even if

they just shattered your dreams. They did not have to meet with you, talk with you or give you the light of day. That's why it's im-Plus, they'll have something else for a file, just in case.

This only covers the fine points of course, but just make sure when you get the job — keep it.

Hire Jason for job-interviewing tips at viewpoint@technicianonline.com

BETRAYAL OF HE SYSTEM

TECHNICIAN'S VIEW

OUR OPINION: THE STATE SENATE HAS PASSED A BILL THAT WOULD ALLOW N.C. STATE AND UNC-CH TO BREAK AWAY FROM THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS. UNC NEEDS TO RE-EVALUATE ITS DIRECTION AND NCSU NEEDS TO SPEAK UP.

One thing that anyone can count on getting in the way of any beneficial movement is the infamous superiority complex. The need to feel important, the need to be the highest, the need to be number one, the need to win. And one fact of life is, as it's been proven time and time again, is that entities, people, bodies, etc. work better as a team rather than a bunch of individuals. If this is not a fact of life, then it should be.

And once again, we are faced with a superiority complex. The problem is that it could devastate not just students at N.C. State, but ones across the state as well.

Currently, there is a bill in the House of Representatives that does two things: 1) Isolates the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and North Carolina State University from the UNC Public System, dismantling both universities from the Board of Governors and one that says 2) Students who get full scholarships and are out-of-state residents should be granted instate tuition.

The bill started at UNC. No surprise there.

The superiority complex is very simple here — UNC-CH and NCSU both agreeing to such an

atrocious proposal would be self-serving. The two institutions are figureheads for the state and them breaking away would be devastating to the rest of the system. The state of North Carolina is known for its university system, not for Carolina and State. This bill does

nothing for any other public university except give them a reason to think, "Why do those two get to do

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things their way? Even more horrifying than that the Board of Governors did not find out about it until the night before it was going to be considered in the Senate — and neither did NCSU.

And if that wasn't enough, the worst part about it is no one from our University has said anything about it. Where is the administration? Where is the Board of Trustees? Someone has got to speak up about it because this would simply harm the University, our reputation, diminish our respect and try to make us into an elite school that exists beyond the guidelines of any other public university - which is simply not true. There is no need to follow UNC's lead here.

We are simply being dragged along and it has to stop - plain and simple.

And if that part of the bill wasn't harmful enough, the second part is just as bad because less money would be coming into the University and more out-of-state scholarships would be awarded, making it more difficult to get into the University with financial support. As if things weren't tough as it is.

And, of course, this begins as soon as classes are over, when no one is around to protest, when not as many people hear about it, and when the administration is on vacation.

No such thing as a coincidence.

The unsigned editorial that appears above is the opinion of the members of Technician's editorial board excluding the News department and is the responsibility of the editor in chief

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Notes From Abroad: A London and American exchange

Hello. I'm in London right now, in an internet cafe, and I've paid a pound for the use of this computer for half an hour. I am seated, coinci-dentally, at a glass round-table of computers, and there are four women, three of them fairly good-

looking, and no men, seated here with me.

n. The ratio and qualit

of women here is terrific. I'd certainly say that the average woman here is good-look-

ing, and one sees, for some

That's one thing about Lon-



Jeff Gaither

strange reason, far more women than men. And when one sees guys a surprising majority of them are dweebs. Also, when one sees a guy and a girl together the girl is usually not all that good-looking. I don't know how to

explain this. I've been here since Thursday. I've had a pretty good time. The very day I got in I met an attrac tive Australian girl of 23 and we hit it off; I mean to give her a call later on. Al was her name, short for Allison. The Australian accent is every bit. as sexy as the English accent and really I can't distinguish between the two, at least not in a woman.

I've found I have to work not to acquire an ac-cent. I find myself THINKING with an English accent, but when I speak I speak in my old flat neutral way. This for two reasons: first, I don't want to sell out my ethnicity and pamper to these Brits by talking like them, and second, I'm afraid my English accent would be terrible, and whomever I used it with would laugh. I have not yet left London. London is in many

e any other big city. There are only a few differences. First, it's very nice and very clean. There

doesn't appear to be a ghetto and I've only met one bum and he was polite. There are no porn shops that I can see; there's precious little trash on the streets, and someone is always cleaning them up.

Also, a lot of the shops and restaurants have very cool names. For example, a short walk from this internet cafe is a restaurant called The Pride of Paddington. I like all the street names very much, Porchester Gardens and Bayswater Road and Craven Hill. The street names are all

There is very little romanticism in London itself, however. I don't mean romanticism in the e of love or sex. I mean I don't FEEL I'm in London, THE London I've imagined. It's just a clean, nice city with cool street names.

Almost the first thing one discovers about London is that stuff is expensive as hell here.

Everything costs as many pounds in London as it would dollars in the United States, but you've got to pay something like \$1.90 for a pound, so the upshot is that you pay \$5 for an iced Mocha or \$10 for a meal from KFC.

This sucks a little bit but one learns to accept it and to live cheaply.

Pounds and guineas (two pounds) come in coins, which I find charming. There's something satisfying in having your money in metal form. Whereas in America coins are basically worth

A lot of the people here are jerks; that's another thing. In America, if I'm walking down the street and smile at a woman the odds are at least 50-50 she's gonna smile back. Not here, though. Here the great majority of them will ignore you. And if you say "Hey" to them, half the time they won't even bother to reply coldly, they'll just ignore you entirely. A lot of the clerks are rude,

I can understand, however. London is the capi-tal of England and it can't please the English to have a bunch of other people of varying nation-alities walking around and speaking with gruff, gutteral accents, and buying their products.

However, I have met some nice Londoners. I suppose it's just like anywhere else; a lot of people are jerks, and some people are nice. More people[here] are jerks than in America, however, at least to me

I have stayed in a hostel bedroom with five other people, three American schoolgirls and a Spanish lady and her son. There was an Asian girl here the first night and we got to be decent

As for sites and whatnot, I've been to Hyde Park, which is just a grass park with no special charm except that it is famous. I mean to go to the British Museum and the Dickens Museum after I finish this column.

Technically this is an editorial, so I must ow say a word about the greatness of Britain. No matter what sort of country it may be now, Great Britain has produced the finest literary minds the world has ever known, and twice saved Europe, and not so long ago either, from the barbaric grips of despotism. England is a pretty good candidate for the greatest nation of all time, and that, I think, is why I began my trip here. I do not honor England for what she is; I honor her for what she was.

Tell Jeff what you think about London or the Eng-lish at viewpoint@technicianonline.com



portant you make every moment count with them and that you are common that make the second se **NOTES FROM ABROAD**

Entertainment

TECHNICIAN

TRIANGLE ROCKS

Mitzie Dubois g birds menacin

As I write this I am riding in the coach section of a Boeing-767 on my way to Paris. Most of

though



Monday

adventure of my life — so far. I will spend the next two months backpacking through Europe, by myself.

I have always loved to travel and as I entered college three years ago, I was certain I would study abroad. However, as I ex plored options I quickly realized that while I was very enthusias-tic about going, I did not want school work to interfere with my adventures

A

LEIGH

After all, who can truly enjoy the great landmarks of Europe when they have a term paper due the next day?

I had a plan — I would pack I had a plan — I would pack everything I needed for two months into a single backpack and go to Europe. However, even the best plans need funds. As it turned out, raising those funds would be an adventure in itself.

Last May I accepted the posi-tion of lifeguard and substitute town of Greenville. The daycare's swimming pool was three-feet deep, at the

deep end, and could fit inside a medium-sized closet, or a Tri-Tower-sized dorm room. Even a very tiny swimming pool

could not contain a group of rambunctious 3 year olds. That summer, I learned a healthy respect for the potty, nap time and for substitute teachers everywhere. To my relief, autumn came

and I left Greenville to return and I left Greenville to return to Raleigh. The money I earned life guarding had made a size-able dent in my financial needs, but I still needed another job. I actually found two, one as a copy editor at the very newspaper you are reading, another as a maid.

That's right, I was a cleaning lady. Cleaning my employer's two-story condo three times a week was not a bad job.

Mopping to the tune of whatever was playing on my iPod made the work go quickly, but the job was not without its hazards. Those hazards had one source,

the bird. My employer had a pet bird and my duties included cleaning its cage. I had to close it in the bath-

room with me while I scrubbed the cage in the tub. The bird would go crazy, going into a Hitchcock-esque frenzy when I first brought it into the room. After it settled down, it would

perch on the shower rod, slowly flapping its wings and gnashing its beak at me. The bird punc-tuated this wing flapping and beak gnashing by sticking its pointy little tongue out at me menacingly.

CAROLINE MONDAY WRITES FROM ACROSS THE ATLANTIC OCEAN AS

SHE RECOUNTS WHAT IT TOOK FOR

HER TO MAKE HER TRIP TO EUROPE

Sometimes I miss the easy money of being a maid, but I never miss that bird. Luckily my next job included

no animals, but I was sur-rounded by a bunch of divas. Don't get me wrong, I use that word in the most loving way, because I learned to be one of them. We were all "Sales Divas" at Pizzaz Jewelry and Gifts, a store selling "everything she'll love." In other words, we sold everything that was pink and covered in glitter.

I only worked for Pizzaz for the holiday shopping season, but I wanted to be the best diva I could be. On my first day I re-alized a woman named Caroline Monday could never become a true diva

People have told me my name sounds like a writer's name, which I like. No one has ever told me it

sounds like a diva's name. My co-workers had names like Brie, Val and Mindy — now those are some diva names. To become the ultimate diva,

I needed my own divine diva name. And that name was Mitzie Dubois.

I never told my co-workers about Mitzie Dubois, but she is a part of me that did and forever will help me be the best diva I can be. I was a kiddy-corraller, a bird

tamer and a diva, but now I get to be what I really want to be — a writer. I know I have many adventures in the near future and I intend to write about them all.

Caroline will be ready with her beret as she touches down in France. Contact her at cemonday@ncsu.edu.



Southern Rock, N.C style

Kelly Reid

For many decades, music has been the bridge for diversity —erasing the gap between race, social status and sex. As irony will have it, the broad range of musical sounds lends itself to different classes with a list of

genres that could go on forever. Categorization is most prevalent on the radio with stations known for playing selective songs from Hard Rock, Country, Hip-Hop, Techno or Classi-cal, but rarely a combination of the sorts. Yet recently a musical evolution has made way for a hybrid. A trio known as The Avett Brothers has erased the distinctive lines of genre and gave birth to a unique sound that defies classification.

The Avett Brothers produces a sound that is rooted in the instrumentation of Folk music and infused with the rebellious energy of Punk. Seth Avett plays acoustic guitar and is paired with his brother Scott Avett on banjo and Bob Crawford who plucks away on the stand-up bass. The trio's songs have that instinctive beat of Bluegrass that is prevalent in the fast paced banjo playing. Yet in the climax of a tune, the energy will erupt into a full-fledged holler —loud enough that some old timers might even note it as a scream.

The sound remains untainted and the high energy is contrasted with melodic ballads. It is the group's earnest spirit and severe honesty that propels it forward and attracts a multitude of listeners.

The Avett Brothers claims North Carolina as home with Scott and Seth from Concord, NC. "It's where we're from, it's

where we built from, but New York and Maryland are really good to us," Scott Avett says. The Avett Brothers have two full-length albums recorded in the studio, with the most recent entitled *Live*, *Vol. 2*. "The live record is just the en-

ergy and sprit that's there. You can't get that at the studio, the feeling from the' people," Seth Avett points out when commenting on the new release.

Live, Vol. 2 was recorded at the Neighborhood Theater in Charlotte and at King's in Raleigh. The Avett Brothers is definitely reaching the people. The trio made its presence known at MerleFest, which featured such artists as Earl Scruggs, Loretta Lynn, Alison Krauss and Ricky Skaggs.

The Avett Brothers played four sets in three days and sold close to 600 albums. This is just the beginning for the band; it is con-tinuing its travel and is working on a package tour.

Regardless of the fast paced music track, the group appears to be racing on —there is a genuine appreciation within the group for the musical relationship the members share.

The fine craftsmanship is prevalent throughout the songs, ven in the midst of the groups

high-energy performances. "We're artists before we're musicians, and we're musicians before we're performers," Scott says. And it is this ideology that puts The Avett Brothers in a group of its own.

The Avett Brothers will make its next stop in Raleigh on June 5 for an outdoor concert at the Lincoln Theater.

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In order to have any chance at beating Nebraska and advancing, State must regain its late season momentum. The Pack must play at the same level as it did against Florida State and Clemson in the regular season, and against Miami in the conference tournament. Otherwise, it's an early exit.

But luckily for the Pack, team leadership is on its side. State has the Mariano Rivera of

college closing pitchers — Joey Devine. The junior holds the

school record for career saves and notched 11 more this season

What's more — State has a coach, Elliot Avent, who has brought the team back to the cusp of national prominence - something that was lost when

— something that was lost when former coach Ray Tanner left. State has made it to three straight NCAA Regionals, which is quite an accom-plishment considering most didn't expect State to make regionals earlier in this season. In fact, many didn't expect this team to make regionals from the start after it lost starting pitch-ers Mike Rogers and Vern Sterry

after last year.

Avent, however, lead the team to a school-record 17-13 conto a school-record 17-13 con-ference record and, for the third year in a row, had three players make the All-ACC first team (Devine, Bates, and Muyco). Avent's coaching job this season has begun to prove how valuable and praiseworthy as

valuable and praiseworthy a coach he is. A solid performance and

some huge wins in Lincoln — would only further cement that.

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BASEBALL

team every day. The concern, at this point, is not the other team, but your own team, and what you can do.'

them.'

Creighton, which plays its home games only an hour and a half away from Lincoln, will have a home crowd of sorts — something the State said it would have to be aware of.

"It's going to be a home game for them," Jake Muyco said.

"They've got a lot of fans close by, but it's going to just be a dog fight when we go out there. Not

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having the game here isn't that big of a blow. Baseball is base-ball. We've just got to get after there."

"I believe we're playing really well right now," Avent said. "We had a bad game against Virginia in (the second round of) the ACC Tournament, but when you play 57 games, you're going to have games like that. The big thing is that we bounced back the next day and played great baseball against Clemson. We came up short, but we played hard and we played very well. This team has been tough and resilient all season, and we've had a great year.

lenge out there." Despite exiting early from

After heating up on the season's final stretch, the team said it hoped to play host to a

regional. "We were disappointed that

we were not chosen as a host site," Avent said. "We felt we had

the kind of season that deserved

to be rewarded in that way, but it wasn't meant to be, and we can't dwell on it. We're going to Nebraska, and we have to be

ready for a tremendous chal-

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COMMENTARY

State in good shape

This week, the N.C. State base-ball team will travel over 1200 miles to Lincoln, Neb. to com-pete in its third straight NCAA Regional. It's a bit of



surprise that State was put in a regional so far from home -and conceivably a bit of a disappoint-ment to

to some. Given

Joe Overby

the way it finished the regular season, many had the Pack pegged for hosting a regional provided it had a strong performance in the ACC Tournament.

And in its first game of tourna-ment against third-seed Miami, The magnetist intra-seed what, State had a strong performance — arguably one of its best all year. On the arms of Andrew Brackman and Joey Devine, State limited the No. 3-seed Hurricanes to six hits in 2-1 win against the ACC Pitcher of the Year Gear Carrillo the Year Cesar Carrillo. But the very next day, State lost

in disappointing fashion to sev-enth-seed Virginia 12-2 in seven innings —the first 'mercy rule' game of the ACC all season. Had State beaten Virginia or

Clemson the following day to advance to the ACC semifinals, it would have been hard to ar-gue against the Pack hosting a

gue against the Pack hosting a regional. But, alas, State is headed to face Creighton as the No. 2 seed in the Lincoln Regional —hoping its performance will be good enough for a second trip to the Cornhusker State for the College World Science in Oracia World Series in Omaha. And despite losing its final two

And despite losing its that two games of the tournament, the way they played in the second half of the season indicates it is in good shape to compete for a spot in the World Series. They closed the season playing as well as any team in the ACC. In late April through May

In late April through May, State won series against Clem-son, North Carolina, and Florida State —all of which made the NCAAs.

In fact, State did not lose a regular season series since being swept by Georgia Tech in Atlanta in mid-March.

The offense was lead by the power-hitting of Aaron Bates, Jake Muyco, and Ramon Corona, all who batted over .300.

Since the basketball season ended and he joined the team, freshman pitcher Andrew Brack-man has become a crowd favorite and a media darling. But more than that, he has

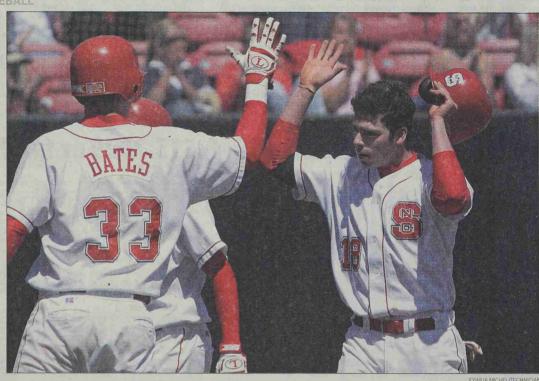
become a team leader. He is undefeated on the season

(4-0) and limited opponents to a .191 batting average, which earned him the starting nod in State's first ACC tournament game against Miami.

However, standing in the way of the Pack reaching Omaha looms Lincoln Regional host and powerhouse Nebraska. The Cornhuskers are ranked third in the nation and boast a Big 12 regular season sweep and tour-nament championship.

If State gets past Creighton, it will likely face the Cornhuskers — arguably the toughest oppo-nent of the year for the Pack.

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Aaron Bates congratulates Brian Aragon after he scores a run in the 4th inning on a Pond single.

Wolfpack opens NCAAs against Creighton

TEAM EARNS NO.2 SEED IN LINCOLN, NEB. FOR NCAA TOURNAMENT WILL PLAY NO. 3 SEED CREIGHTON BLUE JAYS (46-15) FRIDAY

Tanner Kroeger

After exiting from the ACC Tournament last week with losses to Virginia and Clemson, N.C. State (40-17, 17-13 ACC) will look to re-bound Friday at 7 p.m. against the No. 3-seed Creighton (46-15) in the

NCAA Lincoln, Neb. Regional. Second-seed State earned its third straight invitation to the NCAA Tournament and will be lead by the probable pitching rotation of sophomore Gib Hobson (6-3, 5.11), freshman Andrew Brackman (4-0, 1.38) and senior Phil Davidson (63, 4.16). "We're very excited about the opportunity to play in the regional at Nebraska," State coach Elliot Avent said. "Lincoln is an outstanding city, and I hear that Nebraska has a great stadium and an outstanding atmo-sphere for college baseball. I'm sure

it will be a great tournament." Avent and his staff have been researching the Blue Jays since the game's announcement on Sunday. "We saw [Creighton] on TV from their conference tournament this weekend, and we've seen them a few other times," Avent said. "They appear to be an outstanding ball club with a balanced lineup, good starting pitching and an excellent bullpen. I have no doubt that they will be a formidable challenge for us,

while be a formidable challenge for us, especially for a three seed." The Blue Jays are 7-2 over their last nine games, led offensively by junior Zach Daeges. On top of hitting .359 with 58 RBIs, the 6-foot 5-inch Daeges is an "ESPN The Magazine" Academic All-American selection. "I've heard they are a very good ball club," Aaron Bates said. "I think we'll be ready to play. At this stage in the game, you're playing a new ball

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Golfer one step closer to U.S. Open

Andrew Byrd will compete in for a spot in the U.S. Open on Monday

Stephen Federowicz

One of the nation's premiere PGA tournaments, the U.S. Open, returns to the No. 2 ourse at Pinehurst this year. It was 1999, the last year the event was held on the tract of orth Carolina soil, when Hall of Famer Payne Stewart drained a 15-foot par putt on the 18th green to secure the championship.

One of N.C. State's own may get a chance to follow in Stewart's footsteps. The opportunity might not be limited

to PGA Tour professionals and State alumni Carl Petterrson and Tim Clark, who will be taking part in the Open. Rather, the chance to follow Stewart's legacy could soon be a reality for sophomore Andrew Byrd, who advanced to the U.S. Open Sectional Qualifying Round and is one step closer to Round and is one step closer to Pinehurst.

By shooting a 6-under par 66 at the U.S. Open Local Qualifying Round at River Landing Club in Wallace ountry May 11, Byrd finished in third place among qualifiers and earned a trip to Woodmont Country Club in Rockport, Md. for the sectionals on Monday. Even par going into the back nine, Byrd knew the last half of

the round had to be special.

"I double-bogeyed nine to get back to even and I just knew I had to make five or six birdies on the back to be competitive,'

Byrd said. He started out blisteringly hot with a birdie on 10 and then an eagle on 11. Byrd then polished off the round with birdies on 13, 17 and 18. Despite being only 19 years old, Byrd has been in this situation before. Last summer, he also qualified for the U.S. Open sectionals.

He said he is more comfortable having already gone through the experience once before.

I'm a lot more confident," Byrd said. "I wasn't really pre-pared last year."

Coach Richard Sykes said he also noticed Byrd's lack of prep aration last time, but said Byrd has grown a lot since his fresh-

man season with the team. "He kind of let his game get away from him over the sum-mer," Sykes said. "I think he has

learned his lesson though this time around." Byrd was also a little slow to come around during the fall and spring golf seasons but really started to shine towards the end of the spring, according to Sykes.

"He really started to come around in mid-Marsh," Sykes said. "I took him to a JV tournament and he finished second.'

After his coming-out party in March, Byrd began to show rapid improvement. Finishing 33rd as an individual at the Courtyard by Marriot Intercollegiate in April, he began to claw

his way up into the top six on the team, a position Sykes said Byrd can fill next season.

"Obviously not to take any-thing away from the other guys," Sykes said. "But Andrew can definitely work his way up into that Grann."

The chance to compete in the country's annual golf championship is open to anyone with a USGA handicap index of 1.4 or lower. A golfer must first ad-vance through the local and sectional qualifying rounds to earn a spot in the field of competitors. Byrd is already halfway to real-izing a dream that millions of young players share. "It would definitely be a great

achievement for me," Byrd said. "A once in a lifetime thing, especially for a guy my age.

