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Fall, spring news events recapped

by Greg Rogers
Associate Editor

As most semesters do, these have come and gone just as fast as they came. Nothing fancy, nothing spectacular—just one that came and quietly left.

Yet life on the State campus during the fall of 1976 and the spring of 1977 has not been without important and significant happenings on the campus. Perhaps some of the events mentioned in the following paragraphs have some relevance to your involvement on the State campus; for

others, perhaps they have no relevance whatsoever. But here are some of the following happenings which seem to be the most important events during the past two semesters.

The University Student Center Plaza was completed during the summer of 1976

but an emergency water crisis hit the Raleigh area while students began arriving for the fall semester. State is one of the Raleigh area's largest water users, with a consumption rate of well over a million gallons per day. City officials recommended several steps for citizens to cut down on water use. Finally, Raleigh officials were forced to impose an emergency ordinance to help preserve Raleigh's rapidly dwindling water supply.

CITY OFFICIALS near the end of August also announced the closing of Pullen Bridge for repair. Debate over when the bridge would ultimately be closed lasted until early 1977. The bridge was finally closed March 18.

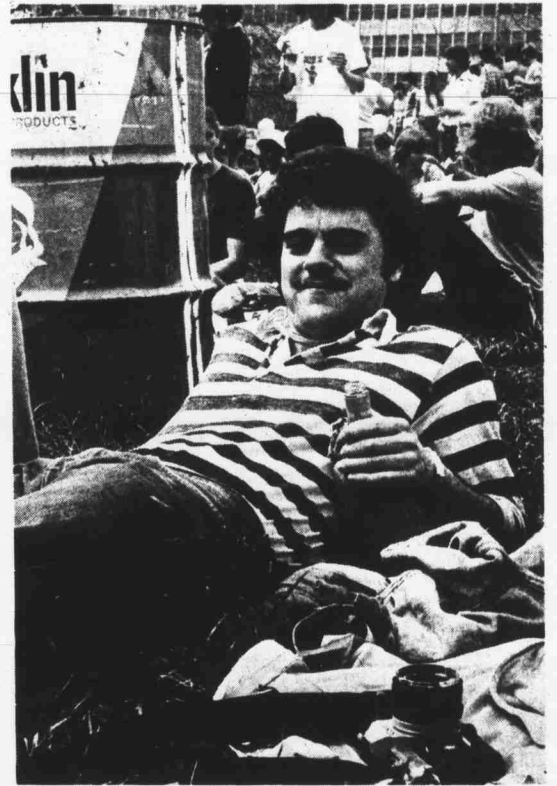
Joab Thomas was formally installed as chancellor of State in a ceremony in Reynolds Coliseum on Oct. 11, 1976. Thomas assumed the duties of chancellor in January, 1976, and is the ninth chief executive in the University's 87-year history.

November brought around the elections of local, state, and federal offices. Most notable in this area was the election of President Jimmy Carter. In the state elections, James B. Hunt, Jr. was elected governor of North Carolina. Hunt is a graduate of State and served as the Student Body President for two years.

Also in November, the Faculty Senate voted to extend the break between classes from 10 to 15 minutes. The issue was discussed in the Faculty Senate for weeks, while student opinion on the matter varied. At any rate, the 15-minute break between classes will be a reality on campus this fall.

The fall semester of 1976 ended, and January of the next semester brought the realization that a School of Veterinary Medicine might receive funding from the General Assembly to be located on the State campus. Officials have estimated that they need a \$9.2 million minimum commitment from the legislature if plans are to proceed on schedule. The legislature has yet to take any firm action on the matter.

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Staff photo by Alice Denton



Staff photo by Chris Seward

As if things aren't bad enough, what with exams just around the corner, students must keep an eye to the heavens to watch for falling trash. It seems that either the exams beat it out of you, or it falls on you. Either way you're up to your neck in it.

Benefits growing in ROTC

by Karen Austin
Staff Writer

Entry into the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps for most has always meant the giving-up of one's individuality and freedom as men signed active duty contracts while standing by the barber's chair in an olive drab uniform.

However, today's ROTC corpsman has to give up a minimum and receives many benefits in the program at State.

According to Lieutenant Colonel Sam Holcomb, head of State's program, one major change in the program is the new option to serve in the reserves.

"For the first time, I can guarantee that a student will not have to serve active duty for the traditional three year period," said Holcomb. "Students now have the alternative of serving 90 to 120 days active duty and then returning home to serve in the National Guard or Reserves."

THUS, AFTER three months of active duty, the graduate could return to a civilian profession. His or her only responsibility would be to attend monthly meetings.

In the ROTC program, a student takes a series of courses for which he receives academic credit. A freshman or sophomore in the program has no commitment towards the Army in the future.

Upon entering the program as a junior, the student may sign an agreement stating that he or she will serve in the Army or Reserves for three years. In return, the student receives \$100 per month during his or her last two years of college and is guaranteed a commission as second lieutenant upon graduation.

Dan Allen to close for five hours on Saturday

by Baxter Thacker
Contributing Writer

Director of Security Bill Williams announced Thursday that a portion of Dan Allen Drive will be closed for about five hours Saturday, beginning at 6:30 a.m.

Williams said that the portion of the road to be closed is located between Nelson Hall and the David Clark laboratories.

The road is being closed so phone lines which are vital to the State Campus may be installed, a move necessitating the digging up of Dan Allen.

Motorists attempting to enter the State campus should exit Hillsborough Street on Brooks Avenue beside Nelson Hall and proceed to South Yarbrough Street to avoid the construction.

Williams said he did not anticipate any traffic problems on campus because of the closing, adding that Saturday was probably the best time for repairs to occur.

"I think Saturday is the best day that they could do it," he said. "Most people are not working on campus that day, so there shouldn't be any major traffic problems."

According to Williams, the contractors are hoping to have Dan Allen reopened around 1 p.m.

Between the junior and senior year, the corpsman is paid \$500 to attend a five-week program camp at Fort Bragg.

THE MILITARY Science Department is changing its format to include more elective courses and to give placement credit for other courses at State.

"We are making a real effort to stop duplications in the learning process," said Holcomb. "If you learn something in one course, we don't want you to have to sit in another class and listen to it again."

In addition to classroom learning, ROTC juniors take a Military Science lab which is taught by the seniors in the program.

"Everything that students need to learn cannot be taught in a classroom," said Holcomb. "Some of the things taught in the outside lab include map and compass reading, and small-group organization."

There are 230 students in the Army

ROTC program. Membership has been increasing since its dramatic decrease during the Vietnam War.

"PEOPLE'S attitudes toward the Army and ROTC are changing and becoming extremely more confident," said Holcomb. "Once college students understand what ROTC is all about and try it, they usually find that they like it!"

Women in the ROTC program are a recent addition. There are 28 females in the ROTC program at this time. Sharon Brask, a Duke political science major, and Rosemary Salak, a State forestry major will become the first women commissioned at their graduation on May 14.

The dress codes in the ROTC program have been discontinued for some time. Uniforms are not mandatory and guns are no longer carried. There are not policies concerning hair length or beards.

Where are your red shorts?

Gym rule confusing

by John Downey
Staff Writer

Chris Seward was playing basketball in Carmichael Gym Saturday when David Crews of the Gymnasium Security told him he could not play while he was wearing what he was wearing.

According to Seward the conversation went something like this:

Crews asked Seward if he was a student, and Seward replied that he was. Crews then told the student that he could not play on the gymnasium floor until he put on red shorts.

Seward protested that since one could buy red shorts at the Student Supply Store, it served no purpose to wear them. Crews replied that it was the only way security workers can identify students and non-students.

TEMPERS FLARED. Seward pointed out some people who were shooting in blue jeans. Crews replied that since they were not playing, but merely shooting, it was all right.

It is always a bad scene, one the gymnasium people try to avoid, but Leslie T. Mincey, Supervisor of Carmichael Gymnasium, says it can be avoided if students will try to follow a few rules and understand the purpose of the rules.

"It seems like this kind of thing comes up in the Technician about once a year," said Mincey. "Every so often we run into someone like this young man who doesn't understand why we do what we do."

Mincey said the only purpose behind the mandatory red shorts is identification. He also noted that Crews was wrong about the people in blue jeans. "We will let people finish a game if they are nearly through," he said, "but Crews probably just misunderstood. We try to allow a little leeway."

"What we're trying to do is keep the facilities for currently enrolled students," he said.

FACULTY ARE NOT required to wear the shorts, however, because they can be forced to, according to Mincey.

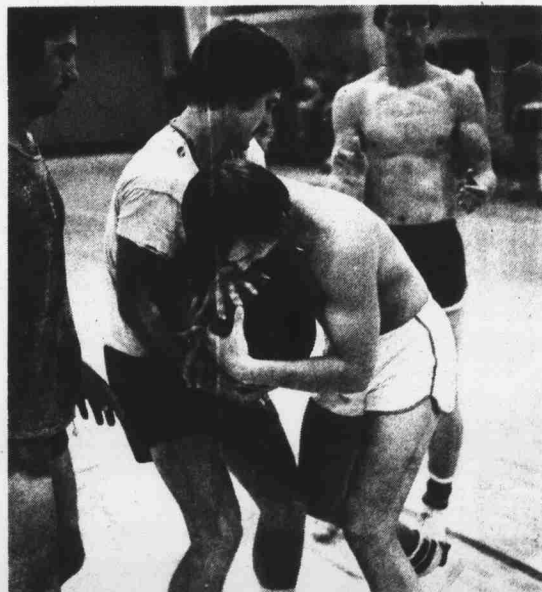
Women also are exempt from the requirement because, "we just don't run into any girls from Meredith or high school trying to use the facilities," Mincey said.

"It's really just a matter of serving the students," said Mincey.

Every year the Gym department has a sheet of instructions printed up for

distribution to the student body. Mincey said that the idea is just to make sure the gym is available to currently enrolled students.

"The system's not perfect," said Mincey, admitting that anyone could buy red shorts in a variety of places, "but we do the best we can."



Staff photo by Chris Seward

Red shorts must be worn at all times by males using the Carmichael Gymnasium facilities, but the inconsistent enforcement policy has led to problems.

Time for wine

Every year along about this time it hits you that there's really nothing you can do but sit back, take a little liquid consolation, and watch it all go by.

Student 'Bound' for nature

by Wendy McBane
Staff Writer

Been kayaking off Baja lately? Rafting or rock-climbing?

Thanks to a local insurance firm and a young man's last-minute impulse, these are now summer options for a State student.

With all the excitement of getting nationally chartered, the brothers of Delta

Upsilon had paid scant attention to the scholarship application. "I thought I'd fill it out just for the heck of it. I turned it in at 4:59, just barely making the 5:00 deadline," said Mark Grigg of Gastonia.

Two weeks later Grigg's effort paid off. The Wildlife Biology major had been awarded a \$600 scholarship to cover tuition for the Outward Bound school of his choice.

DUFF FREEMAN of Freeman Associates, the Raleigh affiliate of Fidelity Union Life Insurance, presented Grigg with the award Wednesday in a ceremony attended by John Poole, Dean of Student Development; Harold Wall, assistant director of Foundations; and from Atlanta Robert Hannah, regional vice-president of Fidelity Union Life.

The honors were actually dual in nature—one for Grigg and one for Freeman. Fidelity Union sponsors 11 Outward Bound scholarships nationally each year. For its excellence in sales and persistency, Freeman Associates "received the privilege of choosing who received the award in the southeastern United States," Freeman said.

The search began in State's dormitories, fraternities, and sororities because the campus is the primary market for Freeman's agents.

Grigg hasn't decided which school to attend but said the rock climbing and sea

kayaking programs look best to him. "This is going to drastically change my summer plans," Grigg said. "I was going to summer school—both sessions—but I'm going to cancel. I'd rather do this than go to school. It'll be a chance to apply my academics to real life situations."

OUTWARD BOUND is a very unique school. Beyond teaching survival, rock-climbing, sailing, or kayaking skills (depending on which of the seven schools across the nation is being considered), Outward Bound strives to develop self-reliance and self-discovery through its programs.

"The wilderness survival training will teach survival, but the by-product of this surviving is for a man or woman to 'find himself,'" Freeman explained. "If you can survive in the wild you can better cope in society, in the business world, as a student, in marriage or whatever. It makes you a better, more rounded person."

Hannah described Outward Bound as an attempt "to further the awareness and education of all Americans to the outdoors. It's become an almost lost awareness."

Hannah has participated in Outward Bound and said he "lived through it. The pack weighs 70 pounds. You eat fast or you die from the weight of it."

Greek Week: beer, fun, games mark activities

by Karen Austin
Staff Writer

The week before exams is usually a time of mental strain for students, and if one walked by the Commons of Fraternity Court, you would see what looks like a mass mental breakdown of students who have been studying too long for too many days.

The celebration of Greek Week began Monday as the fraternities and sororities battle each other in egg tosses, tug-of-wars, and beer chugs.

Each fraternity and sorority is sponsoring and coordinating an event. Along with the sillier games, more skillful events such as chess and foosball have been played.

ACCORDING TO Chris Wrenn, vice-president of the Interfraternity Council and chairman of the project, Greek Week serves as a chance for the fraternities and sororities to compete in fun events.

"There are not many events that unify the fraternities and sororities," said Wrenn. "Greek Week serves to bring everyone together."

On Saturday at 12 noon, four bands will perform on the Commons. Goldsmith, Cannonball, The Vandells, and Tynes Square will perform and the entire campus is invited to attend. Later, the winner of the Greek Week competition will be announced.

ALSO TO BE decided on is the winner of Miss Greek Week contest. Each fraternity and sorority has sponsored a girl who is interviewed by several of the judges. Although most of the contestants are attractive, the winner will be judged primarily on her personality and answers to the questions posed at the interviews.

According to Wrenn, the competition has been going well and several teams are in the lead for the title and trophy.

"I wish that more State students had attended the competitions," said Wrenn. "We always get a lot of spectators from the girls' schools, but we would like for there to be more participation from the students on campus."

Phi Kappa Tau and Tau Kappa Epsilon are last year's defending champions.

Vandalism on campuses rising

(CPS)—An apparent rise in crime on many of the nation's campuses is persuading numerous college administrators to beef up security measures.

Though the rise in lawlessness in the nation's colleges does not appear as severe as the rise amongst the general populace (FBI figures claim that the incidence of U.S. crime has nearly tripled since 1965, although some sociologists claim these figures have been exaggerated in order to precipitate Congressional funding), schools from North Carolina to North Dakota are trying to come to grips with the delicate issue. Vandalism and theft have become the most common problem in the rising tide of skulduggery.

For instance, one member of the student government at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown remarked that rising vandalism there might make the campus an "incredible insurance risk."

A WEST VIRGINIA college is requiring all dorm guests to sign visitor passes and promises to prosecute those who don't with criminal trespassing. Meanwhile, an average of 16 college students a week are being arrested for shoplifting in Greensboro, N.C., according to its district attorney, and the district judge there growls that "I do not know what the solution is to students shoplifting. The only thing the courts can do is start handing out active sentences."

At Penn State University, the student government vice president is circulating a

petition among the students that would demand that the campus police be armed. So far, 80 percent of the PSU students polled have favored guns for their guards.

Meanwhile, the president of Southwestern University in Texas has been griping about a "case of indecent exposure" at his campus, but has emphasized that disorder can be overcome without "creating" an atmosphere of unhealthy fear or a climate of unreasonable suspicion.

Some campus crimestoppers believe that guns should be supplied to the campus security guard, whose status, they continue, should be uplifted to that of a regular police officer.

JAMES PAUL, chief of security at PSU, noted that "the sidearm is the basic tool of the officer. Would you send a surgeon to perform an operation without a scalpel?" The director of student affairs at PSU is in discord with the chief's views, however. "You can never tell when somebody will overreact, no matter how well-trained," he retorted.

At the behest of the crime-riddled University of Oregon Health Science Center in Portland, a bill that would arm campus police in the state was introduced in the Oregon State Legislature March 2, and is currently in the Judiciary Committee.

However, a campus security sergeant at Oregon State University in Corvallis, and many other campus security agents in the state, said they did not want to carry guns.

A regent who recommended against the bill warned of "the creation of mini police forces which would not be accountable to anyone—which is, in effect, what we are doing here."

"THERE'S NO POINT in carrying guns," echoed Dean Robert Nye of Kearney State College in Nebraska. The college outlawed guns for campus security in 1974. "We needed a security force rather than a police force."

At colleges where the crime rate has dropped, success has been attributed often to increased student participation in the law 'n order process. At Memphis State University, for instance, the director of security reported that 1976 thefts were down about 20 percent from 1975 because students were "reporting suspicious characters and criminal actions more. In the

past, especially the late 60's and early 70's, ripoffs were accepted and sometimes even encouraged by the public."

Though the crime rate is slightly off at the University of New Hampshire, brawls have become a big problem there, and two security guards are being stationed at each dorm party. One student who was returning from the library was beaten at his dormitory's door by a drunken party-goer and filed assault charges against his assailant because "that fight obstructed my studies—I had a final the next day that I had to miss because I went to see the justice of the peace."

"I've had it," stormed a disgruntled dorm leader. "I'll call the cops when I see trouble now—whether it's a fight at a party or someone crawling up the fire escape."

Conservation club formed

by Caroline Edwards
Contributing Writer

Newly formed this semester is the State Conservation Club. The club's purpose is to tie together those students in any curricula relating to conservation in order to promote and advance the interests of conservation. The club encompasses mainly, but is

not limited to, students in the School of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and Forestry. Other interested students in

Engineering, Design, PAMS, etc., are encouraged to apply for membership. Field trips, special projects, programs on current and pressing topics, and get-togethers will all be a part of this new club.



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Interviews show student interests of religion growing on State campus

by Lyn Reed
Staff Writer

Student interest in religion seems to be gradually increasing, according to the opinions of some students and campus ministers.

Steve Shoemaker, the Presbyterian campus chaplain, said he has seen evidence of this increase over the past two or three years in the rise in attendance of area churches and Sunday school classes. There has also been an increase in enrollment in religion courses offered at State according to Shoemaker.

"There is also rising interest in the cult groups among students," Shoemaker said. "The characteristics of cults make them very appealing. The people in these groups are convinced they're right. Their commitment to their religion is very attractive to outsiders."

OTHER ATTRACTIVE features of cults Shoemaker cited were their unique quality of being new and interesting and different from the religion most people were brought up with. "The members of cults usually show each other a lot of attention, which is particularly attractive to lonely people who often become members of these cults," Shoemaker said.

One of the primary cult groups seems to be the Unification Church, the members of which are often referred to as "moonies," after the church's originator, Reverend Sun Myung Moon. Shoemaker said the Unification Church has gained much support over the past five years, and has attracted many young people to be members.

Other cults Shoemaker has seen on campus include the Children of God, The Two, Eckankar, and Hare Krishna. Groups which are much like formal churches except in their methods of membership recruitment and their doctrines also exist on campus.

A poll administered by Campus Crusade for Christ was given to students on a

voluntary basis. The poll revealed that opinions concerning Christianity varied. Lee Lancaster, who reported on the results of the survey said, "Particularly interesting is the fact that almost half the people interviewed indicated that they were sure they would go to heaven."

REGARDING becoming a Christian, 48% felt that this involved acknowledging Jesus Christ as one's personal savior. However, 22% felt that performing good deeds, rather than accepting Christ, was more important to get to heaven.

Also, 51% believed Christ is the Son of God.

Lancaster concluded from the results of the poll that, "Students here are generally confused about what Christianity really means."

Most students felt that interest in religion among students was definitely rising. Bess Leigh Weir, a sophomore from Richmond, Va., felt that interest in religion decreased during the 60's but is now increasing. "People are trying to find something to follow. There is no longer the student activism of the last decade, so students put their energy into religion," Weir theorized.

Weir also felt that when students come to college for the first time they question many things about themselves, including

the religion they were brought up with. "Now people are more willing to choose to keep their religion," Weir said.

OTHER STUDENTS reinforced Weir's statement. Many had poor first impressions of campus religion. One student felt this was a deterrent rather than an encouragement to most freshmen.

"Since many groups have stopped their door-to-door solicitations, there has been a gradual increase in interest which was stifled by invasions of privacy," he said.

One student saw a definite increase in interest among black students since the Cultural Center started offering fellowship services. He also felt there had been an increase in black church attendance.

Most students have heard very little concerning the cult groups, although those that have heard of them have very negative attitudes concerning them. One student felt very strongly against the "moonies."

"I can't see where the ultimate goal is for the good of the members," she said.

Others felt that cult groups used methods of brainwashing to obtain and keep members. Most students questioned felt the cult groups were not officially religious groups and said they would not be interested in finding out more about these groups.

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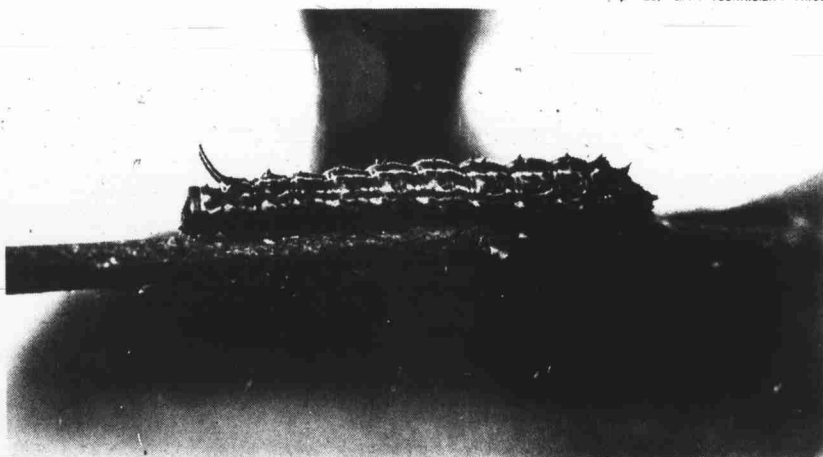
IN FEBRUARY of 1977, Howard Barnett, resigned as editor of the Technician because of staff members' discontent with his handling of the paper's finances. News editor Lynne Griffin was named by the Publications Authority to serve interim editor and then was named editor in March.

February also saw the arrival of the Human Survival Symposium, sponsored jointly by the Student Center and the

Department of Residence Life. The symposium featured nationally known speakers such as former civil rights activist Eldridge Cleaver, Arizona Rep. Morris Udall, and author Alvin Toffler.

Mid-March and the beginning of April saw the Student Government elections. Blas Arroyo was elected Student Body President; Kevin Beasley, Student Senate President; and Kathy Tatum, Student Body Treasurer.

And, as Walter Cronkite would say, "That's the way it is."



Metamorphosis

College graduates often seem to feel that their years spent at the university are a waste. But, like this caterpillar, one day those "wasted" years will blossom and suddenly become something worthwhile and beautiful.

University committee appointments announced

University Committee appointments have been made for Athletics, Admissions, and Parking and Traffic.

Those appointed are: Athletics—Doug Shore, Bobby Strickland, and Greg Dority. Admissions—Teresa Mitchell and Robert E. Lee. Parking and Traffic—Ricky Taylor, Chuck

Haisley, Becky Wagner, and Mark Darholt.

These students should go by the student government office (fourth floor Student Center) and leave their summer address with the secretary. Appointments to the remaining committees will be made in early September. There are various slots

remaining on these committees. Anyone interested may sign up either by May 11, or at the beginning of the Fall Semester, 1977. Students signing up by May 11 will have first priority, excluding those which require special qualifications, i.e., graduate student, freshman, etc.

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So that all Crier announcements may be run items submitted should be no longer than 25 words. No Crier announcement will be run more than three times and no more than two announcements for a single organization will be run in an issue. The deadline for Crier announcements is 5 p.m. on M-W-F.

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DON'T MISS Cathy Pause at The East Campus Festival: Saturday, April 30th, in the Quad. Rain date is May 1st.

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Bike love does not diminish enthusiasm

by Howard Barnett
Contributing Editor

Ed Gaddy has seen a lot of bicycles during the past few years. By his own count, he has had four bicycle stores since he left State in 1973, but his enthusiasm for them does not appear to have been diminished by his constant involvement. "I majored in aerospace engineering, but it got old," said Gaddy. "I got interested in

bicycles because they use some of the same materials (as aircraft) and because they're so simple. The bicycle is the most effective machine made, and that's because it's so simple."

Gaddy is currently plying his talents in building, repairing, and otherwise messing with bicycles at the Cycle-Logic Bike Shop, which he has operated for about a year now. The shop doesn't provide him with much money, but in talking to Gaddy one

gets the feeling that's not what he's after. "I STARTED THIS particular shop after scraping together about \$1500. I already had credit with the bicycle companies because of the other shops I'd owned, so all I had to do was rent and get some accessories. Every month I order exactly what I think I can sell from the companies, and if I think those, I break about even," said Gaddy.

The money is not, however, the thing he

talks about most. He is constantly citing statistics about bicycles and the bicycle industry, all while pacing around the bicycle that is always on the repair rack in the center of the shop. Every now and then, for punctuation he takes a wrench or screwdriver to an offending part and worries it energetically.

"The bike boom of the early seventies has died down," he said, spinning the peddles of the bike suspended in front of him and shifting gears madly from first to tenth and back several times. "The market just became saturated with bikes after about 1973 or 1974, and these bikes are built to last a good while. The tremendous demand that the ecology movement and the energy crisis brought on has died down because a lot of the people who decided they wanted bicycles then got them then, and still have them."

Despite this, Gaddy said, the bicycle industry is continuing to grow and develop better components.

"THE BIG STORY during the past few years had been the rise of the Japanese manufacturers," said Gaddy as he fought with a derailer adjustment screw. "Campagnolo (an Italian company) had the

best and most expensive components for years and years, but since 1973 companies like Shimano and Suntour have been putting out quality components at about half the price."

"Japanese companies are also putting out well-built bicycles that are a lot cheaper than European bikes of the same quality. And Suntour makes the best freewheel (the cluster of gears on the rear wheel) in the world, in my opinion," he said.

But what kind of bicycle does the man who works on bicycles for a living ride? One he built himself, naturally.

"I was reading a bicycle magazine not too long ago, and I noticed that you could buy a set of Reynolds '531' tubing for \$30, and I said, 'Hell, I can weld, and at that price I could burn up five sets of tubing before getting a good bike and still come out ahead. It took me three to really learn," he said.

REYNOLDS "531" is a manganese-molybdenum-steel alloy tubing which is prized by bicycle aficionados for its strength, lightness and flexibility. A bicycle frame made of this material costs \$150 to \$180, without wheels, handlebars,

peddles, or cables. The tubing comes with lugs, or joints, already threaded in the proper places, and all the builder has to do is cut the tubes to the right size and braze them together.

"Look at the workmanship on this one," he beamed, pointing to a blue frame hanging in his window. "The paint is still soft. It's surprisingly easy to do. I'm going to use it for racing."

Racing is not what he likes to do most, though. Gaddy's philosophy and his shop are geared to the touring cyclist, the person who gets on bike and rides for 15 or 20 miles at a time and takes his or her time.

"TOURING IS WHAT bicycling is all about," said Gaddy. "You take your time and stop when you feel like it. You don't feel like you have to make it somewhere by any certain time, and you can just enjoy yourself."

"In racing, you have to compete with people, and in touring, you're just out to enjoy yourself and bicycle to the fullest," said Gaddy.

Gaddy certainly should know about enjoying one's self. He has made a business out of it for the past four years.



Staff photo by Alice Jensen

Students receive poetry awards

by Robin Ludlow
Staff Writer

Lance Jeffers, an associate professor in State's English department, announced last week that two State students had been given honorable mention during a poetry competition held by the American Academy of Poets.

Temp Holding and Mark Thomas were commended as the best poets entering from State in the competition between three North Carolina schools. The schools competing with State were Carolina and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

All entries were turned in by March 15 and were judged by Betty Adcock, an English professor from Duke University. She is the author of *Walking Out*, published by the Louisiana State University Press.

JEFFERS, STATE's coordinator for the competition, explained that the poems were judged by the "maturity of the poetry." The winner of the contest was Tim Clark, a student from UNC-G, who was awarded \$100. Clark was chosen from about 50 participants, according to Jeffers.

"I naturally was disappointed that a State student did not win, but the quality of the poetry from all three schools was

very high. It (the competition) is reflective of a poetic renaissance in this country," said Jeffers.

Holding, 22, is a student in one of Jeffers' classes. She said she has been writing for six years and has a book of poetry ready for publication.

Thomas, the runner-up from State, is also in Jeffers' class. The English major is a senior at State. In the future, Thomas plans to get into some serious writing.

"School and scholarly work is good to develop your discipline, but it takes up too much time so that you are not able to do very much creative writing of your own," said Thomas.

Time out

Some worry, some don't. Not even the pressure of pending exams seems to be enough to keep this restless student from catching a few winks on the Brickyard. It could be that the late-night hours of studying have finally caught up with him, but there was that party last night...

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Entertainment Album reviews



Faragher Brothers
Family Ties
ABC AB-1009
Best Cuts "7"

As far as sleek, sophisticated, blue-eye soul goes the album is alright. The only question is: "Why?"

The four Faragher brothers have enlisted four other musicians to assist on this, their second album, and as a heavily vocally oriented, easy-listening album it's a fair success. The lyrics are meaningful and sound and do very well with what little

music stands behind them, but why bother? There are enough vocally-oriented soul albums on the market today and, though once a gimmick to sell records, white boys singing soul choruses is no longer anything extraordinary. A little more time spent on the instrumentation could upgrade the album and make it more competitive, but until then, the Faragher Brothers are destined to haunt the discount record bins.

—Christopher Long



Stretch

You Can't Beat Your Brain for Entertainment
Anchor Records AN-2016

Best Cuts—"Can't Get Enough" and "Hold On"

There's still nothing like British rock and roll and Stretch is the newest addition to the dynasty. Hard drivin' power chords and root-shakin' bass accent Elmer Gantry's strong lead vocals. Add a touch of slide guitar from Kirby and nothing can keep you on your seat.

Drawing experience from bands like Velvet Opera, Curved Air and Eric Clapton's tour band the four rockers from England are no mere novices. Each cut is forcefully presented and strongly supported both musically and lyrically whether it's a blues number or rock and roll tremor.

Side Two is the most diversified part of the album opening with "Can't Get Enough" and "Hold On" and keeps the energy level high through the fourth

track. The last number is a mellowing blues number that caps the entire album with an emotional note.

Stretch is a complete band and "You Can't Beat Your Brain for Entertainment" is a masterful disc.

—Christopher Long



Pezband
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Best Cuts—"Gas Grill" and "When I'm Down."

Non Stop Power Pop is the label ABC Records has awarded this four member band from Chicago and the label is justly given. Working with a tightly knit collection of melodies and light hearted lyrics any of the twelve cuts would be a credit to AM radio.

Although pop rock borders banality and rarely entices the musical intellect, Pezband has managed to escape the Bay City Rollers image and produce decent music. The songs are short and precise and do not lag, yet each is capable of expression.

Guitar and piano are the main tools with a solid foundation in the rhythm section. Vocals are typically AM with shallow lyrics, but depth is concentrated in the instrumentation with support from Clarence Clemons on sax and Larry Fast (Synergy) on keyboards. Successive

albums from Pezband could make AM radio tolerable again.

—Wade Williams



Amazing Rhythm Aces
Toucan Do It Too
ABC AB-1005

Best Cuts—"Living In A World Unknown" and "I'm Setting You Free"

The Amazing Rhythm Aces are about to score again with their latest album and definitely provide an alternative for your listening pleasure. *Toucan Do It*

Too is packed with dynamic music and lasting lyrics.

The ARA scored a couple of years ago with the national smash "Third Rate Romance" and won a Grammy for their last album *The End is Not In Sight*. A strong, yet easy-going melody pervades each song and the country flavored lyrics have a hint of satire that enlightens each song.

"Living in a World Unknown" is the most energetic song on the first side and by far has the most exciting guitar work. The other cuts don't lag at all, they're just not as forceful.

Side Two has a combination of musical styles both mellow and quick, serious and humorous. There's even a creditable Leon Russell imitation on the cut "Who's Crying Now." The latest effort by the Amazing Rhythm Aces is indeed refreshing and enjoyable.

—Wade Williams

First East Campus Festival features music, balloons, artwork just for fun

by Karen Austin
Staff Writer

Live music, balloons, hot dogs, and a menagerie of artwork will be assembled in the Beeton-Berry-Bagwell Quad Saturday, April 30, for the first East Campus Festival.

The festival is the idea of Sophomore design student, Joey Collins, and is being financed by the East Campus Educational Fund.

Beginning at 12 noon, various State students will be exhibiting and selling their crafts. According to Collins, there will be between 20 and 25 booths set up for exhibitors. Some of the crafts to be displayed are paintings and drawings, jewelry, ceramics, and flower arrangements.

The East Campus Festival differs from the Design School's Sidewalk Festival in that only State students and their spouses are allowed to participate. Collins thinks that a festival of this sort is long overdue.

"The student artist has to

sacrifice too much when displaying and sellings his artwork," said Collins. "Art is meant to be seen or it is useless, and the student should have an easy opportunity to display his talent."

Throughout-out the day, there will be music and skits provided

by local students to entertain the crowd as they view the crafts. Hotdogs and beer will be available during the day through the Quad House Council.

At 7 p.m. the booths will be closed and removed from the Quad area, and everyone is invited to bring their blankets

and favorite refreshments to listen to Kathy Pause and Trio. This folk and blues group will play outside until 1 a.m.

Admission is Free.

Although this is the first time that the festival has been done, Collins hopes that with the help of the University and East

Campus, that it can be made a yearly event.

"I think that there is no proper outlet for amateur artists," said Collins. "At the Festival, the students will be able to display their work without competing with professionals."

Anyone who is interested in displaying their artwork can pick up an application at the Student Center Information desk and is asked to turn it in by Thursday. All student artists are welcome to exhibit or sell their work. The rain date for the festival is Sunday, May 1.

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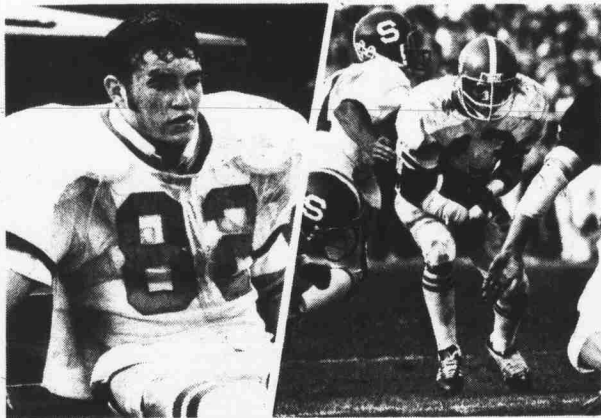
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1976-77 Wolfpack sports

From hopeful anticipation to general disappointment



FOOTBALL—Ron Banther (left) paced the Wolfpack's defense with his spirited play and Ted Brown ran for over 1,000 yards in an otherwise dismal 3-7-1 football season.



BASKETBALL—State was expected to have an excellent basketball team next season after winning 17 games this year with the ACC's youngest squad. But with Kenny Carr (left) contemplating turning pro and Brian Walker, Steve Walker and Dirk Ewing transferring, the program suddenly seems on shaky ground. Two players who can be counted on, however, are Clyde "The Glide" Austin (center) and Hawkeye Whitney, who seem destined for stardom.

It was a sports year that began with much anticipation and ended with some satisfaction, but mostly disappointment.

Although State finished third in the Carmichael Cup (which signifies athletic excellence in the Atlantic Coast Conference), there was widespread disappointment in the Wolfpack's losing football record (3-7-1) and the apparent instability of a basketball program that had seemed to have a very bright future until several players decided to transfer and All-America forward Kenny Carr applied for hardship status in the National Basketball Association draft.

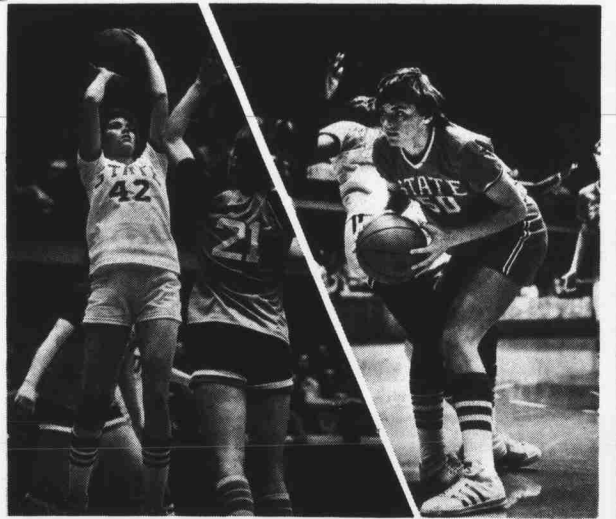
And since the major two sports — football and basketball — are the touchstones of a fan's attitude, the 1976-77 school year will be remembered by most State fans as an exasperating experience.

There were bright spots, however, in the Wolfpack athletic program. The women's basketball and swim teams finished in the top ten and the men's swimming team swept through another ACC season and finished 11th in the nation.

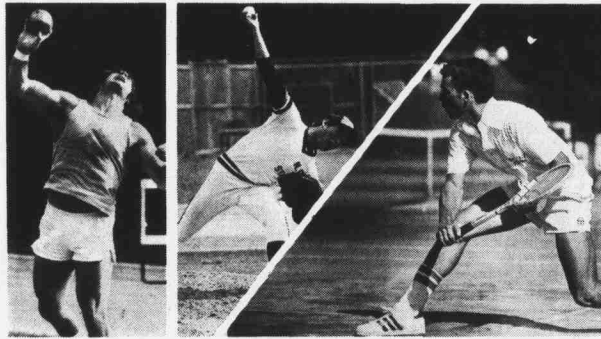
At times during the year, State's tennis, lacrosse and golf squads were ranked in the top 20, as many of the less publicized sports became popular and the respective teams showed flashes of brilliance.

Individually, Ted Brown continued to run for much yardage; senior Ron Banther kept playing spirited defense; Carr won another ACC scoring title; Dan Harrigan broke more swimming records; tennis ace John Sadri won the number one ACC singles title; freshmen Clyde "The Glide" Austin, Hawkeye Whitney, and Genia Beasley emerged as future All-Americans in basketball; freshman pitcher John Skinner fired his way to a perfect record during the regular season; sprinter Al Green and shot putter Bob Medlin starred in track and field.

Some of the highlights during the year were the 21-13 victory over North Carolina in football, the wins over Carolina and Maryland in basketball and the women winning the state championship and almost defeating Immaculata in an overtime game at home.



WOMEN'S BASKETBALL—The Wolfpack was ranked in the top ten for much of the season before losing in the regionals to Tennessee Tech. Christie Earnhardt (left) and Genia Beasley received all-star recognition and will be solid candidates for the All-America teams next year.



SPRING SPORTS—The Pack did well in spring sports, finishing second in tennis, third in track and field and baseball and fourth in golf. Some of the top individual performers were record-setting shot putter Bob Medlin (left), freshman pitcher John Skinner (center) and ACC tennis champion John Sadri.



SWIMMING—State's powerful swimming team won another easy ACC title and finished 11th in the country. Dan Harrigan (top) and Steve Gregg had an eventful year, swimming in the Olympics and breaking numerous records this winter.

Intramural finale

Polka Dots power past SAE, 8-3

by Bob Fuhrman
Staff Writer

Dave Wagner silenced SAE with just three hits over the first five innings and drove in three runs to power the Polka Dots to an easy 8-3 victory over SAE in the final intramural event of the year.

Wagner and Willie Lefever slammed fifth-inning home runs to put the Dots ahead by an 8-0 score. With the score at 5-0 entering the home fifth, Lefever sent a skyscraper over Greg Clement's head in leftfield. After Bruce "Brooks" Lingerfelt reached on an error, Wagner sent a line drive down the right field line that Trip Gentry finally retrieved with Wagner more than halfway around. The relay home was late as Wagner scored easily.

THE POLKA Dots jumped to a 2-0 lead in the first inning when Roger Hurst scored all the way from first base as Clement booted Lefever's base hit in left field. Lefever ended up at third base and scored on Wagner's two-out single. The Dots added single runs in the next three innings before icing the cake in the fifth.

Toby Atwood relieved Wagner in the sixth frame and struggled through the last two innings. Atwood stranded two runners in the sixth, then yielded Gary Stokan's double. RBI hits by Brian Stokan and losing pitcher Charlie Stallings, and Robert Goode's sacrifice fly before retiring the side in the seventh. SAE left nine runners on base in all and committed five errors, resulting in four unearned runs, while neither of

the Dots' two errors cost anything. The Dots left seven.

Wagner and "B.B." Lingerfelt share this reporter's MVP award in the tournament. Wagner was the winning pitcher in both games while slapping four hits and driving in five runs. Lingerfelt had five hits, scored five and batted in two runs while exhibiting near-flawless fielding prowess.

THE FINAL game was nearly ruined when SAE walked off of the field in the fifth inning. David Green of the Polka Dots was safe at second base on a controversial call while stretching a single into a double. Shortstop Gary Stokan, who put the tag on Green, protested too vehemently for the base umpire, who immediately thumbed Stokan out of the game. SAE then left the diamond, but after a brief conference, Stokan was reinstated and play resumed. Green later scored the Polka Dots' fifth run.

Since this is the last article of the year, I would like to publicly acknowledge the help I have received throughout the year. Special thanks to Jack Shannon, Joel Brothers, Lynn Berle, their secretary, Penney Blackley, and the student supervising staff of Kaye Roberts, Theresa Thaxton, Chris Eckard, Bill Chappell, Bill Kahler, Chuck Farrabee, Barry Nelson, and finally B.B. Lingerfelt, whom we will sorely miss in the office. Also, Mike Bawden, Keith Smith, Tommy Smith, Paul Baddour, Tom Eldridge, Donnie

Cate, Gary Hayes, outstanding official Pat Land, and those brothers of mine, Tim and Terry. Without this crew, we never could have held the post-season basketball and softball tournaments. All those who officiated throughout the year and contributed to intramurals in any way deserve a pat on the back, especially Leigh Walker.

Finally, a rundown of the special awards presented at Wednesday's Awards Night:

- Outstanding Frat Athlete—Charles Sloop (FH)
- Outstanding Residence Athlete—Donnie Warren (Alex)
- Outstanding Frat A.D.—Mike Bawden (PKT)
- Outstanding Residence A.D.—Tom Cole (Tucker)
- Most Improved Fraternity—PKT
- Most Improved Dorm—Lee
- Outstanding Official—Patrick Land
- John F. Miller Award—Tim and Terry Fuhrman

Top Four Fraternities

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2. SAE-1321
3. K. Sig-1098
4. FH-1068


To Four Residence Halls

1. Lee-1282 1/2
2. Becton-1249
3. Turlington-1114
4. Owen-1-1038

Final top fifteen

1. Polka Dots [Ind] 11-1
2. No Question [Ind] 8-1
3. SAE [Frat] 9-1
4. Becton [Res] 9-1
5. SPE [Frat] 8-1
6. Orangeback [Ind] 7-2
7. Plague [Ind] 4-3
8. B-2 [Ind] 6-1
9. Metcalf II [Res] 6-4
10. Farm House [Frat] 8-1
11. TKE [Frat] 6-3
12. Turlington [Res] 8-1
13. Lee [Res] 7-2
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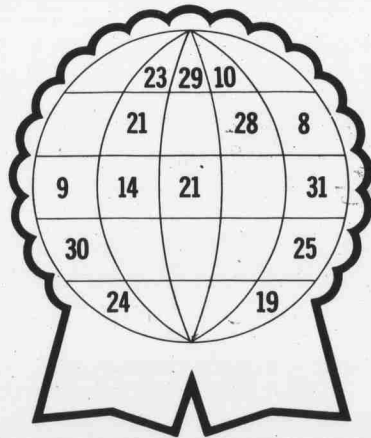


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Caruthers receives Lumni Award

He is the George Patton of shot putters.

He studies everything he can find about his sport, masters its technique and gathers everything into his arsenal that will help him achieve ultimate success.

He is LaBaron Caruthers of State, and for his success has come in two All-America awards, personal record performances, two college diplomas and now the Alumni Athletics Trophy, the school's highest athletic honor.

CARUTHERS will receive the trophy Friday, May 6, at the annual Alumni Awards luncheon at the Jane S. McKimmon Extension Education center on campus.

Caruthers joins a lengthy list of outstanding athletes to have claimed this award, including David Thompson, Tommy Burleson, Roman Gabriel, Vic Bubas, Ty Coon, Dick Dickey, Ronnie Shavlik, and the 1976 recipient, Tom Higgins.

A self-motivated man who measures his success against his own potential, LeBaron has labored tirelessly to become the best he could be—athletically and academically. He will graduate with one B.A. in philosophy and another in sociology in addition to his athletic honors.

LeBaron is not an athlete who needs a coach to stand over him seven days a week, urging him to achieve. There is a spirit inside him that motivates and pushes him to new heights.

"LEBARON is a pressure cooker," his coach, Jim Westcott, said. "There's always something boiling in there, something striving to be better today than yesterday while planning to work harder tomorrow."

"I have a great deal of respect for him because of his work and dedication. I have never worked with a track and field athlete as dedicated as he is. He practically kills himself every day."

"He's a pusher and I believe that those people have a positive carry-over into the business world. He will be successful after college in whatever he chooses to do."

"I learned a long time ago that to be a good shot putter," Caruthers said, "I would have to have good technique. I would rather be a good technician with the shot than a caveman. I'll get farther in the long run."

"I TALK TO all the athletes at the big international meets. I read and study everything I can about shot putting and discuss throwing. One of the best things that I ever did was call Al Feuerbach long distance one day and talk about style with him."

Caruthers has also picked the brain of Terry Albritton, the top collegian nationally last year. He has applied all he can assimilate from these top stars into his own style. It has produced a personal record of 61-10 3/4 with the 16-pound ball.

Caruthers has come a long way since his scholastic days when he could lift the 12-pound



LeBaron Carruthers

sphere 55-6, and he plans to continue his efforts toward higher goals in the future.

"I want to continue in shot putting as long as I experience a reasonable rate of success," he continued. "I want a shot at the 1980 Olympic Games in Moscow, but I'll assess everything each year until then."

CONTINUING until that time means obtaining a job where he can have the opportunity to maintain a rigid

weight-training schedule that would quickly discourage a lesser man. Most of his labor is done in secret, so only a few will ever know of the tons of weight moved and the hours of thoughtful effort to perfect his technique.

Continuing means more study and more training, but LeBaron will never lose because of lack of effort or improper method.

General Patton would be proud.

Pack stickmen top Indians, 15-3

by Denny Jacobs Staff Writer

Neither cold weather, "questionable officiating," nor the William & Mary players themselves could keep the 14th ranked Wolfpack lacrosse team from its self-appointed duty Tuesday, as the stickmen repaid an outstanding debt, humbling the Indians 15-3. It was a fitting way for the club to cap a fine season, particularly at the expense of a team that only a few years ago had rolled one up on them.

The game started auspiciously for the home team as they were forced to play shorthanded seemingly from the opening whistle. Goalie Bob Flintoff, and his defensive cohorts Chris Willis, Duke Wheelan, and Ed Gambitsky rose to the challenge though on their way to holding William & Mary scoreless for the first half.

Ted Manos got State on the scoreboard with a little over five minutes played, beating the Indian netminder with a well placed shot, low to the far corner. Manos clicked again to close out the first quarter scoring as he took a slick feed from Ted Odgers and stuffed it into the open side.

THE PACK scored twice more in the second stanza on its way to a 4-0 halftime advantage. The team's high scorers Stan Cockerton and Marc Resnick combined to do the damage as they continued to outwit suspecting goaltenders. The first came while State enjoyed the man advantage as they move the ball around the perimeter quickly with Resnick hitting Cockerton open in front of the cage. The nation's leading goal scorer did his thing once again besting an outstretched goalie.

The final goal of the half was a dandy as the Wolfpack worked the fastbreak to perfection. Oren Moeller stole the ball at midfield and broke to the enemy end. Moeller spotted Resnick alone in the slot who dished off to Cockerton and that was all.

State shifted into high gear in the third quarter and put the game out of reach, outscoring their rivals 7-1. John Borden, one of nine Pack players to score goals in the game, started the onslaught after taking a pass from Cockerton alone in front. Defenseman Gambitsky broke up the middle on a break and took the ball all the way to score, a defenseman's dream come true. Senior Kirk Peters

made it 8-0 with State once again working the man advantage proficiently. Resnick drawing the assist.

William & Mary then scored on its tenth man up situation, spoiling Flintoff's bid for a shutout, which is virtually unheard of in lacrosse. The Wolfpack went on to score three more times before the end of the quarter to take an 11-1 lead into the final fifteen minutes of action.

STATE outscored the Indians 4-2 over the final frame thus closing the campaign on a most satisfying note. The most noteworthy goal of the period was registered by senior co-captain Larry Rice. Rice unloaded a shot that the William & Mary goalie must have thought was fired from a cannon as he never had a chance to make a move on it before it had already nestled in the netting.

Everyone played well indeed as State's stickmen thoroughly dismantled their counterparts. The defense, which did an outstanding job all day, was exceptional in the first quarter when William & Mary seemed to have the man advantage continuously. When the Wolfpack offense finally did get untracked in the third quarter,

they dominated the play and rolled to a relatively easy victory.

Head coach Charlie Patch opined, "I just can't say enough about the job that assistant coaches Bob Haase and Bob Hiller have done all year. Apart from the team's coming together they were the single most important factor in the team's success this year."

"I THINK our long layoff had something to do with our slow start on offense but the early penalties were killers. William & Mary played a control game and had good sticks."

Departing senior Chris Willis

emitted, "it feels real good, coming back and being a winner. The first year was a learning process for all of us. The next three years we just kept working hard and it finally paid off. I've enjoyed being a part of this team and now people look at us differently, knowing that we're a threat."

State finishes the season with a 10-4 mark with hopes of moving up another notch or two in the polls. The graduating seniors will be missed but next year promises to be a vintage year for Wolfpack lacrosse. Lacrosse has come a long way here at State but the best figures to be yet to come.

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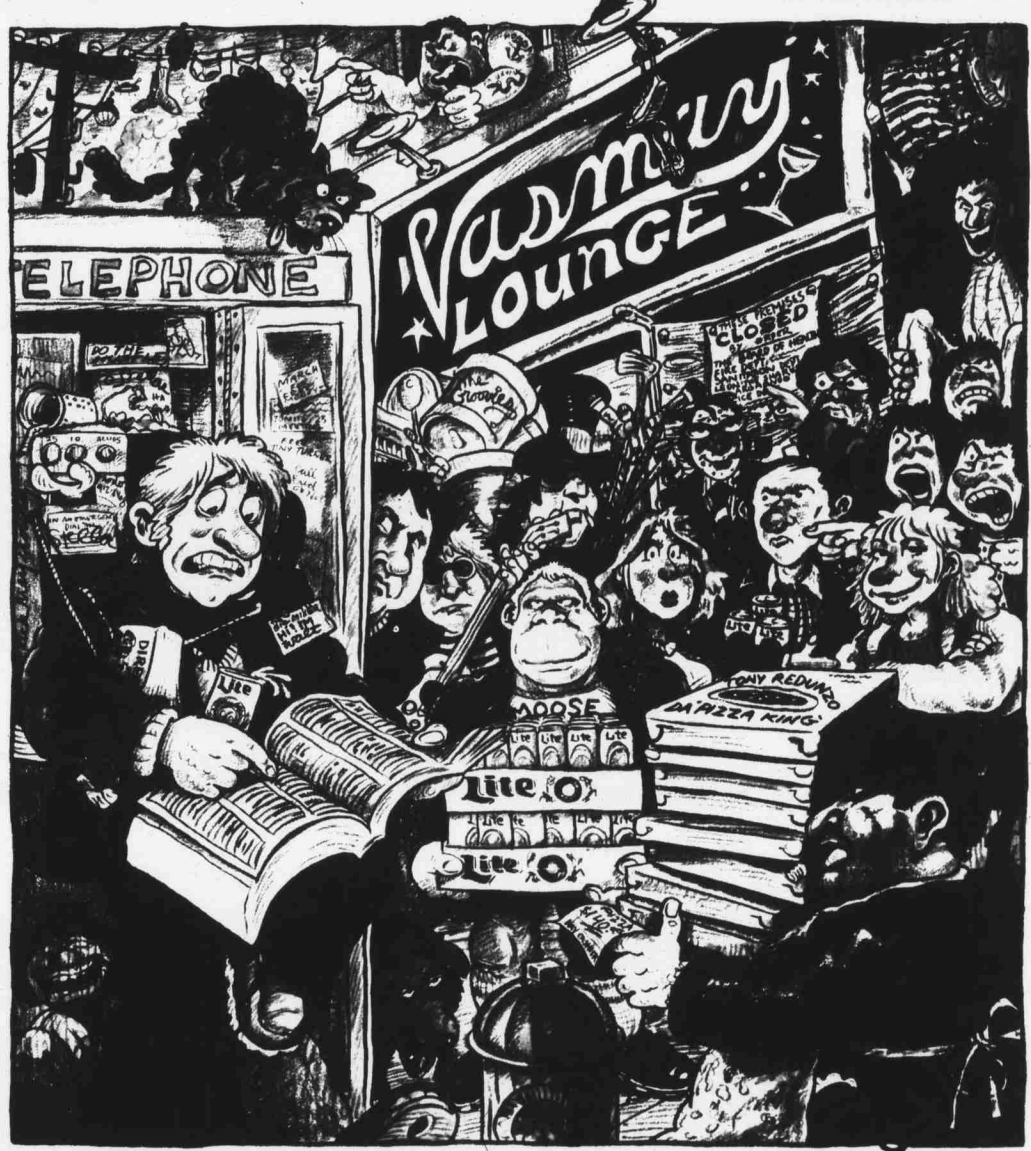
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Technician Opinion

A lasting memorial...

One year ago this week the University Student Center landscaping project was nearing completion. Looking around it I thought about how much the late George Panton, 1969-70 Technician editor and Stewart Theatre manager from the summer of 1975 until his death would have liked it. Accordingly, I wrote the following few lines which were published in the April 30, 1976 Technician:

"George Panton was my friend. But he was also much more."

So began a column I wrote about George following his death this year.

Since that bitterly cold but beautiful morning in January when he was laid to rest, I and many other of his friends have thought of him often, just as we will for the rest of our lives for he etched himself indelibly in both our minds and hearts.

George's accomplishments at and contributions to the University are far too numerous to list here. They are also something which, in their entirety, should in some way be recognized.

The University Student Center landscaping project is nearing completion, and it promises to be quite an eye opener with its fountain, exotic plants, elaborate lighting and such.

If anything typified George Panton's personality, it was a flair for things like that—things with style and class.

It would be both immensely appropriate and a fitting tribute if the University Student Center lawn were named Panton Plaza.

Panton Plaza

The proposal got off to a solid start, with many people from both within and without the University contacting either myself or Student Affairs Associate Dean Henry Bowers, who graciously lent his assistance to the effort. But, in the end, nothing came of it.

It is now twelve months later and I for one feel more strongly than ever that enactment of the proposal is not only something that can be done, but also something that should be done.

I urge those of you who knew George, either personally or professionally, whether you happen to be a student, administrator, graduate from past years or just one who knew of and admired George, to offer your support to this proposal by writing Henry Bowers at the University Student Center.

Success in this endeavor would insure a lasting, beautiful, tribute to the memory of a man who was a genuine credit to both the University and the human race... a gentleman and a gentle man.

— Kevin Fisher



Blissful Ignorance

The wooing of fair Aalice

No, you won't get rid of me that easily. Even though I'm graduating (got through in four years, no less, breaking a Technician staff tradition) this is not the last Blissful Ignorance.

Today's column is a story of love, lust and animals with funny names. It stars three aardvarks, one male, Aarnold and two "aardvarkettes" (to use the scientific name), Aalice and Aamanda. These three creatures, members of a species who were respected by ants with a fervor approaching that of Peter Frampton fans, lived in the picturesque Pittsburgh Zoo.

Aarnold was new to the aardvark cage; the zoo officials had brought him in to propagate his kind, which was actually pretty dull.

Aarnold was excited at the prospect of living with Aalice and Aamanda, reasoning that if he struck out with one he would certainly score with the other. Occasionally his limited brain nudged him slyly and whispered, why not try for both? A little *menagerie a trois, oui?* But since Aarnold couldn't speak French (much less Italian) that alternative was out.

The keeper put him in the aardvark cage and

introduced him to the two females. Aarnold thought Aamanda was okay-looking, but Aalice... she was a knockout. She had a languorous way of flicking her long tongue that filled Aarnold with desire.

Now what do I do? he thought. When he was younger, his older brother Aalbert told him that it helped to ask whoever you're interested in to go out. The trouble was that the furthest out any of them could go was the other side of the cage. Nevertheless, Aarnold sauntered up to fair Aalice and said, "Hi, sugar. Would you like to go to the other side of the cage with me. There's some ants in it if you say yes."

Aalice stopped flicking her sensual tongue and appraised him coolly. "I'm sorry, Aarnold," she cooed (no easy task for a mammal). "I'd rather stay on this side of the cage. The light is better."

Aarnold sensed that she was putting him off. For one thing, the sky was overcast that day.

All of Aarnold's efforts at inducing Aalice (and later Aamanda) to make aardvarkines (the scientific name for newborn aardvarks) failed. He

worked out his frustrations by writing a book, entitled *On Enforced Celibacy in Enclosed Environments*. To his astonishment, the first publisher he offered it to snapped it up. The book was hailed by feminists and chauvinists alike as a milestone in understanding human sexuality. Aarnold's non-humanness did not damage his credibility in the slightest; in fact, one critic enthused that "at last we have an observer of sexual mores who is not shackled by preconceived ideas about the subject."

He left the zoo and went on tour, which made him the richest ant-eating mammal ever. Within two weeks of publication he was guest hosting *The Tonight Show*. Occasionally he felt a twinge of regret at leaving Aalice and Aamanda, but he usually helped himself to another fire ant dipped in caviar and forgot about it.

Since quite a lot of those who've read the column since its beginning in 1973 are graduating, I feel that a few comments are in order.

Writing Blissful Ignorance and getting feedback from its readers will always be remembered as one of my most pleasant experiences at State. To have a space roughly 500 words long to say anything I like is a rare privilege; I've enjoyed writing my own weird brand of humor and satire tremendously and if Blissful Ignorance has brightened up an otherwise drab day for some lecture-weary student, then I feel like I've really done something in my four-year stay.

(This is beginning to sound corny. But sentimentality is a part of me and if schmaltz doesn't appeal to you, well, no one's stopping you from cutting out this postscript.)

It's customary to have a list of acknowledgments, so here's mine. I thank my editors, Beverly Privette, Bob Estes, Kevin Fisher, Howard Barnett and Lynne Griffin for putting up with my messy copy and fudged deadlines. While I don't have room to mention all those who've typed and pasted me up, a big bow in their direction is certainly due.

Most importantly, I'd like to thank two families: my own: Milton and Gert Bliss, who have been patient and understanding far beyond the call of parental duty, and my brother Bryan, who is probably the brightest 15-year-old I've met. And the Haases: Ben, Doug, Mike, Joel and John, who are the sort of people that the phrase "salt of the earth" was written for.

Those of you who are signed up for summer sessions will be inflicted with me weekly. To those who are leaving the Blissful Ignorance audience, live long and prosper. *Auf wiedersehen.*

— Larry Bliss

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Letters

Voting

To the Editor

In reply to the "Opinion" section and to Paul Morgan Laird's letter, I would like to give the Elections Board's reasons for not using Wake County's voting machines.

Unfortunately, Wake County is not as generous as is New Hanover County, for there would be payment for use and movement of these machines—excessive payment. The rental fee per machine per day \$25.00, the movement fee to take the machines out of storage and place them in the polling places is \$40 an hour. There is one man that is allowed to program the machines and his fee is \$20 per machine. Printing for the machines is another cost. All in all the minimum cost per machine per day is approximately \$100.

Cost is only one of the problems. Polling places is another major problem. The machines would have to be in a room that could be locked and that no one would have access to but there are very few places on campus that there are not many keys floating around. Also locked rooms are not as convenient as by the tunnels. Will students go to the fourth floor of the union or recreation room of a dorm if they won't vote on the way to and from class?

These are just a few of the problems that the machines may cause. Upon speaking to the woman in charge of the machines, we were informed that the Wake County Elections Board would have to decide whether or not they would even let us use the machines. Their next meeting was scheduled after we had scheduled elections. Postponing elections to wait for their decision was impractical.

A possibility for next year might be some type of computer program or op-scan sheet of paper. I wish next year's Elections Board Chairman good luck for the problems are endless and someone will also have a complaint. Deborah DeMaria Sr. BLS Elections Board Chairman

Friend?

To the Editor,

It has come to my attention that a series of busts has struck campus. I am one who was busted about two weeks ago, and I am very upset at this "friend" who informed the police of me. It is the purpose of this letter to contact others who have been busted recently so that we can identify our common "friend," if any. Would all those who possess knowledge of a bust or busts in the Lee, Sullivan, Bragaw area please contact Phil at 834-3936.

Phil Davenport
So. ISIP

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To the Editor,

I would like to express my shock and dismay at Davidson College's recently revealed "Christian Tenure" system (Greensboro Daily News, 4/25/77, A1). What really burns is that my tax dollars, flowing to Davidson through its students, are helping to support this policy. I know of no other instance that so poignantly shows the pitfalls of the present tuition grant system of aid to North Carolina private colleges: we are giving these schools public money without public accountability. If private schools want our tax dollars, they should accept them with a pledge not to discriminate against any part of the diverse

public from which that money comes. Aid private colleges should take the form of grants the institutions themselves, so that proper constraints can be made. The present system invites abuses of the kind currently taking place at Davidson.

On a separate but related note, it is so obvious that while our tax dollars flow with strings attached to private colleges, faculty salaries are so low in North Carolina's state schools that we are losing out to other state competition for top faculty (Greensboro Daily News, 4/25/77, A11). Consequently, I think that we should take a long, hard look at the current program of state aid to private colleges.

Mark W. Lismaden
UNC-G

The "Christian Tenure" system refers to by-law in Davidson's constitution which states that a person must express a willingness to support the college's Christian commitment before he can be hired by the college. Up to years ago, potential employees had to be Christian.

True hardship

To the Editor,

How is it possible for a college athlete who owns a Corvette to be eligible for the NBA hardship draft?

David Clark
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