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Stratas requests student input

by John Flesher
News Editor

A student Senate is only as good as the students who elect it, according to newly-elected Senate President Nick Stratas, which means that increasing student involvement is high on his list of priorities for the new year.

"We need student input. It's as simple as that," Stratas said Friday.

He admitted that attracting that student input is easier said than done, but added that he has several ideas by which to do it. "I plan to seek involvement through the campus media to show that there is a student government which is working for the students. We represent them; they need to know what's going on in the Senate."

"I will try to see to it that our plans and projects are publicized so that as many students as possible will participate," he said.

Stratas said that students wishing to get involved in student government don't have to wait until next semester.

"Student government doesn't go dormant over the summer. We'll have several things going which could involve quite a few students if they are going to summer school or will be in the area," he said.

According to Stratas, student government committees are the "backbone" of the government itself.

"Committees are where the work gets done," he said, "or, at least, they are where the work should get done. Having active, serious committees that get things done will be of great importance this year."

Stratas said that he will attempt to improve the committees by "getting chairmen who will work and motivate their members and not wait until the end of the year to get started."

One committee which will have a great deal to say about the success of this year's

Senate is the General Assembly Liaison Committee, Stratas said.

"Two of the big issues for this year will be fighting tuition increases and legalizing beer and wine sales on campus. These will be tough things to do and will require a dedicated committee with members willing to work," he said.

The same holds true for the Senate Services Committee, according to Stratas.

Meal plan

"The Services Committee will be responsible for doing further work on the campus meal plan. It is now being worked on by a special committee of faculty and students, along with two guest consultants who are experts in the field. We'll have an active part on finalizing the plans next year," he said.

In addition, the Services Committee, in conjunction with the Environment Committee, will be doing additional work in regard to campus lighting and mail,

Stratas said.

Stratas said his personal goals, besides prompting student interest, include trying to insure cooperation between officers in the student Senate and between the student government officers themselves.

"Only through cooperation and harmonious relationships can we accomplish anything," he said. "I don't think we'll have any problem in the student government offices. We have an excellent working relationship already and are able to cooperate."

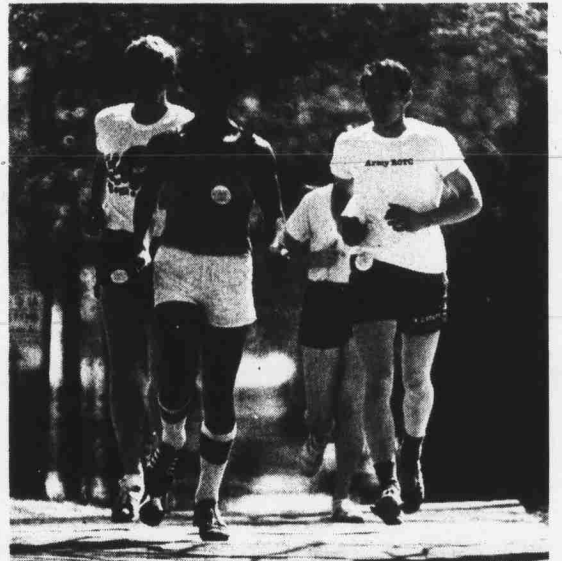
Stratas said he sees his personal role in the Senate as keeping order and action in the meetings, insuring that they are "productive and profitable."

In addition, Stratas said that he would be assisting committee chairmen and members "in any way I can."

"I won't be telling them what to do; they will be in charge of their work and will receive credit—or blame—for its results. I will help coordinate the activities, give advice, and help guide them to the needed people to get something done," he said.

Even though he has big plans and ideas, Stratas said, their ultimate outcome will depend on "how involved the students at large choose to become."

"I wish that students would sit in on Senate meetings more than they do. I think it is interesting to see them work. In addition, they can call and talk to me any time they have something they'd like to see brought up at the meetings," he said.



Staff photo by G. A. D.

The second annual "Run For Your Lungs" garnered around \$700 in pledges, according to Capt. Michael J. O'Connor, State Army ROTC officer. The ROTC sponsored the run on Saturday to raise money for the Research Triangle Lung Association. O'Connor estimates a total of \$5,000 will be collected for the association including contributions from Raleigh businesses.

Plans Center's year

Luciani will stress unity

by Debbe Hill
Asst. News Editor

Student Center President-elect Ron Luciani said a major focus of his new office is unity—both within the Center staff and Union Activities Board and between the Student Center and other student representatives.

Luciani, who will be installed at the April 20 Board of Directors' meeting, said he would like to "get as much input from all members and committee chairpersons" in the Union as possible.

"I want everybody to have a say in everything, if possible," he said. Luciani, currently Student Center Secretary-Treasurer, stated that now the various Union committees "just meet" and rarely get together.

To change this lack of communication within the Union, Luciani said he proposes that "all chairpersons arrange classes so all have a common meeting time (maybe in the afternoon) to discuss programming."

Active V.P.

He said he would also like to see the Student Center Vice-President take a more active role in Center planning. "I would like the Vice-President to do more work on Center publicity, possibly develop a booklet of the various upcoming Center events," Luciani said.

Another publicity aid which Luciani mentioned was the development of a logo, or symbol, which would identify the Center and its sponsored activities. He said a

contest would probably be held the first of next year with a cash prize awarded to the student who developed the best logo.

Luciani said he wants to get students more involved in planning the activities of the Center. He said a good way to get involved is to sign up for membership in the Union committees.

"We are now taking applications until April 14 for committee chairpersons," he said. "If students are not interested in becoming chairpersons, they can sign up to be committee members."

"The only way students can get what they want in the Center is to have input in the planning," Luciani added.

Other goals mentioned by Luciani included cooperation with student body leaders. "I plan on working very closely with Nick Stratas (Student Senate president); we went to high school together," Luciani said.

Luciani has also talked with Student Body President Tom Hendrickson about plans for next year. "We both plan on working together with no friction between us," Luciani said.

He also said: "I would like to see a lot of good work with the Technician. I will work to have some good news for print," he promised.

Luciani also mentioned some new projects for the Student Center. He said "one of these is looking into free phones in the old union, since the phones recently installed in the second floor of the Student Center have been used so much by the students."

Another new Student Center project

Luciani mentioned is the formation of a travel committee. "We can look into the feasibility of this," he said. "It has been successful on other campuses."

He said the advantage of a travel committee is that low-cost trips can be arranged with chartered airplanes and low group rates for hotels, tours, etc.

College Bowl

Luciani said he wants to continue the College Bowl which started this semester. However, he said he wants "to expand the College Bowl to get more departments involved."

The College Bowl is similar to the "I.Q. Bowl" on television. Teams are organized to answer questions on a certain topic. State has organized thirteen teams and will host a College Bowl for other participating colleges and universities this month.

One other concern of Luciani as Student Center President is to make students more aware of what programs and activities the Student Center offers them.

"I don't think students know how unique some of our activities are," he said. "The Black and International Students' committees are unique to college campuses."

Also, he said the Craft Center, which is sponsored by the Student Center, is one of the largest in the area. "It is big enough that, if there is a desire for a certain craft to be taught, the craft can be offered really cheap because the Student Center sponsors it," Luciani said.

by Dan Dawes
Staff Writer

Stannett wins plastics award

Besides packaging for consumer products, countless other applications can be found for the plastic, according to Stannett.

With help from Dr. Richard Gilbert of the School of Textiles, Stannett has researched the possibility of delayed reaction drugs encased in biodegradable plastic.

Other possible applications in medicine are biodegradable sutures and in agriculture, chemicals could be released from plastic packages into the ground.

Plastic used

"Diffusion is the main problem, or how fast it would come out," said Stannett. Also, the right contribution of biodegradable and synthetic materials, such as cellulose and oil, have to be found, he said.

A recent development in lightweight plastics has been used to make plastic pop bottles, according to Stannett.

The bottles are very lightweight, keep the carbonation under pressure and also keep toxic substances from diffusing into the beverage through the plastic, he said.

Dr. Stannett and Joel Williams, a Ph.D. student in the fiber science program of the School of Textiles has helped develop a cellulose fiber that can absorb 30 times its own weight.

"These very, very desirable qualities can have many uses, such as surgical dressings, towels, or baby diapers," said Stannett.

"But other people are taking other approaches, so we can't take all the credit for its development," said Stannett.

Radiation may soon be used to process plastics, using spent fuel elements from atomic reactors to modify the polymers (long strands of molecules) and chemical processes in plastics, according to Stannett.

Strong, lightweight plastics will be used more extensively in cars.

"The amount used goes higher and higher every year; plastics can replace more parts in the body, but not in the working parts, such as the engine," Stannett said. Stannett began teaching at State in 1964 while working as a chemical engineer in the Research Triangle. He became dean of the Chemical Engineering Graduate School in 1975.

TV and values seminar held

Baptist Center sponsors program

by Debbe Hill
Asst. News Editor

TV commercials do not try to sell you products. Instead, they try to sell something more subtle—attitudes and values.

This is the opinion of Bill Boatwright who led a seminar in "Television and Values" March 31 at the Baptist Student Center.

Boatwright, who has a graduate degree in Communications from UNC-CH, explained that the feelings or merits that commercials strive to create in consumer viewers are divided into four major categories: success, family, intimacy and vitality.

Chaplain Ted Purcell, a Baptist Campus minister, assisted Boatwright in the seminar. Purcell showed a 15-minute film, "The 30-Second Dream," which explored the fantasy world of television commercials where over \$6 billion is spent each year to make a dream world of promises.

The film stated that an average person spends six full years of his life watching TV commercials.

It stated that by giving role models in commercials with which viewers can identify, common problems are solved by the use of certain products.

For example, "You don't have to be lonely, join the Pepsi people." Or using Clairol hair coloring will make a woman "not get older, but better."

Homemade commercials

After the film, Purcell divided the students attending the seminar into groups representing the value categories of success, intimacy, family and vitality.

Then he told the students to create a commercial, not to exceed 30 seconds, illustrating this value.

During the production of these commercials students commented on their own responses to the false values TV attempts to convey with the marketing of products.

Following the group participation, Boatwright clarified some mass media organizations. He explained how networks operate and pointed out content similarity in all media.

"You'd think CBS, ABC, and NBC executives got together at 4 p.m. every day and decided what was news to be covered in nightly news programs," Boatwright said. "They do not do this. The news contents are so similar because usually it is what is unusual that makes the news."

Boatwright discussed how shows are selected each year by networks and how

they are retained or discontinued by use of Nielsen and other rating systems.

He also mentioned the good things about the TV generation that has grown up with television. "Besides being a baby sitter, TV has been influential in producing an open-minded generation," Boatwright said.

He said children born in the 50's and 60's who experienced television have been shown variety in the world and are less likely to be prejudiced since they have not been restricted in knowledge of other peoples and cultures.

Union budget approved; more participation urged

by Helen Tart
Staff Writer

The 1978-79 budget was approved by the Union Activities Board on April 6.

The budget, totalling \$125,738, passed unanimously by the 13 members attending. The budget for 1977-78 was \$125,138, Student Center President David Hinton, said. The increase is due to rising costs of some of the committees, Hinton explained.

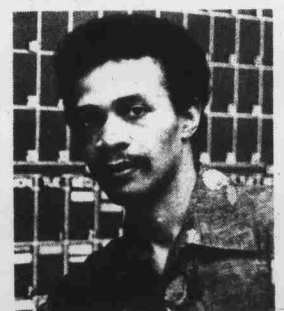
"Some of the committees' budgets have not increased while others have. This is because some of the committees' costs have gone up more," Hinton commented.

Larry Campbell, assistant programs director, urged the new student members of the board to participate in UAB committees.

"I would like to welcome the new student members," Campbell said. "I would like to see them get involved in the committees. We've not had that kind of feedback in several years," he said.

Officers will be elected and Student Center President-elect Ron Luciani will be installed at the next meeting, which has

been moved to April 20 at 5 p.m. The meeting was moved because the former date would have interfered with the deadline for applying to be an officer, Hinton explained.



Larry Campbell



Staff photo by G. A. D.

This award-winning paper airplane, of nouveau design, flew to an inauspicious landing Saturday in the Student Center. The plane, engineered by Paul Sprouse, was entered in the Engineers' Council's paper airplane contest. In the contest, the planes were flown off the Center's 4th floor balcony to the 2nd floor. This entry, however, landed in the middle of a Southeastern Renaissance Society coffee.

Engineers have paper plane contest

by Craig Anderson
Staff Writer

The paper airplane looped, rolled once, turned on an angle, landed in a trayful of donuts and won first prize for the best crash in the Engineers' Council's annual paper airplane contest on Saturday in the Student Center. Prizes were also awarded for duration and aerobatics.

Materials for the planes were restricted to paper and cellophane tape. Only State students, faculty and employees were allowed to enter. "The average layman has as much chance to win as an aerospace engineer," said Steve Lundin, coordinator of the contest.

The paper planes either dived, glided or tumbled off the fourth floor of the Student Center balcony down to the second floor. For judging duration, the planes were timed from the point of takeoff to the point of impact with the second floor.

James Roberts, a senior in electrical engineering, won the duration category with a time of 14.7 seconds.

He said he found the basic design for his plane in a book on making paper airplanes. "Of course, I added some of my own ideas to the design," he said. He took second place two years ago with the same design.

For the longest flight time, Roberts said: "You want it (the plane) to sink as slow as possible; and it has to be light, but you can't use too weak paper."

Both planes Roberts entered, which won first and second in duration, were smaller than any other planes in the contest.

"Each is made with a little less than a half sheet of paper," said Roberts. When folded and cut to size, his airplanes were about 4" x 4", with only one crease down the center for stability.

The winner in the aerobatics category, Paul Ivey, was actually trying for the longest flight. "But I hit some turbulence and began to flip," he said.

Last year he won second and third place in duration with the same design which is basically triangular.

"A guy in my suite claims to have invented it (the design) but I don't believe him," said Ivey.

Lundin said they did not give any prizes in the design category because they did not see any new or original planes.

"Nobody can really figure out what design flies best. If they did, then everyone would be using it," said Jeff Gaffin of the Engineers' Council. "This competition is just something crazy we do," he added.

Last year the competition was open to anyone who wanted to enter, but this year the Engineers' Council limited it to State people. "This is the smallest turnout in the last four years," said Gaffin.

According to Gaffin, paper airplane design has no applications above its own level. Air and stress forces affect the paper airplanes in a way that is unique to paper, he said.

Students bike cross country - Part 2

With cold water, cookies, welcome to middle America

This is the second half of an article appearing in Friday's Technician. The article is about the cross-country bike trip made by two State students after exams last spring. The students are Terry Schluchter and Chris Willis.

by Debby Hight
Contributing Writer

The trail was full of good people ready to help and encourage, Terry Schluchter said. Some particular people were famous among the bikers.

In Elmsville, Illinois, population, 350, a small sign with primitive hand lettering read "Bikers STOP! Water and Rest."

"Old Mr. Reubke, a retired farmer, was asleep on the porch when we pulled up," Schluchter said. "He heard us, jumped up,

and hailed us over.

"Can't you read the sign?" he asked. "Have some of my cold spring water, get off those bicycles and rest a spell."

"Then he ran for his camera and took our picture," Mrs. Reubke, a retired mortician, made them country ham

sandwiches and got their addresses so she could drop their folks a line.

"I'm a mother, too," she said. "And I'd appreciate it," she had written 1,000 mothers in 1976.

Probably the most famous bike supporter on the route was the Cookie Lady, Mrs. Norman Parker. She, her husband and sons 12, 8, and 7 years old were the only residents of Hebron, Colorado.

The Parkers, ranchers and, in their spare time, cookie bakers for bikers, have purchased literally hundreds of pounds of cookie ingredients (800 of pounds, 600 of sugar, 500 of shortening).

"Any biker any time can find cookies waiting there," Schluchter said. "If the Parkers are in the fields, a sign in the yard instructs you to help yourself to the cookies on the porch and make yourself at home."

"When we got to Hebron, Mrs. Parker came out to the porch in her cowboy boots and dusty dungarees. She had a pan of goodies right out of the oven. She chatted 30 minutes or so," Schluchter said, "then had to get to her kitchen chores. But she wanted us to talk to her boys awhile."

"The house was a shambles," Schluchter remembered, "several 4 H projects going on the living room floor, a truckload of groceries on the dining room table. But we found a spot to relax and told the boys about the trip."

The Parkers' interest in the bikers was mainly exposure and education for their sons. "And visiting teachers represented almost every state in the union," Schluchter said. "A map in the Parker home had a pin for the home of each biker. There were only four states without a pin."

The bikers are international, too. "Americans have been

flocking to Europe to hostile for years, and now the Europeans are attracted here to bike."

"The Parkers and every backroad service station on the trail keep guest books for bikers to sign," Schluchter said. "It was neat to check out the nationalities of the thousands of signatures."

Schluchter was really pleased with the warmth and acceptance he encountered along the way.

"Part of it was because we were no threat," he said. "Bikers are in little shorts and tennis shoes, not aggressive. And bicycles don't make noise."

"Most people, I think, considered us a little bit feeble minded for doing what we were doing," Schluchter said. "We heard, 'bikes are great for getting up to the store, but for real transportation?'"

One of the most common questions they heard was, "Are you really doing this for free?" "It beats the hell out of working," was Schluchter's original reply, but he found that would only be tolerated on the coasts.

Mid-America belongs to "God Almighty and hard work" and a visitor does well to slight neither, Schluchter discovered. Schluchter enjoyed observing regional differences in both the culture and the terrain. That had been one of his objectives throughout the trip. But after 4,500 miles of travel, he still felt a strong preference for the East Coast.

This could be interpreted as bias, since the only trouble he encountered on the entire trip was a beer can thrown at him on the Blue Ridge Parkway.

He admits that the "east coast traffic is terrible, that the population is so thick that you can't to five miles without

seeing a store or a fire station or some mark of humanity as opposed to the 30 or so miles between such in the mid-west."

And the terrain is much more difficult to travel by bike than any other place he has ridden.

"I like the scenery here better," Schluchter said. "It's greener, the mountains are rounder. And," he confessed, "its home."

"It was neat, though, to see the sun go down on the ocean out there, instead of coming up on the water like it does here," he added.

As he evaluated the trip, Schluchter said, "One of the best things was the time alone." He and his roommate, Chris Willis rode just within visual range of each other, "never close enough to crowd."

"I could talk and sing to myself, think things out. Plenty of time for just thinking," Schluchter said.

Schluchter considers another success of the trip was what he called "the sort of corny feeling I got about America."

"It's an enormous country with more diversity than I had ever imagined. And its all America—all one country."

Schluchter remembered a Dutchman who shared this feeling about America. "I can ride all over my own country in one day," he said. "And it all looks the same."

The end of the trail? "It was a monument of the area—the first log cut in the Pacific Northwest. Schluchter said, "We got a good motel over the bay in Astoria, make some long distance phone calls, had a seafood spread, a fifth of Jack Daniels and toasted to each other again and again and again."

After 75 days it was over. Schluchter sold his bike because he didn't have the \$32 for shipping it home. He was flying

back east, his father critically ill. "I had no desire to be on a bike the first month home. Then it got cold. But now with spring here," Schluchter said, "I'm looking for the right bike."

Is the trip for anyone? "We saw all ages, all shapes." After two weeks most people had tanned and tightened and were 15 pounds lighter.

Schluchter was encouraging. "If I can do it, anyone can." His thin athletic body would make one question his assumption, but it is true that men and women pulling children in trailers have made it, that a one legged man made it.

"If you can just get past the first time you swear you're going to quit, you're safe," said Schluchter.

"Mine was in Eminence, Missouri. It had rained for four days, was hot and humid in those Ozarks, and they were calling for flash floods. With 15 miles to go for camp, I had a front flat."

"As I pulled over to fix it, the rear blew, the pump broke, and I walked into the camp," said Schluchter.

"An old timer, eyeing my tires asked, 'What's wrong, buddy, got a flat? I boiled.'"

"Then the old man added, 'They're only flat on one side.' He laughed. I asked if there was an airport in the town."

Schluchter persevered, of course. And, in retrospect, he has only one major regret about the trip.

"I should have dipped my rear wheel into the Atlantic," he said, "and the front into the Pacific—it would have been the finishing touch."

"Plan now, leave in May," Schluchter advised. "It beats the hell out of working."



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UAB activities varied

by Martin Ericson
Staff Writer

The first two days of this week are power packed with things to do. Also, while walking to class today, take a look at all the blooming things on campus, as if you could miss them.

Today

It's Spring again and with it comes—you guessed it—the Pan-African Festival. Sponsored by many black student organizations in cooperation with other campus organizations, the purpose of the Pan-African Festival is to bring about a greater awareness of the Pan-African heritage while at the same time entertaining. No, it's not just aimed at the black students; it's for all of us and between the concerts, lectures, dances and casino night I'm sure you'll find something that pleases you.

Monday's Pan-African offering is a concert by State's New Horizons Choir. A dance segment will also be presented by the Society of Afro-American Culture Dance Group. Admission is free and the activities get under way at 7 p.m. in Stewart Theatre.

The Historic Cinema series will screen *A Walk in the Sun* Monday at 8 p.m. in the Erdahl-Cloyd Theatre. This classic 1945 war film probes the thoughts and experiences of an infantry platoon during WW II against the framework of an attack on a German hideout in Italy. The film stars Dana Andrews, Richard Conte, Sterling Holloway and John Ireland and is free to members of the university community.

Tuesday

Pan-African's Tuesday event is a history on the topic "The New Black Renaissance: Historical and Literary, 1960-Present." Conducted with the help of university staff and faculty, the discussion will get started at 8 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom.

Last, but not least, this week is a French film that appears in Erdahl-Cloyd courtesy of the Foreign Film series. *Two or Three Things I Know About Her* will show at 8 p.m. The "her" refers to a Paris housewife who turns to part-time prostitution while living in a suburban high-rise. This flick is free to all State students, staff and faculty.



Scenes and performers from past Pan African festivals.

Entertainment

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In "Silent Snow, Secret Snow" the snowflakes (l. to r.) Kristy Beattie, Ella Mac Plyler, Rita Blevins and Becca Gullion entice Marlene Barnett as Paula, (center).

Plays presented

Meredith senior makes directing debut

The Meredith College Playhouse will present two one-act plays: "Gray Bread" and "Silent Snow, Secret Snow" on Wednesday, April 12 and Friday, April 14 at 8 p.m. in the Studio Theatre, which is located under Jones Auditorium. There is no admission charge.

"Gray Bread," directed by drama instructor Nancy Truesdale, revolves around four women and their different views of life. Riga, a ninety-year old woman who believes in the virtues of hard work, will be played by Beth Wheelless. Solda, Riga's middle-aged daughter is bitter because she was a dreamer, but her mother forced her to work in her youth. Anne Beaman will appear as Solda. Yolande, Solda's romantic teen-aged daughter, will be

portrayed by Julie Haskett. Motka, a young, carefree little girl, will be played by Carla Parker.

"Silent Snow, Secret Snow," directed by Meredith senior Kim Hewlett, deals with an adolescent who cannot cope with her environment and retreats into a fantasy world of snow. This adolescent, Paula Hasleman, will be portrayed by Marlene Barnett. Paula's teacher, Miss Buell, will be played by Jenny Jenkins. Deirdre, a dumb fellow student, will be portrayed by Kay Powell. Liz Ledbetter and Rhymer Shaw also appear as students. Paula's mother will be played by Carol Roser. George Ramsay will portray Mr. Hasleman. Karen Mangum appears as Mrs. Kempton, a nosy neighbor. Eric

Benrud portrays the family doctor. The snow will be portrayed by Molly Hall, Becca Gullion, Kristy Beattie, Rita Blevins and Ella Mac Plyler.

Directing this play is a special studies course in drama for Kim Hewlett. She will receive one hour of credit toward her drama minor. Kim is excited about directing her first play.

"A director is sort of a catalyst. I can start people thinking of creative things to add to their character." She is also apprehensive and feels that "it's hard to tell people what to do, what effect I want, without making them feel that they can't do it well." Kim says the hardest thing a director has to do is "make sure all the different aspects of the play get pulled together and are ready to go by opening night."



Beth Wheelless and Carla Park rehearse a scene from "Gray Bread."



PAN-AFRICAN FESTIVAL '78

North Carolina State University
April 10th through 16th

10:00 - The opening ceremony will be held in the Student Center Ballroom. The program will include a performance by the New Horizons Choir, a dance by the Society of Afro-American Culture Dance Group, and a presentation of the festival's theme.

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12:00 - The opening ceremony will be held in the Student Center Ballroom. The program will include a performance by the New Horizons Choir, a dance by the Society of Afro-American Culture Dance Group, and a presentation of the festival's theme.

1:00 - The opening ceremony will be held in the Student Center Ballroom. The program will include a performance by the New Horizons Choir, a dance by the Society of Afro-American Culture Dance Group, and a presentation of the festival's theme.

2:00 - The opening ceremony will be held in the Student Center Ballroom. The program will include a performance by the New Horizons Choir, a dance by the Society of Afro-American Culture Dance Group, and a presentation of the festival's theme.



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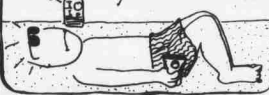
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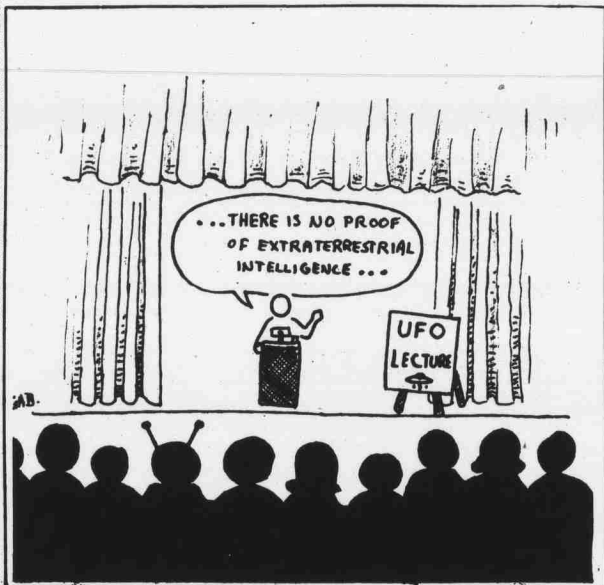


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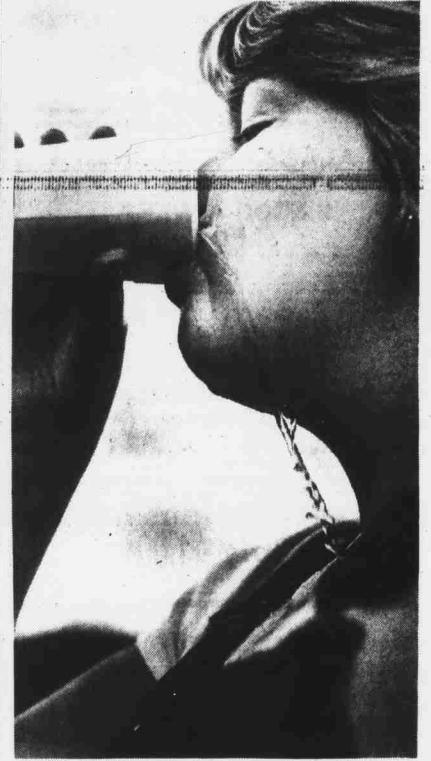
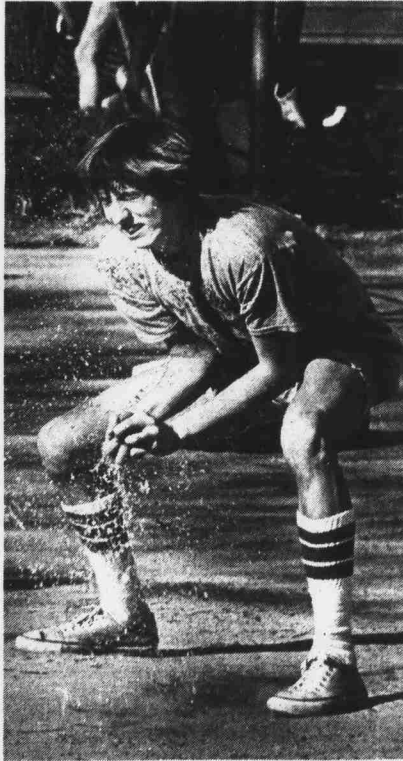
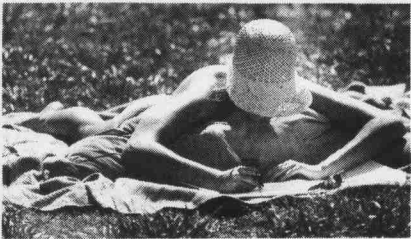
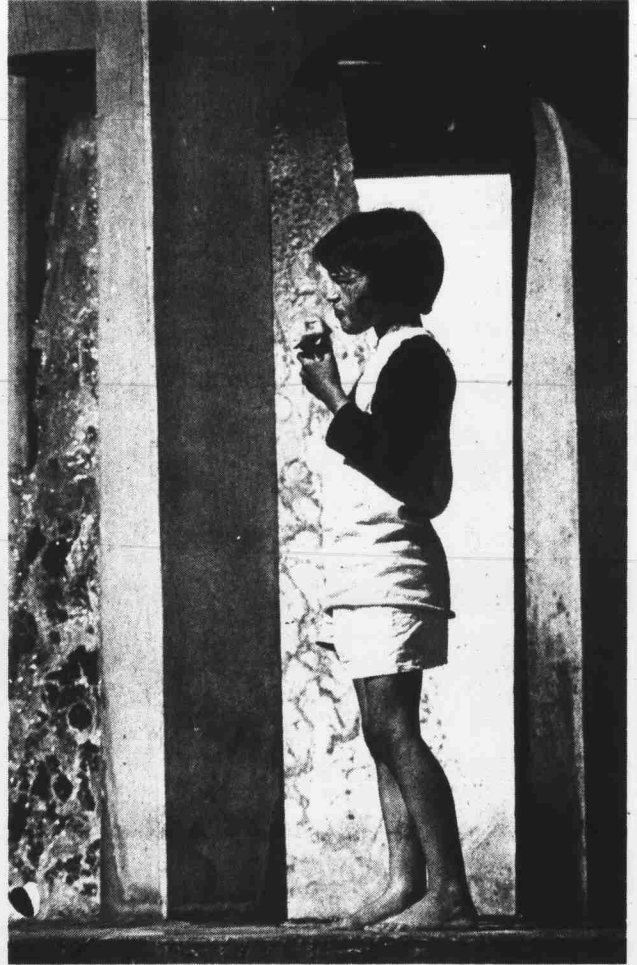
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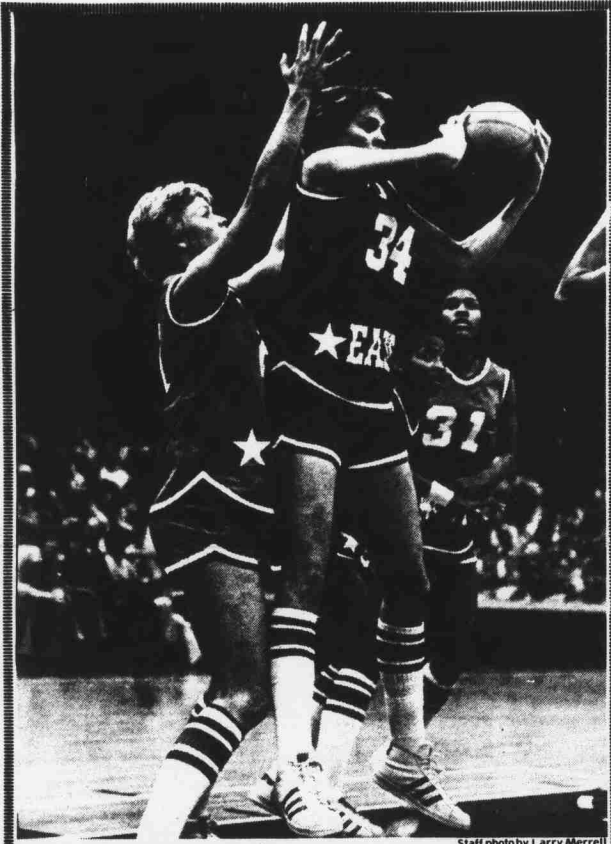
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Genia Beasley grabs rebound

Wolfpack center Genia Beasley scored two points in the second annual Underalls All-American Classic in Greensboro Coliseum Saturday night.

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Wolfpack pitchers absorb beating, baseball team drops three straight

by Hernando Ortega DeMentes
Contributing Writer

Wanted: baseball pitcher capable of throwing a complete game. Good control and low ERA preferred. Previous experience not necessary. Contact Wolfpack coach Sam Esposito.

While times aren't bad enough to warrant such an ad by Esposito quite yet, the State mentor must be wondering what type of balm it will take to heal his bruised and battered mound staff after watching Maryland avenge to the Wolfpack a week earlier as it pounded State 14-3 at Doak Field Saturday afternoon.

In its last three games the Wolfpack has used 14 pitchers in an effort to squelch its opponents' bats—all to no avail as Saturday's loss marked its third straight setback.

"What we need more than anything else is starter that will go nine innings—or at least seven to rest our bullpen," said Esposito. "We've used about all our pitchers."

Little hitting or pitching

After impressive victories over Virginia, Maryland and Carolina, State yielded 46 runs and 56 hits in dropping decisions to Wake Forest, Campbell and Maryland while its own offense hasn't exactly been anything to howl about.

"It's been an unusual week from last Saturday to this

Saturday," reflected the head coach. "We've had three of our best games and three of our worst games."

And Esposito can't pinpoint any one facet of the Pack's play as being the key to the defeats.

"It's been a combination of things—pitching, defense and hitting. We've had three games like this back to back. It's like a win streak—it's hard to get out of it."

Terps exploded

Trailing only 1-0 after five innings, the Wolfpack suddenly resembled the hapless hare being whipped by another famous turtle as the Terrapins exploded for six runs in the sixth stanza while facing three Pack pitchers.

After a single, walk and errant throw on a bunt attempt loaded the bases for Maryland, three Terp runners crossed the plate aided by two sacrifices and a single. And just when it seemed that the Pack had things back under control with two outs, Maryland second baseman Frank Thomas blasted a 400-foot drive over the center field fence that sent sunbathers scattering and Pack starter and loser Tom Willette, now 3-2, to the showers. Willette was joined moments later by reliever John Walker, who met with no better fate, and by the time Gary Holbrooks retired the last Maryland batter the Terps had scored yet another run—and the 1,400 fans in attendance were ready to declare Doak Field a disaster area.

"We've had big innings like that against us lately," reflected Esposito. "Everything seems to be hitting the gap."

The Pack "rallied" for three runs in the eighth frame to avert a shutout behind Nelson Carlton's pinch-hit, three-bagger and right fielder Rich White's double.

State's hopes for a comeback victory were short-lived, how-

ever, as the Terps erupted to another half-dozen tallies in the ninth. And as Esposito called (read: sacrificed) his fifth hurler of the ballgame, the Pack bullpen began to look like the Brickyard on the last day of exams.

Outfielder-turned pitcher

Scott Smith went the distance for Maryland, now 11-9-1 on the year and 3-3 in the ACC, yielding eight hits while striking out four and walking one.

The loss dropped State, which hosts Duke Tuesday at Doak Field, to 19-8 overall and 4-3 in

the conference, tied for third with Wake Forest behind Clemson 7-1 and Carolina 6-2.

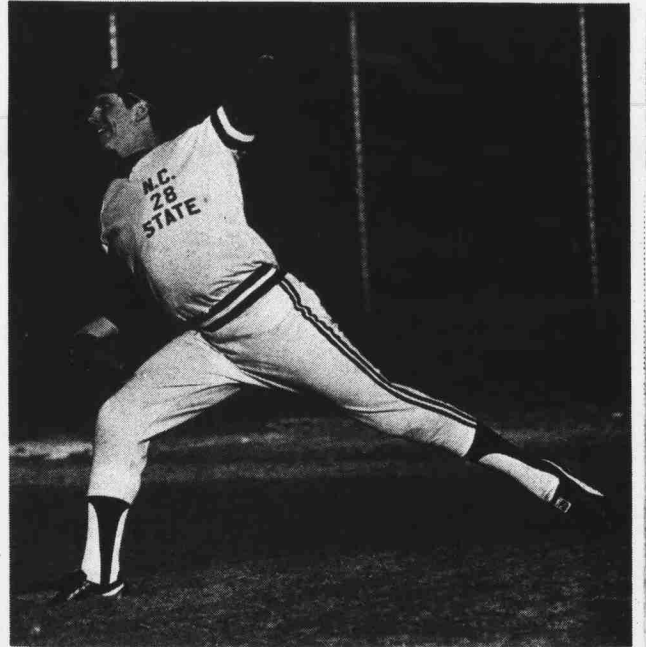
"It looks like we're out of the regular season race, though not entirely," said Esposito. "We're going to have to bounce back."

And as they would reply to that in College Park—Amen.

Tom Willette lets it fly

Pitcher Tom Willette, now 3-2, had a rough afternoon in the Pack's 14-3 loss to Maryland. He was tagged for six runs before being relieved by John Walker.

Staff photo by Chris Seward



Wolfpack tops Georgia Tech 7-6

ATLANTA—State's ice hockey club defeated Georgia Tech 7-6 here Sunday.

Ben Stavinga scored five goals to lead the Wolfpack, which avenged an 8-7 loss suffered to the Yellow Jackets Friday.

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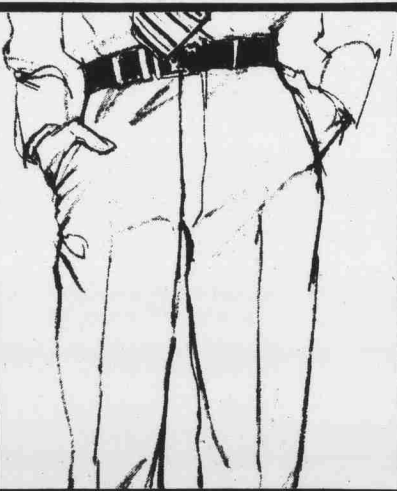
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Roanoke surges for 15-11 victory

by Denny Jacobs
Asst. Sports Editor

SALEM, Va.—It was supposed to be different this time. The time had come for State's youthful lacrosse team to atone for a couple of lopsided defeats at the hands of Roanoke in years past. And, for three quarters it was different.

The Wolfpack stickmen held a slim 11-10 edge entering the final quarter but, led by the inspired play of All-America

defensesman Bob Rotanz, the maroons dominated the final fifteen minutes to capture a 15-11 victory Saturday afternoon at Alumni Field.

Earlier in the week Pack head coach Charlie Patch was concerned that his team was not approaching the game with the right frame of mind and he cited that as one of the main causes for the defeat. That and State's inability to score in the fourth quarter.

"When was the last time we

were shut out in the fourth quarter?" asked Patch incredulously. "We weren't mentally ready to play and we weren't physical enough. Obviously, they were the better team today but I don't think we played like we could have. There weren't a lot of bright spots for us today.

"They played good defense," admitted Patch who watched his 10th-ranked team drop to 3-3, "but we didn't move (on offense). Except for Danny

Wilson, our middies didn't play well at all. They (Roanoke) weren't that good.

Early 6-1 lead

But for the first twenty minutes the third-ranked in the (College Division) Maroons, who boosted their record to 6-0, looked awesome. State aided their cause with some sloppy play and Roanoke sprinted to a 6-1 lead early in the second quarter.

State began to heat up at that point and Stan Cockerton got the Pack's second goal on a nice fastbreak feed from Marc Resnick. Danny Wilson won the ensuing faceoff and raced downfield on a fine individual maneuver to slice the margin to 6-3. The two teams traded goals for the remainder of the half with Roanoke holding an 8-5 advantage at intermission.

After a man-up goal by Cockerton in the opening moments of the second half, Wilson again put on a one man show, taking the ball out of bounds directly to the goal, to cut the margin to 8-7. After a Roanoke goal by George Park upped the margin to 9-7, Jimmy Moore and Resnick scored to pull State even for the first time since the game started. Moore's goal was a beauty as Resnick spotted him alone in the slot.

Roanoke took the lead once more before Claude Dawson Walter Hein scored to push the Pack ahead 11-10 as the third quarter ended.

During all this action State goalie Bob Flintoff was turning in another outstanding afternoon in the nets. The sensational sophomore rejected 29 shots for the game but it was not enough to stop the Maroons in fourth quarter.

Most impressed

"Their goaltender was the best we've seen all year," said Roanoke coach Paul Griffin. "I'm glad we don't have to see

him again. State is the most improved team (in the country) over the past three years. The key to stopping them is not necessarily stopping Cockerton. The key is to shut off the other attackers. Those are the people who beat you."

But in the fourth quarter State was unable to get the ball to its potent attack with any regularity. Roanoke swooped on the majority of loose balls and took the momentum completely away from State.

"Down the stretch we were getting possession of the ball. That was the big key added Griffin.

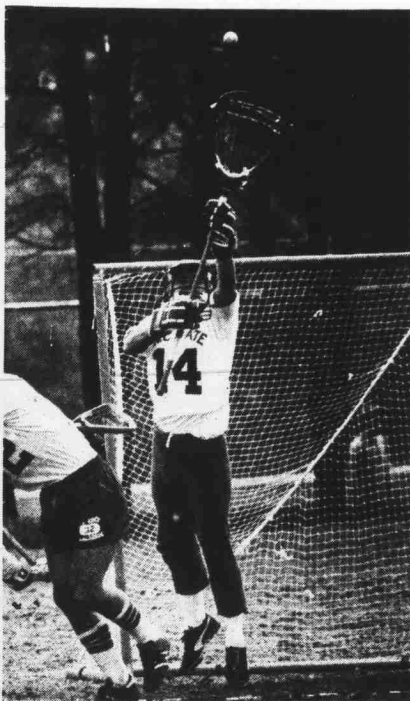
"They're good. There's no doubt about that," chipped Rotanz who shadowed Cockerton for most of the game. "I found out about Stan last year and I knew they were going to be tough. And if it weren't for a couple of pipe shots it could have been a long day. I'll tell you one thing, I'm glad I'm graduating."

For Cockerton, it was a long day.

"We gave it to them. We shouldn't be in a game like that. We can beat those guys so easily," said Cockerton who scored three goals and had two assists. "We just didn't get on the ball."

Resnick added two goals and two assists, Wilson two goals and an assist and Ben Lamon a goal and an assist to lead State's scorers.

State will be looking to get back on the winning track when it travels to Duke on Wednesday.



Staff photo by Chris Seward

Goalie Bob Flintoff lunges for ball.

State women rally to edge UNC in NCSU invitational

State's women defeated North Carolina 6-5 with a three-run seventh inning rally to win the championship of the NCSU Invitational Softball Tournament at Carolina Pines

Park Saturday afternoon. The Wolfpack won its last three games, including two over UNC. State held the Tar Heels scoreless through the first five innings of the final contest.

But the Tar Heels had three hits in the top of the sixth as Carolina shortstop Gay Scott scored the tying run on a single by Anita Allen. However, the Wolfpack scored two runs in the

second half of that inning to put them back on top 3-1.

Then Carolina scored four times in the top of the seventh, three of those coming when Scott tripled with the bases loaded.

With one out, and the Tar Heels ahead 5-3 in the bottom of the seventh, reserve Beth Fielden singled to left, starting the Wolfpack rally. Gloria Allen, Sherri Pickard, and Joy Ussery all got hits with Ussery batting in the tying run. With the bases loaded, State's Dale Smith grounded to the third baseman, who threw home. However, the ball was dropped and Allen scored the winning run.



Staff photo by Larry Merrell

Sherri Pickard smashes a double.

Netters rout East Carolina

GREENVILLE—State's tennis team easily won another match here Saturday when it

routed East Carolina 8-1. The victory lifted the Wolfpack's record to 18-0 with only two regular season matches remaining. State travels to South Carolina Wednesday and hosts Duke Thursday before playing in the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament at Chapel Hill beginning Friday.

The Wolfpack took five of the six singles matches and all three doubles matches against the Pirates.

Shea easily wins

State's Julie Shea walked away with a victory in the 1,500 meters in the 16th annual Carolina Relays at UNC's Fetzer Field.

Shea easily won with a 4:22 clocking.

Crier

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

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THE NCSU L-5 SOCIETY will meet on Thursday at 7 p.m. under Harrison Hall skylight. All students interested in space colonization exploration are invited to attend.

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ATTENTION FORESTER: There will be a meeting of the Society of American Foresters on Wednesday in B1 302 at 7:00. Elections will be held so please attend.

BLUE KEY NATIONAL Honor Fraternity will meet at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday in room 141 of the Coliseum. Officers for 1978-79 will be elected. All members are strongly urged to attend.

THE AGRONOMY CLUB will meet Tuesday night in the McKimmon Room of Williams Hall. Students and faculty are welcome.

SPORTS CAR CLUB—7:30 tonight Broughton 3218. Rally/party/autocross. Weekend April 22, 23.

AG. ED. CLUB will meet Wednesday in room 332 Poe Hall. All Ag. Ed. majors are invited to attend.

SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS: Meeting Tuesday; Election of 1978-79 officers. Also will discuss plans for Spring Banquet. Please attend.

TUESDAY there will be a meeting of all students supporting Senator Helm's and his reelection in Harrison Hall room 141.

WOLFPACK INVITATIONAL JUNIOR ROTC drill meet: Approximately 500 High School Cadets will be competing in this 8th annual event at Dorton Arena on Sat. Competition will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will run until 4:00 p.m. The students and faculty members of N.C. State are invited to attend this event. There is no admission charge.

THE POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB is sponsoring a talk on the Wilmington Ten in which Joe Wright will participate. All are invited to come to this event on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Tompkins 211.

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Technician Opinion

Update needed

Most students who recall last fall's housing shortage would probably agree that it is one thing they'd just as soon forget. Unfortunately, the results of the recent lottery indicate that the prospects for next fall aren't much brighter.

Indeed, the news that 258 men and 182 women will be forced to give up their rooms next semester is in itself enough to conjure up nightmares of last year's realities: cots in Lee dorm's lobby, temporary housing in the John Yancey and the misery of three students to a room.

Now consider Housing Officer James Fulghum's statement that the 3,900 spaces promised are 300 more than are actually available. While this carefully-calculated promise was made on the basis of figures from past years that are generally accurate, it's still a gamble and the risks are high.

The housing crisis cannot be blamed on the lottery system. It is a fair manner of doling out the available spaces and guarantees everyone an equal, if not foolproof, chance at getting a room.

Nor is the solution to be found in the construction of a new dorm. Costs would be tremendous, space is lacking and recent studies indicate that the number of students entering college in the next decade should decline, making such an enterprise a potential financial fiasco.

With no other alternative in sight, the only feasible answer appears to be an improvement in finding off-campus housing. It is here that the Department of Residence Life could and should make a stronger effort than it does.

In Harris Hall there is a black book which is chock-full of apartment complexes, boarding

houses and even private homes with room to spare. The problem arises when one discovers how out of date it is. Some accommodations which have been booked for eight or nine months are still listed.

Why is this book not kept up-to-date? When the situation is so bad that hundreds of students must unexpectedly seek off-campus housing, it would seem that Residence Life could make a more concerted effort to keep abreast of where off-campus housing is to be found. Why not hire someone—even on a part-time basis—whose sole responsibility is to keep track of which housing is available? State would then be going out to find answers to its problems instead of waiting for the answers to come to it.

The Association of Off-campus Students is to be commended for its plans to construct a permanent facility for aiding students in their constant search for housing.

The plans call for a thorough listing of available housing and such pertinent materials as phone books, Triangle area maps and bus schedules. Off-campus students can help themselves by joining the Association—it's now composed of a whopping total of six members.

Still, Residence Life officials should act now to update their present listings because the Association's operation probably won't begin until September, if then. Residence Life has stated that students losing out in the lottery should now begin to seek off-campus housing. With a little help from them, perhaps the searching will be a little more fruitful than before.



Carolina target for radioactive waste disposal

by Jim Overton
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Radioactive waste storage is one of those issues the nuclear industry would just as soon avoid. Their standard line is that it's a political issue, not a technical one. "The technology exists; it's just a matter of making the hard decisions." Well, so far, the hard decisions have not been made; waste is piling up, in large quantities, and so is public apprehension about nuclear power; a recent Harris poll indicates that public confidence in the nuclear industry is steadily eroding as people contemplate the potential effects of that nuclear waste on future generations.

These fears have always seemed distant from North Carolina. The only places regularly mentioned in conjunction with waste storage are

New Mexico, Kansas and other states remote from here. But a recent state conference on radioactive waste storage brought the issue home hard: despite previous assertions to the contrary, North Carolina is high on the list of potential dumping grounds. Three different rock types—the Triassic basin, granitic deposits and argillaceous rock formations—located here in sunny Carolina are still on the potentially desirable site list of the national Office of Waste Isolation.

Even though salt deposits are still the top priority for waste storage, they present a big problem: there aren't any near the cluster of reactors on the Eastern Seaboard. Since transportation is one of the weakest links in the entire nuclear cycle, federal officials are not too thrilled with the prospects of shipping truck and

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train loads of waste cross-country to the western states. Therefore, they might tend to look favorably on some eastern locations.

In fact they've already started phase one of the process, shelling out \$50,000 to test the potential of rock formations in the New Hill, North Carolina, area—the location of the Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant. And further tests are in the making. Although federal officials tend to discount its importance, the proximity of the Barnwell Reprocessing Plant in South Carolina

makes us a prime candidate for a waste site, especially since the government is now planning to store spent fuel rods above surface until they can devise a method to get the Barnwell plant operating. In addition, our central location on the Eastern Seaboard, our good system of interstates and our generally pro-nuclear state government are all feathers in our cap as far as the feds are concerned.

There are several questions you need to ask yourself about the storage of wastes. First, how do you feel about having to foot the bill for a process that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission estimates will cost utility customers hundreds of millions of dollars? The next time you hear about how economical nuclear power is, remember that you have to pay for the end products as well. Second, how would you like having a fleet of trucks cruising down the highway next to you loaded with enough radioactive materials to contaminate the whole countryside? The vast complications involved in radioactive waste transportation are one of those issues the nuclear industry avoids like the plague, but the simple fact is that both accidents and sabotage are likely enough to raise doubts in the minds of even the most ardent nuclear advocates.

Perhaps most importantly, do you want to saddle future generations with highly dangerous products that will pose a problem for thousands of years? We can't escape the stark realities that radioactive waste will remain dangerous for longer than civilization has existed. Even the 500-year period during which the most toxic elements of the waste will be hazardous is twice as long a time as we have existed as a country. However safe and stable waste storage sites may seem, the fact remains that one little slip up could wreak havoc of a catastrophic nature. The idea that we should submit ourselves to this burden willingly is utterly absurd.

Admittedly, we have already produced a large amount of waste that has to be disposed of somehow, somewhere. But that's scant justification for compounding the problem further by producing more and more waste. In fact, the hazards associated with radioactive waste are the most compelling argument against the whole insanity of the nuclear industry. To have North Carolina which is presently committed to 11 economically and environmentally burdensome reactors, become the receptacle for the nation's radioactive waste would be stupidity of the highest nature.

South Africa lights fire under NAACP

by Steve Talbot
Pacific News Service

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—"It's strange," observed a middle-aged black woman, who said she had taken part in lunch counter sit-ins here in the early 1960s, "but, you know, it looks like South Africa is bringing us together again, getting us tired, old folk back on our feet. We just have to do what we can to help those poor, brave kids in Soweto."

The sit-in veteran spoke as she marched through the streets of Nashville last month with some 5,000 mostly black demonstrators protesting the United States-South Africa Davis Cup tennis matches at Vanderbilt University.

The three-day protest—sponsored by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and organized locally by black

and white students—may transform the growing but mostly white student-led anti-apartheid campaign into a national movement coordinated by black organizations.

At the same time, the Davis Cup protests suggested that the South Africa issue may be the spark that re-ignites a black protest movement in the United States after nearly a decade of relative quiet despite worsening economic conditions for blacks.

Billed as the largest protest of its kind since the civil rights movement, the demonstration recalled for many of the participants the days of Martin Luther King and SNCC—A movement reborn.

"It's a new day today, the beginning of a new era of protest," black activist and comedian Dick Gregory told the cheering crowd, which had been

drawn to Nashville from as far away as Chicago and rural North Carolina. "If the American corporations that invest in South Africa don't listen to what's happening here today, and if the universities don't listen, they're gonna see a whole lot of trouble."

NAACP President Benjamin Hooks promised, "We will lead other marches in other cities, and we will be raising not only the issue of South Africa, but also of unemployment and racism in this country. This is not the end but the beginning... We shall march on until victory is won and all God's children are free."

The Davis Cup demonstrations drastically cut attendance at the games—the 9,000-capacity stadium was never more than 15 per cent full. The embarrassingly low turn-out compelled the U.S. Tennis Association to release Vanderbilt, the host, from its financial obligations, and a local coal mine owner, Joe Davis, offered to pick up the tab.

With the active participation of black organizations from the Urban League to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and white and black students, the Davis Cup protests also provided a major forum and stimulus to the anti-apartheid movement. But strains and difficulties—especially regarding the NAACP's role—remain that could prevent the formation of a coordinated, large-scale, national movement of black and white Americans.

The Davis Cup was the NAACP's debut in recent protests against United States-South Africa ties. Many rank-and-file members applauded the group's activism, welcoming Hook's announcement that he expected 40,000 demonstrators to show up in Nashville. But after that initial announcement, the NAACP decided not to go all out in busing people into Nashville from all over the country. The organization decided to make the Davis Cup a "symbolic protest," and Hooks told reporters he would be pleased if 2,000 people took part.

Furthermore, NAACP marshals restrained marchers from joining local activists in on-site picketing, and at the rally, Hooks appealed to the crowd to ignore "those disrupters who want us to act a fool over at the gym."

A local group—the Tennessee Coalition Against Apartheid—and many black students from Fisk, Meharry Medical College and Tennessee State University said they had worked well with local NAACP leaders and tried to coordinate strategy with the national office, but had run into a brick wall.

TCAA said it will now move to confronting issues of racism at Vanderbilt, as well as university investments linked to South Africa.

"We are going to try to unite anti-apartheid groups in the United States by starting a working group with people like Dennis Brutus, the exiled black South African poet and sports activist, to try and get people together for a national conference later this year," said TCAA coordinator David Huet-Vaughn.

Letters

Sun is best

To the Editor:

We are at a time when oil, gas and electric prices are rising, the number of planned nuclear power plants has increased and the incidence of radiation in our environment is rising. More and more folks are looking to solar energy as an alternative and realizing the benefits of soft energy paths.

In doing so, we must reassess our needs, dependencies and our options by considering social, economic and political aspects of each method of energy production. We are victims of our own demands for too high a standard of living. We are six per cent of the world's total population, yet we consume 35 per cent of its resources. It is obviously time to reassess our present existence and begin charting more ecologically sound strategies for realizing our futures.

Disasters are courted regularly with oil, gas, coal and nuclear power generation. The most viable options appear to be, unequivocally, the application of solar technology and other natural energy systems coupled with an increased awareness of conservation and efficiency. The utility companies would have us believe that solar power is still decades off. But the position is no more than their misrepresentation of the facts in order to convince the public of the need for their services. Solar hot water heating is cost-effective to traditional heating means now and solar space heating is rapidly overtaking electrical resistance.

Solar power generation means a number of things. The most important is the decentralization

of power back to a human scale and increased control over our own energy sources. It also decreases the utilities' profits, due to lower electric bills sparked by our increased independence in energy matters.

Fortunately, there are people who have recognized and acted upon the feasibility of the solar alternative.

Bravo! for those who have spoken out for increased conservation by individuals.

Let us support those who have dared to challenge the utilities on their methods and their statistics.

Praise those who believe so strongly in the solar future that they have designed and constructed solar homes.

We must reinforce those who are considering ways in which the fundamental simplicity of alternative techniques can freely be passed on to those who need it the most—the poor and disadvantaged peoples of the world who traditionally cannot afford the marvels of our techno-mechanic consciousness.

Sun Day is an international celebration of the dawn of the Solar Age. In the tri-city area, the coordination is underway to present for the education and entertainment of the public—events, information and workshops in all areas of alternative energies.

On Wednesday, May 3, Sun Day is. Look for it! Listen to what is happening! Please participate by remaining open to new ideas presented during Sun Week April 30 through May 6.

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