

Officials trying to make NCSU better for blacks

By Paul Woolverton
Assistant News Editor

Chancellor Bruce Poulton and other high-ranking N.C. State officials told over 300 students Friday that the administration and faculty are working to make the university a better institution for blacks.

"We don't have the number of African-Americans at this university we want to have and ought to have," Poulton told the capacity crowd gathered in the Cultural Center for the question and answer session.

But Associate Provost Larry Clark, NCSU's affirmative action officer, said, "This year we are in the process of negotiating with 13 black faculty. That's an all-time high."

The administrators said they should know in May who of the 13 will become a part of NCSU's faculty.

"I think the retention rate of black faculty is just as important as the recruitment rate," Poulton said. "Every department head has to tell us once a year what they are doing to encourage the young black faculty in their department."

"I think the retention rate for black faculty is pretty good. Not perfect, but pretty good," the chancellor said.

Students told the officials that NCSU needs an exchange program with African countries, similar to what the university already has with Britain, Spain and other European countries. "Historically this institution has not involved itself with Africa 'til very recently," Clark said. "I've spent the last two-and-a-half months in Africa trying to establish links. We are at the point where we will be seeing some of these linkages in the near future."

In addition, Clark said NCSU

needs to establish ties with Africans living locally.

Responding to one student's charge that blacks have to transfer to other schools to graduate, Poulton said that the percentage of blacks graduating from NCSU is higher than that of blacks graduating from traditionally black institutions in the UNC system, such as N.C. A&T.

Despite the higher graduation rate, the chancellor said, "I'm not satisfied with that. We can do better."

The students told the administrators they want more African-American studies programs at NCSU, including African language and history courses.

Poulton said NCSU should have an African-American studies minor in place by the fall semester.

Mohan Sawhney, associate dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, added that NCSU does offer African-American history courses. The fall 1988 schedule of courses lists one section of African-American history, however, NCSU does offer other African history classes.

The chancellor said these courses are available to the students. "You certainly have free electives," he said.

Before requiring new or different courses, the university has to be careful that it meets national certification requirements, he said.

Sawhney said NCSU has not offered courses in African languages because there never was a demand for them before. "As far as we know, no one has requested an African language."

He suggested that the black students circulate a petition to

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Out on a limb

They say money can't grow on trees, but what about bicycles. A ten-speed bike hangs in a tree in front of Owen Sunday afternoon. The owner of the bicycle would want to remove the bike from the tree since it doesn't have a parking sticker.

Wolfstock Cancelled

By Madelyn Rosenberg
Executive News Editor

The cancellation of Wolfstock this weekend may bring about a monetary loss, but officials are not yet certain just how much it will be.

Ground conditions on the intramurals field Friday were not fit to accommodate trucks that would have transported heavy equipment to the field for the concert, sponsored by the Inter-Residence Council.

Wolfstock Committee chairman Kevin Davie said it will take a few days before a loss can be assessed, but that between donations from hall councils, T-shirt sales, and sponsors, the books might come out close to even.

Payment to the four bands scheduled for the event will bring about the largest loss, Davie said, but the cost should be about half of the bands' original charge.

"It was my understanding that with all of the bands except Let's Active there was a no-ride contract. That basically states that if we had to cancel the show before they had to leave their last destination... we would only have to pay 50% of their cost."

Trip Kern, band chairman for the annual event, said "This is the way any concert works, and it's an unfortunate thing."

Kern said Let's Active charged \$3,000 for their almost-performance. IBM charged \$1,500, Urban Edge charged \$850 and Perfect Stranger, a local band, charged \$400.

"Perfect Stranger is in town and they needed no money whatsoever to travel," he said.

Revenue from T-shirt sales will be used to pay off part of the bands' costs, Davie said.

He estimated that the shirts, which went for \$7, sold "a little over 2,000." Each shirt brings a profit of about \$2, he said.

Financial problems also arose in the area of sponsorship.

Crusty's Pizza already paid half of its sum before the concert was cancelled. Davie said the other payment would have been Friday. "It's still being worked out," he said. "We're still talking about what we can do to make things fair."

A rain date was not considered as an option because it is difficult to reschedule the bands, Davie said.

Cynthia Bonner of Housing and Residence Life, said there has never been a rain date for the concert.

Saturday marked the first time the concert has been cancelled since it has been called "Wolfstock."

A similar event, sponsored by a group of residence halls, was cancelled about five years ago due to bad weather conditions, Bonner said.

The committee had considered about five or six alternatives early in the year in case of rain, Davie said, but the options weren't viable.

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NCSU invites new sorority for fall semester

By Hunter George
Senior Staff Writer

"This campus is just too big for only six sororities."

The number of members in sororities at N.C. State has been on the rise for the past few semesters and their leaders agree that it is because there are more women on campus and there is also more interest in campus activities.

"The numbers are pretty clear," said Bob Bryan, assistant director for Student Development. "The sorority system is definitely growing."

Bryan said that the extensive interest in sororities prompted the Panhellenic Council and Student

Development to invite another sorority to NCSU. Zeta Tau Alpha will establish a chapter this fall.

"We're finding ourselves in a position that we can invite a group this fall and hopefully another later," he said.

He said that they knew it was time to add a sorority because the membership quota is 75 and the chapters are still exceeding that.

"Our choices were to raise the quota or add another sorority," Bryan said. "We would like to keep it (the quota) at 75 because that is a good, healthy number for a chapter. And adding a sorority gives the women on this campus more to choose from."

Alpha Kappa Alpha President Tammy Peele and Chi Omega President Susie Andrews both discussed their ideas on the increased interest in sororities.

"There are more women enrolling at N.C. State now and they are looking for activities to get involved with," Peele said.

Andrews said that the sororities are one of the best ways on campus to encounter lasting friendships.

"It's a really easy way to make friends," she said. "We have a very positive group with many interesting and diverse people in it. The sororities can help develop friendships and leadership."

Alpha Xi Delta president Donna

Flowers said women in technical fields often find it difficult to find friends and that the large campus can also hinder friendships.

"Girls in technical curriculums are in classes with mostly guys. Sororities provide a way for them to meet other girls to be friends with."

"And a lot of students are from small towns where they know everybody. Coming to a school with thousands of people you don't know can be very intimidating," Flowers said.

All three chapter presidents said that their sororities are actively involved with service projects that promote unity among members.

"We do a lot of them," Andrews

said. "I think it helps develop friendships and it makes our group stronger."

Peele said "the service projects help attract members and also make the sorority system visible on campus."

Bryan said the sorority system "snowballed" four years ago when they added two chapters, Alpha Xi Delta and Chi Omega.

"There was an interest in new sororities," he said. "Women on campus didn't want to just join something, they were interested in starting something new. We practically doubled the size of the sorority system and the Panhellenic Council in one year."

"This is not at all an anti-Greek campus. It's a campus where not everyone knows what the Greeks are about. People are generally accelerating their own personal development through the Greek organizations. The sorority system is really taking off now because they are taking the time to say here's what we're all about."

Peele said that she is pleased with the increased interest in sororities and the new sorority will be welcome at NCSU.

"The more the better," she said. "There are different types of sororities that can fit an individual's needs."

Speaking with the student commencement speaker

By Al Benthall
Staff Writer

Laura Lunsford didn't think of herself as a particularly composed speaker. But a panel of judges disagreed with her after hearing her audition for student commencement speaker.

Lunsford, a graduating N.C. State senior, was chosen as student speaker for the 1988 commencement ceremony, which will be held on Saturday, May 7 at 9 a.m. in Carter Finley Stadium.

She was selected to speak after auditioning in February, along with 12 other students. Students were judged on sample speeches, which were given in Stewart Theatre.

Lunsford said she was notified of her selection the following morning and told that she had been chosen because of her composure.

This came as a surprise to Lunsford, who said she felt anything but composed while giving her speech.

"It felt like my voice kept quavering," she said this week during an interview. "I may have looked okay, but inside, I felt like falling down on the floor."

Lunsford majors in Human Resources Development (HRD), and

she said it suits her personality well because she likes to work with people. HRD focuses mainly on education, such as management-training.

"I was a double-E major for two years, but it just wasn't what I wanted to do," she said. Lunsford majored in psychology for a short time after that, and then quickly changed to an HRD major "because of work experience and job possibilities."

After graduating, Lunsford said she plans to look for a job where she can work with gifted students, possibly at the School of Science and Math in Durham, N.C.

After working for two years, she said she would probably go to graduate school at Appalachian State to earn her doctorate. Her long-term goal is to teach or work on a college campus, she said.

Lunsford is the daughter of E.W. and Gill Lunsford, who live in Durham, where she was born. The family moved to Nashville, Tenn. when Lunsford was 5, and moved back to Durham when she was 9.

According to her mother, Laura has always been well-organized and has always been a high achiever.

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MARC KAWANISHI/STAFF

Human resources development major Laura Lunsford will be the student speaker at this year's commencement.

America's pastime the cure for cancelled Wolfstock woes

So you're sitting around on Saturday with cooler and suntan oil bemoaning the Wolfstock that never was. Quit moping and start coping! You could have been a part of a decades-old American tradition: the Saturday afternoon baseball double header.

Why worry about missing out on overgrown adolescents screaming into five zillion watt sound systems when you can go out to Doak Field to scribech at umpires and make life miserable in general for opposing teams.

This particular Saturday was ideal for such activity, because the opponent was hapless Maryland college baseball's version of the Baltimore Orioles. While State was pounding the Terps by a combined margin of 34-7, the students in the stands were having a great time razzing each Maryland pitcher who took the field. They must have given every pitcher on their team a chance. I felt like I was watching a baseball version of that old TV game show "To Tell the Truth." Will the real Maryland pitcher please stand up?

This year's State team is one of the most entertaining in years. With pitching that is sometimes suspect and an offense that can roll up football-like scores, games tend to be but cracking extravaganzas. Though baseball traditionalists may frown on

Jeff Cherry

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12-run innings, they sure are a lot of fun to watch if your team is the one producing the runs.

Even if you don't like baseball, Doak is still a great place to be on a sunny afternoon. The bleachers are made of nice reflective aluminum, and they're rarely full, so there's room to stretch out and get a nice all-over tan without even having to turn over like a chicken on a spit. And not even Tucker Beach has a refreshment stand selling drinks and munchies.

The field's location adjacent to Sullivan lot adds an element of drama every time a foul ball is hit over the stands into the sea of cars that fill the lot on weekdays. All nose stops for a few seconds as the crowd waits—either for the metallic crunch of a car being dented, or the flat "thunk" of ball hitting asphalt. Most of the regulars

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Hardin chosen new UNC chancellor Administration listens

By Sam Hays
Senior Staff Writer

Paul Hardin was selected as the next chancellor of UNC-Chapel Hill by the UNC Board of Governors at its regular meeting Friday.

Hardin will take office July 1 to replace Christopher Fordham, who leaves after eight years in office.

Hardin was born in Charlotte and received his undergraduate and law degrees from Duke University. He was first in his law class and was editor-in-chief of the law review at Duke.

Hardin practiced law in Birmingham, Ala. before returning to Duke to teach in its law school. He became president of Wofford College in Spartanburg, S.C. in 1968 and left in 1972 to become president of Southern Methodist University in 1972.

At SMU, Hardin found infrac-

tions of NCAA rules and reported them to NCAA officials. He took action to correct the infractions and strengthen the integrity of the athletic program.

Some trustees of SMU disagreed with his actions, and he said "I was invited to leave, and I accepted."

Hardin became president of Drew University, a liberal arts school in Madison, N.J., where he served until now. He will finish his work at Drew before taking office in Chapel Hill.

At a press conference after he was voted into office, Hardin said he had no agenda for action at this stage. "I want to get on the scene and get a feel for the place before I form any opinions," he said.

In answer to a question on the relation of academics and athletics, Hardin said, "I will insist upon the complete integrity of athletics."

When asked about his relationship with minority students and affirmative action in their behalf, Hardin said, "I'm a civil libertarian. I will grapple with the subtle race and gender discrimination everywhere. I will try to understand and will seek new frontiers in attacking racism. I will listen."

Hardin told reporters of the lack of interest of the news media in scholarly matters at his previous schools. He vowed to do his best to bring news of scholarly affairs to the attention of the public.

UNC system President C.D. Spangler told the board of governors, "This is one of those rare occasions when the man, the position and the times are all superbly suited to one another. In electing him as chancellor, you will bring back home to North Carolina one of its most able sons."



Paul Hardin

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request such a course. "We'll need about 10 students for the class. We need a critical mass," Sawhney told them.

Rodgers said he thought the forum would help black students make gains at NCSU.

"Whenever the associate deans have an opportunity to see the bare concerns of African-American students, this is productive," he said.

Although the media had been contacted and invited to the forum, Society of African-American Culture President Dennis Rodgers attempted to close the meeting to the press.

Rodgers asked reporters to leave the meeting and when they did not respond, he again demanded that the media "stop being rude" and leave.

However, the journalists and television crews stayed.

Rodgers said Sunday he had asked that the meeting be closed at Poulton's request, but added that he did not know why the chancellor wanted the meeting closed.

"That's a great question that I don't have the answer to. I think that's a question you're going to have to ask Chancellor Poulton," he said.

Poulton did not return messages left at his home Sunday.

Bored??? Root for the old ball team at Doak

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in the crowd don't worry. They're smart enough to park well out of range of the errant pop flies. But someone inevitably climbs frantically to the top row to peer over the hedge and see if it was their car that got nailed.

Once, I saw a fly ball hit a car that was driving by. Since then, I've always kept the windows rolled up when passing by the field on a game day. Someday, someone will sue the Athletic Department for damage and distress caused by a baseball.

There is the ridiculous as well as the sublime. Like when the crowd decides to participate in the pitcher-catcher warm-up by shrieking up and down in pitch as the throw goes from pitcher to catcher and then back to the pitcher. Describing the

sound is difficult; it's sort of like the whistling noise you hear in cartoons when someone falls off a cliff. Sometimes the catcher tries to fool the crowd by faking the throw to the pitcher. When he succeeds, he is loudly booed.

If this appeals to you, there are still a few home games left. Today at 3 p.m. the Pack plays Coastal Carolina (don't laugh, they beat State earlier in the season) and Wednesday at 3 p.m. they take on UNC-Chapel Hill. Baseball is one of the few sports in which we regularly clean up on the heels. They did win here earlier this spring, though, so revenge will hopefully be a factor.

If you drive to the game, though, don't park nearby. And don't forget your student ID, unless you want to pay a buck like everyone else. See you at the ballpark.

Rally coming this week

By Thomas O'Brien
Staff Writer

Inside, handicapped people are just like everybody else.

N.C. State students will get an idea of what it's like to have disabilities this week during a Handicapped Awareness Rally.

The rally is to be held Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Student Center Plaza.

The purpose is "to raise awareness of the problems that handicapped students face every day at the university," said Kristie Bailey, co-chair of the Student Organization of the Differently Aabled, the group sponsoring the rally.

SODA will have booths set up where students will get a chance to simulate disabilities such as visual impairment with dark glasses and hearing disorders with ear plugs, Bailey said.

To simulate some of the problems mobility-impaired people face, the group is having a wheelchair race that students can participate in. The race will start around 12:15 p.m.

Bailey said that other impairments cannot be simulated as accurately. To represent dyslexia, people will get a chance to write something while

looking into a mirror. This does not exactly duplicate the problem she said, but it is an adequate representation.

For problems such as learning disabilities, SODA will have pamphlets describing the impairments.

Bailey also said that a landscape architecture table will be set up at the rally to show some of the things the School of Design is studying to help handicapped students.

SODA will have several drawings for prizes at the rally, Bailey said, including a \$50 certificate for dinner at the Velvet Cloak.

"I hope that people will stop by and take a look around," Bailey said, adding that she hopes that people can get a better understanding of what it is like to have a disability.

She said that going to a university is hard enough by itself; it is even tougher for someone having to deal with a disability.

But, Bailey added, "People with handicaps are just as smart, if not smarter," than other people. She said that inside, handicapped people are just as capable as anyone else — people should look past the surface problems of an impaired person.

The rally will give people a chance to do that.

Speaker gets idea from song

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Mrs. Lunsford said the entire family was very proud of Laura for being chosen to speak. "We think it's a great honor."

During her career at Northern Durham High School, Lunsford was constantly busy. She was editor of the high school yearbook, worked at a local drug store, and still managed to get nearly all A's.

She was also a member of the National Honor Society, and was involved in gifted and talented programs throughout high school, which she said developed her skills in leadership and helped her relate to people.

Things haven't changed much since Lunsford was in high school — she's still a very busy person.

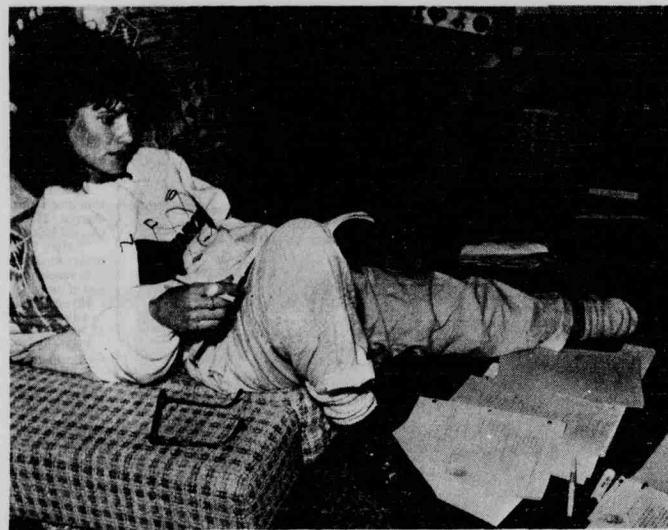
In her four years at NCSU, Lunsford has been involved in a number of clubs and organizations, most of which she said have helped her broaden her horizons.

The Caldwell Scholar has served in the Merit Award Program, representing other student scholars on campus. The Caldwell Scholarship is one of the largest offered at NCSU.

Lunsford was also a freshman orientation counselor for two years, which she said helped her become more outspoken and personable. While "orienting" around 6000 freshman in her two years, Lunsford said she had no choice but to improve her patience and attitude.

Lunsford said her favorite organization was Fellows Leadership Development, which focused on building leadership qualities. While in the group, she took a variety of leadership courses, and the highlight of her experiences there was a trip to Oxford.

While the program may have been



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Commencement speaker Laura Lunsford studies before an upcoming exam.

the most fun, Lunsford admitted that she had learned the most during her involvement in the Student Media Authority (SMA), formerly Publications Authority. She was involved for two years, and was elected chairperson during her second year.

The duties of the SMA are primarily to regulate the budgets of all campus media, which includes WKNC, Technician, the Agromeck and the Windhover. According to Lunsford, her responsibilities put her leadership skills to the test.

"It forced me to try and stay on top of issues and deal with people who... let's just say I wasn't at the

top of their love lists," she said. Lunsford said she has been too busy this year working on her major to be involved in any campus groups. "Carrying 19 hours this semester and working 15 hours a week at CP&L is enough for right now," she said.

But the added speaking responsibility is not much of a burden. Lunsford said she is already "fairly certain" about her topic. Although she said she may change her mind, her speech will probably focus on "where we've come from and where we're going."

"We all get to college as anxious freshmen, and by the time we're

seniors, we've gotten comfortable," she said. "Well, now it's time to start getting anxious again."

Lunsford said she got her inspiration from the Billy Joel song "Summer Highland Falls."

"It's a song that talks about how everyone gets hit with the same thing," she said. "It's how we perceive it that makes the difference between sadness or euphoria."

Lunsford said she especially wants to avoid "sounding contrived." "Some speakers can sound as if they just pick any topic and go from there... I'm not going to do that. I want to reflect on what went on in college, but with a point."

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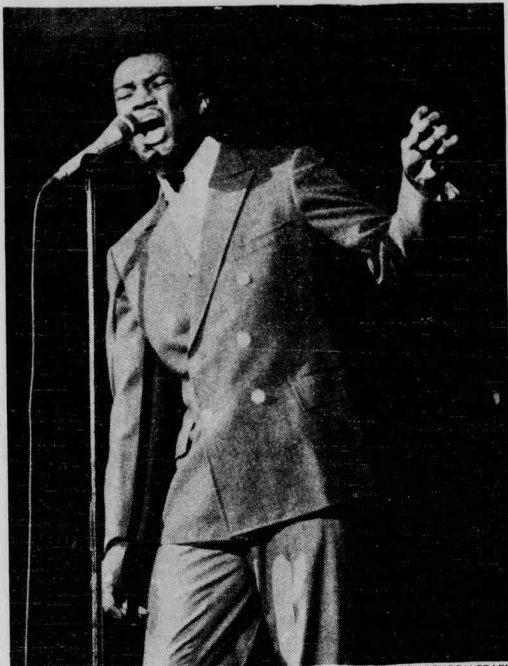
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A Week of Talent, Beauty and Pride



Guest soloist Shavaughn Scales Melton finishes singing "Special Gift."

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Michael Patton stands with Miss Pan-African Betty LeGrande.

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Duke Lash tries to persuade Michelle Herd to leave Monique Morris and dance with him at Saturday's Pan-African Picnic.

SCOTT JACKSON/STAFF

It was a week of black talent, beauty and pride.

The Pan-African Festival began April 4 with the Pan-African Pageant and ended with the New Horizons Choir performing Sunday night in Stewart Theater.

Philadelphia native Betty LeGrande was crowned Miss Pan-African Monday night. LeGrande is a junior computer science major.

What's wrong with black men and women on campus? The question was addressed during a panel an audience discussion at 8 p.m. in Stewart Theater. On Wednesday, DanceVisions gave their annual, magnificent performance.

One of the hottest black lecturers on the circuit, Dr. Na'im Akbar, stopped at N.C. State Thursday to tell blacks they need to "unite within themselves" in order to gain strength and progress. He received a standing ovation after he finished his speech.

The New Horizon Choir wrapped up the festival Sunday night with a gospel concert. The group sang such spirituals as "Your Anchor Holds Me," "Rejoice," "Inspire Me," and "Special Gift."

Oscars will be 'struck' by Cher's acting talent



Perez picks Cher and "Moonstruck" to rack up Oscar awards tonight, winning awards in three of the five major categories.

Let's get one thing straight right away. I didn't see "The Last Emperor." I didn't want to see it, so I didn't. It looked boring.

I know that fact will probably taint my Oscar predictions, because everything I've heard or read about this year's Oscars said the movie will rack up on the little gold statues.

Regardless of this setback, I feel more confident than ever before about this year's Perez Predictions. I actually saw a majority of the films nominated in the major categories. And I thought long and hard about my choices before writing this column — I hate being embarrassed.

I should also tell you that I'm a loyal Jack Nicholson fan. He's up for another award this year, and I pick him to win it. Call me prejudiced. Tell me that Nicholson's already won too many awards. I don't care.

Finally, before I stop with the excuses and put my pride on the line, you should be aware of my Oscar-predicting record from past years.

I thought "The Color Purple" would win every award it was nominated for — in case that tells you anything.

• **Best Picture:** This year's nominees offered everything — comedy, drama and even horror. I'm picking "Moonstruck" to win the award. Cher was terrific. Nicolas Cage was terrific. And above all, the script was terrific.

Suzanne Perez

FEATURES EDITOR

I remember watching "Moonstruck" at Mission Valley Theater's special midnight showing. Despite beer bottles rolling down the aisle and drunken outbursts from the audience, the movie lost none of its appeal. That says something.

I liked "Broadcast News," but its wimpy ending cancelled any hopes for an award from me. I hate stupid endings. And I suppose I could say the same for "Fatal Attraction," another nominee. If it weren't for the corny finale — one that made a perfectly believable Glenn Close character look like Jason, Part Six — I would have considered the film for the award.

• **Best Actor:** "Ironweed" was a good but depressing movie — in the ranks of "Platoon" and "Blue Velvet." But Jack Nicholson remains unrivaled in the "Best Actor" category. Playing Francis Phelan, a homeless New Yorker who survives on whiskey and memories, Nicholson far outshines the other nominees.

While Nicholson failed to draw



Jack Nicholson as Francis Phelan in "Ironweed." The performance placed him among the Best Actor nominees.

the crowds that William Hurt, Michael Douglas and Robin Williams did, it should not affect the academy's decision. Jack is simply the best.

• **Best Actress:** I had a hard time with this category. I like everyone the best.

A note: Joe Corey picks Marcello

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Students are just in the way of big corporations, money at NCSU

CARY — N.C. State doesn't love us anymore.

We're just a bunch of stupid cows in the eyes of this administration.

How can I say this? Just look at Wolfstock, and you'll see how easily the folks in power can brush us students off.

The folks at Residence Life have turned what used to be a wild, haphazard weekend into a planned celebration. They try to do this with basketball victories.

"Let's let the little kids have their fun, but organize it to bore them to death" is the university policy. With the amount of

Joe Corey

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security and rules, Wolfstock could have been held at an old folks' home.

Then the biggest pain to the student body decides to dump cold water on the whole event.

Cynthia Bonner decided that the bikini contest was too sexist for it to take place at Wolfstock.

I don't think she should have the final say on such matters. To let her make a judgement on a bikini contest is like letting your mother make the choice.

Sure, the contest is just for the cheap thrill of witnessing baked flesh on bleached blondes, but nobody's forcing them to do it.

And the contestants aren't committing sex acts with small animals.

Of course, judging from the cottage cheese on display, the contest could be closed on account of making people sick.

It's sort of fun to act like a subhuman waiting for some tipsy girl to drop her top for a couple extra roars from the crowd. Of course, acting as a subhuman is a step up on the food chain for some people at Wolfstock.

But Bonner said nix to the flesh parade. Of course, the only pleasure Bonner gets is when she straps on her jack boots and stomps students' fun.

Over the past school year we've seen a load of problems erupt out of Residence Life such as the room inspection policy and E.S. King Village. Who knows what else is festering in Harris Hall.

The worst part about Wolfstock is that this university refused to set up a place in case it rained or the field was too wet.

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Movies

You shouldn't be here. You've got several assignments and tests to work on. What are you doing in this movie theater for a crummy Thursday matinee? To watch Michael J. Fox sniff cocaine. You also read the book and thought it was good. But the fear of how they took all the good decadence out of "Less Than Zero" creeps down your spine. Will "Bright Lights, Big City" be just another

two-hour "Just Say No" video? The film starts. You forgot to get popcorn, but you can't miss watching Fox doing massive amounts of drugs. Bars of multicolor neon lights flash against the screen while the title credits run. The opening line seems the same, but something seems wrong. Something ain't right.

The director stinks. Director James Bridges has taken a book which demands experiments and odd visions and has filmed it like "The Million Dollar Movie." All the shots are boring. They do not reflect the visions of a coked-out young turk in New York City. You want Bridges to be kicked out of the directors union for being an old fart. You know this whole Soho party scene can be filmed right. You've

seen "After Hours" 30 times. You can make a good film about the island. Bridges can't.

One of the few things you can enjoy about the film is Kiefer Sutherland. He seems more like a vampire in this film than in "The Lost Boys." Sutherland plays Tad Allagash, the party maniac of New York City — a man who can combine the fast life of women and drugs with a steady job. Or at least he can give that illusion to you and Fox.

Fox is all right as Jamie Conway. But he is far from brilliant. He almost plays the character like an Alex Keaton who does loads of drugs and has his wife leave him. The drug-taking also bothers you. Not that you are upset at all the

cocaine Fox snorts up all over the place. It is the final night, when Fox mixes large amounts of wine with valium and a couple long lines of cocaine. Fox is still standing and thinking clearly.

In reality, you know that Fox would be so screwed out of his mind on such a mixture that he'd be puking his guts up or passed out.

But thinking logically is not an option. The final scene is not even close to reality — or the book. Fox is too in order, too stable. The film ends, and you walk out into the cold and the drizzle.

You are happy that you came now instead of at night. You should never pay full price for boredom. Boredom comes cheap in Raleigh.

Big Note

Where's "Hairspray?" John Waters' movie has been out for two months now and it's become a smash. I mean, what's the holdup? Am I going to have to go to New York City to watch this?

Free Lecture

Graham Chapman of Monty Python will be speaking at Memorial Hall in Chapel Hill tonight at 8:00 p.m. The show is free.

Chapman's a great guy to see, and since most of his lecture is questions from the audience, going to see him can be a personal experience.

If you get to ask him something, tell him to do the quarters trick.

And now for something completely different.

Television

They've created a new stereotype for television. Single red-headed women in their mid-30s who want to have children before their biological clocks stop ticking.

The two leading role models in this category are Molly Dodd in "The Days and Nights of Molly Dodd" and Melissa in "Thirtysomething."

Quote of the Day

"There was a shopping mall Now it's all covered with flowers." —The Talking Heads

'Last Emperor' takes only one Oscar with 'all right' costumes

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else who saw "Broadcast News," liked Holly Hunter. And "Fatal Attraction" certainly offered Glenn Close an Oscar opportunity. But I'll go with Cher.

Think for a moment about how our generation remembers Cher. The picture that comes to mind at the mention of her name — weird clothes, a stupid television show and a loser husband.

Then think about how far she's come, how much she's done to

overcome the image. That alone is worthy of an Oscar. And Cher deserves one for this film.

• **Best Supporting Actor:** Everyone thinks "Broadcast News" was a great movie. It's all because of Albert Brooks. The movie's best scene is Brooks on his own: when he comforts himself with tequila and

reggae while his colleagues work on a major news break.

Brooks is undoubtedly the funniest, most talented actor in the film.

I should take this opportunity to mention another nominee, Morgan Freeman, nominated for his role in "Street Smart," was the guy from

"The Electric Company" who made words out of syllables. Remember him? "Sh—'eeep, sheep..."

• **Best Supporting Actress:** "Moonstruck" strikes again. Olympia Dukakis gets the award here.

If "Best Line" were a category,

Dukakis would win that, too: "I'm gonna tell you what my momma told me: 'Don't shit where you eat.'"

Her role was a casting success as well. You couldn't ask for a more convincing woman to play Cher's mother.

• **Best Costume Design:** I know I

told you I didn't see "The Last Emperor," but I'll go ahead and nominate it for something. I saw pictures and clips from the movie. The costumes looked all right.

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Trio of routs separates Pack from pretenders

By Bruce Winkroft
Associate Sports Editor

The Atlantic Coast Conference baseball race began to sort itself out this weekend, with the pretenders separating from the contenders. At Doak Field, N.C. State proved beyond a doubt that the Wolfpack belongs with the contenders.

With all eight conference teams in the state of North Carolina, the race to catch first place Clemson took real form, and State moved itself into a position to mount a late-season challenge against the Tigers with a trio of routs over teams that came into Doak Field playing very well. Saturday, the Wolfpack blasted Maryland twice in a doubleheader, 16-1 and 18-6, dropping the Terps to 3-6 in the conference, 12-12 overall.

Sunday, Virginia came to State on a roll, having won 12 of its last 14 games and fresh off a doubleheader split at North Carolina. The Wolfpack sent the Cavaliers packing with a 21-3 trouncing. For the weekend, State outscored the opposition by a 55-10 margin, hit 12 home runs in the three games, raised its conference record to 8-4, 32-10 overall, and set a slew of school records in the process.

State hit eight home runs in the doubleheader against the Terps to raise the team total to 95 on the year, breaking the school single-season record of 94 set a year ago. Turtle Zaub hit his 18th of the season, a solo shot in the eighth, to give him 47 on his career and move ahead of Tracy Woodson into first place in Wolfpack history. Zaub had three RBI on the afternoon, giving him 170 for his career, also the most in school history, but he actually broke that record with a sacrifice fly

Wednesday afternoon at Duke. On the season, Zaub now is hitting .445 with 18 home runs and 63 RBI.

With four more homers Sunday, State has 99 on the year, and the next milestone on the horizon is Georgia Tech's single-season conference record of 119, set last season. With 18 regular-season games left and postseason play to follow, that record should fall as well.

Zaub extended his hitting streak to 23 games Sunday with a first-inning single and now is four games shy of tying the school record of 27 games, set by Greg Birley two years ago. By homering in all three games, the Wolfpack extended its string of games with at least one home run to 26 games. State is now averaging 2.36 home runs per game.

Counting all the homers hit on the weekend, Zaub now has 18, Bryn Kosco has 16, Dell Ahalt has 13, and Brian Bark has 11. Six other players have at least four, and Paul Spalt hit his first of the season Saturday against the Terps, meaning that all the regulars have at least one.

But the weekend wasn't all hitting. The pitching was outstanding. Brad Rhodes shut down Maryland on six hits to improve his record to 6-0 and add to the growing mountain of evidence that Dusty Rhodes is indeed the American Dream of the baseball diamond.

Preston Woods surrendered a first-inning three-run homer in the second Maryland game Saturday and then settled down to allow just three runs over the next five innings while striking out six and improving his record to 3-2. Sunday, Brian Bark craved the memory of two recent mediocre performances by stifling a hot-hitting Virginia team, allowing eight hits and just one earned

run over seven innings to improve to 5-1 on the season.

With Clemson threatening to run away and hide early in the conference race, a three-game sweep was critical to the Wolfpack, and head coach Ray Tanner was amazed at how well his team responded.

"This was more than you could hope for," Tanner said. "I'm tickled to death that the guys were able to come through like that, but we really needed to. It's tough to have to tell these guys that we need a three-game sweep, but we had to have it. We swung the bats so well. The guys are playing hard and they've got an awful lot of confidence right now."

Scoring 55 runs in a weekend can make pitching a lot easier, but whatever it took, Tanner's staff needed some solid outings, and it got three of them over the weekend when it needed them the most. Rhodes, who now leads the staff with a 2.62 ERA, has been outstanding almost all season, but Woods and Bark have hit a few holes in the pavement over the course of the season. In addition, Bark's defense has been needed in the outfield.

"It's no secret that Preston didn't start the season well for us," Tanner said. "He's continued to show improvement all season, and he improved some more this weekend. With Mark Withers out of the outfield, we've needed Brian's defense out there. It's been very tough to take him out of left or center field. I thought he threw very well today. He got the ball up a little bit early, but he settled down and did an outstanding job for us. Brad Rhodes has done a consistent job for us all season."

Notes: Bark extended his hitting streak to 15 games

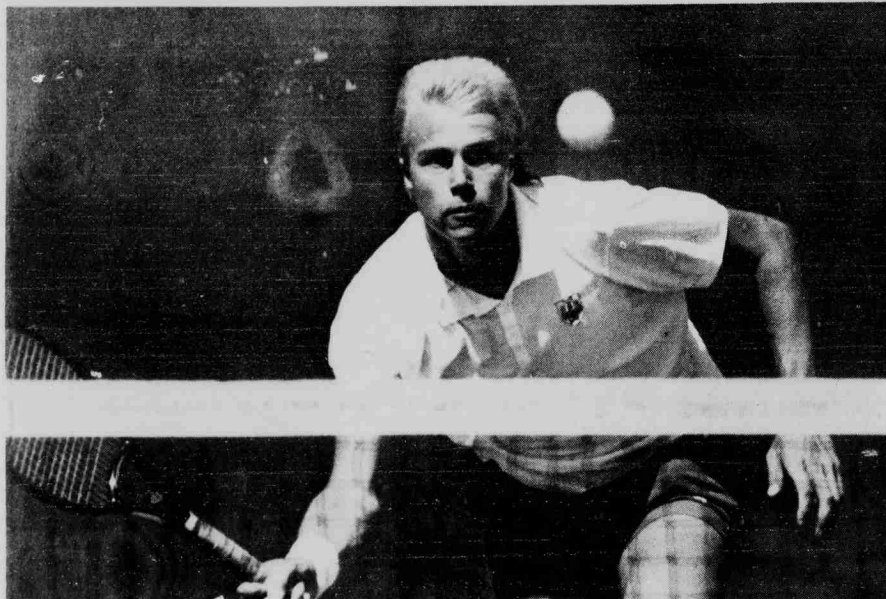
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Records

- State broke the school single-season home run record this weekend, it now has 99 for the year.
- Turtle Zaub broke the career home run record with his 47th. It was his 18th home run of the season.
- Zaub earned his 170th RBI, also the most in school history.

Staff graphic by Katrina Vaughn

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Number-one seed Krister Larzon returns a shot against Clemson's Brian Page Sunday afternoon at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex. Larzon lost the match 6-3, 7-6, and Clemson

continued its dominance over State by winning its 10th straight. The Clemson women also took their 13th in a row over the Pack Saturday.

PHIL TAYLOR/STAFF

Clemson continues dominance over Pack

By Lisa Coston
Sports Editor

The Clemson tennis teams continued their dominance over the Wolfpack this weekend, taking 8-1 victories over both the men and women's squads at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex.

A strong effort by the State men was not enough to stop the five-time defending ACC champion Tigers, who are now 16-7 overall and 5-1 in the conference.

State's lone victory came at number-two singles, where Alfonso "Ponch" Ochoa recorded a 6-0, 7-5 win over all-ACC and all-America performer Kent Kinneer. Ochoa's 14-5 overall record leads the Wolfpack.

"Ponch was sensational today," said State coach Crawford Henry. "He had a great win against a great player."

At the number-one position, senior Krister Larzon started his match slowly, dropping the first set to Brian Page 6-3. In the second set, he took Page to the wire before losing in a 7-4 tiebreaker. Larzon is now 9-8 on the year.

Third-seeded freshman Lou Horwitz battled with Clemson's John Sullivan for over two hours, before falling in three tough sets 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.

State's Michael Gilbert and Eddie Gonzalez did not have two of their better matches. Gilbert lost 6-2, 6-1 to Vince Van Gelderen at number four, and Gonzalez lost 6-4, 0-6, 6-2 to Jim Spencer at number five.

Tiger number-six seed Todd Watkins was the first to record a victory, downing Matt Price by the score of 6-2, 6-2.

Despite the losses, Henry was pleased with his team's performance in singles, and especially with the fact that they "came out with a little more competitive firepower than usual against Clemson." They came out confident that they had a chance to win today.

Both teams were a little sluggish in doubles, and the matches were decided quickly. At number one, Page and Sullivan defeated Larzon and Horwitz 6-4, 6-2.

In the number-two contest, Kinneer and Van Gelderen downed Ochoa and Gilbert 6-4, 6-4, and in the number-three contest Spencer and Watkins downed Gonzalez and Rob Atkinson 6-3, 6-4.

"The doubles were just a little dead," said Henry. "The singles were played well in general. I hope we played as well this week." State, now 2-4 in the ACC and 13-6 overall, faces Richmond today at 2 p.m. at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex.

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The Clemson women's tennis team raised its record to 5-1 in the conference and 14-8 overall, sweeping all six singles contests in an 8-1 victory Saturday.

At number-one singles, State's Katie Fleming lost 7-5, 6-1 to Cathy Hofer, who reached the round of 16 in last year's NCAA's.

Anne-Marie Voorhees lost to Pam Menne 6-4, 6-2 at number two, and Meg Fleming lost to Laurie Stephan 6-2, 6-1 at number three.

In the number-four flight, Sandra Meiser fell 6-4, 6-1 to Nicole

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Patton, Turner fare well in Relays

By Dwan June
Staff Writer

N.C. State's track team used the state collegiate track meet at Chapel Hill's Fetzer Field this weekend to prepare itself for the upcoming ACC championships.

"We sprinted well as a team," N.C. State track coach Rohie Geiger said. "It was good preparation for the conference championships."

Danny Peebles once again paced the Pack by winning the 200-meter relay, finishing second in the 100-meter dash, and anchoring the 400-meter relay squad. Peebles captured the 200-meter dash in 20.7 seconds.

"We sort of dominated the 200-meter," assistant track coach Curtis Frye said. "Our guys did a good job—good things happened to our kids leading up to the conference meet."

Freshman Darrin Barby recorded his personal best in the shot put competition throwing the shot 50.2, which eclipsed his previous personal best of 49 feet.

State also fared well in the 110- and 400-meter hurdles. Terry Reese took the 110 hurdles in 14.02 seconds, and Teddy Pauling captured the 400-meter hurdles at 52.91 seconds.

For the Wolfpack women, Cheryl Weaver captured first place in the triple jump and Chavonda Jacobs took the high jump. Weaver jumped 39.3 and Jacobs jumped 5-8.

Distance runner Janet Smith won the 1500-meter race. She finished in 4:30.46.

Triple jumpers Michael Patton and William Turner skipped the state championships to compete in the Texas Relays in Austin this weekend. Patton finished third and Turner finished fourth in the event.

"We're trying to get them to a meet where they could have some tougher competition and lead them toward the nationals," Frye said.

Frye said they sent Turner to the nationals because they felt he needed the national exposure Patton already has.

"William's coming back as an American," he said. "He's had such a good early season. He's right there on the edge."

"Michael's already on the national level. He needs to get every opportunity possible to meet the best possible competition," Frye said.



Danny Peebles runs neck-in-neck with ECU's Lee Vernon McNeil in the 100-meter race.

MARC KAWANISHI/STAFF

They're finally over! The NCAAs are over!

I should really learn to keep my mouth shut. I mentioned to someone that I wanted to do a sports column. I just said it once, maybe twice. Now, I pay. I should really learn to keep my mouth shut. . . .

It's finally over! After 63 games and endless babbling from coaches, fans, and players like, the 50th NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament is over. Frankly, I was glad to see Kansas win it all. Now that Larry Brown has withdrawn himself from the list of coaches for the Charlotte Hornets and UCLA, I can take great pleasure in watching Dick Vitale scrubbing the floor of Phog Fieldhouse on October 15.

There was something perverse about having Oklahoma University's pep band playing the school's fight song at a basketball game. It was just too weird! I was expecting the Sooner basketball team to line up in the wishbone on their first possession.

What happened to the Sooners? For all their "much-vaunted" athletic conditioning, the Sooners seemed to lack the one thing that is equally as important—mental conditioning.

They flat-out collapsed in the second half of the game. Not to mention the fact that Billy Tubbs' coaching was practically non-existent in the latter stages of the game. Guards Mookie Blaylock and Rickey Grace, as junior college guards are so often prone to do, went out of control. They kept the

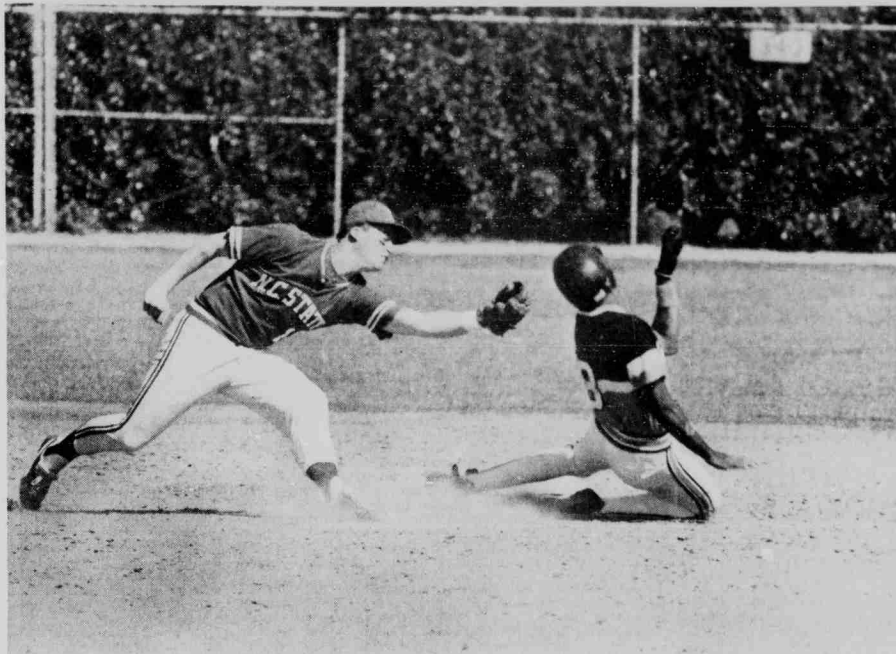
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Caught Up in the Game . . .

ball to themselves as if they were playing 2 on 5 ball. That, coupled with another out of this world performance by Kansas Jayhawk All-American Danny Manning, helped make the Sooners the only team in recent history to lose national title games in both football and basketball. C'est dommage.

I find it highly unusual that the networks' college basketball analysts, in their infinite wisdom, neglected to take notice of the youth of the ACC teams this season. Only North Carolina got any mention as an unusually young team. However, State loses only one starter and replaces him with a future superstar. Duke loses little and Maryland had a great recruiting year. Despite the departure of the Terps' Steve Hood who is transferring and seniors Keith Gatlin and Derrick Lewis who will graduate this year, Maryland should become a team to hate in the future. The walking wounded of Wake Forest need no sympathy either. They will field some tough teams in the future. However, Virginia will

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Shortstop Dell Ahalt attempts to tag Virginia's Keith Lee during Sunday's game. The Pack scored three touchdowns and held the Cavaliers to a field goal at Doak Field. The Pack outscored the opposition this weekend 55-10.

Pack breaks slew of records against ACC opposition

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by going 7-for-15 on the weekend with three home runs and nine RBI. Bark now has scored in 25 consecutive games and homered in seven of the last 10. Over the hitting streak he is hitting .426 (29 for 68) with seven homers and 24 RBI. Bark now is hitting .379 on the season with 11 homers and 43 RBI.

Dell Ahalt hit two tape-measure shots over the weekend, one against Maryland and one against Virginia, hitting the one against Maryland so hard that he almost fell over. Ahalt is now 9 for 19 in his last five games with four homers and 10 RBI. He has eight home runs in his last 11 games. Ahalt is now hitting .381 with 13 homers and 39 RBI.

Bill Klenoshek extended his hitting streak to seven games with three hits Sunday. During that streak, Klenoshek is 14 for 29. Klenoshek, finally emerging from a mild midseason slump, upped his average to .404. He has eight homers and 44 RBI.

State now has won six straight games since returning from Georgia Tech and Clemson with one win in three games April 1-3. State is eight wins away from tying the school win record of 39 set last year.

The conference race: The rest of

the conference badly needed Clemson to drop at least one of its three games with Wake Forest and Duke, but the Tigers refused to cooperate, sweeping Duke Saturday, and erasing a five-run deficit Sunday at Wake Forest for an 8-7 win. Georgia Tech, meanwhile, beat Wake Forest Friday and Saturday but stumbled Sunday at Duke, dropping a 16-15 decision that snapped a 19-game Blue Devil losing streak. North Carolina split with Virginia Saturday afternoon and beat Maryland Sunday.

As the race moves to the home stretch, Clemson is 10-0, followed by State at 8-4, Georgia Tech at 7-5, Virginia at 5-5, North Carolina at 7-6, Maryland at 7-7, Wake Forest at 5-8, and Duke at 1-11.

State returns to action Monday at 3 p.m. at Doak Field against Coastal Carolina. Jason Smith will pitch for the Wolfpack. The Pack travels to Wake Forest Tuesday afternoon, with Jeff Hartssock getting the start, and North Carolina brings its dog and pony act to Doak Field Wednesday at 3 p.m. Brad Rhodes will get the start for State against the Tar Heels.

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Clemson smashes Wolfpack

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Stafford to drop her record to 13-8 on the season.

Clemson freshman Diane Van Gulick improved to 15-8 on the year with a 6-3, 6-3 win over Arlene Peters.

At the number-six position, Alejandro del Valle Prieto lost to Julie Davis 6-2, 6-2.

In the number-one doubles match,

Menne and Stephan crushed Voorheis and Meiser 6-2, 6-2. At number three, Hofer and Van Gulick downed Meg Fleming and del Valle Prieto 6-2, 6-4.

State's sole win of the day came in the second doubles contest. Peters and Katie Fleming defeated Stafford and Melissa Detwiler 6-2, 7-6.

"The girls weren't too sharp as a team," said Henry. "Katie Fleming was sick against a real good team

and that certainly didn't help. She was definitely not at 100%, and the other girls is just a super player.

"Both Clemson teams are just really good, highly-ranked teams... We're looking forward to the conference tournaments."

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LEAD THE ADVENTURE.

Reactor leak source found

By Brad Davis
Staff Writer

Engineers at NCSU's PULSTAR reactor located the source of its recent water loss last week and are now investigating ways to seal it off.

Researchers discovered a hole the size of a pinhead in the reactor pool's 1/4-inch aluminum liner.

Paul Turinsky, head of the department of nuclear engineering, said the hole was probably caused by corrosion of the liner. He said that the rest of the liner "looked clean," and he did not think it would have to be replaced.

Researchers used a

microphone for ultrasonic surveying of the liner and were able to pick up the sound of water leaking through the hole.

Turinsky said sealing the leak entailed obvious difficulties. "The leak is located under 30 feet of water and is in a radiation environment. At this time we don't know whether we can seal it by remote or if we'll have to send a diver into the pool."

Turinsky also said that engineers did not want to drain the pool unless absolutely necessary.

"The leak was the minimum we could have expected," Turinsky said. "It wasn't a

more like a drip. But if you let a

faucet drop into a bucket for a couple of hours, you've got a gallon of water."

Routine testing such as instrument calibration has fallen behind because of the leak. "We'll be following all of our normal procedures and begin a slow ascension back up to power as soon as it's repaired," Turinsky said.

Turinsky said that because of the leak, more routine surveillance of the reactor liner and water level or the pool will be added to normal operating procedures.

At no time during the ordeal was there a danger of radiation contamination to the public, he added.

Basketball analysts fail to ACCentuate the positive about the ACC's youth

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find the cellar comfortable. The Cavaliers have some serious problems in their program that will take some time to turn around.

Wolfpack fans who, like myself, are still seething over the Pack's loss to Ohio Valley Conference Champ Murray State, can take heart in the fact that last time State lost to a "Brand X" team in the NCAA's, a 58.51 loss to UT Chattanooga in 1982, they won it all the next year. Of course, I'm not saying it'll happen again. But you never know...

Certain ACC women's basketball teams took a great amount of pleasure in beating Coach Kay Yow

and the Wolfpack Women. The Wolfpack Women, with some major players "propositioned" by the much-hated Proposition 48, finished with its first ever losing record and did a rare first round vanishing act from the ACC Tournament. That's OK. Coach Yow now has experience and talent coming back next year. There's a saying about payback being something like a female dog that may be appropriate. I'm sure you've heard it. If only more people would go to the games...

Jerrold Mustaf looked to be a sure pick to go to Georgia Tech. Mustaf is one of the most sought after big men in the nation. He'd narrowed his choices to Maryland, Tech and

Howard University, but with Maryland already having a future big man in Brian Williams and Howard U not exactly playing in the ACC or Big East, Tech seemed to be his destination. But, there was this nasty rumor that he might go to Georgetown to play under John Thompson with Alonzo Mourning. This was, apparently, just a rumor with Maryland ultimately winning out and Georgia Tech losing out. Cremins seems to have lost his recruiting touch since ace assistant George Felton went to South Carolina.

At the time of this writing there are 190 days until the State-Clemson football game.



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Beetlejuice is a technical Romper Room despite humorous Keaton

By Mike Legeros
Staff Writer



Tim Burton's "Beetlejuice" is a technical Romper Room of cinematic tricks disguised as a parody of popular horror films.

The ex-Disney animator's second film — his first was the infamous "Pee Wee's Big Adventure" — is a celluloid funhouse where the visual jokes and gags keep popping up at every turn but don't seem to fit any predefined pattern.

Spooking horror films, "Beetlejuice" has its accuracies: the spooky house on the hill from "Psycho," the squeaky-voiced "Help me!" from "The Fly," and even the opening credits from "The Witches of Eastwick." But this is a film about ghosts. Two ghosts.

They are Adam (Alec Baldwin) and Barbara (Geena Davis), a mild-mannered Connecticut couple who drown one afternoon when their car teters off a dust-covered bridge. Now dead and confined to the attic of their lovely house, they must watch in horror as their residence is quickly pillaged by the house's new owners: a vulgar family from New York.

So what's a ghost to do? Simple: Adam and Barbara decide to scare the new owners away.

But it doesn't work. The crass New Yorkers — complete with a

morbid daughter (who only wears black) and a feather-light SoHo interior decorator — do not seem to notice even the most frightening "scars" the ghosts can conjure.

By the film's halfway mark, "Beetlejuice" seems — well — dead. Adam and Barbara have run out of scary ideas, and the house's occupants seem destined to resist their haunting attempts.

That's when Michael Keaton enters the scene.

He's Betelgeuse — the ugliest, lewdest and loudest demon ever called to exorcize a home of its living owners. From his first earth-shattering appearance, Keaton literally steals the show in a comic performance worthy of a dozen Groucho Marxes.

He hobbles around the screen in a drunken stupor, spouting profanities as he pulls various living reptiles from his endless pockets. If ever an actor deserved an Oscar for comic

performance it's Keaton. The only unfortunate side to Keaton's vaudeville repertoire, however, is that writers Michael McDowell and Warren Skareen treat "The Big B" like a guest star: his appearances are infrequent and kept to a tight minimum. But by minimizing Keaton's frantic energy, McDowell and Skareen unintentionally highlight the script's major flaw.

Despite Burton's bold and uncompromising direction, the script is just too lame. As with Keaton's manic appearances as Betelgeuse, the really funny in-jokes are too few and far between to accurately call "Beetlejuice" a horror spoof. And the remaining gags are so subtle or sight-related that the film is more a visual tour de force than a straightforward comedy.

But regardless of its classification, "Beetlejuice" is entertaining. Burton skillfully handles the excellent cast, maintaining a humorous tone where the script does not.

And Keaton has achieved cinematic immortality in his crazed performance as the demon Betelgeuse. Although some viewers may get turned off by the dreadfully slow pace of the first half, they will soon be rewarded beyond their wildest dreams.

Just bring a Kleenex to wipe those tears from laughing so hard.

Money a big factor in finding alternative Wolfstock site

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"The main thing was we couldn't find anything large enough to hold it in that we could afford," he said. The Wolfstock committee raises most of its money late in the year, he said, and an alternative site has to be paid for early. "You have to pay for and book a place well in advance. The time tables didn't match."

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Technician Opinion

April 11, 1988

A paper that is entirely the product of a student body becomes at once the official organ through which the thoughts, the activity and in fact the very life of the campus are registered. It is the multiplicity through which the students themselves talk. College life without its journal is blank.

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Editorials

Students get bum deal on Wolfstock

Students deserve better than the half-way commitment they got from the university over the Wolfstock concert, which should have been held last Saturday.

Ironically, Saturday was the type of beautiful day perfect for an outdoor spring concert.

At issue are the logistics of the spring concert, not simply the condition of the intramural field where it was supposed to take place.

To their credit, the organizers did their best to allow the field to dry up. They inspected the field at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. to see if Mother Nature was cooperating.

Unfortunately, they could not give Mother more than a 1 p.m. deadline before informing the bands, etc., not to come. Not that the rain which fell last week was their fault, but a better concept was needed from the beginning.

Rain is not a valid excuse on a sunny day. Neither, really, are defenses like "We tried a lot of alternatives (to the intramural field), but none worked." On the same day, Duke's "Burnout" spring concert came off a great success.

Maybe the intramural field — and its fences, which keep alcohol consumption under control — imposes more limitations than advantages.

What is necessary is that the planners plan an event that does not require a providential avoidance of easily foreseeable problems to take place.

Many people made their plans for the concert prior to the day before. Whether they involved inviting out-of-town guests or simply arranging priorities in favor of the concert, their plans were dashed without much time to regroup.

In addition, the event will probably function as a loss, since matters like band contracts and commercial sponsorship must also be decided in advance, and commit the organizers to financial obligations.

Better planning and more commitment by the entire university — not just the Inter-Residence Council and the athletics department — are needed.

Voters choose Powell

Congratulations are in order for Pam Powell on her victory in last week's student body presidential race. Her vote tally garnered 61.9% of the total, far outstripping the runner up Billy Maddalon, who received only 38.1% of the votes. Now that Maddalon has managed to lose twice in the SBP race, maybe he will get the message clear that students at N.C. State do not want him in office. We will have to wait and see.

As for Powell, once again NCSU voters have shown a remarkable sense of fairness and foresight. After electing NCSU's first black student body president last year, the first female SBP in over a decade will follow. Whether or not racism and sexism exist at this university — at least with regard to Student Government — critics cannot say students only judge candidates by their race or gender. Powell's election coming after outgoing SBP Kevin Howell should be taken as a positive sign that improvements can and have been made at North Carolina State University.

As for Pam Powell's upcoming term in office, she has several decisions to make regarding her administrative style. Will she carry on the aggressive tactics her two predecessors have employed? Both Kevin Howell and Gary Mauney were willing to take their grievances and complaints with policies and decisions straight to administrators. They realized that direct confrontation was a vital and necessary tactic when time came to deal with issues important to NCSU students.

Under Howell, topics and concerns involving the Martin Luther King holiday switch, minority relations, E.S. King Village and a university drug policy were addressed. Under Mauney, there was South African Divestment, financial aid cutbacks and the university athletic council secrecy. Each involved some wrangling with Chancellor Poulton and various other officials and at times tempers seemed to flare. But student concerns were discussed and successful changes were implemented.

Now Powell will have to decide how she will handle difficult issues like those mentioned. Every SBP has to face new challenges; rarely do the same topics arise from term to term. She has the ability to handle the job, otherwise we would not have endorsed her. But having the ability and putting it into effect are two different things.

We are looking forward to working with her next year.

Shack must face choice

The rumors are surfacing again and students, sports writers and basketball analysts are wondering whether center Charles Shackelford will forego his final collegiate season and jump to the NBA. Whether or not he goes is totally up to him, but Shack, we ask you to consider the consequences. As an example, look especially at the class of '86.

Out of the top seven lottery selections in the NBA draft, only three have remained drug-free — Kenny Walker, Brad Daugherty and Chuck Person. Of the other four, William Bedford, Roy Tarpley, the late Len Bias and former N.C. State center Chris Washburn, each has struggled with drug abuse. Sure, Washburn recovered, but he's now riding the bench for the Atlanta Hawks. When you become a professional, you are treated like a professional. You can't be a boy in a man's game.

Once you step foot in the pros, there will be no one there to hand-feed you. No one will be there to tell you when to come in at curfew or tell you to be at practice. You are on your own.

Another year of college basketball would not hurt. It would give you the opportunity to tune up on your defensive skills and concentration. It would give you the opportunity to build on your offensive skills. And it would give you the opportunity to achieve some magnitude of consistency. Plus, there is the notion of earning a college degree, considering that you have come this far. But, it's up to you, Shack.

True, you are a different person than those four who fell from 1986. However, like them, you have less than three years college basketball experience. Most of your opponents in the NBA will have had at least five years of basketball playing at an intense, competitive level (No, high school doesn't count). Who knows, Shack, maybe you are ready for the pros? If you think you are, fine. Go. We wish you the best. But remember, someone else thought declaring hardship was for the best. That person was Chris Washburn.



RSP leaves residents hanging for rooms

For all those who participated in room sign-up this past week: We salute you.

Particularly if you live on west campus, and more particularly if you are a male, trying to get a room for next year was an ordeal. Due to a computer error in Sullivan, there was a shortage of rooms for male residents wishing to remain in the building. Also a problem especially in Bragaw was the number of rooms available to residents because a number had been set aside for next year's freshmen. Even if you wished to remain in the same room with the same roommate, you risked being given the boot.

In both cases, more rooms were opened up for sign-up, but the problems still remain, mainly: 1) Where are we going to house the ever-increasing number of students who want to stay on campus, and 2) Is the present system of priorities for sign-up fair?

The first case seems to be easily answered, if not easily implemented. More residence halls need to be built, and fast. Valentine Construction is going to make a killing when its new private residence hall is completed, simply because of the present lack of available on-campus housing. Perhaps extensive use of the vast Centennial Campus site could be considered, although several glorious plans have been made for other projects on that land. At any rate, the situation is becoming ridiculous. What kind of university strives toward increasing its

Susan Brooks

OPINION COLUMNIST

student body without specific plans for accommodating the increasing number of student bodies?

As for the other question, it's a bit more complicated. Great pains have obviously been taken to make the priority system equitable, but one must ask: Is it really fair to say that one person who was displaced by his or her current roommate's desire for the same room has a higher priority than the same roommates who want to stay together? Or, that a person who wants to stay in the same room has less priority than any two people who just happen to want the room? Or that a rising sophomore can have a greater priority than a rising senior? And the main question is: Is it fair for any student who wishes to stay in his or her room or building to be refused because an incoming freshman is guaranteed a spot?

Other schools have this freshman problem. What many of them do is work out

deals with nearby hotels or apartments for temporary housing. Sure, the university incurs some cost in this arrangement, but at least upperclassmen are assured of housing and freshmen have a grace period during which they can either fill a vacancy on campus or find other means of housing.

What good is the Random Selection Process and guaranteed housing if they both become meaningless because of some quota system? If freshmen are to be placed under a higher priority, then perhaps less people should be selected through RSP. At least then the winners won't suffer the delusion of expecting an assured place to stay next year, only to find out that they've been displaced.

The solutions certainly aren't easy to obtain, but the questions deserve some attention and some thoughtful consideration. Again, it must be stressed that a university is of and for students, and that students should be provided for in every relevant aspect of their university life. Housing can definitely be classified as a relevant aspect of university life. The present system needs revision. There's got to be a better way.

Susan Brooks, fresh off her smashing political victory in her bid for re-election in the Student Senate, is a sophomore majoring in English at NCSU.

Forum

Graduating senior gives last observations

Well... I never thought it would happen, but I'm graduating. Yes, after five exciting years I'm vacating the halls of this mighty learning institution. And, if I am to thank anybody for these great years, I suppose it should be those in charge. After all, you people run NCSU.

Whoever it was that said "your college years will be your best memories" certainly was on the mark. I can't recall any past experiences that can compete with the years I spent at North Carolina State. And, I doubt many further accomplishments will compare to the joy that college was.

But even though these years have been great, I feel compelled to give out some constructive criticism. Why? Because in five years, I've seen many aspects of NCSU that I feel are not adequately serving the students' needs.

THE STUDENT SUPPLY STORE — It was a rip-off when I entered as a freshman and it's still a rip-off as I graduate a senior. No one believes for a minute that SSS acts in the students' best interests. Oh sure, their cashiers are friendly enough. And their BONUS BACKS program is a tempting lure. But their prices are just too high! And those ever-changing refund policies! It's no wonder that DJ's (and now Addis') Bookstore do such

good business. How about returning the profits to the students and making the SSS a real place to buy books? **PARKING CONTROL** — It doesn't work. Sure, those ticket revenues are a great source of income, but why not better serve the students (and faculty) who use the lots? Stop overselling permits! How about a simple parking policy: If a car has no sticker, it gets towed. If a car has the wrong sticker, it either gets a big fine or gets towed. Certainly there's at least one wrecker service in Raleigh that would be willing to reap the profits from such a venture.

INSTRUCTORS — I hate to say it, but a lot of the instructors here at NCSU suck. Yes, it sounds arrogant as hell, but then again I'm an education major and I can tell the difference. Granted, I may not be up to date on the hiring and firing practices of major universities, but haven't some of these teachers taken education courses? I will never forget the instructor who gave each student one point on their final grade for each class period attended! I failed almost every test and made a B in the course! End the student's suffering! Hire some good teachers!

HOUSING — I have to admit it, I lived on campus for four years. And then I moved into an apartment. Now, with all honesty, I

recommend off-campus housing to ALL students who can afford it. Let's face it, on-campus housing is lousy. The rooms are too small, the fees are too high and the policies are too strict. Who wants to be kicked out of their room during a break? Oh sure, in its own way it's a great experience, but only for one year! **OTHER** — OH, there are other things... like University Dining's outrageous meal plans that the freshmen are badgered into purchasing... or the wonderfully inefficient physical plant that sends three men to do a one-man job... or the hilarious expenditures of student organizations like the BSB that once planned a catered, sit-down dinner for around 150 people and only 45 people showed up! But I'll stop here.

College is a great experience. And NCSU is no exception. But (and I suspect this is true for most major universities), it is neck-deep in a putrid bureaucracy that favors the faculty and staff and virtually disregards the students (and I haven't said a word about athletics!). I'm sure your administrators could cut fees in half and still reap a profit. But it won't happen. I wanted to let you all know that some of us students see what's going on.

Michael Legeros
Senior, Math Education

Big Brother attitude not needed in classroom

I am writing in response to the article (March 18) by Pete Holman and Jeanie Taft on cheating. The excerpts from my phone interview with Holman may have left the impression in some readers' minds that I am unconcerned about cheating or that I do nothing to either prevent it or punish it when I am aware of it.

During the course of the rather lengthy interview I gave to Holman, the point I was trying to establish was that I am sincerely concerned about the due process of law in dealing with such issues and that if a student reports to me issues of cheating going on in my class, I would not act on it unless clear and convincing proof was offered. Otherwise, as he correctly quoted me, "it is one student's word against another's."

Other points that I tried to make clear in the interview that were not carried out in the story addressed such issues as honor codes. I am opposed to them because I feel they produce hypocrisy, paranoia, Big Brotherism and rewards for vigilantism, while not reducing cheating.

Of course cheating is wrong, of course it is widespread. The way I try to handle it is to structure the course in a way that people will want to learn their own material and to structure exams in such a way that cheating is

more difficult to do successfully than is studying. Engaging in police-state behaviors that demean me and my students is not my style. I realize that since a lot of cheating goes on, some of it does occur in my classes. I also know who is ultimately being ripped off, and it is neither me nor the university.

Raymond Rodgers
Associate Professor
Asst. Head, Dept. of Speech Communication

Drivers deserve reserved space for new fee prices

Technician reported on March 23 that the Division of Transportation once again has decided to implement a parking permit fee increase, as well as a parking violation fee increase. The extra revenue from the violation fee increases is supposed to "help maintain and support the division," while the permit fee increase "will be beneficial to the students, it will help to repair some of the roads and the parking deck."

I support the increase in fees for serious violations, such as parking in a handicapped zone. However, the permit fee increase seems unreasonable. For \$120 per year a commuter should be given a reserved spot with his name on it, rather than fighting for parking spots with other victims of the parking system. Other area schools allow their students to park for

much more reasonable rates. I am sure that most students here at N.C. State will remember basic economics and the fact that demand and Demand. It seems that N.C. State's Division of Transportation controls both the supply and demand and manipulates the two for maximum revenue, rather than maximum student benefit. A thorough report outlining distribution of transportation dollars here at North Carolina State in comparison to other local schools would help us better understand where our money goes. I suggest that the Division of Transportation take this opportunity to convince the students that these fee increases are warranted.

Patrick Fakes
Graduate Student, Mechanical Engineering

Quote of the Day

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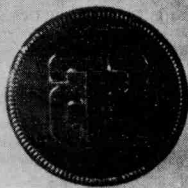
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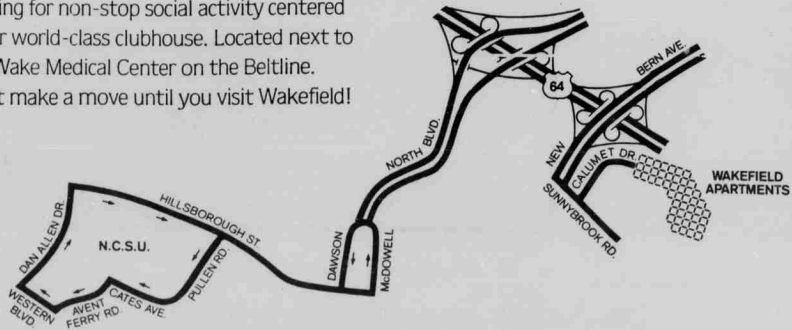
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