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## Playin' da blues

Mike Feher, a freshman majoring in chemical engineering, pours his heart into his saxophone playing in the Free Expression Tunnel Saturday night. He goes there quite often when he is feeling the blues. Feher said that he finds that music relieves him of "boredom and loneliness...and pain." He has been playing his instrument for the

past 9 years; half of the 18-year-old's life. Feher said that he doesn't care what other people think of his music when he plays in public; if they like it, he's like it, but if they don't, they don't. That's what the Free Expression Tunnel is all about, right?

Chris Hondros/Staff

## LGSU dispels myths about gay lifestyles

### Members address students' questions as part of project

By Steve Swindell  
Staff Writer

Three members of the Lesbian and Gay Student Union (LGSU) fielded questions about gay relations from students in an introductory sociology class Friday at N.C. State.

Less than 50 of the 89 students enrolled in SOC 202 section 003, "Principles of Sociology," attended even though it was part of the course material. According to the course instructor, Robert Wendt, attendance is usually higher.

The discussion session resulted from a letter sent by the LGSU to all professors in the sociology and psychology departments. The LGSU offered to send members to these professors' classes to discuss matters concerning gay relationships.

"The LGSU is a student organization with over 35 student members committed to education, awareness and the elimination of discrimination and prejudice," the letter said. "We feel that an effective way to achieve these goals is through the

education of the campus community as a whole by way of knowledgeable student speakers.

Wendt told the class about the timing of the letter coincided with the topic being covered during the week. The topic was deviant behavior.

Wendt asked for a vote from the class to decide whether or not to accept the offer. Twenty-four students voted in favor of having the group speak and 13 voted against and 16 others did not vote.

On Friday, after a brief statement from Wendt telling the students to be responsible for note-taking as usual, the LGSU members identified themselves and told how long it had been since they had "come out of the closet."

Gary Pittman, who is co-chair of LGSU, said that he is a fifth-year senior studying microbiology and business management and that he had been "out" for about two years.

The other two LGSU members

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## Challenges facing black men discussed at seminar

### Panel agrees education, positive role models needed

By L. Scott Tillett  
Staff Writer

Many of the social issues affecting the black male in our society were brought to light in a seminar Feb. 15.

"Challenges Facing African-American Men in Our Society" was the topic of the seminar held in the Walnut Room of the University Student Center.

Panelists included N.C. State Student Body President Brian Nixon, William Harvey, an associate professor of educational leadership at NCSU, and Donell Lewis, a

speech pathology and audiology professor from N.C. Central University.

Other participants included Tony Langley, assistant art director for North Hall, Darryl Lester, a graduate student in counselor education, and Art Malloy, area director for Alexander Hall.

Tracy Robinson, who is an assistant professor of counselor education, moderated the seminar. She said that the goals of the discussion were to identify the challenges facing black men and to understand the development of these challenges.

One problem discussed by the

panel was whether or not the black male has become an "endangered species."

"It scares me. It also worries me," said Langley.

Lewis responded by saying that the black male has become endangered in that he has been removed from the normal channels of society by factors such as high incarceration rates and, in the younger years, factors such as in-school suspension.

Robinson attributed this removal

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## Kiger professorship established

Technician News Services

A distinguished university professorship in agricultural economics will be established at N.C. State and named for Hugh Kiger of Cary, a 1941 NCSU graduate and an authority on international tobacco trade.

The first major gift to the professorship was made Thursday, Jan. 11 by R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. when Gene Ainsworth, RJR vice

president, presented a check for \$25,000 to A.W. Peters of Wilson, president of the North Carolina Tobacco Foundation. The foundation raises funds to support tobacco teaching and research programs at NCSU.

Kiger is retired director of the tobacco division of the Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

The Hugh C. Kiger Distinguished

University Professorship will be established in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences by Kiger and his wife, Gladys, and by the Leaf Tobacco Exporters Association and the Tobacco Association of the United States. Kiger serves as a consultant to both trade groups.

Dean Durward Bateman said the

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## Getting a grip

N.C. State junior Ty Williams defeats Navy senior Dave Raby 6-4 in Reynolds Saturday.

John Iltis/Staff

## Don't take volunteering lying down, blood donors still in great demand

Be a volunteer, they say. Give something of yourself, like your time or money, and you will have the satisfaction of knowing you have helped those less fortunate than yourself.

OK, OK. Time and money are things I can part with (as long they don't ask for too much), but there is one thing most of us hate to donate. Blood.

Over 90 percent of us are scared to death of giving blood. Why? It might hurt, you might pass out, or the nurse might forget to unhook you and drain all of your blood before you get a chance to scream. And it's not like you can just change your mind and get up and leave once they've hooked you up.

Besides, we don't like to even think about

### Jennifer Holland Cruisin'

blood, much less, see it. And especially when it is our own.

Everyone's heard horror stories about giving blood. A dormmate passes out, hit his head on a doughnut table and has to spend the night in the infirmary, causing the whole dorm to vow never to give blood.

I have my share of horror stories, too. The last time someone talked me into having my arm hooked up to a plastic bag via a needle the size of my pinky finger was the summer of 1984.

That was until last week. Several Delta Upsilon brothers conned me

into having my arm stabbed again at the blood drive that their fraternity was sponsoring.

I agreed to give, but when I got there I was immediately looking for excuses to get me out of it.

A little old lady handed me a pamphlet entitled, "What You Must Know Before Giving Blood."

Hoping that maybe the information in this pamphlet might be the key to getting me out of this mess, I began to read.

"If you are a man who has had sex with another man since 1977, you must not give blood or plasma."

At this point I knew my plan to escape might be a little more difficult than I had originally planned.

Waiting to give blood was worse than the

actual giving itself. Veteran donors were hanging around teasing the squeemish.

"Boy, the last time I did this, blood squirted all over the place when the lady took the needle out," one veteran said.

"I'm leaving," I said, quickly heading for the door.

Next thing I knew, I was lying on the table with a needle in my arm.

Actually, it wasn't so bad. I didn't really feel anything and soon I began to realize that most of my fear grew directly from my imagination.

I met a new friend named Larry, who was on the table next to mine. We had a race to see who could fill up their bag first.

He won. And I even had a head start. After we were through, we chatted over a few free cookies and McDonald's orange

drink until a nice old lady said we could leave.

One Red Cross volunteer said that only four percent of Americans are brave enough to give blood. The rest are just a bunch of chickens.

The fear of giving blood is a product of our imaginations and stories that have been blown out of proportion.

Most donors will agree that giving blood isn't fun, but it is not as bad as knowing that someone might die because we were too scared to give.

So continue to give of your money and time, but next time someone challenges you to give blood, don't be scared.

Someone will need it to stay alive. Who knows, someday that someone might be you.

# FYI

Feb. 19, 1990

## IMPORTANT DATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spring Break will begin on March 2 at 10 p.m.; classes will resume on March 12 at 7:50 a.m.

The Women's Resource Coalition is sponsoring a women's fair on March 29 in the Student Center lobby. If your organization is interested in participating, please contact Gwen Pearson at 829-1296.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

The Women's Resource Coalition will meet today at 4:15 p.m. A special topic under discussion will be the Women's History Month Celebration. If you want to help, or just need a place to talk, please join us in Room 4704 of Bostian Hall.

**PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE: INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS CAREERS** is a program for students interested in working abroad or stateside for companies doing international busi-

## Corrections and Clarifications

There was an error in an article about Interim Chancellor Larry Monteith in Friday's Technician. It should have stated that Larry Nixon, the president of the Professional Engineers of North Carolina, cited Monteith's achievement, not Student Body President Brian Nixon.

Technician is committed to fairness and accuracy. If you spot an error in our coverage, call our newsroom at 737-2411, extension 26.

ness. Organized by the International Trade Center, speakers will focus on international marketing, law, banking, logistics, government and multinational organizations. The event takes place today from 6-8:30 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom.

**WHAT DR. RUTH NEVER TOLD YOU ABOUT SEX**, a College Life forum sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ and Athletics in Action will be on Tuesday at 9 p.m. in the NCSU dining hall.

On Feb. 2, 1990 President Bush visited NCSU and toured several research laboratories in the physics department. The laboratory tour was hosted by Professor Schetzina. Unfortunately, most of the university community was excluded from these proceedings. Using 35-mm slides, Professor Schetzina will describe for the first time what really happened in the physics depart-

ment during the president's visit. Everyone is invited to attend the slide presentation and discussion on Wednesday at 12 noon in Room 222 of Dabney Hall.

**ATTENTION GRADUATE STUDENTS:** You are invited to attend the graduate school's forum on "The Role and Nature of the Doctoral Dissertation," on Friday from 4-6 p.m. in the Alumni Building conference room.

DPMA is sponsoring the first annual Computer Science Career Day on Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. in the Ballroom of the University Student Center.

India Night will be Sunday at 6 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom and Stewart Theatre. This extravaganza will feature a dinner of classic Indian cuisine, followed by an entertainment program reflecting the Indian culture. Admission is \$4 for students with

ID, \$6 for the general public and \$2 for children under 12.

## LECTURES SEMINARS/SESSIONS/WORKSHOPS

Tom Mayne, an architect from Los Angeles, will give a slide lecture on the work of his firm tonight at 8 p.m. at the School of Design auditorium. Admission is free.

Human Resources, in conjunction with Child Care Resource and Referral, is presenting a seminar for developmental issues for parents of children 1-5 years of age. The seminar will be held on Wednesday in the Brown Room of the University Student Center from noon to 1 p.m. All are invited. To register call Mrs. Kathy Vail at 737-2135.

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Compiled by Jay Patel

# LGSU

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identified themselves as Catherine and Kevin. They asked that their last names not be used.

Catherine, a graduate student in physics, said that she had been out for about four years.

Kevin, also a graduate student, said that he had come out a year and a half ago.

The LGSU members then asked for questions from the class. The first question was about what causes homosexuals to be attracted to each other. Pittman said that sexual attraction between any two humans is very complex and pointed out how difficult it is to explain attraction between heterosexuals.

Catherine answered that attachment to another human is not just sexual. It also includes emotional, intellectual and spiritual attachment.

Another question asked if there was a pivotal experience in their past that led them to become homosexuals, such as a bad experience with the opposite sex. The answer from all three was no.

A question about how their parents felt when they found out about their being homosexual brought descriptions that ranged from gradual acceptance and adjustment to stubborn denial.

Catherine said her grandmother was initially upset but has turned to encouraging while her parents have not progressed much.

Both Pittman and Kevin said that their mothers have accepted it better than their fathers.

One student wanted to know how gays and lesbians approach people when they do not know if they are homosexual. There are meeting places, organizations and activities where there are homosexuals, Catherine said.

Pittman said he makes the same assumption that most straight people make: a person is assumed to be straight until you know they are not. He said that he does not want to be attracted to straight men and there is a lot of unnecessary fear about gays propositioning straights.

There is no way to tell the difference, said Kevin, "you just ask them."

When asked how NCSU compares to other places in treatment of homosexuals, the answers varied. Pittman called his experience with criticisms a "vacation in hell." He said that it has been very oppressive and causes constant fear for gays and lesbians. He said that the school administration under former chancellor Bruce Poulton was blind, stupid and ignorant. Pittman recalled a statement that said Poulton did not think that there were any gays or lesbians on campus.

Estimates of the number of homosexuals in U.S. society range from three to 12 percent. Wendt said, although 10 percent is often cited.

NCSU, said Catherine, was better than the school she attended as an undergraduate and pointed out how supportive the NCSU Student Affairs administrators have been.

AIDS, which puts homosexuals in a high-risk category for contracting the virus, was an issue which stirred up considerable attention.

Pittman, who has been assisting with AIDS education for Student Health Services, said that the focus is now on high risk behavior rather than high risk groups. He said that gays have made a lot of progress in modifying their behavior to combat the spread of AIDS.

Catherine said some groups have said that AIDS is God's judgment on homosexual behavior. She said that people should think about the fact that lesbians are the lowest risk group for the disease.

There was one student in the class that questioned the LGSU members about their religious beliefs.

Pittman explained that he used to be a Methodist but did not belong to any church.

The student then said that he was studying to be a pastor and that scripture calls homosexuality a sin. He then told the group that they should repent.

Catherine said that her parents are fundamental Christians and that she is familiar with scripture. She offered to stay after the session and discuss specific scriptures with the student, who did not stay after the class.

# Roles

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to the fact that discrimination and poverty are still major factors in American society, and she urged people not to take statistics out of context.

Such statistics reflect homicide, the leading cause of death among middle-aged black males, as well as the fact that 46 percent of male prisoners are black.

Panelists suggested solutions to the problems faced by black males which included education and reinforcement within the black community.

Harvey said that blacks cannot expect to be catered to by educational institutions and other institutions that are geared toward the majority. He insisted that African-Americans must take what they can get and utilize it in a positive way.

Said Harvey, "We have always faced very serious problems since we arrived in the U.S. We have had a difficult time, and we're still having it."

Harvey said that communities and organizations such as churches have to provide what the educational institutions do not. "The first thing we have to do is recognize who we are," said Harvey.

Malloy said, "the education first starts at home." He added, "first a child needs a positive role model." Such a role model could take the

form of a black male elementary school teacher, said Lewis. He attributed the lack of success among young African-American males to a corresponding lack of male role models in the learning years.

Lewis said the modern education system is "ill-suited" to the way African-American children learn. He maintained that blacks tend to learn things by looking at the whole, while those of European descent usually learn through a step-by-step method, thus, it would be difficult to learn in an insensitive environment.

Malloy related this insensitivity when he told of how he was nearly placed in a special class because of a speech impediment. Malloy said that his self-confidence prevented such an absurd action and later said,

"The system is not destroying us, the system is geared to make us destroy ourselves."

Panelists attributed today's apparent lack of strength within African-American culture to several reasons.

Nixon insisted that today's African-American stop living on the "interest" of Malcolm X and other black leaders and go out and make a difference today.

Lester suggested that blacks need to learn about their history, Lester said, "We're being miseducated."

Lewis concluded by saying that he wishes more black males would participate in Big Brother programs in order to provide positive role models. "Let's stop waiting," said Lewis.

# TUESDAY.

# 3 P.M.

# TECHNICIAN NEWS DEPT.

Editors, Assistant Editors  
Interns, Writers, Senior Staff Writers

Come to this meeting to discuss direction, assignments and other important issues.

# Kiger

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fund-raising goal for the distinguished professorship is \$500,000.

Bateman said the professorship in the Department of Agricultural Economics "is particularly significant at this time as we attempt to strengthen the international dimen-

sions of the educational programs in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences."

Bateman added, "Dr. Kiger is a long-time, avid supporter of our college and university and highly respected for his knowledge of international tobacco trade."

The dean pointed out that in 1949 Kiger received the first doctoral degree in agricultural economics granted by NCSU and taught at the university before joining USDA.

Oh Boy! Cralstin' is on the front page! I can't wait!

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## Fraternities rediscover origins

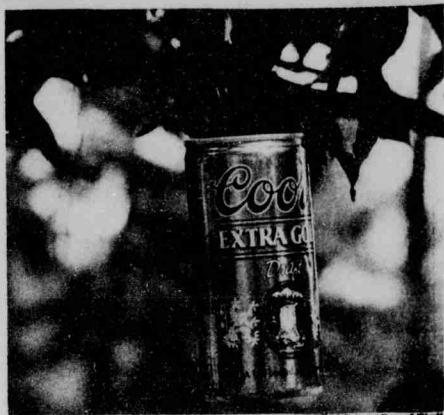
By Rock Roskam  
Staff Writer

Who says a leopard cannot change its spots? Fraternities are trying to mend their images and their GPAs toward ridding themselves of the Animal House image. According to Derek Kiker, a member of Phi Delta Theta at N.C. State, this change is not completely new. He says fraternities underwent a decline in the seventies for a variety of reasons. In order to increase membership, fraternities converted to a more liberal atmosphere. Now the fraternities are trying to change back into their original format, in part because society has become more conservative. Fraternities like his, he says, were designed to promote friendship, learning and clean morals. Nationally, fraternities have faced

a serious crisis because of insurance problems due to alcohol. In order to help curb that problem and to promote a more scholastic attitude, the Inter Fraternity Council instituted dry rush. In response to this, many fraternities even cut out having parties or mixers during the week. Not having parties during the week improved class attendance and made the houses quieter. Nationally, fraternities have been trying to change by eliminating hazing, or in some cases, like Tau Kappa Epsilon, eliminated pledging altogether. However, it seems that fraternities follow society's trends and fashions closely because the membership in fraternities is made up of college students trying to earn and learn their place in society. Like any societal institution, fraternities become resistant to change

in order to remain stable. It was only when society changed that fraternities followed. According to Kiker, examples of fraternities changing is shown in the increased competition for NCSU's Caldwell Cup award for the most outstanding academic and civic oriented fraternity. Kiker says that Rush among fraternities has changed. Fraternities have become more competitive and are now looking at how their members will perform academically. Steve Lacouvsky of Sigma Alpha Mu says that his fraternity and others have had to incorporate a program of change in order to provide incentives and punishments to establish higher grades and to eliminate problems before they start. Sigma Alpha Mu has set minimum grade requirements in order to stay active. The fraternity has also started internal competitions within

the house to win prizes and scholarships. Sigma Alpha Mu has also purchased a computer for the brothers to use and set up a study room with 24-hour quiet hours. If a brother is having problems in a class, the house has a list of brothers who are available as tutors or will provide assistance in obtaining a professional tutor. The fraternity, Lacouvsky says, also has lecturers come talk at weekly brother meetings on topics like time management, course planning for careers, and current legal issues dealing with fraternities. The fraternity has also hired a full time academic and career adviser to oversee the fraternity. Alas, the days of drinking until you puke and failing out of school seem to be over for fraternities as they grow up and prepare to enter a changing society.



As fraternities turn over a new leaf, there may not be quite as many beer cans hanging from the trees. Michael Russell/Staff

## Forget UPI and AP, head for the National Enquirer

Almost every day I worry what kind of job I will get when I graduate. I ruled out the \$50,000 job. I do not need a Porsche when I can drive a Pinto. I guess all I need out of life is a reclining chair, a large television screen and an ever-present case of beer. I have thought about working for United Press International or The Associated Press wires, but I would have to do research. I have even considered working in Germany since that is going to be the hot spot in a few years. The only problem with this idea is that my German teacher does not agree that I can get a job there.

### Matt Byers

#### Parting Shots

Maybe it is because I say the same thing every time I am called on — Ich habe keine Ahnung. Basically, this means I have no idea what the hell is going on. This could be relevant to the fact that when I was forced to study German as a youth I spent most of my time learning German swear words. Anyway, Germany does not seem too appealing to me because I cannot speak German.

If you pressed me I would also have to admit that I do not even like the pictures in my German book. I used to like the pictures my first semester because the caption was written in English. Since they are in German now, I cannot tell if people in the pictures are in a coffee shop or the zoo. All right, so I deviated from what I started writing about. Most professors do, so why can't I? To sum it up, I want a Pinto, an everlasting supply of beer, nothing to do with Germany unless it is a female and she is hot, and an excellent job. I was in Fast Fare the other day waiting to

play a video game and it hit me — not what I wanted to do with my life — but that I only had a dollar left. If I spent another quarter I would not be able to buy a copy of the National Enquirer or the Weekly World News. And that is when I had my sudden realization. I could work for one of these shoddy papers. Where else could I get a job where I can be drunk half the time, do no research, make up things and travel — besides working for the government. Just imagine the people I would get to interview.

If I worked for the World News last week, I would have been able to interview the man who cured his baldness by coating his head with baking soda. Not only does he have hair now, but even a nice case of dandruff. Maybe he can cure this problem by using Super Glue on his scalp. By wasting my time in college, I also missed my chance to interview the man who killed his wife with bad breath. He tried kissing her and she croaked. I bet he is a proud young man. Or how about the 400-pound drunk who

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From : The Trade and Reference Department of NCSU Bookstores, Dunn Avenue

Occasion : To join in its celebration of Black History month

Date : Tuesday, February 20

Time : 11:30 am - 2 pm

Purpose : To enhance the month's focus, the program will include selected literary excerpts read by NCSU students. Distinguished NCSU faculty and staff will be present to autograph their own works, which will be in special display for the occasion.



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# State's women swimmers finish fourth in conference

Mazur takes first in 100 breaststroke

By Mic Cover  
Staff Writer

After hosting an exciting three-day ACC Championship meet, the N.C. State women's swim team placed fourth in the conference with a total score of 478.5.

The Virginia Wahoos battled for first with UNC and Clemson, winning the title with 780.5 points. UNC finished second with 755, and three-time defending champion Clemson was third with 674.

The University of Maryland followed State in fifth place with 353 points, and Duke placed sixth with 208.

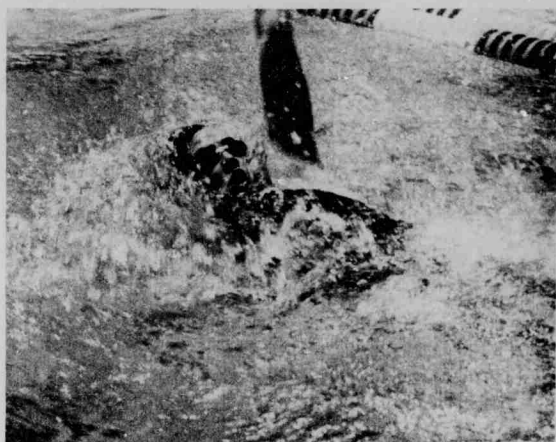
Clemson's Mandy Meek was named diver of the meet, while UVA captured both swimmer of the meet and coach of the year awards.

There were many surprises in store for ACC fans as the meet progressed.

One surprise was Virginia's unprecedented improvement over the stretch of three days. Through determination and help from an impressive fan turnout, UVA climbed from third place to first, knocking Clemson, the ACC favorite, out of its chance for victory.

An individual surprise was NCSU's Julie Pananen, who pulled off placing fourth in a heat she did not even compete in.

Pananen finished the 1650



freestyle with a time of 17:07.81 Saturday afternoon, a time strong enough to place her fourth in the final heat that night.

If Pananen had the chance to compete with the final heat herself, she could have done even better. State head coach Don Easterling said,

"She might have gotten third—she would have deserved it," he said.

Several Wolfpack swimmers turned in impressive individual performances.

State sophomore Laura Mazur won the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:04.37 and placed second in the 200 breaststroke with a time of 2:20.63.

Wolfpack senior Crissy MacMillan placed sixth in the 500 freestyle with a time of 4:56.51. Freshman Niki Adams placed eighth in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:07.11.

The Wolfpack divers faced their greatest challenge of the season, as

they tackled the 1-2-3 combination of the Clemson Tigers.

Sophomore Heidi Candler just missed the top eight cutoffs by placing ninth in the one-meter Thursday as well as in the three-meter event Saturday night.

Clemson dominated both events, placing first, second and third in the one meter and first and second in the three-meter.

The relay team of Kathy Litting, Mazur, Adams and JoAnn Emerson

placed fourth in the 400 medley relay with a time of 3:51.48.

Mazur was happy with her own performance.

"I think I did well," Mazur said after the 200 IM consolation finals and the 400 medley relay. "I think the team's swimming well."

The Pack flexed its muscles in the 200 backstroke, placing third, fourth and fifth in the event. Litting led the Pack with a time of 2:05.34, followed by Heather Anderson at

2:05.87 and Adams at 2:06.65.

State freshman Suzanne Gardner placed sixth in the 200 butterfly with a time of 2:06.31.

The three-day event came to a thrilling conclusion in the 400 freestyle relay, where the Pack team of Litting, MacMillan, Emerson and Anderson placed fifth at 3:33.39.

There was a common feeling of team spirit among the Wolfpack

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(Left) State's Niki Adams competes in the 400 individual medley in the ACC Championships. (Above) Pack swimmers watch the action in Carmichael Natatorium.

# Pack wrestlers lose close bout to Navy

By Joe Johnson  
Staff Writer

The N.C. State wrestling team hosted the Midshipmen of Navy in the important intercollegiate match Saturday night. The Pack, standing at 8-8-2 going into the match, had high hopes of staying above .500 for the season, but it was not to be as Navy escaped with a 20-13 victory.

The tone of the match was set early as State senior Ricky Strausbaugh could only muster a tie in the opening bout. Strausbaugh led Navy's Robert Weiss throughout the bout until the last five seconds when Weiss managed to take Strausbaugh down.

The two points Weiss gained were enough to force a draw. The team score was knotted at two following the bout.

"It's incredible the shape that they're in," Strausbaugh said of the Navy wrestlers. "They just keep coming at you and wear you down."

Next up for the Pack was sophomore Clayton Grice, who wrestled Mark Smith in a high-scoring bout. Smith narrowly defeated Grice in a 10-9 decision. After

the second bout, Navy jumped to a 5-2 lead.

Junior Mark Mangrum was next on the mat for State. Mangrum's bout with Navy's Kelly Davis was a low-scoring affair with Mangrum coming up short on a 3-1 decision. Navy extended its lead to 8-2 following Davis' win.

State got back on the board in the 142-pound class with a win by freshman Mark Cesari. Cesari out-duelled Brad Gazaway by a score of 6-1 to narrow Navy's lead to 8-5.

Senior Steve Cesari faced Navy's Aaron Peters in the next bout. Cesari and Peters went the distance in an evenly contested bout that ended in a 2-2 tie. Navy's lead remained three with the team score standing at 10-7.

At 158-pounds, State's Steve Kinard faced Scott Schleicher. Schleicher, who is currently the top-ranked wrestler in the division, was a heavy favorite to defeat Kinard.

Kinard wrestled exceptionally well, taking Schleicher the distance before losing a major decision 18-7. Schleicher's win boosted the Navy lead to 14-7.

Steve Williams was next on the mat for the Wolfpack. Williams came away with a narrow 7-6 victory over Ed Dewald to slice Navy's lead to 14-10.

"I've wrestled him before so I knew what to expect," said Steve Williams. "But when my asthma acted up it made the bout doubly tough. I'm just glad to come away with a win."

State senior Mike Lantz wrestled Steve Cantrell in the 177-pound division. Cantrell defeated Lantz by a score of 6-4. Lantz's loss was only his fourth since December 1. Cantrell's win extended Navy's margin to 17-10.

In the 190-pound class, Ty Williams faced Dave Raby. Williams came out with a 6-4 decision over Raby to pull the Pack back within four at 17-13, and to extend his undefeated streak which goes back almost a month.

In the heavyweight division, State's Sylvester Terka, hit the mat against Brett Bourne. The match went the distance with Terka falling by the narrow margin of 2-1.

Bourne's victory lifted the final outcome to 20-13 in favor of Navy.



Ricky Strausbaugh's match against Navy's Robert Weiss Saturday ended in a tie.

"We wrestled very hard tonight," said head coach Bob Guzzo. "There were a couple of pivotal matches that didn't go our way and that was the difference."

It speaks well of our kids that they've continued to come out with a lot of heart match after match. The team could have given up but they haven't and I'm really proud of them

for it." State's record now stands at 8-9-2 overall and 2-2 in the ACC. Navy raises its record to 14-5 overall.

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Electrical engineering students sound off about the pros and cons of the upcoming \$100 computer lab fee that will go towards the new, workstation-based computer system. Some think getting new equipment is great, while some find the fee a little hard to swallow.

# BUCK\$ FOR BYTES II

**A** College of Engineering committee chose a workstation vendor for its planned network of 600 engineering workstations last week.

They have signed a letter of intent to purchase the DECstation 2100 from Digital Equipment Corporation, but a final purchase contract has not been completed yet, said Tom Miller, the committee leader.

The workstations will be financed largely through a \$100 fee increase for all engineering students. An initial group of 200 workstations will replace the Sage system in Leazar Hall.

Next Fall, all freshmen engineering students and engineering students in courses which require the workstation will pay a \$100 fee.

In the Fall of 1991, the College of Engineering plans to have all 600 machines and they will charge the \$100 fee to every engineering student including graduate students.

Digital gave NCSU a 50 percent discount on the computers, which would have cost \$3.3 million without the discount, and Digital provided a development grant worth \$910 thousand, Miller said.

At least some students knew about the plans for the workstations and the increased fee, Miller said. The dean of the College of Engineering sent a number of memos to department heads about the plans. The

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memos "urged departments to inform student groups about this," he said, Miller made presentations to the IEEE student organization. The first one was more than a year ago, he said.

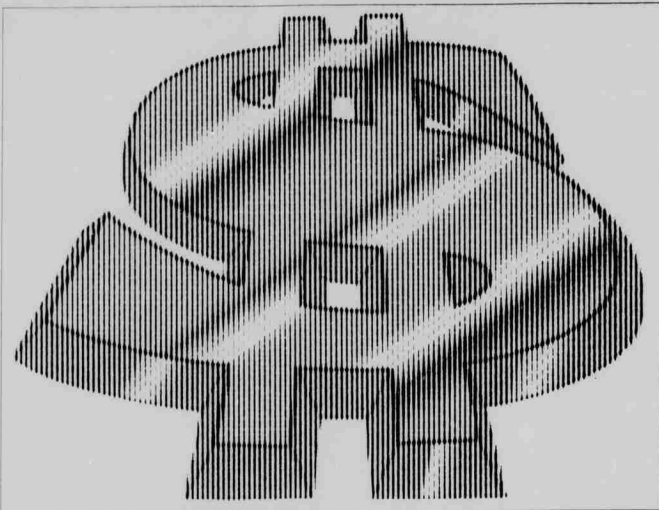
Engineering students on campus last week had varied opinions about the plan. Some called the price tag too high. Others said it was worth it. The students will be paying about \$25 per month for computer access.

"I think it's a good idea to go to the workstations. I'm in favor of what Miller is doing," said Jerry Goodwin, a doctoral candidate in Electrical Engineering.

"It's maybe a 70 percent increase over what they're paying now," Goodwin said.

"I think it's ridiculous myself," said Rich Wood, a computer science student. "They won't drop the lab fee down ever," he said. "I pay \$2700 a semester. I don't want to pay another \$100 per semester," Wood said. "I'm happy with moving this stuff in, but I'm not happy with seeing how their charging people. But I'll be out of here in a year," Wood said. "What do I care?"

Miller said that in the future, industry might be interested in supporting the project because industry is interested in large scale networks of workstations.



Goodwin said that getting workstations is a good idea because the systems will be "so much better than what they've got." It will have an operating system like those used in industry.

Keith Thompson, a master's student in computer science, also supports the project. "Since the state government is no longer supporting the UNC university system, somebody had to do it," Thompson said. Chris Sherman a senior computer

science major was positive about the fee and the project. "One hundred bucks is not a lot of money when you see what your going to use. We will be the envy of the Tri-angel. We're putting down major bucks for computing," Sherman said.

Sherman works as a part-time systems administrator at SAS. He said that he has used these workstations, including DECstation 2100, DECstation 3100, IRIS, Sun, Apollon, and Next.

The systems will use the UNIX operating system with X Windows, Sherman said. Presently, if students want to use UNIX, "there are only four or five they can use," Sherman said.

X Windows workstations are "incredibly powerful," Sherman said. "With X Windows multiple

files and applications can appear and run on the screen at one time. With its 19 inch screen, many windows can be opened at once.

Miller said that the workstations have no limit to the number of windows that can be opened, but typically three or four are opened. The monochrome monitor supports high resolution graphics.

Electrical engineering senior Bill Grass said that the fee for this project, in his words, "sucks." Grass suggested providing assistance to financially stressed students. He said the money from the fee can be used.

Some students will have to pay the fee who do not need a computer for their courses, objected several students.

Miller said that engineers should get away from the idea of using computers for specific courses. He

said that a computer is an engineer's most important tool with the exception of his mind.

Engineers should "think of these as a resource for day to day engineering problems," Miller said.

Engineering junior Tracy Lankford said a lot of people will not use the work stations because they have their own system at home and will want to work there because "at least it's quiet there."

Alan Porter, a computer science student, said he won't have to pay for it because he is a senior but that he would get his money out of it if he was paying for it. "I think it's a pretty neat idea," and that for engineering students it will be a better computing experience. It will be much than the current systems such as the Sages or TUCC. But, Porter added, for the \$800 to \$1000 spent on it per student, "I could buy a pretty killer system."

Dave Gunter, a master's candidate in computer engineering said, "I have two personal computers at home and I have got telephone access to the computer network on campus," Gunter said. "I probably won't benefit as much as most people," he said. "I could use improvements in dialup much more than I could use a bunch of workstations," he said. He said access to the VAX computers from home was too limited. He suggested creating "a set of dial up lines just for the school of engineering."

Miller said the college of engineering planned to work with the Computing Center to make the network easily available using home computers hooked to telephone lines.

Gunter said, "All in all, I think the workstations are a good idea, but I'm not enthused about (paying) 100 bucks a semester."

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## Editorials

### To drive or not to drive?

The high school dropout rate is a problem across the nation. Under proposed legislation in South Carolina, a dropout under 17 would be unable to get a driver's license. If a student misses more than 10 school days without excuse, their license would be suspended until they turned 18 or until they re-enrolled for a minimum of 30 days.

Such measures must be encouraged in order to combat the growing illiteracy problem across the nation. Approximately 25 percent of all high school students will never graduate. The percentage in South Carolina is 33 percent — obviously one of the reasons for the legislation.

There is a certain responsibility that accompanies growing up. Part of this responsibility involves commitment to completion of high school. Teenagers who quit school after getting their license to work (or worse, to do nothing) lack a fundamental understanding of our world. Education is required to succeed and is something that no one can ever take away from someone else.

The dropout problem does not just affect the teenager, the work environment is affected also. Less educated employees can jeopardize their co-workers.

For example, if someone's reading skills are less than adequate, they may not be able to comprehend the care instructions of a dangerous chemical used in their job. Also, extra training might be necessary for those who have never learned how to learn.

At best dropouts are lucky to find jobs, since they would be the least attractive of two applicants, one having finished high school and the other not. When dropouts are unable to find jobs, they must rely on public assistance for support. This is unfair to the average taxpayer who had the same opportunity as the dropout, finished high school and now must support their wages a person who would not finish school.

An even greater problem is those dropouts who resort to crime as a means of support. Prisons cost everyone.

Often in the past, dropouts relied upon the option to enlist in the armed services. That is no longer an option — the services no longer accept dropouts.

Denying this reason to drop out ("Well, I can just join the Army.") is a good action, as it provides more incentive to stay in school.

Current South Carolina law makes it illegal to drop out before age 17. This law is rarely enforceable because of administrative red tape.

The link between a driver's license and high school completion is important. Other states should investigate the same type of legislation to encourage better literacy for everyone.

Teenagers will have to decide — drive until graduation or wreck their education.

### Citadel must loosen up

Times are changing. For the first time in its 148-year-old history, The Citadel in Charleston, S.C. has a female applicant.

The Citadel's policy is that women are not admitted to become cadets, though they may enroll in evening and summer classes and graduate school. The Justice Department is considering legal action against Virginia Military Institute (VMI) for barring women.

VMI and The Citadel are the only state-funded military schools that do not admit women. State-funded is a key phrase. The use of taxpayer funds dictates that the school should give everyone a fair chance. Further, precluding the admission of women constitutes discrimination on the basis of sex, which is prohibited by law.

The Citadel needs to change with the times. There are no valid reasons for not accepting women. Cadets have said that if women are admitted then they will lose such time-honored traditions as hazing of freshmen. Wake up, folks. Hazing is falling out of fashion. It is not only degrading, it is dangerous. The Citadel should not consider itself an elite organization, privileged beyond others and above the law.

What other excuses can The Citadel offer? If West Point, the premier military institute in the nation, admits women, so can The Citadel. The armed forces accept women. Moreover, those women are an integral part of the day-to-day operation of the military.

Women have proven their worth to the armed forces. There is no reason for them to prove it again — least of all to a group who refuses to keep pace with the times.

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## Columns

### U.S. must be cautious with Soviets

Jim Clayton

Opinion Columnist

As I'm sure all of you are aware, there have been some fantastic changes taking place on the European continent in the last few months. These events are fantastic in both their enormity and in their possible benefits to the future of the western hemisphere.

It's hard to believe these positive changes could have any negative repercussions. The most obvious deals with the possible reunification of the two Germanys. This reunification would be the source of great alarm to much of the European community.

The fears of the two Germany's neighbors — with regard to a new Europe that has only one Germany — are a very real source of concern. There were 50 million killed in World War II, and that war was started by Hitler's desire to unite all of the traditionally German-speaking peoples of Europe. To many Europeans, one Germany presents a real threat.

Today we face new dilemmas. Rapid geopolitical changes are taking place in Europe at a lightning pace. The opening of the Berlin Wall, democratic governments in Poland, Rumania and East Germany and the introduction of pluralistic politics in the Soviet Union are all events that we Westerners have always dreamed of yet never really expected.

Now that we have the things we hoped for, what are we going to do? You know what they say, Be careful of what you wish for; you just might get it.

What will happen to the balance of power between the east and west? This parity

between the superpowers and their allies was the catalyst for the changes we see occurring all over Europe. We mustn't forget that the continued pressure of U.S. administrations and Congressional support of NATO helped force the Soviet's hand. The Soviets do not possess the ability to compete with the US in an all out, large scale race of technologically superior military hardware. The last ten years have demonstrated this.

Just a few short years ago the late Soviet First Secretary Leonid Brezhnev (for all you youngsters he was one of Mr. Gorbachev's predecessors) stated that the goal of the Soviet state was world domination. Two things kept this goal from becoming a reality — the persistence of the U.S. in pushing the Soviets beyond their capabilities and the simple fact that repression and intimidation as a means of controlling political thought is ineffective.

Now we get to the part everyone was waiting for: How does this affect me?

One of the first effects will be a slight economic decline as we shift our resources from a military-industrial basis to one of a more domestic nature.

Our Armed Forces will decline in strength, as will the defense industry and the Defense Department. There will be

more military base closings and the congressmen from areas saturated with defense contractors will be screaming their heads off.

On the plus side, the U.S. will be able to drastically increase exports, especially to the former communist bloc. This will lower the trade deficit, boost the economy and create a whole new group of nations dependent on the U.S. for her support (money) and technology.

While all of these great things are going on the U.S. had better keep a keen eye on the horizon. We cannot forget the Soviet Union is the largest nation in the world.

They have one of the largest oil reserves in the world. Given an extended period of international harmony where the Soviets could be left to internal development, the US could find itself behind the eight-ball. Given time, technological hardware, capital and a little luck the Soviets could catch up and pass the US as the leading nation of the world.

Scary thought. If we're not careful we could be going to school in Raleighgrad, attending North Carolina Stateski, learning how to conjugate the verb "to repress" in Russian. I have a solution. How about we launch a first strike at midnight tonight. You know, Kick their butts before they even know what hit 'em. Never could trust those Commies anyway.

Jim Clayton is a senior majoring in history.

## Campus Forum

### United States must give support to South Africa

The South African government must be held accountable for the 71 prisoners who died while detained without charges under South Africa's stringent security laws.

Just as the Soviet Union must be held responsible for the thousands of men and women sentenced to "mental hospitals" or the gulag with little hope of ever gaining their freedom.

Mikhail Gorbachev however, by recognizing past atrocities and moving quickly to abolish them, has rapidly established himself as a leader dedicated to constructive reform.

President De Klerk has similarly proved himself to be the new leader in South Africa. His swift decision to order a thorough investigation into the recent prison death of Clayton Sistole underscores his efforts to clean up the police force and crack down on strong-arm police tactics. He has released political prisoners, curtailed human rights abuses and called for a new constitution which will allow social and political freedom for all South Africans.

The challenges facing these two leaders are formidable indeed, yet both men have met them with courage and determination. Unable to change the past, they strive to create a new future.

The United States, recognizing soviet achievements, is strongly supporting Gorbachev's efforts to institutionalize his reforms. It is time for the United States to lend the same support to the government and people of South Africa.

GEORGE D. URIBE, II  
Raleigh, NC

### Poor planning penalizes library users

Thanks to short-sightedness on the part of our state legislature and an equal lack of foresight on the part of our governor, students are facing the effects of a terrible budget crunch.

Hurricane Hugo knocked some dollars out of the budget; that was unforeseeable and unavoidable. But the legislature voted this past summer to raise our tuition 20 percent, despite protests of student leaders who petitioned representatives on several occasions. That increase should have

bolstered the general fund more than enough to cover the expenses incurred by the state due to Hugo.

As for the other claims made by Governor Martin, they do not hold water because any amount of good planning would have averted the shortfall in revenue.

As such as the government has caused students inconvenience and trouble, the steps undertaken by the D.H. Hill Library, the most needed and used facility on campus, have been worse. Library staff has been cut and because of the reduction in workers, officials have closed the front and Annex entrances. Therein lies the problem.

One would assume that some study of traffic would have been made before entrances were blocked, but the administration's choice of keeping just the east doors open belies this assumption.

Anyone who has ever used the library knows the bulk of people who use the library do so through the doors on the Hillsborough Street side, especially at night when most students utilize the facilities.

And at night, the back entrance is not well lit or safe to access, presenting considerable difficulty for all women and many men who patronize the library.

Handicapped students must get "permission" to use the library now that the only handicapped-accessible doors are closed. It would seem students are being punished for using a necessary resource.

Poor planning hits all phases of the system. The sad part is that students are being disadvantaged. Until a higher premium is placed on education by the state and the people who run the library, North Carolina will remain at the bottom of the test score range and the productivity and progressiveness scale. We are losing ground fast.

SUSAN BROOKS  
Senior, English

### Positive attitudes cause positive actions

At a time when African-Americans are expressing pride in themselves and their culture, an awareness is needed by those who wish to understand how persons can be proud of themselves without using this to express hatred for others or superiority to others.

Part of everyone's psychological development is the idea of the self concept. This is a person's knowledge and awareness

of who they are, what they are, what qualities they have and/or what they look like. This development starts early and continues throughout life.

Evaluations or judgments of oneself go along with the self-concept. These judgments can be positive or negative and make up high or low self-esteem. In making these judgments, we use information that we receive from ourselves, friends, family and society in general.

Historically in America, African-Americans have been negatively stereotyped, misused and oppressed in a system that perpetuates racism. As African-Americans learn more about their ancestry they can and should be proud of the contributions that their culture has made and continues to make to the betterment of humankind.

As Na'im Akbar stated, "African-Americans have endured the unendurable." Maybe that is where "too black . . . too strong" comes from?

In closing, I would challenge African-Americans to learn about their ancestry and continue to fall in love with themselves. This love and pride can be expressed in different ways. I propose that those who love themselves do not need to say they are superior to others.

Those who love themselves do not need to dehumanize others. Those who love themselves do not need to hurt others. Those who love themselves do not disrespect others, and those who love themselves do not need to write derogatory remarks about others in the Free Expression Tunnel.

Those who love themselves practice healthy, positive behaviors rather than self-destructive, negative behaviors. The time is right and the information available for African-Americans and others to learn about themselves and diverse cultures. An African proverb states "not to know is bad — not to wish to know is worse." As you learn remember that those who take pride in themselves act differently than those who do not!

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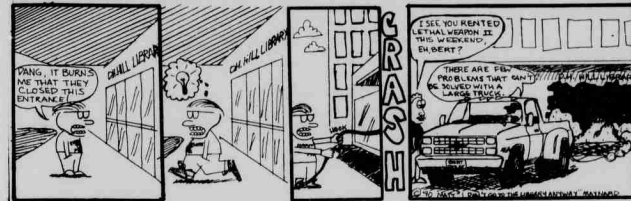
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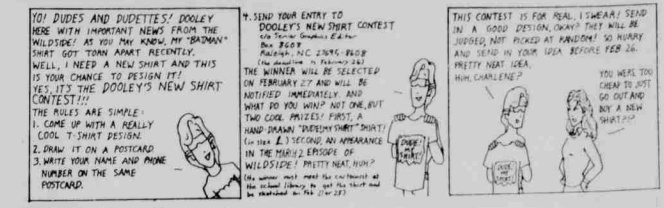
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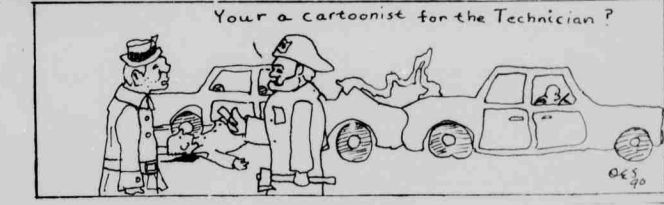
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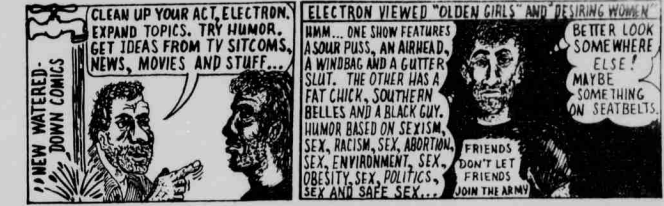
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# Workstations

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they will have a good word-processing tool," Goodwin said. "Nothing I've seen on Unix holds a candle to what you can do on Macintosh," he said. "The standard on Unix is LaTeX and that's about as unfriendly a word processor as I've ever seen." Goodwin said. "The average engineering student couldn't use it to write a paper like they could use a Mac," Goodwin said.

Dan Evans said he used a workstation at Northern Telecom and a word processor called Interleaf. That software cost \$50 thousand per workstation," Evans said.

Miller said, "Now that we've made a decision (about hardware), we are in a position to go out and negotiate for software." Some companies may charge the college nothing for software, Miller said.

Miller said the Digital Corporation is trying to get Interleaf and DecWrite for word processing, Mathematica for symbolic math (like calculus and algebra), SAS for statistics, AutoCad from Autodesk Company,

Pro-Chart, and a CAD package from Schlumberger.

He said Digital is working on "getting them here at a price we can afford," Miller said. He also said we have an "excellent chance" of getting them. Miller said he is only concerned about getting Mathematica. The system will also have a spreadsheet called XS, Miller wrote XS.

In addition to these applications, the students can write programs using Fortran 77, Pascal, C, C++ and others languages. Digital will provide the software to compile and run those languages, Miller said.

But Miller said the system will use Athena software for the network operations. Athena is public domain software, he said.

Some students said transferring files across a big network could be slow. The system will employ the Ethernet protocol. Goodwin said Ethernet bogs down with heavy traffic.

"They're going to have to work real hard with 600 machines on the network to keep the network from bogging down, no matter how you organize it..." Goodwin said.

Miller said "a lot of work has been done at MIT on this very problem," Miller said. That's one reason for selecting this kind of

system (based on the MIT system)."

NCSU will try to avoid the problem by segmenting the network of 200 workstations into 4 parts. Segmenting allows you to avoid high traffic. "50 workstation on a segment is substantially fewer than an ethernet segment can support," Miller said.

Also, specialized file servers will reduce the problem, Miller said. User files are stored on one file server and operating system files on another, and the network will have print servers and servers for logging on and off the network, he said.

Each segment will have a bridge to connect it to the College of Engineering network.

Students can use any workstation to get their files, Miller said. They will not have to use a specific machine. The startup of applications may be slow because of network delays. After it is received at the computer, it will be 10 times faster than the Macintosh, Miller said the speed is important when running multiple applications.

Goodwin said that management of the system could be a big problem. Miller said that plans call for three additional full time positions to administer the new system. In the first year, four people from Engineering

College Computer operations department will be dedicated to the project, Miller said. Goodwin said the budgeted \$200 maintenance fee might not be enough.

Miller said he was confident that the machines could be maintained at the planned \$200 limit. He said the university would license Digital's diagnostic software and local staff could "probably fix 90 percent of the problems ourselves through board swapping."

"All of the servers and critical components will be under maintenance contract," he said. Based on discussions, the campus service agreement "will allow us to maintain digital computers at 75 percent discount," Miller said.

The full number of workstations will remain on line by keeping spare workstations on hand, Miller said.

Gunter said that workstations operating system was notoriously insecure. "If it's architected correctly," it should be OK, Gunter said.

Miller said that Athena provides an "authentication system" to check for valid users on the system. He said that "800 machines are deployed at MIT and they have never had a major security breach,

never had a virus or any problem like that."

In making the decision for the DECstation 2100, Miller said the technology of all of the alternatives was essentially the same. However, DEC would provide the college with greater system set up support.

DEC spent \$90 million to develop project Athena at MIT which serves as a model for the NCSU network. The leader of that development effort will spend two weeks at NCSU during the setup period. "The head guy will come next week or the week after that to start..." Miller said.

"Faculty in the math department have expressed interest in the teaching of calculus to students using the workstation," Miller said. "Faculty in English have expressed interest in the workstations to teach technical writing," he said. That would be "an experimental kind of thing. It would allow more interaction between student and instructors to work on papers via the network," Miller said.

The lab will be open 24 hours per day. The DECstation has 12 megabytes of RAM (Random Access Memory). Each machine has 104 MEG of disk storage. Students will have 3 MEG of storage, accessible from a private file server via Ethernet.

# Cope is sports' new upset king

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was hired as crew chief. Things seemed to be coming together for Cope.

But Purulor had other ideas. The company wasn't happy with its investment and planned to end its association with NASCAR at the end of 1989. With no sponsor, Whitcomb thought of folding the team, for the second time.

But the Hendrick engines powered Cope to some impressive drives late last year and Purulor changed its mind. Cope came to Daytona in 1990 with a Keith Dorton engine

(Keith's brother, Randy, is the chief engine builder for Hendrick Motorsports) and posted the third-fastest practice time in pre-season testing, but people still didn't think he was a real contender. Cope? They couldn't even spell his first name right.

But he was there all day Sunday and when Earnhardt had problems, Cope found his way to victory lane. Unbelievable.

Move over Buster Douglas. There's a new upset king in town.

You can believe Derricke Cope won't be eating any Wendy's chili any time soon.

# Wolfpack swimmers finish fourth in ACC

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swimmers during the championships. "We've been moving up a lot of places," Pananen said during the meet.

Pananen also noticed improvement during the Pack's performances during the morning preliminaries and their final times at night.

Pananen displayed much improvement herself. Besides her success in the 1650, she swam an impressive 5:02.77 in the 500 free.

"It was my best time this year," Pananen said.

"I wouldn't give this team up for the world," Littig said. "It's a great feeling to touch the wall, look up to your best time, and see your teammates there."

State's Emerson saw her own best time in the 100 freestyle, a final time of 52.86. She was happy with her performance, an admirable effort for her last ACC Championships.

"It's been a big part of my life since I was six years old," Emerson said of swimming.

Easterling was "really proud" of his swimmers, and felt they displayed impressive effort in the meet.

"They just had a lot of heart," the Wolfpack coach said. "They had a 95 percent improvement...it's exciting to see. I don't think anybody's kids improved more than ours did."

"It was an honor to coach them. A real honor."

"I don't like being fourth," Easterling admitted. "But in my heart, they're a lot more than fourth. They're all winners."

# Columnist craves mail

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fell on a cop and killed him during a sobriety test.

The drunk at least had a good quote to the Daily Sun. "The cop was arrogant as hell. He asked me how much I had had to drink. I told him if I had to keep count, it would take all the fun out of drinking. He made me waddle over to the car... I was really plowed... I heard the cop scream just before I passed out."

What an interview! I am filling out my resume right now.

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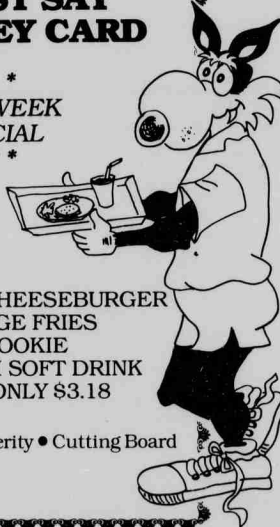
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Independent filmmaker STEVEN WEISS, whose haunting films depict the Midwest heartland through the eyes of an American surrealist, will present a program of two works, *Miami is OK* (1982, 23 minutes) and *The Boy Who Loved Venus* (1988, 27 min.) on Mon. Feb. 19 at 8 pm in Erdahl-Cloyd Theatre in D.H. Hill Library, NCSU. Weiss is a visiting media artist on the Southern Circuit tour, a program of the South Carolina Arts Commission made possible through the support of the National Endowment for the Arts, the Southern Arts Federation and local sponsors.

Weiss, who lives in Baltimore, Maryland, and teaches film at nearby Towson State University, gained international recognition with *Miami is OK*, a quirky and poetic documentary shot in Miami, Oklahoma, which was screened at festivals in Sydney, Australia and Edinburgh, Scotland, as well as at the New York Film Festival. Distinguished by elegant black and white photography and an offbeat use of '50s and '60s pop music, *Miami is OK* was selected as one of 1982's 10 best films by *Village Voice* critic J. Hoberman.

*The Boy Who Loved Venus*, Weiss's most recently completed work, is a lyrical narrative about a young boy's journey through his fantasies in search of the "Dream Keeper." Like *Miami is OK*, the film was made in the rural midwest and features a nostalgic soundtrack that includes songs like "Crazy" by Patsy Cline, "Blue Moon," and "Mama Didn't Lie." A dreamlike exploration of solitude and loneliness, *The Boy Who Loved Venus* presents a strange and unsettling vision of the American family.



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