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Zia: Committee to name permanent provost by July 1991

By Kimberly Molnar
Staff Writer

The search for a new provost at N.C. State, which began 14 months ago, is still going strong. With some luck and no more interruptions, the search committee should produce its candidate for the job of chief academic officer by July 1, 1991, said Paul Zia, chairman of the committee. Advertisements for the position

have been published in many national newspapers, such as the Chronicle of Higher Education, which are read by university administrators. Presidents of all major universities have been contacted for their nominations. The result is a row of applications stretching about 18 inches across the bookshelves in the office of William Simpson, executive secretary of the committee. The applications came from all over the U.S.

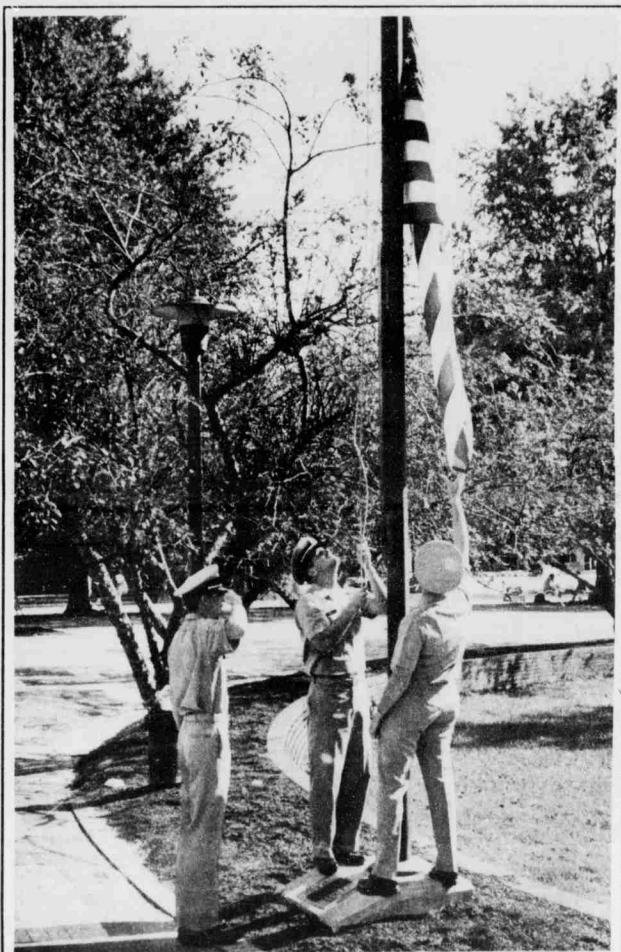
The Search Committee for the Provost, made up of 16 people, will begin screening applications on Oct. 1. The committee will continue receiving applications during this process, Zia said. As the second-ranking administrative officer of the university, the provost oversees all academic programs, research, student affairs and international programs. Qualifications for the new provost include: academic credentials that

merit appointment as a full professor with tenure, an earned doctorate, or a requisite terminal degree in the applicant's area of study; a distinguished record as a faculty member; an understanding of the goals of a public research university; successful administrative experience and a commitment to action. Former Provost Nash Winstead retired at the end of August after serving for 37 years on the faculty, the last 16 of them as provost.

Franklin Hart was appointed interim provost until a permanent appointment is made. The original search committee was appointed by former Chancellor Bruce Poulton in April 1989. When Poulton resigned last August, the search committee was suspended until Chancellor Larry Monteith reviewed the structure of the committee and reactivated it on May 2 of this year. Although the committee cannot

comment on any candidates, they are optimistic about the response of applicants.

Search Committee members are: Paul Zia, Wendy Boss, Larry Clark, William Collins, Erika Fairchild, Major Goodman, David Haase, Thomas Honeycutt, Gerald Lucovsky, Leonard Pietrafesa, V. Kerry Smith, Debra Stewart, Larry Tombaugh, William Simpson, Beth McGee and three others.



Calling it a day

Chris Hondros/Staff

Navy Midshipman 4th class Ashley Walton (L), Midshipman 1st class Jeffrey Wright (M) lower Old Midshipman 3rd class Scott Bumgardner (R) and Glory on a cool Tuesday afternoon.

Campus Moslems condemn Iraq's actions

By Asher Husain
Staff Writer

Most Moslem students at N.C. State condemn Saddam Hussein's military action in the Middle East and support the U.N. sanctions against Iraq, but they also perceive an inherent hypocrisy in American foreign policy. From their point of view, Americans are more eager to protect the values of self-determination and freedom from tyranny when it involves oil-rich nations such as Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. They feel that the same intolerance should have been extended toward South Africa's invasion of Angola and other neighboring African countries or Israel's attack on Lebanon and the occupied territories.

The students expressing their opinions are seven Moslem students here at NCSU. Most of them are attending NCSU as graduate students. Most of the students asked that their names not be mentioned, due to the possibility of retaliation should the Middle East situation worsen. They said that someone has already called the Islamic Center of Raleigh threatening violence should American lives be lost in the Gulf. Many of them have family and friends back home, and are rather anxious about the events of the past two months. In addition to being concerned about their loved ones, quite a few students are worried by what they perceive as a one-sided approach exhibited by the media and American indifference toward the problems and sentiments of the people in that region. A large majority of Moslem students at NCSU do not approve of

Iraq's annexation of Kuwait. As one Palestinian doctorate student emphatically stated, "I don't support occupation by force, because I have suffered under Israeli occupation myself." But at the same time, many of them feel that the American media has gone too far in trying to discredit Saddam Hussein, especially when describing the situation in Kuwait. One student has parents living in Kuwait, with whom he communicated frequently. In addition, he met several people who left Kuwait after the invasion and have subsequently returned.

"The news I hear from [over there] is totally different from the news here ... [as if] they are talking about two different Kuwaits," he said. The wrongdoings of the Iraqi Army, he said, are greatly exaggerated. While there were a few cases of rape and looting, the number is not nearly as great as implied in news broadcasts here. Those soldiers that were guilty of these crimes were quickly punished. He hastened to add that the punishment for rape was execution. He also claims many Arab storekeepers have asked Iraqi soldiers to protect their shops from other troublemakers who are doing most of the stealing. Arab students also feel that the likelihood of an Iraqi invasion of Saudi Arabia was greatly exaggerated by the press as well as the Bush administration in order to justify a mobilization of troops. Since Iraq shares a large border with Saudi Arabia, they believe that had Saddam Hussein wanted that country, he could have easily invaded at the onset of the crisis, before

anyone became aware of what was going on. Furthermore, they assert that there is no possible reason Saddam would even consider invading Saudi Arabia, due to the religious significance that country has for Moslems throughout the Middle East. As Wael Masri, treasurer of the International Student Committee and president of the Lebanese Student Association, put it, "It would be politically foolish. The Moslem community would instantaneously turn against him." Many Arab students, especially Palestinians, see the need to include the Israeli/Palestinian question as part of a peace initiative. One Palestinian student said, "There is a correlation between the Iraqi/Kuwait conflict and the Israeli/Palestinian conflict ... you can't deal with this issue [Kuwait] and leave the Palestinian question as something to be solved later." As far as the involvement of troops go, Middle East students here at NCSU feel that the U.S. Armed Forces should be brought back home. They argue that in reality it is a Middle East conflict that should be handled by the inhabitants of that region, and the leaders who have welcomed American forces to Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf do not represent the views of their subjects or constituents. "I wish the American forces a safe and speedy return," Masri said, "and I hope they will not get involved in a military confrontation. Such a confrontation cannot be easily limited to just Iraq and could escalate into a serious multi-dimensional conflict with no end in sight."

Faculty, staff to receive AllCampus privileges

By L. Scott Tillett
Staff Writer

Faculty and staff at N.C. State will now have one of the same privileges as students: the AllCampus money card. "It took three years, actually, to get everything squared away," said Zeph Putnem, associate director of University Dining. After the project received approval from the university administration, it took four months to expand the AllCampus Network to faculty and staff. Formerly, faculty and staff could use identification

cards for borrowing books from the library or for entering the gymnasium. However, since Sept. 4, the AllCampus Network has provided faculty and staff with network service in University Dining, NCSU Bookstores, and Laundry and Dry Cleaning. So far, only 37 people have taken advantage of the new service. Faculty and staff members can receive the service by filling out an application specifying a credit limit of \$50, \$100 or \$150. See **DINING**, Page 7

Miss America Pageant displeases columnist for yet another year

Last year I wrote a column about the Miss America Pageant. I wasn't very pleased by the pageant, and actually was quite irritated by the fact that I missed that bastion of male chauvinism, the swimsuit competition. After the column ran, a lady wrote a letter to Technician in which she basically said I was a sexist who should have been watching the Playboy Channel instead of the Miss America Pageant. One year later, I'd like to take a moment to defend myself. The woman's accusations were totally ridiculous and completely unfounded, as a matter of fact, Raleigh Cablevision does not offer the Playboy Channel, which is why I watched the Miss America Pageant. This is an important point, because I certainly don't want people to think that I'm some sort of emotional Donahue-wimp who would watch "My Fair Lady" instead of "Trixie Does A Tailspin in Toledo." With that said and done, this year's Miss America Pageant was on the boob-tube

Chris Repass
Over the Edge

(pun intended) Saturday night a week ago, once again filling the airwaves and cable-lines with Miss Clairol, Vaseline and Fruit of the Loom commercials. For the second consecutive year, the lure of bathing suited bodies — and the lack of the Playboy Channel — enticed me to watch the pompous pageantry. The scoring of the pageant was divided into three categories: 1- Health and Physical Fitness/Swimsuit 2- Talent 3- Evening Gown/Question & Answer Session Obviously, item number one was my number-one item, but the name puzzled me. I didn't understand how the judges would grade the contestants on health and physical fitness. Then I saw Miss Pennsylvania walk

on stage in her bathing suit, and right away I could tell she had a VERY healthy pair of lungs. Unfortunately, any pleasure I may have received from the bathing suit competition was lessened by the idea that contestants are allowed to stuff strategic padding in their suits. This is like allowing autotakers to put a Volkswagen engine in the body of a Porsche; it's cheating. Think of all the men across America who were getting their kicks from some well-placed foam (and I'm not talking about birth-control methods). The contestants displayed an amazing lack of originality and creativity in the talent competition. Of the ten finalists, four played the piano and four sang songs. One did a good ventriloquism act, and the other finalist specialized in the marimba, which, for those of you who are musically declined, is not a form of the Lambda. Simply and un-educately put, the marimba consists of a bunch of bars on a cart that you bang with sticks. The woman played quite well, and it was funny watching her

attempt to strike the right notes and look classy at the same time. I would have been really impressed if one of the contestants played a song by making underwear-farts; if she could do that AND look classy, I would've given her the crown right then and there. But, before the crown was actually awarded, there was one final category: the evening gown/question & answer session. The gowns were so tight and low-cut that they displayed just as much of the contestants' bodies as the bathing suits had. Also like the bathing suit competition, the question and answer session was merely a cheating session. The contestants obviously had rehearsed the answers to their questions: "Miss Texas, why did the chicken cross the road?" "To bring peace and goodwill to its feathered fellows on both sides of the concourse, while at the same time alleviating social tensions that were instigated by the Holly Farms and Purdue chicken debates."

Actually, the questions were quite serious, dealing with drug, alcohol and child abuse as well as domestic violence and the deterioration of the family unit. However, the contestants had obviously been prepared for the questions; one of them messed-up by forgetting her memorized answer halfway through it. Of course, it's easy for me to come up with perfect answers and criticize the handling of the competition while sitting at home; so if I've irritated you with my male chauvinist-pig attitude and sexist jokes, do something about it. The petition cable company to "after the Playboy Channel, and if they do, you won't hear a peep from me about the Miss America Pageant next year. *Writer's Note: Today's column is a satire I have attempted to criticize the Miss America Pageant because of the degrading manner in which the contestants are treated. In no manner or form do I purposefully attempt to disparage the pageant's contestants, nor women in general.*

Women booters win with Fury, face Greensboro today



Freshman goalie Bertocchi scores shutout in first college start

By Jeff Drew
Staff Writer

Freshman Michelle Bertocchi registered a shutout in her first college start to lead the N.C. State Women's soccer team to its second victory of the season, a 4-0 spanking of Berry College Sunday at Lee Field.



Bertocchi

Senior Charmaine Hooper, junior Fabienne Gareau, and sophomores Colette Cunningham each scored a goal to pace the Pack's attack. Hooper and Cunningham also each added an assist to give State Coach Larry Gross a convincing victory.

"The kids did a nice job," Gross said. "This isn't a knock on Berry but we just play at a different level. People forget Berry is a very good team."

The Wolfpack built a strong attack early against Berry using one-touch passing and overlapping runs to open up several shots. The Lady Fury, ranked second in the NAIA, would not die, however, and almost scored four minutes into the game as they sent a shot off the crossbar.

Overcoming Berry's defense tenacity, the Wolfpack scored first 29:18 into the contest on a goal set up by a Kelly Keranen free kick. Keranen lofted a left-to-right cross from about 30 yards that sailed over the head of Berry goalkeeper Laura Hamilton.

Cunningham headed the ball back across the goalmouth to Gareau who vollied into the open net for her fourth goal of the season. State added to its lead 7:32 later as Cunningham scored off a Hooper assist. State carried a 2-0 lead into the half.

Continuing to pressure the Fury goal, State launched several shots early in the second half. At the 64:03 mark, Hooper scored her second goal of the season after taking a pass from Leila Tabatabai and

rocketing a low shot past a diving Hamilton into the right side netting. Mumford completed the scoring with her first career goal as she knocked in an assist from Jode Osborne with 25:57 remaining. Gross then substituted freely and the reserves preserved the shutout victory.

"I was very nervous," Bertocchi said of starting for the first time. "I was very pleased with the way I played in the second half though the first half was a little shaky."

The Pack outshot Berry 21-15 with Bertocchi making seven saves while Hamilton recorded 12. State's record now stands at 2-3 after a pair of weekend victories.

On Saturday, Charmaine Hooper's goal off a Jill Ruten assist lifted State to a 3-2 overtime victory over 12th ranked Connecticut.

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The 2-3 Wolfpack hopes to even its record at UNC-Greensboro today.

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Campus artists strut their stuff in ...

ARTS WORK '90

By Leigh Hubbard Staff Writer

NC State is showing off its arts on the Brickyard in Arts Work '90. Arts Work '90 begins at 10 a.m. today and runs through Thursday night. The second annual event is a showcase of NCSU students, faculty and staff involved in the arts, and it is a chance to provide a variety of artistic experiences for a technically oriented school.

More than 12 departments and programs are participating in and helping with Arts Work '90, including Center Stage-Stewart Theatre, School of Design, College of the Humanities and Social Sciences, the NCSU Music Department and Thompson Theatre.

"We are hoping for over a thousand people from campus to participate," said Angie Kirby, marketing coordinator for Center Stage. Kirby said more than 500 people attended the event last year.

Each night will have a feature presentation. Wednesday night at 8 p.m. in Stewart Theatre, The Mask Messengers, a four-member company, will perform a comedy/cultural show with many character changes and audience participation.

Preceding the Mask Messengers at 6 p.m. is a banquet in the Student Center Ballroom. For entertainment, several prestigious school leaders and educators will celebrate the fine art of boasting. It will be a humorous, oral competition between Patricia Caple, associate professor in communication, Thomas Regan, dean of the School of Design, Vice Chancellor Thomas Stafford and William B. Toole, dean of humanities and social sciences.

Thursday night, Jon Spelman, a three-time

Emmy winner, will perform his story titled "War Stories: NAM" at 8 p.m. Mature audiences are suggested for this account of American GIs' and nurses' lives in and after the Vietnam war.

Some students may remember Spelman from his campus visit last April. Besides attending NCSU oral, speech and drama classes, he told bedtime stories to the Arts and Creative Living Program at Bagwell Residence Hall.

Following "War Stories: NAM" will be a reception with Jon Spelman in the South Gallery of the Student Center. If you cannot attend Thursday night for Jon Spelman, try Thursday at noon. He will be performing on the Brickyard.

Starting Arts Work '90 at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Steve Katz, professor of English, and NCSU students will be reading poetry. They will also read at 2 p.m. Thursday.

Thompson Theatre is next on Wednesday's list with a stage make-up presentation at 10:30 a.m. and another at the same time on Thursday. Thompson is also bringing a theatrical fashion show (Wednesday at 1 p.m.), a scene from "The Amen Corner" (Wednesday at 2 p.m.), a scene from their upcoming show opening Thursday, September 27, "Ring Around the Moon" (Wednesday, and Thursday, 3 p.m.), and a mask display and scene from "Oedipus Rex" (Thursday 1 p.m.).

The NCSU music department is showcasing four of its student musical groups to Arts Work '90. At 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, the New Horizons Choir, directed by Elena Ward, will perform spiritual and gospel songs. At 12:30 p.m. Wednesday and 10 a.m. Thursday, the NCSU Pipe and Drum Corps will play their Scottish bagpipes and drums. At 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, the oldest NCSU vocal group, the Varsity Men's Glee Club, will perform. The student and faculty NCSU Brass Quartet will play at 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Thursday.

Also in the schedule of events are the students of NCSU Dance Company. They will perform modern dance at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday. NCSU Dance Visions will perform at 3:30 p.m. both days.

Throughout both days among the scheduled events, Dana Raymond, professor at the School of Design, will construct the Arts Work '90 sculpture. Dr. Ronald J. Toering, director of music and chairman of the Implementation Committee, believes this to be the distinctive event of Arts work. "It is an original and creative effort," Toering said.

Daily on the Brickyard, instructors from the Craft Center will be demonstrating pottery, spinning, weaving, photography, quilting and more.

Also on both days, Center Stage will be giving away tickets for the 90-91 Stewart Theatre season.

"These are grand opportunities to become aware of the arts programs at NCSU," said Charles Martin, an associate director at Thompson Theatre. "We want them to know it is open to all students from all majors." The planning for 1991 and 1992 Arts Work is already underway. Kirby hopes by 1992 that Arts Work will be a weeklong event.

Wednesday's Banquet and Boasting Celebration, scheduled for 6 p.m., is \$9 for NCSU faculty, staff and art supporters and \$6 for NCSU students (includes admission to the Mask Messengers). Also, Wednesday The Mask Messengers are scheduled to perform at 8 p.m. Prices are \$6 for the general public and \$3 for NCSU faculty, staff and students.

Thursday's Jon Spelman's "War Stories: NAM", scheduled for 8 p.m., is \$6 for the general public and \$3 for NCSU faculty, staff, students and all veterans. All other events are free.

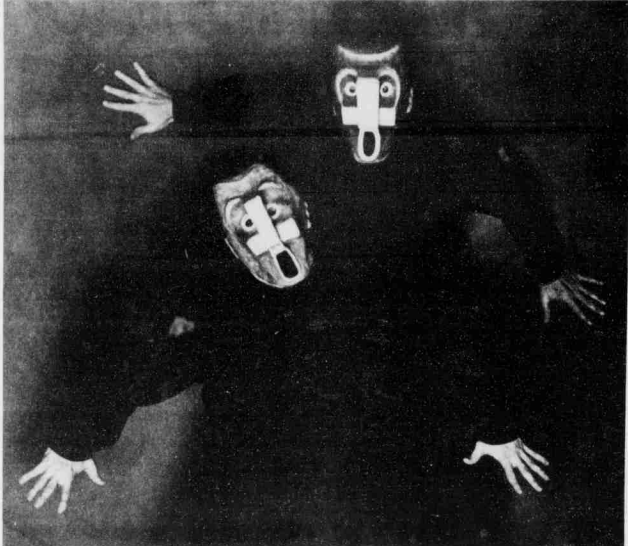
This week's top billings

UAB All-Campus Comedy Competition



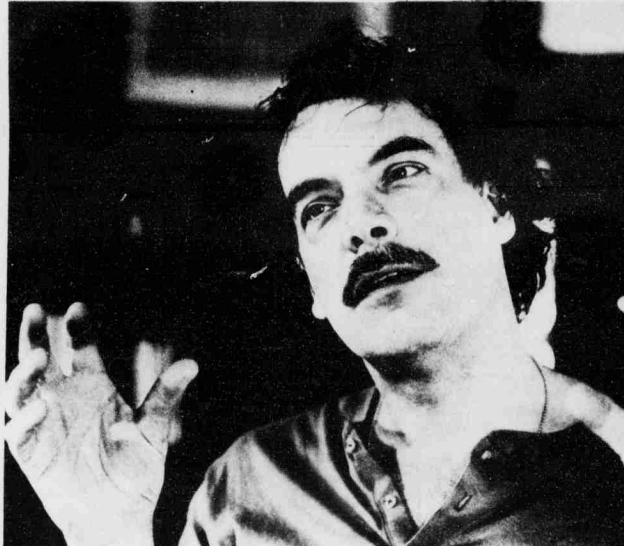
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The All-Campus Comedy Competition will be held this Friday at 8 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. The competition, hosted by Randy Levin, aims to find the funniest NCSU student on campus. Admission is \$1.



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The Mask Messengers will perform this Wednesday at 8 p.m. in Stewart Theatre.



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A representative from the University of St. Andrews, St. Andrews, Scotland will be on campus to promote study abroad and graduate school opportunities, Tuesday, September 25 in the Blue Room, Union Student Center, 10 am.

Art Committee Meeting - Tuesday, Sept 25 at 7:30-8:30pm in the Board Rm. (4th floor Student Center). Everyone welcome! Food, fun, and art discussion - best topic! More info call Tara 851-5972.

CAREER DECISION MAKING SEMINAR - The Career Planning and Placement Center is offering a one-hour, four-part workshop for individuals who want to change curriculum, identify career options or change a current undesirable situation. Advance registration is required and a \$5.00 fee covers all materials. NCSU students will benefit from this session which is October 1, 3, 8, 10, 6:15-6:15 pm in 2100 Pullen Hall. Call 737-2396 to register.

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POSTER ART on LOAN (PALS) Rent a framed poster for \$7 on Wednesday, Sept 26, from 8am-5pm in the North Gallery of the Student Center. Sponsored by the UAB Visual Arts Committee.

INTERVIEWING TECHNIQUES FOR SENIORS AND JOB SEEKING GRAD STUDENTS. Learn to conduct a successful interview, field difficult questions, and assess the progress of an interview. No sign up necessary. Sponsored by Career Planning and Placement the workshop is Tuesday, September 25, 4-5:30pm in 216 Mann.

Learn about job opportunities in the FEDERAL GOVERNMENT and how to apply for them from an Office of Personnel Management representative. Room 124, Dabney. Thurs Sept. 20, 4-5pm. Sponsored by Career Planning & Placement.

INTERNATIONAL CLIMBING CLINIC and workshop for INT. Students. Friday, Sept. 21 at 3:30 pm in Carmichael Gymnasium, for reserving a space registered at the Program Office, 3114-C University Student Center. By Thursday, Sept. 20, 737-2451. Rock climbing instructors from the Physical Education Dept. to facilitate the workshop.

Indian Students' Association - BEACH TRIP!! \$15 person includes transportation, Friday and Saturday September 21st & 22nd! For more information contact Pawan 839-8508 or Leena 546-0657.

INTERNATIONAL COFFEE HOUR! Each Thursday 11:30-1:30 pm in Alexander Hall, Lower Lounge. Meet people from many different countries, enjoy interacting with a variety of cultures while sampling simple refreshments. FREE! Co-sponsored by the International Student Committee and Alexander Hall. This week's host organization is: Raleigh Mennonite Church. Everyone is welcomed!

RESUME WRITING WORKSHOP Learn the methods to display your skills as they relate to the job you seek. Purpose, styles, and strategies of effective resumes and cover letters will be discussed. No sign up, walk in session. Sponsored by Career Planning and Placement, Wednesday, September 26, 2:15-6:15pm, 210 Harrison Hall. Students for the Ethical Treatment of Animals organizational meeting Wednesday, September 19th at 7:30. Come and help prepare for The Compassionate Living Fair on October 5.

PRE-VET DOG WASH Saturday, September 22nd, 9am-4pm. Where? At the Vet School. Follow the signs! RACISM, SEXISM, and HOMOPHOBIA. NCSU is divided by these walls of ignorance, fear, and prejudice. Liberation through education. The Lesbian and Gay Student Union strives to break down these walls. Meetings are held every other Tuesday at 7:30 pm in POE 220. Fall semester meeting dates: 9-25, 10-9, 10-23, 11-6, 11-13, 11-27. The peer support group provides an hour of small group discussion in a non-social atmosphere for persons coming to terms with their sexual orientation; the agenda is open but topics usually include: AIDS information, coming out to parents and friends, relationships. Meetings are every other Monday at 6:30 pm. For more information call 839-9553 for a recorded message or write: LSGC Box 7314 NCSU Raleigh NC 27695.

The Indoor Recreation Committee of the UAB will hold a membership meeting Sept 24 at 6pm in room 3115-G, 3rd floor of Student Center. If you cannot attend, but are interested call Eric Fairfax 867-3134. Attn: old members, PLEASE REJOIN! Activities include Table Tennis, Billiards, Slam Dunk Contest and much more. Bring your ideas!

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE NOW THAT YOU'RE ALL GROWN UP? A workshop is designed for adults who want to change careers. Pre-registration and a fee of \$15.00 are required for this class sponsored by Career Planning and Placement. The session is Saturday, October 13, 9:30-1:30 pm, 2100 Pullen Hall. Call 737-2396 for information.

What is SEAC? What is the "Big Sweep"? Come Thursday Sept 20 to our meeting at 7:30pm in 107 HA and FIND OUT! You Are Not Alone! The NCSU Lesbian and Gay Student Union offers peer support, educational programs, and social events. For more information write to NCSU Box 7314 or call 829-9553. You only live once - Make it count! Self Knowledge Symposium meets Thursdays 7:30 pm in 345 Harrison.

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Editorials

Rally 'round the library

If you could pick a single element of N.C. State by which to gauge the worth of the entire school, what would it be? The admissions department? No. The athletics programs? Hardly. The College of Engineering? No. Humanities and Social Sciences? Wrong again. D.H. Hill Library? Bingo!

More than any other part of our great institution, D.H. Hill Library functions as a barometer by which the quality of the school as a whole is judged. When other schools look at NCSU, they look first to our library, as do pundits who rate the quality of schools nationwide.

The big question now is "What kind of picture are these evaluators getting?" And the answer is "Lousy."

Not that the library staff is not doing everything within their power to improve that picture. They are. Library staff and administrators are squeezing their meager budget for every penny. Unfortunately, that budget is squeezed tightly already, and the vise of government budget cuts is not helping.

So who is to blame for lousing things up? The people North Carolinians voted into office — our state legislature.

It is admirable that our legislators want to follow the letter of the law and bring our budget back in line. But they are less than intelligent to start cutting the most important things first — namely, education. Like the old saw says, that's kind of like shooting yourself in the foot.

And here on campus, the legislature has shot NCSU in both feet. Needless to say, we are hobbling badly.

Our library, cut to the bone by reduced funds, is cutting thousands of periodicals from inventory. Hours are being cut to the point that students virtually have to skip class to find any library time. Book purchases are down to what might as well be nothing — leaving nothing to fill our expensive new library addition.

And what are our legislators doing? Building more prisons to house uneducated criminals and more roads to get them to the prisons faster. Government logic at work.

So what can students do? Protest. March. Hold library sit-ins. In other words, we must do whatever it takes. Even if student action achieves nothing more than an extension of library hours, it will be a coup.

Too many students look on the '60s as the era of the hippie — too long ago to truly be remembered and better forgotten anyway. But the fact is that the students of NCSU could learn a few lessons in activism and social reform from the '60s generation.

Too much has been taken from our university. Not only our library, but the university as a whole. D.H. Hill, however, serves as a focus and a rallying point for action against the massive cuts that are crippling both NCSU and the UNC system as a whole. It is time for the students of this university to wake up and take a stand against the injustices being done to our school.

Fall grads get their day

Imagine, if you will, a graduation scenario. Thousands of caps and gowns, music playing, joyful cheers, tearful partings and an outside temperature of about 25 degrees Fahrenheit.

What's wrong with this picture? Absolutely nothing, considering that this is not spring graduation, but the new December commencement.

After great debate, the university has finally instituted a December commencement program for those seniors who finish their degree requirements during fall semesters. Truly, this is an idea whose time has not only come, but is long overdue.

Graduating seniors treasure their walk to the platform for their diploma — the pomp and circumstance of traditional commencement activities. They relish in the sensation of being free of "school, books and professor's dirty looks." They savor the parting of friends as well, knowing that others will come.

But December graduates have, in large part, been denied participation in such activities. Until now, most fall graduates had to take time off from jobs to come walk in May, or else skip the festivities entirely. Hardly a fair proposition.

Now, however, the university has recognized the plight of these winter finishers and has come to their rescue. Those involved in planning December commencement and in bringing about its very existence deserve the congratulations and the thanks of December grads.

Quotes of the Day

"The freedom of the press works in such a way that there is not much freedom from it."

Princess Grace of Monaco

BLACKWELL '90 TECHNICIAN



Columns

Tuition increase may be necessary

A couple of weeks ago, I wrote an editorial blasting state lawmakers for their ill-timed decision to again cut funds to the UNC system. I have not changed my position from my earlier editorial. I still firmly believe that if cuts must be made, they can be made elsewhere in the state budget.

In Sunday's News & Observer, an article by staff writer Rachel Buchanan, titled "Support grows for tuition hikes at UNC, NCSU," expresses the same sentiment I have heard many of my classmates utter. The consensus among students seems to be, yes, if absolutely necessary, we would rather pay a tuition increase than continue to see the quality of our education decline.

Buchanan's article points out that in-state tuition in the UNC system is the lowest in the southeast and, in fact, one of the lowest in the nation. In-state tuition for the 1990-91 school year at Chapel Hill is \$1,059, N.C. State is \$1,100. Only Florida and North Carolina State have tuitions comparable to ours, and they are both approximately \$200 higher per year.

Charges at other area schools are markedly higher than our own. The University of Georgia's annual in-state tuition is \$2,001. The highest tuition of the schools listed is that of the University of Virginia, where in-state charges are \$2,966. In discussing the amount of any tuition increase, one must consider how much is needed to be effective, weighed against how much students would consider reasonable. Obviously, students and their families would revolt were the system to ask for an increase of major proportions.

In the N&O article, Chancellor Larry Monteith states that NCSU is operating under a 6.5 percent decrease in funding this year, and tuition would have to be doubled in order to make up the deficit. Such an

astronomical increase would be not acceptable, nor is Monteith advocating such action. In fact, he stated, "Raising tuition to compensate for the budget shortfall wouldn't be sound policy."

In reviewing the recent history of tuition increases at NCSU, I find that tuition has increased 32.1 percent since 1986. Citing the 1987 Information Please Almanac, tuition was listed as \$839 per academic year. Tuition has increased \$270 in the last five academic years, or about 6.5 percent per year. That rate of increase is reasonable when considered with the general rate of inflation in the United States over the same five-year period.

Presently, tuition is collected and added to the general fund out of which the state operates. The popular proposal for raising tuition now calls for any increase to be kept by the schools, not added to the general budget funds. This would, I assume, allow the schools to allocate the increased revenue to any areas that they deem necessary.

This proposal would probably not be acceptable for one major reason. It must be remembered that tuition has increased steadily every year. If tuition has increased 6.5 percent per year, then that same percentage increase is necessary merely to feed the state money monster. Any effective revenue increase intended to ease the budgetary crunch would have to be over and above this traditional 6.5 percent increase.

Perhaps the solution would be to divide the tuition increase into separate entities. For the sake of argument, let's say we are

discussing a total increase of 15 percent. Send 6.5 percent directly to the state fund for re-allocation as per usual. Allow the remaining 8.5 percent to go directly to the schools for their disposal as they best see fit. Simple solution, huh?

This would allow the state to cover regular inflationary increases in administration, utilities, maintenance, etc., and leave the remaining increase to help make up some of the budget shortfall. As anyone on campus can easily attest, the budget cuts are hurting the students and immediate action is needed if we are to prevent a further erosion of quality education.

In my column two weeks ago, I also mentioned how I failed to see the wisdom in campus beautification during these times of fiscal shortages. No sooner than I saw my words in print, I saw eight or 10 university employees tearing up the Brickyard. Apparently someone, who, I don't know, made a decision to plant flower beds beneath some trees in the Brickyard. Why?

I'm sure the cost of labor for these workers runs rather high. Couldn't these employees be better used performing needed maintenance and repairs? I want an attractive campus as much as anyone, but the timing and maybe the logic of these events is beyond me.

More than likely it's politics. You know, spend all of your budget before the new fiscal year begins, for fear that if you don't, your next budget will be less than the year before. Perhaps the controllers, or whoever decides or coordinates these things, should get their heads together.

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Censorship stalks the underground

Chip Webb

Opinion Columnist

"minors."

Nine cops? Nine cops wouldn't show up if someone was bludgeoned to death, yet when a concerned parent complains — get the SWAT team! Incidentally, this arrest took place the day before city elections. What a coincidence!

Then all stores in Los Angeles were prohibited from selling any album by the DKs. To make a very long story short, the Dead Kennedys won their court case and narrowly avoided jail and stiff fines, but their records are found in very few stores even today. Also, their record label went bankrupt and the band was forced to call it quits.

We must analyze the facts in this important case — facts that John Q. Public rarely considers. You might be thinking the Dead Kennedys won the battle simply because they won the trial.

Wrong. Most chain record stores' leases are contingent on the obligation that they don't sell certain records, like the Dead Kennedys. This is why warning labels are so dangerous — they might lead to censorship via corporate blackmail.

Also, we must ask why the Dead Kennedys were brought to trial, rather than a bigger star like Ozzy Osbourne or Prince. The Los Angeles City Attorney said "the Dead Kennedys are on a small, independent record label, and thus, easy to bankrupt. This trial is cost-effective."

Ah, so the truth comes out. The Dead Kennedys were being used as an example for the artists the city really wanted to nail but lacked the power to.

Besides, "distribution of matter harmful to minors." What a vague charge. Where do we draw the line as to what is harmful and what is art? Lastly, it seems like this power goes to people like Tipper Gore, founder of the Parents' Music Resource Center. Yes, this is the group that wants to put warning labels on albums and encourage recording industries to renegotiate contracts of artists

who merit warning labels.

The majority rules in this country, but does that mean the minority must be censored? I think not. To me, the Dead Kennedys are an "matter harmful to minors" consists of Rambo, Televangelists and Jesse Helms. But who the hell cares who I think? Why can't we all live our own lives and stop trying to make everyone else conform to our likes and dislikes?

More examples of censorship? Sure, I've got plenty.

In 1987, 7-11 convenience stores were pressured by then-attorney general Edwin Meese to take Playboy and Penthouse off the shelves. And they did it.

And a short while later, Wal-Mart received a letter from an individual who named certain publications he considered pornographic. Among these were Rolling Stone, Creem, Spin and Tiger Beat.

Tiger Beat!!! So Wal-Mart took them off the shelves. Guess who took the letter — Jimmy "How much for the night?" Swaggart. What a hypocritical, capitalist, opportunistic piece of slime.

I'm not done yet. In Tennessee, the courts ruled in favor of a fundamentalist Christian group who claimed that the "Wizard of Oz" was too occult for their children. It was taken off the shelves of public schools, as well as any books mentioning the Catholic Church. Where do these people get so much power?

Censorship is placed on individuals who don't play by the rules. There is a thin line between censorship and protection, but that line is being redrawn.

I'm not sure I like where the line is going. The point is not whether or not you like the Dead Kennedys, 2 Live Crew, Tiger Beat, "The Wizard of Oz" or the Catholic Church. But rather, do you want the right to decide for yourself or let someone else do that for you? If you don't agree with me, wait until they censor something you like. Then you'll see what I mean.

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Local bands sound better on vinyl than live in clubs



The Connell's Doug MacMillan.

By Joe Corey III
Staff Writer

"frequenCy" Mammoth

This is a good sampler for those new to the Triangle and not quite hip to the live band scene. Although no one has quite busted out into megastardom from the area, the Connells are doing quite well and the Angels of Epistemology are big in the London underground scene. So going out to see live bands is an invigorating thing to do. But who's worth checking out? Sure you see interesting band names in the ads for the Brewery, Cat's Cradle or the Fallout Shelter, but what is a Vanilla Train Wreck supposed to sound like? Well the answer is here.

My favorite track is "Broken Leg"



by Blackgirls. The trio still sounds fresh with its acoustic guitar, piano and violin arrangement. Plus they were featured on MTV. Local funklorids Johnny Quest also make an appearance on the record with "Lady Cop." Definitely a show to catch for those who enjoy getting hot and sweaty and meeting students from St. Mary's and Meredith. The Popes "The Cornerhouse" perfectly captures the

experience of visiting a local opium den. It lets you know the ultimate truth about drugs; they make you tasteless.

Other notables that appear on "frequenCy" are the Veldt, Dillon Fence, and Siamese Urban, and Leap of Faith. So pick up the record and check out the bands you like next time they come around, which shouldn't take too long.

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