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## Survey shows students oppose \$10 billion loan for Israel

By Wael Masri  
Guest Writer

The Committee for American Understanding of the Middle East, a new student group at N.C. State University, surveyed over 300 NCSU students Feb. 6 and 7 in the Brickyard for their opinions and thoughts on the proposed \$10 billion U.S. loan guarantee to Israel.

The purpose of the survey was twofold: informational and educational. It was informational in the sense that it sought to sample the opinions of the NCSU student body about the loan guarantee — which

is a little more than co-signing a loan. It was educational in that it aimed to raise awareness about the loan and its consequences to both the U.S. taxpayers and peace in the Middle East.

The survey focused on four main questions and a fifth question inviting the students to comment on their answers on the survey.

When asked: • Do you think Congress should approve guaranteeing Israel this \$10 billion loan? (The cost to U.S. taxpayers over the 30-year period of the loan will be a minimum of \$3.1

billion simply to guarantee and service the loan and up to \$116.5 billion if Israel completely defaults on the loan.)

The response was 75 percent no, 21 percent yes and four percent undecided. These results mirror those of other national polls on this topic.

Equally important as the numbers are the feelings that the respondents had behind them. For instance,

based on the written comments of those who checked "no" to the above question, many of the 75 percent who oppose Congress granting the \$10 billion loan guarantee were

opposed it primarily for economic reasons. In other words, they felt that the government needs to pay more attention to issues at home. Many of the students also wished for cuts in foreign aid expenditures to Israel. Quite a few were opposed to the loan more because of its adverse consequences on the people in the Middle East — specifically, the further displacement of the Palestinians and other harmful effects on the current peace process.

On the other side of the spectrum, several students who favored the loan did so for religious reasons or because of the belief that Israel is

America's only true ally in the Middle East.

What follows below is a sample of their comments, both for and against granting the \$10 billion loan.

"The U.S. government needs to start helping its own people instead of financing other countries' debts or loaning money to other countries, i.e. Israel."

"I think the U.S. has too many problems of [its] own. We should stay out of other countries' business until we have solved our own prob-

lems."

"The U.S. is not obligated to give money to Israel or any other country. I can sympathize somewhat with the Israeli need for vigilance to prevent attacks from their neighbors, but they must realize that much if not all of the problem is of their creation. I think that the U.S. should withhold all money from Israel until they at least agree to make a legitimate effort at negotiating for peace with its neighbors."

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Soakin' up the rays.

Meredith Ryan and Jeff Westmoreland relax on the Brickyard between classes.

## University cleans up illegal dumpsite

By Shannon Morrison  
Staff Writer

N.C. State University is cleaning up its act.

After more than 20 years of dumping trash in the woods behind Carter-Finley Stadium parking lot AA, the athletic department is hauling up the trash and properly disposing of it.

Feb. 6, following an anonymous phone tip, Andrew Russel of the Wake County Department of Health went to check out the site. What he found was a lot of trash.

"You can't form an open dump site like that without a permit," Russel said.

Russel immediately contacted Mark Labarba, assistant director of athletics at NCSU, about his observations.

"This was something that had been going on for a long time," Labarba said. "Some of our maintenance guys have been here for 20 years, and it was being done that way before they got here."

Labarba, whose responsibilities include facilities management for the athletic department, said he

didn't even realize the site existed until Russel called him last week.

"[Russel] had a concern that there was a lot of trash out there," Labarba said, "and he was right."

The trash consists mostly of building materials, old barrels, grass clippings and trash from ball games.

According to Mark Fry of the North Carolina Division of Health Services, the law strictly regulates trash disposal except for "individual home owners who bury on their own property."

"To my knowledge, NCSU has no permit to dispose of it on their own property," Fry said. "They should not be dumping anything there."

No citations have been issued by the county against NCSU. "It seemed to the health department to be promiscuous dumping," he said.

Labarba said the trash was currently being removed from the hillside where it was dumped. Once it is accumulated in the parking lot, it will be taken to an approved landfill.

There are also plans for erecting a barrier to prevent further dumping, Labarba said.

## Honor pledge considered for new academic integrity

By David Benze  
Staff Writer

Students at N.C. State University may soon have something new to consider when it comes test time: an honor pledge.

Abolished in the late '60s, the honor pledge is one method being considered at NCSU to boost honesty in the classroom.

The Academic Integrity Commission recently completed its recommendations to the chancellor and the Faculty Senate.

The goal of the commission is "to create an atmosphere of respect and trust" on campus, said Neil C. Olson, professor of physiology and the commission chairman.

The honor pledge may be a way to achieve that goal. The next step the commission needs to take, Olson said, is "to establish a policy indicating a commitment by the faculty to academic integrity."

"Only after the faculty has acknowledged responsibility for this integrity should we decide how

it should be accomplished," Olson said.

Student Body President Ed Stack agreed that there needs to be joint accountability between faculty and students for an honor pledge to work.

"We need to decide the level of student accountability," Stack said. "Should they have to sign an honor pledge to be admitted to the university? Should they just have to sign it on homework too?"

This is where faculty accountability begins, Stack said. If one professor requires an honor pledge on all assignments and another requires it only on major tests, students will receive a mixed message as to the pledge's importance.

If the honor pledge is reinstated, Stack said, "there has to be a burden on students to sign it. We have to let them know that if they don't sign, there will be consequences."

On the other hand, "if the faculty does not buy into it, it's worthless," Stack said.

## Students get involved helping AIDS victims

By Matt Jones  
Staff Writer

What began as a homework assignment has become nearly a passion to two N.C. State University students. Scott Pollard and Mellisa Barren routinely give several hours a week of their time ministering to the needs of patients at a local residency for persons with acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

The Husted House is run by the AIDS Service Agency of Wake County. Pollard and Barren both took part in a training course held by the ASA before they began to work with patients.

Pollard, a senior majoring in community service, began his involve-

ment with ASA last semester as a project for one of his courses. He stayed with the program because "they're the most absolutely delightful people I've ever met."

Barren, a junior majoring in psychology, started with the program in January as a requirement for her restricted minor.

"Making them feel good makes you feel good about yourself," Barren said of her involvement at the house.

Pollard agreed. "They're just super people," he said. "They're good for me, and I hope I'm good for them."

Barren works on an individual level with the only woman at the house.

"We just talk to and call each

other and sometimes go out to the store or something," Barren said.

Just having a friend to talk to makes a big difference for the patients. As Barren says, "They're isolated to the extent that the people they come in contact with are people within the agency."

The sense of separation the disease imposes on the patients is what makes her work so important.

"It means that some people do care when it seems like most people don't," Barren said.

The Husted House has five beds and four patients. One patient died last week.

"It's a real reality there," Barren said, explaining how they deal with death.

"They don't sit around and grieve

the blues because they have AIDS. They're just trying to live their lives, but with a limited perspective. They have amazing attitudes," Barren said.

Being close to people with AIDS might frighten many people, but Barren says "that's just racism of a different kind."

Barren does not consider the time she spends with her "buddy" at the Husted House to be any risk to her health.

Pollard, too, isn't worried about being infected with HIV, and he often hugs his friends at the house.

"You have to take time to learn before you make judgments about

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## Kris Parker, 'KRS-1,' urges common sense thinking

By Tiffany C. Price  
Staff Writer

Tuesday night, NCSU students were exposed to topics ranging from sex to religion.

Rap star and media activist Kris Parker, better known as KRS-1, spoke before approximately 250 people in Stewart Theatre.

The lecture, sponsored by NCSU Union Activities Board and the Black Student Board, was part of the Black History Month celebration.

Parker, a self-educated native New Yorker, is a student of metaphysical philosophy and common sense. Parker described the process of becoming intellectual and emphasized the importance of distinguishing between fantasy and reality.

Parker discussed a disease that he

feels most people have — a disease he calls "CSDS" — common sense deficiency syndrome.

He feels that common sense is "sheer sight" and that most of us lack this "sixth sense."

Parker also spoke of education. He stressed that we are taught to memorize rather than to think.

"Memory can never be real education ... Memory is not intellect," Parker said.

Parker stressed the big difference between memory and intellect. The difference is that intellect always asks questions and memory asks no questions.

"Everyone and everything is questionable," Parker said.

Therefore, he said, we must utilize common sense and ask the correct questions.

He urged the audience to practice common sense and not fall victim to CSDS. "Use your brain and think. Think."

Parker also touched on the topic of sex. He spoke of how human beings have forgotten the fundamental purpose of sex — to reproduce.

"Somehow procreation becomes recreation," Parker said.

Parker talked of how people must apply intellect and question their purposes for sex.

Parker also questioned the different cultures of human beings and touched on some ethnic issues. He feels that no one is American because everyone's culture derives from somewhere other than America. He believes that to say you are an American is denouncing your cultural and ethnic differences.

This concept led to Parker's compar-

ison of World War II Germany and America. Parker correlated Jews during World War II Germany to blacks and Hitler's swastika to the American flag.

Parker stressed that blacks especially should not pledge allegiance to the American flag because of what America represents to blacks from history. Parker said by doing so it would be the same as Jews standing in allegiance to the swastika and knowing what it means to Jewish history.

Parker feels that if human beings don't know their culture, they don't know their identity.

Religion is another topic that Parker discussed. He stressed that God exists in all things, and if people respect life, then that is true reality.

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KRS-1 speaking at Stewart Theater Tuesday night.

Brian Naumick/Staff

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## Weather Outlook

### Friday

Mostly sunny. High of 68 and a low of 34



### Saturday

Mostly sunny. High of about 70 and a low of 35.



## AIDS

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people," Pollard said. Although he knows this contact is safe, he feels it is important for us to remember that "no one type of person gets HIV ... it can happen to anyone in all socioeconomic classes."

ASA, which operates out of an office in downtown Raleigh, is a privately funded organization committed to educating the public about AIDS and trying to help those who are already infected with HIV and AIDS.

The ASA offers opportunities for volunteers in areas such as working with the patients themselves, in community awareness work and administration and transportation.

As of Feb. 4, 2,322 people in North Carolina were diagnosed with AIDS. There are only four residence facilities like the Husted House in N.C., with a total of 31 beds available to AIDS patients.

"A ridiculously low number," Pollard said. The AIDS Service Agency will be holding another volunteer training session in May of June. Interested persons may call 834-2437.

## Survey

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"If settling Jewish immigrants in Israel is something Israel feels it should do, then fine. It is not the responsibility of the U.S. to fund Israeli interests. The U.S. should look internally for charitable causes and stabilize our economy before helping others. The 'big brother' image that the U.S. is trying to portray is annoying to its citizens and most other countries. This image is now beginning to 'rub-off' on the Israelis. The difference is that the Israeli economy is stable, and the U.S. is having economic problems."

"[Approve the loan] only if the requirements of Congress are met regarding settlements in the occupied territories. If immigrant Jewish settlers mainly from the former Soviet republics continue to be located in the territories, then peace is very unlikely. On one side you have Israel promoting peace, but actions of placing additional settlers in the territories is a flagrant slap in the face of the Palestinians."

"It would be nice if this issue were so simple. All this aid wouldn't be needed if so many countries didn't think they needed to destroy Israel for the simple fact that they occupy a specific piece of land that may or may not have some religious significance 2,000 years ago."

## KRS1

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"All things that have life manifest God in them," Parker said. He feels that once you've found God, then all other questions are answered.

Parker also discussed politics and economics. He feels that everything in America is based on the dollar. To Parker, this is not realistic. Economically, Parker described capitalism as "pimps and hos." As Parker describes, members of our capitalistic economy are "either selling or being sold."

Parker concluded by stating that in order for human beings to get along, we must know each other's culture and realize that we all come from the same force. He also stated that people should do away with any type of labeling.

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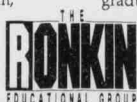


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## Baseball team to face WCU in home opener

By Owen Good  
Staff Writer

There are those who believe the first day of spring is baseball's opening day. Given the fact that N.C. State's home opener is Feb. 21, that comment would normally draw strange looks. However, the Wolfpack appears to be blessed with spring-like weather for its three game set with Western Carolina this weekend and looks to improve its perfect 6-0 record under idyllic conditions at Doak Field.

"It's certainly not going to be an easy

assignment," head coach Ray Tanner said. "We're going to have to play well to win this series." Western Carolina, a regular at the NCAA regionals and Southern Conference champion five of the past seven years, features 1991 freshman all-American hurler Phillip Grundy. This weekend, Tanner plans to counter with his regular rotation of senior righty Matt Donahue, southpaw Shawn Senior and righthander Rob Steiert. The newness of the season is apparent in the starters' statistics; they are accountable for only two of the team's six victories.

In his first outing, which was against Florida International, Senior was bombed for six runs in one and two-thirds innings. He fared better against Howard University in the Great Savannah Shootout. After being staked to a four-run lead on Pat Clougherty's grand slam, Senior took the win in six innings of pitching. Steiert's longevity will be of interest in his start Sunday. The sophomore transfer has not made it to the fifth inning yet, and the opposition has victimized him for a .333 batting average. Donahue is 1-0 after his first two starts; he shut out Kentucky for six

innings, although he didn't earn the win. Nevertheless, Donahue has posted consistently good numbers thus far, such as a minuscule 1.42 ERA, and gets the call for Friday's matinee.

Tanner chalks the rocky starts up to tender arms and figures it wouldn't be prudent to tax the rotation too early. "I've been pleased with the starters. We had a couple of guys that didn't have good outings," Tanner said. "But early in the season you don't leave your starters in for too long. I don't have any concerns with our starters at this point."

Hitting is definitely not a concern. State has been baking the ball to this point, rolling up a .302 team average. Designated hitter and team batting leader Vinnie Hughes, the national player of the week for the week ending Feb. 9, continues to smoke the ball for an even .500 batting average with six runs scored. Lead off hitter Robbie Bark has racked up clean-up hitter statistics. The junior center fielder has 18 total bases to lead N.C. State and has pushed the Bark-o-meter to .360 with two home runs (one a

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## E. Michigan to face streaking Pack gymnasts

Team looks to remain focused after consecutive record-breaking outings

By Anthony Black  
Staff Writer

The N.C. State gymnastics team will look to continue its winning ways when it hosts Eastern Michigan University Sunday at 2 p.m. This meet marks the second meeting between the two schools. Last year, the Eagles defeated the Wolfpack 185.85 to 183.65.

After recording its second consecutive record-breaking performance Friday by winning the Heart's Invitational, the 4-2 Wolfpack took Monday off to lick some of the squad's minor wounds.

But Tuesday it was back to business as the team continued to add new tricks to its already potent repertoire.

"For us to remain competitive at a national level, we have to continue to upgrade our routine," State head coach Mark Stevenson said. "Our girls are not the best athletes in the country, but because of their work ethics, they can compete with the best teams."

The trip to Raleigh is the second-annual spring break trip for the Eagles, which come into Sunday's

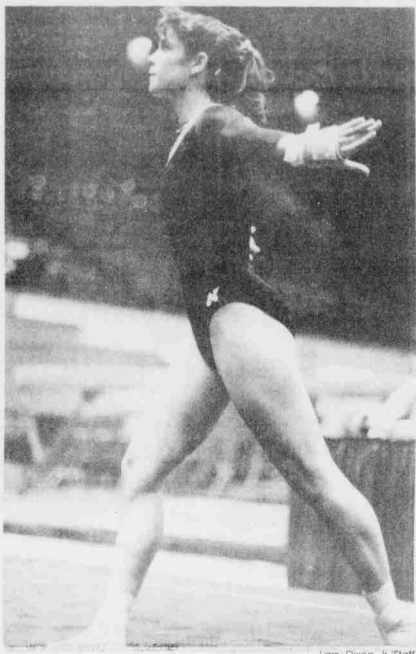
match-up with a 11-2 record. They return 10 letterman to a strong team that competed in the NCAA regionals last season.

Along with its consistent and experienced upperclassman, State will counter with a youthful attack that has been nothing short of impressive.

"I'm not really surprised at how well the freshmen have performed, although I feel they are a bit ahead of where I expected them to be at this time," Stevenson said. "[Sophomore] Nicole Cimato has also been a pleasant surprise for us. Since the meet at Denver last year, she has been getting consistently better. Her practices don't show how tough of a competitor she really is. [Senior] Michelle Ingham has fought hard against some adversity to return to the team and spark us on the floor."

The response the team showed in the absence of injured senior all-around Carey Buttlar has been remarkable. The Wolfpack currently has four different leaders in each

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Larry Dixon, Jr./Staff

Freshman Rosann Grabner will try to improve on her team-high 9.75 floor exercise Sunday at 2 p.m. against Eastern Michigan.

## NCSU, Iowa slated for Kickoff Classic

Sports Staff Report

N.C. State and Iowa have accepted invitations to play in the 10th annual Kickoff Classic Aug. 29, announced Wolfpack head coach Dick Sheridan and Athletic Director Todd Turner. Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., will host the Classic, one of the traditional, season-opening games for collegiate football.

"We are honored to be invited to play in the Kickoff Classic," Sheridan said. "Participating in this game is a unique opportunity for our players, coaches and supporters."

The Wolfpack is coming off a 9-3 season, which equals the school record for victories. State met East Carolina in the Peach Bowl, representing the fifth bowl appearance in the last six years.

Iowa finished second in the Big Ten in 1991 and also tied a school mark for wins. The Hawkeyes were ranked 10th in the final Associated Press football poll and will be making their second appearance in the Kickoff Classic.

The announcement was made Thursday by William Pearce, chair-

man of the National Football Foundation, and Robert E. Mulcahy III, president and CEO of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority.

"Iowa and N.C. State epitomize the best in collegiate athletics, and their appearance in Kickoff Classic 10 will add to the game's prestigious history," Mulcahy said.

Turner feels the game is a stepping stone for the football program at State.

"All the teams that have played in the Kickoff Classic have been regarded among the nation's elite,"

Turner said. "This is a tribute to the character of our program and the respect it has gained nationally under Coach Sheridan's leadership."

—Todd Turner  
NCSU Athletic Director

"We really expect that our players, coaches and fans will enjoy opening the 1992 season at the Meadowlands. It should be a great trip, and we anticipate a strong Wolfpack following to be in New Jersey to watch the Pack meet the Hawkeyes."

State and Iowa have met only twice on the gridiron, once in 1965 and most recently in the 1988 Peach Bowl. On both occasions, the Wolfpack came away victorious.

## Wolfpack cagers look to end 9-game skid against UNC

Sports Staff Report

Three weeks ago in a raucous Reynolds Coliseum, the N.C. State men's basketball team reached the pinnacle of its season with a 99-88 upset of UNC-Chapel Hill. Saturday in the Dean Smith Center, the Wolfpack will be happy to just stay out of the cellar when it meets the fourth-ranked Tar Heels for a 3 p.m. rematch.

"I'm sure, in light of what has happened since we beat North Carolina, that they are kicking themselves for losing here in Reynolds Coliseum," State head coach Les Robinson said after the Pack's ninth-straight loss, a 71-63 loss to top-ranked Duke Sunday. "They must surely think they let one get away they could have won.

We certainly played at a different level that day, a level we haven't really come close to since. But we are capable, and I think we can still reach that level again this season."

But for the Pack to have any chance of reaching that level Saturday, senior Tom Gugliotta will have to step up once again with another incredible performance against the Tar Heels. In the first meeting, the 6-foot-10 forward was scoring, sinking eight of 14 from behind the 3-point arc en route to a 36-point performance.

UNC, in the meantime, will enter the contest as one of the hottest teams in the country. While State was sinking to last place in the ACC with six straight conference losses, the Tar Heels were streaking to the top of the league with a six-

game winning streak. A 86-73 loss at Virginia Wednesday ended the Heels' victory string, but earlier come-from-behind victories over Wake Forest, Clemson and Duke have re-established UNC as an ACC front-runner.

UNC will bring an 18-4 overall record and an 8-3 ACC record into the game Saturday. State will counter with 9-15 and 3-8 marks. UNC leads the all-time series 111-66. The Pack has not swept a season series from the Tar Heels since State edged UNC twice in the 1973-

74 national championship season. Gugliotta leads State with a 22.8 points per game average, good enough for second in the ACC, and a 9.9 rebounds-per-game average, which leads the league. Junior center Kevin Thompson supports

Gugliotta with 15.1 points and eight boards a game. Senior guard Hubert Davis paces the UNC attack with a 20.3 points-per-game average, while junior forward George Lynch follows up with a 14.7 points-per-game average.

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# Wolfpack wrestlers rally to sink Navy

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N.C. State's 12th-ranked wrestling team extended its dual-meet winning streak to 13 last Saturday with a 22-15 win over Navy. The Wolfpack upped its record to 14-3-1 with its win over the Midshipmen. Navy fell to 11-4.

After the first two bouts, State found itself in a hole, trailing 9-0. Navy's Robert Weiss decimated State's Randy Minadeo at 118 pounds and at 126 pounds, and

Navy's Mike Clayton pinned State back-up Kevin Mastropalo at the 4:12 mark. The Pack's regular 126-pounder, Michael Norton, was out with a shoulder injury.

The Pack got right back in the match, sweeping the next three matches in a convincing fashion. At



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134 pounds, number 14-ranked Clayton Grice earned a 11-6 win over Midshipman Nic Melfi, while at 142 pounds, Mark Cesarì upped his record to 25-4-1 with a 9-4 win over Ned Biehl. State's Tom Best, at 150 pounds, completely overpowered Navy's Craig Reiner, 19-9, earning four team points and giving State its first lead, 10-9.

Navy's Martin Rusnak took the 158-pound bout with a 7-5 win over State's Mike Chase. In a battle of nationally ranked wrestlers at 167

pounds, fifth-ranked Chris Kwrtnik downed 14th-ranked James Cummings, 7-1.

State's Williams, ranked 11th, took a 7-4 victory over Aron Carman at 177 pounds, giving State a 16-12 team lead.

Navy's Tom Storey, ranked 15th nationally, got



Best

the Midshipmen right back in the match with a 12-7 win over Wolfpack freshman Dan Madson, making the count 16-15 in favor of State heading into the evening's final bout in the heavyweight class.

State's "Bear," Sylvester Terkay, ranked second in the country, secured the team win with a convincing fall over 15th-ranked Dan Hicks. Terkay pushed his overall mark to 27-1 with a pin at the 2:19 mark.

# Baseball team to host WCU

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grand slam against FIU) and 11 RBI.

The brand-spanking-new middle infield has turned out fine as well. Shortstop Sean Drinkwater and second-sacker Jeff Meszar are on all cylinders in the field and at the plate. Meszar is a terror on the basepaths, stealing six bases thus far, and hasn't come close to being thrown out. He's miked opposing pitchers for eight walks, and mixing free passes with his speed has proven to be a dangerous potion. His reputation should precede him with Western Carolina. Drinkwater has rolled up a .292 average in the second slot.

Tanner grades the double-play combo as improving steadily. "They've played very well early; they still have some time to get used to each other," Tanner said. "Their work habits up the middle are great, and I think they're going to be better as time goes on."

The WCU series marks the beginning of an eight-game homestand for the Pack, and Tanner is delighted to "be back in the friendly confines of Doak Field." After the WCU set, State faces George Washington for three more and UNC-Greensboro and South Carolina-Spartanburg in one apiece over spring break.

The groundhog didn't see his shadow Feb. 2, and if hordes of fans show up at Doak Field at 2:15 today to see theirs, perhaps it will be enough for an early winter thaw.

# Women's basketball team to face Yellowjackets

By Kevin Brewer Staff Writer

It's crunch time, and the N.C. State women's basketball team has found itself in a situation in which it is not used to being.

The team is in jeopardy of not making the NCAA Tournament for the first time since the 1987-88 campaign. An up-and-down season has left the Wolfpack with a 14-10 record and a 5-8 conference mark heading into three ACC contests on its home floor.

State picked up a 87-67 win at Duke Wednesday and will now prepare for three games in six days. The Pack will be trying to avenge losses in all the games. Georgia Tech will be the first to try its luck in Reynolds Coliseum Sunday for a 2 p.m. start in a game that could decide sixth place in the ACC.

A trip to Atlanta against the Yellow Jackets left the Pack with a 83-72 loss, only the fourth State loss ever to Tech. Joyce Pierce leads Tech in scoring with 17 points a game and in rebounding with 8.9 boards a game.

Fifth-ranked and reeling Maryland will visit Tuesday. The Terrapins defeated the Lady Pack in College Park 99-90 but have dropped two of

its last three to Virginia and Clemson. Terry center Jessie Hicks leads the ACC in shooting at a 58 percent clip and is averaging 15 points a contest.

An extra day was inserted into the conference schedule this year for a Feb. 29 contest with number one-ranked Virginia. The Cavaliers have returned to their usual top spot and will attempt to down the Pack for the fifth consecutive time. The Lady Pack was not welcome in Charlottesville earlier in the season when it lost 101-70 in its second-round defeat over.

Both teams will try to top last year's performance in Raleigh in the last regular-season game for each team. The Cavs defeated State

123-120 in three overtimes in what is considered the greatest women's basketball game ever.

Senior Rhonda Mapp returned to her usual self Wednesday after sitting out a one-game suspension against Florida State. The 6-foot-5 center is attempting to become the fourth player to lead the conference in scoring and rebounding.

Mapp is pumping in 21.3 points a game and pulling down 9.4 rebounds a contest while hanging onto the third spot in shooting percentage. Junior Danyel Parker will also carry much of the load down the stretch. Parker has 17.5 points and 4.8 rebounds in ACC contests and has proven to be the team's most consistent performer of late.

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Luckily, I found a cure for baldness, but you must promise to keep it under your hat.

# Gymnasts to battle E. Mich.

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individual event, and the chemistry as well as team and individual performances have been noticeably better than they were last season.

"We are all really surprised at where we are right now, but that's because there really is no tension between any of us," junior Karen Chester said. "We all pull for one another. There is no one trying to outshine anyone else, and that hasn't been there before."

Stevenson continues to stress that his goals for the team haven't

changed.

"Even though we have scored higher than our goal of 188.00, we haven't changed that because that goal is for our seasonal average, and we are not there yet," he said. "We have to continue to score well at home because we can't expect to score as high on the road. So for the next six weeks, we'll have to continue on this pace to achieve the goal."

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## Campus SAE chapter readies for Mini-Baja

By Hunter Morris  
Staff Writer

Have you ever wondered what it is like to race in an off-road rally? From June 5 to 6, members of the N.C. State University student chapter of the Society of Automotive Engineers will compete in the Midwest Mini-Baja competition sponsored by Briggs and Stratton. The competition is being held in Milwaukee, Wis.

The Mini-Baja is an off-road racer that is built by students from the ground up. The teams are given an only eight-horsepower Briggs and Stratton engine. The only modification that can be made to the engine is removing its gas tank. The car has to be built according to standards dictated by SAE. The frame must be built with parts that exceed a specified strength, and the car must also conform to size restrictions.

After the car is completed, design and cost reports are submitted to SAE for further review.

The Mini-Baja competition is a three-day competition. During the first day, static judging and safety inspections take place. The teams must correct the parts found unsafe by the judges before they are allowed to continue in the competition.

On the second day, five tests are

run that help determine the performance of the car. They include a chain pull, a maneuverability test, an uphill climb on a 45-degree slope, an acceleration-top speed-full brake test and a drive test by the judges. After these tests, the cars

**"It's a lot of fun, and a lot of preparation, but when you get there it's worth it."**

Chad Winslow,  
project leader

are certified for the final race. The last day of the competition, the cars race on an off-road test track for two hours.

The overall winner is then determined by totaling the points from the three days of competition.

Chad Winslow, a senior in mechanical engineering, is the project leader for the Mini-Baja this year. According to Winslow, SAE will use last year's car with some modifications. The modifications are changes to the front and rear suspension, extension of the length of the car for stability and the incorporation of a modified transmission.

"It is a lot of fun and a lot of preparation, but when you get there it's worth it," said Winslow.

According to Winslow, SAE is planning to take four drivers to Milwaukee. Two will rotate driving during the final day's race, and the others will rotate during the other tests.

Last year's team did relatively well for its first effort. During the final race, the N.C. State driver crashed into a tree and bent the front ball joint. It took an hour for the NCSU team to repair the car and rejoin the race. The NCSU team finished in 32nd place out of 60 teams.

The NCSU team was delayed because it did not have the tools necessary to repair the car. Among these tools were a compressor and welding equipment. The team had to borrow tools from other teams in order to repair its car.

SAE is a student section of national SAE. It holds its meetings at 12:15 Friday afternoons in Broughton 2211. Lunch is offered at the meetings.

According to Strader, the goal is to "lay the groundwork to make SAE better." This includes acquiring a building to house the Mini-Baja and Mini-Formula 1 racers. The team also hopes to find more sponsors for the Mini-Baja and other team projects. In the future, it hopes to sponsor a design course in the mechanical engineering department.



Last year's NCSU Mini-Baja entry is similar to this year's car. Photos courtesy Society of Automotive Engineers



Mini-Baja racers competed off-road last year in Dayton, Ohio. This year's race is in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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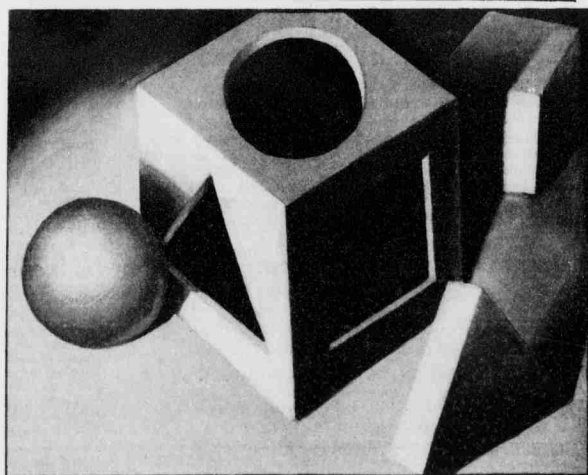
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## Editorials

### Prove Pack still has home

Where were the students of N.C. State University Sunday? As a result of an article in The News & Observer, Raleigh knows where they were not.

Once again, the city paper has found yet another way to mock NCSU. But this time, much to the students' dismay, The N & O had good reason to print "Losing Wolfpack, Losing Fans Too."

The article was full of statistics on the declining student attendance at NCSU basketball games. Of the many students who were interviewed and quoted, none truly defended the university. As a matter of fact, many students gave downright negative statements. Some of the more obvious statements included the belief that poor attendance is due to the fact that we are losing and that academics has nothing to do with the poor attendance at the games.

How could NCSU's student body say such things? Winning isn't everything. This is college, and students are viewed as adults. Yet they childishly refuse to go to the basketball games because the Wolfpack is losing. They forget that school spirit plays an important role in every sport. A winning team is one in which everyone is involved, not just the players.

The whole student body represents NCSU at the games. Without everyone working together, on the court and in the stands, the basketball team will be weak. Just as it takes every part to make a watch tick, it takes every individual to make a team win. The basketball team needs the support of the student body to cheer them on at the games. In essence, the whole student body of NCSU comprises a special team. This team is more important than any sports team; it is the team in which everyone works together to help make this school what it is.

There are only a few games left in the season. NCSU may not place number one this year in the rankings, but with support and increased attendance, the students can prove to Raleigh that the Wolfpack is still number one at home. There are no tryouts and no dues to pay; all it takes is a little time, a walk to Reynolds Coliseum and some spirit to show Raleigh what this school is all about!

### Decency needed at theater

Chew with your mouth closed. Always open doors for women. Be quiet when someone else is talking. Respect your elders. Say please. Say excuse me. Say thank you. Be polite.

Throughout their lives, students have been taught proper behavior and courteous manners. Unfortunately, these same students disregard these values and choose to indulge in a much more appealing activity—rudeness.

At every event on campus, whether it be a theatre event, concert, game, showcase or other performance, there is always at least one idiot in the crowd who cannot justify his or her laughing, talking or booing. Such activities disturb the other people in the audience who really enjoy the performance as well as show disrespect to the performers.

Is there some sort of personal satisfaction that these students gain from such behavior, or are they mentally imbalanced? Do they suffer from what rapper KRS-1 refers to as Common Sense Deficiency Syndrome, which means failing to use their heads to determine the difference between right and wrong?

In addition to talking, eating and inappropriate laughing, it is very rude and annoying to leave a performance five or 10 minutes before it is over just to beat the traffic. Students should put themselves in the performers' shoes and think about how they would react and feel if the same were to happen to them.

What if the performers are from another country? They may not know any better than to assume that this is how the people in America normally act to show their respect and appreciation.

Students should use their better judgment and keep their mouths shut and their hands seated until a performance is over. Just as they have been raised, students should behave accordingly during any event whether or not they pay. It is just common sense and common decency.

### Quote of the Day

"To avoid that horrible burden of Time grabbing your shoulders and crushing you to the earth, you must get drunk without restraint."

—Charles Baudelaire



## Columns

### Columnist learns from past mistake

It really amazes me what politicians will do to get a vote.

Every day that I see Jim Gardner deceive the average voter, I feel so much better about switching my voting habits. Yes, the dirt's out. Chris Heagarty was once a Reagan Democrat, voting for Bush, Martin and even Gardner. I think it was part of growing up in the '80s. If you loved your country, if you loved God and if you loved to kick terrorist butt, then you supported Ronald Reagan and the Republicans. Except maybe for Congress, in which Democrats were OK.

As I became more involved in politics and made the effort to learn about state and federal government, I became incredibly disillusioned with the Reagan era. When you lose the super-patriot her goggles, you see that there is a lot wrong in this nation. And if we are to keep America number one, then it is time to stop living on past glories and letting the richest of the rich bleed the middle class as they move our jobs overseas.

It's not going to be an easy job, and many working people are tired of giving it their all and receiving little in return. Unfortunately, this makes many of them vulnerable to quick-fix snake oil salesmen who promise a bright future with no cost. Many times I have written about our state's premier con man, Jim Gardner. Recently, Gardner announced his candidacy for



Chris Heagarty  
Opinion Columnist

governor. His campaign tactics have already resulted in one downright lie, but the people of the state are too busy trying to put food on the table to notice.

Gardner is not running on a no-new taxes platform but on a program of cutting or eliminating most of the state's taxes. The pinnacle of this no-tax platform is the elimination of the food tax. Gardner says that "we are the only state in this nation that taxes food" and that we need to stop. Because everyone buys food, this has been an extremely popular move. I have overheard people complaining that it's a shame we're the only state with a food tax.

Gardner could be running on an issue he knows absolutely nothing about. This is highly unlikely considering the large budget and staff given to the lieutenant governor. Funny how he complains that his office was stricken of all of its power but after three years didn't? Well, it was necessary to reduce its tax-paid budget accordingly. If he's not ignoring his large research staff, then he is knowingly lying. Every

single state in the nation taxes prepared meals. Someone rising to riches in the restaurant business would normally know this. Twenty states tax groceries. These 20 are not remote areas that Jim Gardner may never have visited but include Virginia, South Carolina, Tennessee and Georgia—every state bordering North Carolina.

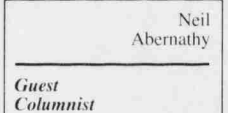
But why bother with accuracy? Just give the voters enough information to make them happy, and they'll support you. The food tax, which is actually the sales tax on food, would have been raised in the 1989-90 legislative session if Jim Gardner had had his way. No one seems to remember that Gardner was campaigning all around the state for a 20 percent increase in the sales tax, even for food, in order to pay for his drug cabinet. If he needed a tax increase to pay for it then, how will he pay for it after a tax cut now? Are drugs no longer important, or is this just bad budgeting? Is this hypocrisy? Dishonesty? Ambition outweighing integrity? Whatever it is, I have learned my lesson from 1988, and I will not repeat my mistake of falling prey to slick Madison Avenue campaigns. I know that Jim Gardner is lying, and I will not be voting for him.

Chris Heagarty is a senior majoring in political communication.

### Homosexuals deserve their freedom

"We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal...." Our forebears came to this country to explore possibility and freedom, and they represented all peoples in this proclamation of basic human rights, including life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Thanks to their strength and determination in their troubled times, every American today can enjoy those freedoms won with both pen and sword, or can they?

If a poll was taken here at this educational institute asking "Should any person or group be indiscriminately denied the basic freedoms of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness?" the resounding answer would unquestionably be "no." If for anyone is denied these rights, the door is then open for any other group to suffer the same fate. For proof, we need merely to look to history and open our eyes to the world in which we live. First, America's colonists fled from the religious persecution in Europe. Next, the American Indians were evicted and exterminated from the colonies. Then Africa was ravaged and blacks were



Neil Abernathy  
Guest Columnist

enslaved. Even in this country, we have seen calculated genocide of whole populations.

Take a look around you now. Can we say that our society is free from the evils of discrimination? Men still earn less than women at the same jobs. Racism is accepted as a fact of daily life. And as we find ourselves in the throws of Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week, suddenly the results of our friendly poll seem not to display the same patriotism nor uphold so strongly those ideals of freedom we hold dear.

This week has been a time of struggle, a time of controversy, a time of hatred and a time of love. But primarily, it has the dual purpose of education and reflection. If you

found yourself wearing khakis on Blue Jeans Day, what message were you conveying? That it's okay for gays to be fired from their jobs? That it's okay for lesbians to be denied housing? That two people cannot show their feelings for one another in public for fear of discrimination and brutality? That a person doesn't deserve the same freedoms as others just because he or she is gay? This is a perilous message indeed, not just for gays but for our society as a whole.

Don't give in to hatred or fear of the unknown. If you "just don't understand gays," then challenge your ideas about homosexuality. Talk to the parents and friends of gays; listen to one of many religious leaders preaching supportive messages; read studies on the biology and psychology of sexual and affectional orientation and open yourself to the gays who would call you friend.

Neil Abernathy is a senior majoring in applied math and biochemistry.

### Blue Jeans Day should have been more specific

We are writing on behalf of our concern about "Blue Jeans Day," the day when people are asked to wear blue jeans if they support gay and lesbian rights.

The cause of this day is very ambiguous. Some questions that may arise about this subject are: "Am I supporting the gay lifestyle?" "What rights are being requested?" "Does this day support a gay person's role in society?"

This day forces many people to come to a black or white decision where there are many gray areas. Many people do not even care about the subject and may wear a pair of blue jeans because it is the only clean thing they have to wear. One may support homosexual rights but may not support the gay lifestyle.

If one believes that gay people and lesbians do indeed have rights, then this person must also consider other controversial groups. The Ku Klux Klan, skinheads and the NAACP all have the right to exist and assemble as the U.S. Constitution provides. In this sense, one cannot discriminate against the right of an individual or group.

Setting limitations on society by demanding an absolute answer to a controversial topic leaves many unanswered questions about the intentions of the movement. If gay and lesbian rights groups were more specific, they might

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receive a more accurate response and a clearer picture of where America stands.

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### Bush shows his true colors in Haitian crisis

In response to the Haitian Boat People's Crisis, I am thoroughly disgusted. As you may know, the Haitian government has been overthrown by an oppressive fascist dictatorship. Men, women and children are seeking asylum in the United States. However, our country of supposed freedom is not granting a state of refuge for these desperate people. Why?

When Iraq invaded Kuwait, Bush and his advisers immediately and vehemently attacked the action and called it naked aggression.

Why has Bush refused to denounce the Haitian government's action as aggressive? Bush realizes that he cannot gain any real percentage points in the polls for saving the Haitians.

Haiti is a poor nation, and its people probably cannot offer our government any bona fide reward for saving their lives. Large amounts of foreign investment and money were at stake in Kuwait. The clear difference is not the value of a human life or a war against oppression, it is this administration's concern with money and the upper class.

How can Bush be a hero for saving a country half a world away but not be held responsible for helping the Haitians? Bush says that he cares about us and about human life. The only thing Bush truly cares about is his re-election.

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Keep up the good work.

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