

Is 'Sliver' as hot as 'Basic Instinct'? Legeros says no. Features/Page 3



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Wednesday

## Reports don't portray true picture of crimes

People see violence on television every day, but many don't realize how much it actually occurs in their own community. Some people who believed official reports of violence in North Carolina were too low decided to find out what was really going

oft. had vasu, director of the N.C. State University Social Science Research Laboratory, and eight professors from other North Carolina universities were funded by the Governors Crime Commission to con-

duct a survey about violent crimes.
"There is a belief that violent crime is far
worse than reported," Vasu said. "For

example, 75 percent of all rapes are not freported],"
Vasu designed a 12-minute telephone survey to interview 9,700 randomly chosen North Carolinians. He said the survey asked the people if they had been victims and if they knew who the offender was. He said the survey was conducted by telephone for two reasons. "[Using a telephone] was the most comprehensible way in a reasonable time period and for an acceptable response," he said. Vasu said they would not have gotten a significant number of responses if they had chosen to mail questionnaires and that personal interviews were out of the question due to the time factor.

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a-half weeks to complete, Vasu said.
After the interviews were completed, they compiled the data to form conclusions.
According to an NCSU news report, the study found rape occurs 15 times more often than reports say, robberies occur 8.5 times more often than reports say, robberies occur 8.5 times more often and aggravated assaults

The survey showed that women are more likely to be raped by acquaintances between the ages of 18 and 22. It also showed that raped women are more likely to be African American or Native American.

The researchers used zip codes so they could find concentrations of violence in certain areas, Vasu said. The trend they noticed was that crime is spreading to rural areas and small towns, he said.

Vasu said that the researchers expected more crime but did get enough to support what they had believed.

"There is an epidemic of violent crime in North Carolina, I would say," Vasu said.

He said they made a presentation to the U.S. Department of Justice, which went

## **Exhibit** offers a taste of culture

By Ivan Casas

Yesterday marked the beginning of a onemonth exhibition of textiles and ceramics. The
exhibition is available to the public and is
located at the north and south galleries of the
N.C. State University Student Center.
The textile part of the exhibition, which will
be shown in the North Gallery, is titled
"Guatemalan Textiles: Color, Texture,
tradition." Organized by Kate Green, aering
curator of textiles for the Visual Arts Center,
the show is a selection of 26-piece servilets
(table napkins), clothing, altar cloths and photographs on loan to the university by Myrta
Spence. The pieces are from the 96-piece private collection of her grandfather, the late
Leon J. Dutton, a native of Philadelphia.
The textile pieces were obtained by Dutton,
who became interested in Mayan culture durting a business venture in Guatemala between
1890 and 1903.
"This is the first textile exhibit of this nature
in the Visual Art Center, and the items on display are mostly utilitarian, which were used by
the native Indians, and include beautiful huipiits (shirts), spreads, shoulder bags, hair nets,
tube and wrap-around skirt material, and
belts." Charlotte Brown, director of the Visual
Art Center, smdis of the textiles are a manifestation of their traditional customs and
beliefs.
"The textiles are very bright, wonderful, col-

festation of their traditional customs and beliefs.

"The textiles are very bright, wonderful, colorful, and the decorations include birds, animals, geometric zig-zag patterns, and corn, their main source food and a mythological symbol," Brown said. "The textiles are beautiful and rare, and there is only one other collection of Guatemalan textiles of this nature and this old (between 90 and 100 years old) in the U.S. The method of production is also extremely sophisticated."

The ceramics part of the exhibition is organized by Leonidas Betts, curator of ceramics for the Visual Art Center and associate professor of English at NCSU. The exhibit is a second of small pieces and "bigware," which were created to be used both as garden ornaments and for daily activities in the rural communities of North Carolina.

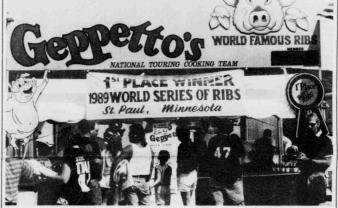
The ornaments were designed by Joe Owen, a native of Moore County, between 1982 and 1985. He belonged to a family of potters, some of whom are still involved in the old tradition of pottery. "One of the reasons we decided to show, his

1985. He belonged to a family of potters, some of whom are still involved in the old tradition of pottery.

"One of the reasons we decided to show his works is probably because nobody has ever seen them before. People have only seen some of his pieces scattered around, but never all of them together. Luckily we had a lender who had a whole array of his works." Brown said. "Some people would probably hate it (the exhibit) and some others might think it is fabulous. This is because in his pottery he uses bright colors and very interesting glassy colors; so some people would think it gouache and some people would think it gouache and some people would there the great." This part of the exhibition also shows utilitarian as well as ornamental pieces.

"The pieces are considered garden art. Some are ornaments were not made to last and some other ones are for day-to-day usage." Brown said. "The pieces include planters and pitchers and things that were used for outside tasks. They are very unpretentious and are not expensive. Some are contemporaneous in style, and some are very traditional."

The Student Center is open daily, except during university holidays. For more information, call the Visual Art Center at \$15-3503.



Finger-lickin' good

This past weekend thousands of people gathered at Walnut Creek Amphitheater to enjoy good music and good food. The first annual Rib-Fest made the holiday weekend enjoyable. It featured a nationwide rib cook-off, pig races and well-known bands.

## NCSU makes way for genetics

### Courtroom use of DNA debated

NCSU Information

Last year a Conway, S.C., teen-age girl was raped, cut into pieces and left in the woods. No one in the small town seemed capable of such a crime. But with the help or statistician Bruce S. Weir, William Neal Reynolds professor of genetics and statistics at N.C. State University, detectives caught their man. They arrested Johnnie Register, once a trusted friend of the victim, who had served as a pallbearer at the girl's funeral.

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The evidence was based on DNA fingerprinting, a fairly new forensic technique that allowed detectives to link the DNA in semien at the crime scene to someone no one would have suspected.

Despite its usefulness in this and other cases across the country, DNA testing is stirring up so much controversy that some judges have begun to throw DNA evidence out of court. Their reason: Even the scientists disaggree on how to prove that a match isn't

just a coincidence.
Enter Weir, who specializes in the area of statistics that is said to prove the reliability of the DNA tests. In recent articles in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences and in the American Journal of Human Genetics, Weir has used data from actual populations to prove that the test results are trustworthy. "This is a very powerful forensic tool," Weir said. "But I'm afraid that some lawyers, in an effort to mount a defense, have been missinforming the judges and jurors about the statistical method."
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statistical method."
Weir, who majored in math 30 years ago at the University of Canterbury, New Zealand, never thought he would be testifying in serial murder cases or on behalf of bru-talized race victims at the case of cases of on behalf of bru-talized rape victims. "I just enjoyed math," he said.

said.

But for the past several years, Weir has been putting his mathematical wizardry to work telling courts how uncommon,

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### Genetics center opens on campus

NCSU Information Services

A Center for Quantitative Genetics has been established at N.C. State University, the only center of its kind in the country. The center will promote research on the genetics of complex traits, such as plant yield and animal growth, which are considered quantitative because they are controlled by many different owner.

controlled by many different genes.

Little is known about the genetic basis of these traits, making it difficult and expensive for geneticists to engineer plants and animals for crucial qualities. The most spectacular successes in biotechnology so far have been those on traits controlled by single genes.

"A large proportion of the traits that interest agriculturists are inherited in a quantitative fashion," William R. Atchley, professor of genetics and the center's director, said. "In the past, we have used conventional plant and animal breeding to modify traits, but these approaches have not shown us how a myriad of genes, each with an incremental effect, pro-

duces the trait."
Research projects at NCSU that the center's members already have under way include:
• Bruce S. Weir's development of statistical methods for locating the genes that control the propensity for human diseases inherited in a quantitative fashion. Those diseases include muscular distrophy and tuberous sclerosis.

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Ronald R. Sederoff's mapping of the genes in for-est trees, which enables breeders to produce trees with the superior qualities of rapid growth, disease resistance and denser wood.

William R. Atchley's work on the genetic basis of craniofacial development, which has shown that genes are not the only factor deter-mining physical characteris-tics. Interactions between the mother and the develop-ing fetus have profound effects on an offspring's anatomy as well.

Eugene J. Eisen's efforts to unlock the genetic basis of obesity in humans, using the mouse as a model organ-

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## Moving is a problem on campus

Wood residents will be forced to move to Wautaga between summer sessions

By Arnel Collins

Moving may become a major activity for some on-campus students in the 1993 summer sessions. Housing and Residence Litie Av. C. State University will operate two residence halls during the summer sessions. Sullivan Hall is being used to house undergraduate students while Wood Hall is open to graduate students and to upperclassmen on a space available basis. Watauga Hall, which is normally open during the summer, is closed to facilitate the installation of a fiberoptic network system.

the summer, is closed to facultate the installation of a fiberoptic network system. During this period, Wood Hall is being used to accommodate Watauga residents. However, the residence hall is also earmarked for use as a center for summer conferences, which will force current residents to relocate at the end of the first

ession.
"I don't know exactly who or what these erences will involve, but Wood Hall w

ferences will involve, but Wood Hall will be packed to capacity. That's why we need to move Watauga residents out [of Wood Residence Hall] at the end of June," a spokesperson from Housing and Residence Life who wished to remain anonymous said.

As a result of these arrangements, Watauga Hall students taking summer classes and remaining on campus during the interim period vacated regular quarters May 6 and moved into Wood Hall. June 30 they will be required to check out of Wood Hall for a return to Watauga Hall. The Housing and Residence Life Red Truck crew will be available to assist residents in moving their belongings.

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In addition, there was no interim housing charge and telephone connection service for the summer. It is being taken care of by the university at no cost to students.

"I really don't have a problem with the arrangements," said Gerry Dozier, a doctoral student in computer science. "I prefer the room here [in Wood Residence Hall] since it's larger, although the residents are scattered all over the building." However, Bob Daniel, a sentior in civil engineering, voiced concern about the mail distribution service operated by the university.

"I should have received some important stuff last Wednesday or Thursday, but so far ... nothing. So it seems as if there is a problem with the mail," Daniel said.

The director of administration for Housing and Residence Life could not be reached for comment at press time.

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On the other side of campus, Sullivan Hall residents seemed comfortable with their housing

arrangements.

In spite of the fact that demand was greater this summer, filling the hall to capacity, no one is complaining about the louder-than-usual noise.

"It's not that excessive," Christopher Morton, a sophomore in physics, said. "I'm confident that if I had a problem, my RA would do something about it."

Sabrina Drisco, a sophomore in textiles management, echoed this feeling. Drisco, a Sullivan Hall resident during the regular academic year, regretted the closure of the computer room over the summer.

"It's the only thing I can think of off-hand that's not up to par," she said.

## Sports

## State can't hold margin, bows out to Cowboys

By Michael Noteware

STILLWATER, Okla. — It took a six-run seventh inning for Oklahoma State to eliminate the top-seeded N.C. State baseball team, 8-3 in the Midwest Regional Sunday

night.

Rob Winkler (4-2) held the Cowboys at bay for 6 1/3 innings, giving up only one run on one hit in the fourth, Center fielder Peter Prodanov hit a solo homer off

Winkler.

"I was real proud with the outing Winkler gave us." Wolfpack head coach Ray Tanner said. "He threw a good fastbail and breaking ball tonight."

In the sixth inning, with one out, Winkler walked OSU's Emesto Rivera for the fourth time in the game. Roberto Lopez then dou-

bled, and Sean Hugo followed with another walk. Rivera scored on a groundout and two more runs came in on a Prodanov sin-

two more turns came.

Winkler then left the game, having allowed five runs on three hits in 6 2/3 innings. Right-hander David Allen came in to intentionally walk Thad Chaddrick. Hunter Triplett then hit a three-run homer two-thirds of the way up the 40-foot net in Canada.

two-thirds of the way up the 40-foot net in left field.

Allen hit the next batter, OSU catcher Joe Wallace, with a fastball, clearing both benches. After the dust settled, Allen forced shortstop Fred Ocasio to pop up to left field, ending the inning.

"We hit some balls early, but didn't really get much to hit." Oklahoma State head coach Gary Ward said. "Then you look up in the sixth inning, and you realize that

Winkler pitched a great game."

The Wolfpack scored a run in the second, fourth and ninth imnings. In the second, catcher Greg Almond doubled to left field and scored on an Andy Barkett and designated hitter Karl Carswell and a single by right lielder Kevin Ross loaded the bases. Shortstop Ryan Ferby then reached on a fielder's choice, scoring Barkett.

Down by six in the top of the ninth, seighth of the season. But, the rally died quickly as the Cowboys sat the next three batters down in order.

N.C. State went 2-2 this weekend, defeating Fordham 12-4 in the first game of the regional on Friday before losing to Arizon 5-2 Saturday afternoon, In the noon game on Sunday, the Pack defeated Auburn 13-2.

eliminating the Tigers and setting up the evening game with OSU. The Cowboys defeated Connecticut and Aubum to reach Sunday's game. "We're going to have a little better offense next season," Tanner said. "I'm very proud of this team, the way they played well through the middle of the season, and I'm not disappointed at all."

This was the seventh consecutive NCAA regional for State since 1986. The Pack finishes the season at 49-17, the most wins by a State team ever. The previous best was 48 in both 1990 and 1991. This year's squad also broke a school record for triples in a season with 22, the previous record being 21 in 1979. The victory on Sunday aftermoon was Coach Tanner's 271st in his six-year career.

## V scholarship begun

Jim Valvano's name is once again an official part of the N.C. State athletics department.

The NCSU Student Aid Association has announced that it will honor Valvano with an endowed scholarship in his memory. The James T. Valvano Endowment will pay for the expenses of a deserving student-athlete.

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ship after getting approval from Valvano's family. Club director

Charlie Bryant said he wasn't sure when student-athletes would start receiving the money.

"We're just getting underway," he said. "We couldn't do this, of course, without the family's approval. So we had to ask, and once we got it, we went to work immediately."

The Wolfpack Club has also established the Jim Valvano Award, which will be presented annually to a student-athlete who best exemplifies the qualities and characteristics. Valvano stood for: "Respect and love for his teammates and his fellow man; enthusiasm and spirit, both on and off the fields of play; capacity to dream and the courage and perseverance to make those dreams become a reality; and to, 'Never, ever give up."



Kelly Mitchum will lead the Pack into battle in today's NCAA Championship. Mitchum finished 13th in last week's regional competi-

### Golfers aim for title

The N.C. State golf team is peaking at just the right time. The NCAA Championships begin today in Lexington, Ky., and the Pack goes in playing some of its best golf of the year. A first-place finish at the Wolford Invitational two weeks ago began State's surge toward a NCAA Championship berth. The Wolfpack squad made up a two-shot deficit on ACC champion Clempton in the final round and won the tournament by one shot.

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The Pack's two-round team total of 3-under-par 573 bettered the Tigers by one stroke and third-place finisher North Florida by seven strokes. State was especially on fire in the first round, firing a team score of 7-under-par 281.

Pack freshman sensation Mark Slawter grabbed his first career individual title at Wofford. Slawter carded rounds of 1-under-par 71 and 4-under-par 68 to win the individual title by two strokes. Slawter finished at 5-under par 139. In addition, Slawter was awarded the first ACC Rookie of the Year Award and was amended to the all-ACC feam.

But Slawter was not the only team member having his best tourney of the year. Todd Ormsby fired an

closed with a 75 to finish at 2-under-par.
Also, three-time all-American Kelly Mitchum finished in a tie for sixth place individually. Mitchum, who was named to the all-ACC team earlier in the week for the fourth consecutive time, finished at 1-under-par.

I-under-par.
Rob Cato finished the tourney at 7-over-par 151, while Press McPhaul finished at 15-over-par

McPhaul finished at 15-over-par 159.
In last week's NCAA East Regional Tournament in Charlottesville, Va., the Pack snagged one of the final three spots in the NCAAs. The top 11 teams from the 22-team field qualified for the tournament.

The Pack finished at 876 for the regional and in a three-way tie for ninth place with Louistana State and Wake Forest. Clemson won the regional with a total of 849.
Individually for the Pack, Mitchum led the team with a 13th-place finish. The Southern Pines native fired rounds of 73, 72 and 70 to card a 1-under-par 215 total.

Top-ranked Georgia Tech is the favorite going into the champi-onships. Play at the 7,046-yard, par-72 Champions Club begins today and concludes Saturday.







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## Features

## They're back!!!

#### Technician takes a look at the first batch of summer movies

By Michael J. Legeros

The 1993 summer movie season has started not with a bang, but a whimper. Six high-profile releases mark the start of a season which will consist of over 50 new films by Labor Day. However, if early reviews are any indication, this may be one long, lukewarm summer.

"Hot Shots! Part Deux" is the best of the bunch — a hilarious "Rambo" parody, bursting with dozens of great gags. Unlike "Part Un," which spoofed "Top Gun" and little more, "Part Deux" takes aim at everything from "Terminator 2"

Legeros's Marks Hot Shots! Part Deux B+

Super Mario Bros.

Cliffhanger B

Made in America C+

Sliver

Posse C

D+

to "The Wizard Oz." Watch for nods to "Apocalypse Now," "Casablanca," and even "Lady and the Tramp!" Charlie Sheen, back with pumped pecks, is joined by "Rambo" veter-an Richard Creena and Lloyd Bridges as President "Tug" Benson, Watch for Saddam Hussein and don't forest to read the classine Bridges as President "Tug" Benson. Watch for Saddam Hussein and don't forget to read the closing credits. Gradie: B+

Also good is "Super Mario Bros," a surprisingly solid fantasy from the creators of TV's "Max Headroom." Fantastic sets (from the designer of "Blade Runner"), genuine acting and an innovative story could elevate this Nintendonspired film to cult status. Bob Hoskins (who else?) stars as Mario, while Dennis Hopper is evil King Koopa. Watch for Mojo Nixon in a small role. Filmed in Wilmington, N.C. this movie is a must see, Grade: B+

"Cliffhanger" may be the ideal

symptoms of "Clifthanger's" simpleton script. Grade: B
For light entertainment, "Made in America" is a safe bet. This romantic comedy stars Ted Danson as the unexpected father of Whoopi Goldberg's child, courtesy of a suspected sperm switch. Director Richard Benjamin ("Mermaids") keeps things breezy, lavoring animal jokes over sperm satire, and the whole thing fizzles out 20 minutes too early.

minutes too early.

Danson and Goldberg
make a good couple, but
only co-star Will Smith
brings anything fresh to
the film.

"Made in America" is

"Made in America" is too harmless for it's own good. Grade. C+

"Posse" boasts the sea son's most innovative idea: an all-black Western, reflecting the true African-American heritage of the Old West. Too bad director Mario Van Peebles ("New Jack Clity") is all heart and no head. "Posse" may feel like a Western. but looks like a mess. Peebles lacks the ability to properly stage a fist-

but looks like a mess. Peebles lacks the ability to properly stage a fist-fight or even a shoot-out. Only an outstanding collection of actors old and new — Tone Loc, Billy Zane, Issae Hayes, Richard Jordan, and Stephen Baldwin — keeps "Posse" from falling out of the saddle. Grade: C



Scenes from the movie "Sliver." (Above) Carly Norris (Sharon Stone) becomes romantically involved with Zeke Hawkins (William Baldwin), a weather bachelor and neighbor in her new Manhattan apartment building. (Right) While Tom Berenger stars as Jack Landsford, an author of true crime best-sellers — and an all-around stud.

The season's biggest disappointment (so far) is "Sliver," an exceedingly dull adaptation of Ira Levin's novel about an apartment building with a history of homicide. "Sliver" reunites "Basic Instinct" screenwriter Joe Eszterhas with "Instinct" star Sharon Stone. There are few thrills, short of watching Stone finally play a

stud.

believable character! Even with an interesting high-tec angle, "Sliver" plays like a third-rate "Rear Window."

Co-stars Tom Berenger and William Baldwin go from bad to worse, while director Phillip Noyce serves up more soft-core point an suspense. Stone will emerge unscathed from this one, but count "Sliver" as the second nail in Noyce's coffin after "Patrio Games," "Grade: D+ Noyce's coffin after "Patriot Games," Grade: D+



#### A&E Calender

Wednesday

Thompson Theatre How They Run\*

Thursday

must see, Grade: B+

"Cliffhanger" may be the ideal
summer movie. Loud, splashy,
and completely forgettable, the
film places Sylvester Stallone,
literally, on the edge of a mountain to battle bad guys.
Action-ace Renny Harlin
("Die Hard 2") serves up a
breathless thriller about a midair
hjäcking gone awry. John
Lithgow leads a cast of baddies
who are stranded in the Rockies
after their getaway plane crashes.

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Everything looks great, but sounds awful. Bad dialogue and strained plausibility are just two

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### NCSU loses to NCAA

the N.C. State baseball team was the victim of a disturb-ing trend in college athlet-

ing trend in college americs last Monday aftermoon.

The Wolfpack, which finished its season Sunday night in an 8-3 loss to Oklahoma State with a school-record 49 wins, was school-record 49 wins, was named the number-one seed in the Midwest Regional in Stillwater, Okla, by the NCAA. The regionals decide the eight teams that will play in the College World Series Friday. So what's so disturbing about a number-one seed? Well, nothing,

but it was a consenus in the base-ball community that the Pack would also travel to the Mideast Regional in Knoxville, Tenn., a much closer location than the

Midwest cite.
The trend: Basically, the NCAA is giving more favorable cites to teams who will draw more fans in order to increase its rev-

- instead of sending schools to the regionals they

And this year's pairings, as well as past evidence, backs this theo-y up. The Wolfpack, ranked as high as seventh in some polls, was sent to Stillwater, while Tennesse received a number-one spot in Knoxville, Tenn. Although Volunteers were granted a regional on its home field, their highest ranking was 17th.

Clemson, which defeated the Pack in the ACC Championship, received the number-two seed in Knoxville. Last season, when the the schools' situations were reversed, Clemson again received the more favorable location.

The answer is fairly simple. Just be consistent, NCAA. Seedings and regional locations should be on the merit of team instead of how much money the team can haul in.

## Turner: upgrade Doak!

f course, the question of where the NCAA should put the Pack would be moot if State had a decent place Unfortunately, as it is, coach Ray Tanner and company are stuck with woefully inade-quete Doak Field.

What's so bad about Doak? Well, consider these facts.
NCAA regionals always include

several night games. Doak Field has no lights.

NCAA regionals draw thousands of fans during four-to-six hour sessions. Doak Field can barely squeeze 3,000 in for one game against North Carolina.

NCAA regionals involve more han 100 players who must dress and shower for as many as two games a day. Doak Field has no locker rooms

Athletics Director Todd Turner should be ashamed that N.C. State's baseball team, one of the best in the country, is forced to play in such a pathetic facility. The NCSU baseball team has established itself as national power and deserves to play in a first class stadium.

Turner's department has not been totally oblivious to the base-ball team's needs, but it hasn't offered a total commitment either. Improvements to Doak Field are in the ambitious Wolfpack Pride campaign but just as part of the undercard to the Centennial Center project. When and if the money will come in is still in question.

Turner should stop hedging and put lights, locker rooms and better seating in at Doak Field. He should give Tanner the support he needs to finish his ascent to the highest level.

Tanner has done a masterful job recruiting top talent to Raleigh despite his diamond-shaped albtross. Remove that from his neck and NCSU's path to Omaha and the College World Series would get a whole lot easier.

It would be right through the back yard.

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#### Columns

## Piddly automotive crap, wasted days

STEVE

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When was the last time you were in a courtroom?

I had a most interesting experience there this past week. But first, let me tell you how I got there.

I own a 1979 Ford LTD. I am in the process of restoring the car. When I got it, the first thing I did was get it running. Over the past year, I have been repairing the various components, the most technical of which was the replacement of the transmission. In early April, I had done some adjustments to the engine (which was not running well) and had taken the car out for a test run on Avent Ferry Road. I was pulled. Mby? Because I had an expired inspection sticker. Now, I have a valid driver's license. Have full may an an experiment of the standard tags and registration. But I was rebuilding the car. Until the car is rebuilt, it did not qualify for a valid inspection sticker. Awar road-worthy — don't get me worm, All the systems were in operating order and the car was safe. It even passed the wake County emission test. It falled the inspection in February, though because the car did not have the content of the content of

So anyway, I was cited for not having an inspection sticker. Now, if it had been an oversight on my part, I would pay the \$60

CRISP court costs and be done with it. But I do not court costs and be done with it. But I do not feel it is fair to be penalized under the circumstances. If I had been a certified mechanic and owned a shop, I would not have been cited for road testing a car while it was in the process of being repaired. I was merely an easy target. So anyway, back to the courtroom.

was merely an easy target. So anyway, back to the courtroom.

I went downtown on my appointed day of trial and found myself on the second floor of the Wake County Court House. Here, you will find four large courtrooms dedicated solely to the adjudication of traffic offenses. Each court has what is called a docket posted outside their door and lists the names of the defendants who are to appear before that particular day's session. Each roster on that particular day included some 50 names with the defendant's corresponding violation. A total of 200 people on this particular morning had to appear in court.

The overwhelming majority were minor offenses involving speeding (like 51 in a 45), inspection sticker violations, top sign violations, expired driver's licenses, and other little things. I did not notice any major traffic offenses like vehicular manslaughter or DWI. Little piddly crap. Four court-rooms. Four judges. Eight district attorneys. Four court clerks. Four sheriff's bailiffs. At least five police officers in each of the four courtcoms who were tied up all day. Who knows how many support people behind the

scene. All for little piddly crap. And lest I not forget, 200 people who missed a day of

scene. All for little piddly crap. And lest 1 not forget, 200 people who missed a day of work.

In my courtroom, the DA called the dock-et. About half the people weren't even there. Of the others who were, about half were in violation of administrative oversights and had their cases dismissed without fines or costs. I didn't sitck around to see the disposition of the cases which were heard by the judge. I would venture to say that at least several of the defendants were acquitted though. For these little piddly cases, there were five lawyers present to represent their clients.

In my case, I had to get a continuance. Between getting the ticket and my court date, I had decided to replace the engine. Hunt Tire was in the process of doing so on the date of my court appearance. Since it was not completed on that day, I did not have a valid inspection sticker yet. If I had, I could have brought in documentation that he violation was corrected and had my case dismissed. The file that the car was being all over the arags flow had no bearing on the court. The fact that the car was being road tested at the time of the violation to correct a problem which resulted in the expired inspection sticker in the first place had no bearing on the court. Most of the other people in the court, particularly the ones whose cases had been dismissed, were there for the same reason as I. It appeared to me that about half the court (and hence, half the personnel) existed to adjudicate the "crimes" of those whose only violation was administrative in nature. Forgot the driver's license. Insurance coverage lapsed (in two cases because the insurance company fouled up. In one other,

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#### Forum Policy

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## New phone system great for campus

It is always refreshing to find a university department looking out for students' best interests. I am referring to the telecommuni-cations department and its new phone sys-tems. Telecommunications should be commend-

Telecommunications should be commend-ed on a job well done on the new phone ser-vice. Most of the time when university departments cook up some new plan, they masquerade as the students' helpers, but when the smoke clears, it becomes obvious who the plan benefits: the university. Students end up paying more money for inferior service.

who the plan benefits: the university. Students end up paying more money for inferior service.

That is not the case with this new phone service, which comes equipped with voice mail. And voice mail is much more than just an answering machine.

When people leave you a message on voice mail, the voice mail box will tell you when they called. The only way an answering machine will do that is if the people calling tell you what time they are calling. Plus, voice mail is extremely easy to use. All one has to do is follow the steps when calling voice mail to check messages.

Another advantage of voice mail is the ability to send the same message to people without having to call everyone. For instance, let's asy you're throwing a party and want to invite a bunch of people, but you don't have time to call and invite everyone individually. Voice mail enables you to zoom a message to as many phone voice mail boxes as you want.

Voice mail toses also have their own per-



sonal long-distance code that must be punched every time they make a long-distance phone call. This is very practical For instance, let's say that you're visiting a friend in Sullivan Residence Hall and you live in Lee. Instead of having to go back to your room to make an important long-distance phone call, you simply punch in your personal long-distance code into your friend's phone. This feature helps cut down on roommate squabbles because you don't have to worry about your roommate making a bunch of long-distance phone calls and not paying for them. Everyone will have their own record and everyone will be responsible for their own bill.

If you have any questions about the new phone system, call the telecommunications department. When you call Southern Bell, all you get is a computer answering your questions. This is not the case for telecommunications. I have called twice with questions concerning my new phone system. I was greeted with a friendly, courteous voice. When legendary service is provided, it should be commended.

Another plus with this new system is the \$12.xxxxx phone numbers. I have lived on campus for four years, and each year! I have been forced to learn new phone numbers for myself and my friends. To make matters more complicated, everyone had a different number. For example, I would have a \$31.xxxx number and the guy across the hall would have a \$47.xxxx number. That 'shistory now. All students now have a \$12.xxxx number. That is story now. All students now have a \$12.xxxx number. That is much more convenient. Plus, if you choose to live in the same room for another year, the number remains the same. Most important, in the minds of college students, the service is cheaper! To my knowledge, providing new, better and less expensive service is a first for this university. The new phone service is roughly \$3 a month less than regular Southern Bell charges, plus the hook-up charges year after year. Students can also switch rooms, they don't have to disconnect their phone and hook up another phone in another room. They just get a new phone number with their personal long-distance codes and voice mail codes remaining the same. It seems the university could take a lesson from the telecommunications department, to hallenge all other university departments to learn from this example. To the telecommunications department, I say, God bless you, and keep up the good work!

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#### Crime

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and therefore how significant, a match might be. Unlike conven-tional fingerprints, which are unique to each person, DNA pro-files can be similar in different peo-

tiles can be similar in different peo-ple.

If the match could occur in one out of 10 people, then the evidence is not convincing. If, however, the match occurs in one out of 3 million people, as Weir figured in Register's case, the evidence is overwhelming. Partly as a result of Weir's testimony, Register is now serving four consecutive life sentences.

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But some scientists have contested this method, saying that it might exaggerate the rarity of a match. They say that the frequency with which the profile occurs is likely to be different in subpopulations, especially those of isolated ethnic groups with a high degree of internatives.

groups with a high degree of mer-marriage.
As a result of these arguments, some judges began dismissing.
DNA evidence two years ago. In hopes of stemming the controversy, the National Research Council (NRC) in May 1992 issued a report on DNA testing in criminal cases. It recommended very conservative statistical guidelines that all experts should agree on for figuring the possible occurrence of haphazard match.

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But that only added fuel to the fire. The response to the NRC report was an overwhelming and highly unusual attack from renowned population statisticians, including Weir. These experts said the report makes erroneous assumptions about population genetics.

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In his published articles, Weir showed that while the frequency of occurrence for a particular band might be different for subpopulations, the frequency of the entire DNA profile was the same in different subpopulations. He proved this by using data gathered from different ethnic groups.

"DNA testing is almost indisputable," Weir said, "It's become probably the most powerful evidence we have to tie a suspect to a crime scene, far more powerful than fingerprints. As investigators become more adept at recovering minute samples at crime scenes, it's becoming even more powerful."

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ism.
• Trudy F.C. MacKay's targeting of genes that are responsible for complex traits in fruit flies by inserting pieces of foreign DNA into the flies. Fruit flies are the best-understood model for genetic

studies.

Shaobang Zeng's creation of computer programs for locating genes affecting complex traits. The programs will soon be available to the scientific community.

Research in quantitative genetics at NCSU has been supported by two grants from the National Institutes of Health.

One is the longest-running grant

in NCSU history, totaling \$14.5 million. Its principle investigator from 1963 through 1990 was C. Clark Cockerham, who has been succeeded by Weir. The current five-year funding is \$3.5 million.

The other is a \$700,000 grant over the next five years that the center will use to train and support five to seven doctoral students each year. The center will operate as part of NCSU's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

To further unlock the secrets of quantitative genetics, the center will sponsor symposiums to encourage interdisciplinary work among molecular, developmental and quantitative geneticists. "We want to identify and locate in the genome which genes are responsible for a trait and how these genes interact with one another," Atchley said.

#### CRISP, continued

because DMV made an error.) Expired inspection sticker. At least 50 people tied up for a full day on garbage.

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money. Let me suggest a better system.

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One, they can leave the charge undisputed and pay off the ticket. Two, they can dispute the charge and offer documented evidence that the violation has been corrected. The case would then be dismissed. Allow a defendant's attorney to

come in and plea-bargain the more serious of the minor administrative violations, thereby disposing of some more cases. What is left, what is of a truly contested nature, goes before a single court with a single judge and a single DA with the offi-cer present.

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With those cases where a defen-dant has not shown up within 60 days of the violation, issue an order for arrest. But don't tie up valuable sherilf department time and person-nel to serve it. Simply put the order on computer so that if the defendant ever gets pulled again, they will be brought downtown at that time. Remember, these are minor offens-ses. Why go out of your way to hunt someone down for failure to appear?

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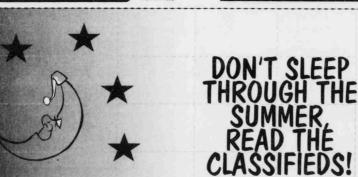
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