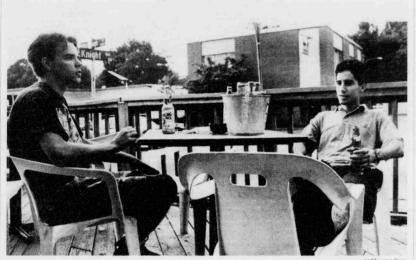
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Complaints result in noise ordinance

One Hillsborough Street business manager says the new Raleigh noise ordinance is hurting student turnout at local bar and grills.

By JODIE JOHNSON

A new Raleigh city ordinance has left N.C. State University left N.C. State University students free to go out and have a good time at the local Hillsborough Street

Study by professor urges NC cities to take another look at their water sources BY SHANNON SHORT

NCSU browshow Structs A study by a researcher based at NC. State University suggests that cities in the state may have to look farther from home to find future sources of drinking water. It's a situation the city of Virginia Beach knows too well. The city continues to lobby for approval to up Lake Gaston for its drinking water through an 85-mile pipeline. Dr. David H. Moreau, director of the UNC Water Resources Research Institute at NCSU, said Virginia Beach's water problems may become more common for other cities.

other etites. Moreau said his study shows that North Carolinians are using more and more water, but the number of reservoirs remains somewhat stag-

bars as long as they aren't too loud. Local drinking establishments have noise meters to measure the decibel level of noise emitted. And as a result of the new ordinance, those noise meters are checked periodically by local authorities. Jeff Norman, co-manager of The Cantina... said students have become discouraged from going out and having fun because of the ordinance.

ordinance. "It [the ordinance] has been in effect for a few weekends, and it has already hurt business,"

Conservation key to safe water

drawn from reservoirs increased by 79 percent — a growth of about 3 percent per year. But storage capacity of public water supplies in reservoirs has not kept pace, increasing only at an annual rate of six-tenths of one per-cent the propert states.

cent, the report state

Norman said. "We're very dis-turbed by it." He said the new law is not just affecting business at The Cantina, but East Village and Spike's bar-and grill as well. "They're really enforcing it on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings," Norman said. "We hear there are about thirty unmarked and marked [police] cars cruising and down Hilbsborugh St." Norman said the conflicts about the noise started when residents on Dixie Trail came down to the bars

saver) flush toilets in new construc-tions will help, "Not only must we take care to protect the quality of these impor-tant resources, the challenge before us is to use them more efficiently. Conservation does not mean having less, it means we have to become smarter about how we use water," Morem suid

smarter about how we use water," Moreau said. "Now is the time for us to begin investing in development of new knowledge about reducing demand for water while increasing the value of products and services that we get from its use," he said. Moreau's study recommends pre-serving the quality of existing reser-voirs and paying greater attention to the identification and preservation of potential reservoir sites.

"It's an old message, but it's got

"It's an old message, but it's got some new figures behind it." Moreau said, "We need to begin to think of investment in conservation as an alternative to an investment in new supplies — not so much because conservation by itself is a good thing but because it may turn out to be the most economical and only affordable way to meet the long-term water supply needs of the state."

and videotaped the activity. The videotapes helped encourage offi-cials to do something about the sit-

But he also said the real trouble occurs at the opposite end of the street from The Cantina. "I worked at Barry's for about 8 months last fall and spring, and 1 think that's where the trouble is," Norman said. "We haven't had a fight since I've been at The

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Model helps in car design

BY LAURA HERBST

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made instantaneously by reconfig-uring the straws. "When you render a two-dimen-sional drawing, you never appreci-tate fully is three-dimensional qual-ity." Jannetti said. "With this adjustable model, you can feel with your hands the three dimensions at full scale, and you can see how the human body relates to it."

Other advantages of the system are environmental. Because it's reusable, the system doesn't result in disposal problems. It also doesn't necessitate fabrication with materi-als that create particles that can be allergenic or toxic to the modeler. The model was developed during an NCSU design studio session sponsored by Ford Motor Co. The object of the studio was to develop safer and more effective interiors for luxury cars. The studio was taught by fanneni and directed by Haig Khachatoorian, professor of indus-trial design and interim associate dean for research at the NCSU School of Design, who faced the problem of creating a way to explore different designs on the same model.

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Droppin' acid



Kenny Black, left and Kevin Whyte, freshmen in engineering, run a chemistry experiment involving titration of acetic acid in CH 121. Many incoming engineering students opt to take CH 101 and its lab course over the summer to eliminate this prerequisite for fall courses.

Programs to highlight NCSU

NCSU INFORMATION SERVICES

NCSU INFORMATION SERVICES SEARCH, a six-part science series produced by NC State University, will kick off its third season on University of North Carolina Television or Iuesday, August 7 a 7:30 p.m. with a sweeping view of tesearch being done by North Carolina scientists. Each Tuesday through Sept. 21, viewers will have a glimpse of telm "stranger-than-fiction" topics — mysterious half-animal and half-plant algae capable of causing mas-sive fish kills, fiber that is stronger than stelf: a mechanism that puri-ties suffy air. Each Tuesdaphe of causing mas-sive fish kills, fiber that is stronger than stelf: a mechanism that puri-ties suffy air. Each half-hour show, produced by the NCSU Office of Broadcast services, will spotlight the work of postarthers from NCSU and other ustitutions in the UNC-System.

"[The program] makes it very clear that research is not confined to a sterile laboratory setting."

-Ron Kemp, director of Broadcast Services

series demonstrates how we benefit from university research in count-less ways. It also makes it very clear that research is not confined to a sterile laboratory setting." The season's opener on Aug. 17 also will demonstrate that research tools run the gamut from sophisti-cated laboratory equipment used to track an elusive cure for AIDS, to common shovels used to unearth

Tuscarora Indian artifacts at an archaeological dig in Eastern North Carolina.

archaeological dig in Eastern North Carolina. SEARCH cameras will follow a team from the NCSU College of forest Resources into the black-water swamps of South Carolina to learn about the NCSU Hardwoods Research Cooperative. And, another egement Features walking robots built by students from the NCSU College of Engineering for anation-al collegiate competition. Topics for other weekly shows include scientists who work to improve the environment, studie dis-cases and develop mew technologies for the future. In the final two episodes, viewers will learn that NCSU is not con-fined by its campus boundaries.

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<text><text><text><text> nant reservoirs remains some war-nant. Nearly 80 percent of all water processed by cities and towns and other public suppliers in North Carolina is taken from man-made reservoirs, he said. In the past 20 years, the amount of water with-High schoolers get taste of engineering

NCSU INFORMATION SERVICES

NCSU INFORMATION SERVICES High school students from across the southeast recently took part in the 1993 Student Introduction to Engineering (SITE) program at NC. State University. The one-week summer residence top-ranked students to the various fields of engineering at NCSU. The summer program was held in two ressions: one that ran from June 13-18, and another from June 20-25. In all, 140 high school stu-dents attended the program. The students must be enrolled in advanced math and science courses in their high schools, and are cho-sen on the basis of grade point aver-

age, PSAT/SAT scores

To familiarize themselves with the To familiarize themselves with the NCSU College of Engineering, stu-dents selected three of the eight par-ticipating departments and visited one department each day. Monday through Wednesday, and took part in question and answer sessions with engineering faculty, staff and

The students took part in a design competition, which consisted of designing and building a bridge of soda straws and cellophane tape following specific design guide-lines. Students also participated in a poster session during which each group explained the principles behind their design choices.

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it better. We demanded that our govern-ment build levies to stop the next flood from occurring. They did. We demanded even higher levies. They built them. We demanded dams and locks to make our travels

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Hazardous Waste Conference

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mary neatos:: Registration is open for the North Carolina Hazardous Waste Materials Transportation Conference to be held Aug. 19-20 at N.C. State University's McKimmon Center. The conference will address the concerns of those in the trucking industry and other professionals responsible for the safe transporta-tion of hazardous materials participants will learn about current hazardous waste materials regula-tions, enforcement, emergency planning and preparedness, training and response.

and response. Two preconference workshops on Aug. 18 will target the compliance issues of public officials, and certi-fication requirements of emergency

treation requirements of emergency sponters. Sponsors of the conference include NCSU'S office of Research and Outreach. N.C. Division of Emergency Management. United Parcel Service and Glaxo Inc. The event is meant to simulate communication and coordination memore the accumulations renorms.

among the organizations responsi-ble for developing and implement-ing a comprehensive safe handling and transportation program for the state.

The registration fee for Aug. 19-20 is \$50. The fee for the preconfer-ence workshops is \$20.

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Hillsborough

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Cantina." Norman said everything is okay as long as the bar passes it's noise

as long as the bar passes it's noise meter tests. "I'm afraid that when school starts back, it's gonna get noiser." Norman said. "But people know what the cops are doing there, so they get quiet."

Design

Continued from Page 1 al degree in materials engineering, lanneti has succeeded in designing a quieter exhaust system for race cars that maintains horsepower, in improving plasma heating systems for steel factories, and in develop-ing designs and materials for NASA. Iannetti is in contact with nublic

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anneed is in contact with public agencies, who are reviewing his proposal for sponsorship. "The design concept is key to any project," lannetti said. "Once you have the concept, the rest will fol-low."

Research

Continued from Page 1 Faculty bring their expertise to individuals, industry and communi-ties across North Carolina to improve the quality of life through extension and outreach programs. New programs can be seen Aug. 17, 24, 31 and Sept. 7, 14 and 21. The 1993 SEARCH productions were funded by the NCSU Office of Research. Outreach and Extension, LUC Television and the NCSU Textiles Foundation.



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Said wealthy man to indulged son, "Where aare your manors?

easier and the river more stable easter and the river more stable. They rose from the waterway like concrete bunkers. We forgot what it was like when a river floods. We abandoned our only means of trans-portation through high waters. Who needs a row boat on the plains

of lowa? We centralized our mode of liv-

We centralized our mode of liv-ing, then forgot to meet all the new neighbors. We became strangers in our own world. Then the floods came once again. They came through Davenport. They flooded St. Louis. They rav-aged the countryside in Kansas and Minnesota. They tore the heart out of our country in a widening swath as the rains refused to abate. Last week, the Mississippir and the Missouri rivers hit a record crest. They will recede and in their wake

can be found two options. The first is a scene of disaster. Homes lost, farms destroyed and their owners fleeing for financial cover, the accouterments of civi-lization on their way to New

lization on their way to New Orleans. Or it could be a scene of eye-opening relief. The realization that the land was replenished after all those years of flood control, the recognition that it is inane to set a metropolitan area under the level of the river bed, and the re-awakening to the realities of the force of n-ture.

nature. Maybe we could even stop giving away our surpluses so that we have feed for the lean years. I think, though, that I will see us take the five billion dollars and run. My, we sure have become civi-lized.

The Summer Technician staff would like to thank it's readers for reading. It would also like to thank it's writers for writing (thanks, NCSU Information Services). Jeff Drew would especially like to thank Mark for all his support, suggestions, wit, charm, and dinner last night. Colin Boatwright would like to thank Jeff for not killing me as I write this. THANKS?

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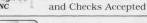
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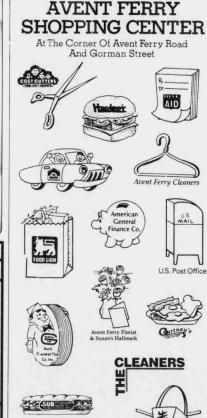
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Sports

Hey, maybe this guy can coach

■ It was easy to ridicule coach Les Robinson when his South team lost its first three games at the U.S. Olympic Festival. It's not so easy now

It seemed merely an inauspicious game in a nondescript tournament. There was hardware on the line but the medal was bronze, not gold. Pride would be the key. After all, you can't play hard for third place in the U.S. Olympic Festival unless the thought of finishing fourth out of four teams leaves you shuddering with diseast.

of four teams leaves you shuddering with dispust. But pride wouldn't matter in this one. It was obvious who would win. The East team, with prized North Carolina recruits Jerry Stackhouse and Rasheed Wallace, had been the favorite to win the gold medial and had fallen only because of its youth and inexperience. The team with the most talent simply had made too many mistakes.

and independence in the cash what is the most laders simply had made too many mistakes. The bright spot had come two days earlier against a hapless team representing the South. The East rolled to a 132-106 win, taking full advantage of a squad under the spell of one of the most hideous curses in all of college basketball. That's right, the South's coach was Les Robinson. Who else but Robinson could lose his best player to injury before the first game? Who else but Robinson could lose double-digit, first-hahf deficits in each of three consecutive losses? This showing seemed proof that



Robinson's critics at N.C. State had been right all along. Robinson's losing record in West Raleigh wasn't the result of forces outside of his control; it was the result of his own incompetence. Robinson can be successful at

All I know is that on one nondescript summer

day, I watched an otherwise inauspicious basketball team play so hard and so enthusiastically that I was proud to know its coach.

East Tennessee State, but he can't match up with the Dean Smiths and Mike Kryzewskis of the sport. He competitively at the highest levels of college baskethall. Just look at his team at the Olympic Festival: He's got players such as Martice Moore and Drew Barry of Georgia Tech, Scotti Thurman of Arkanasa and Jared Prickett of Kentucky, and what kind of team does he put on the floor? A disorganized, selfish squad that lacked the focus and discipline to compete against the well-coached North and West teams. Even an arden Robinson support-ers such as myself was troubled by this fiasco. Maybe the critics were

right. Maybe Robinson doesn't have what it takes to be successful. Loss number four seemed immi-form so of that bronze medal game. The East clearly enjoyed superior talent, particularly on the baseline, and looked ready to blow the game open at any time. But despite several double-digit leads by the East in the first half, the South took advantage of sloppy East ball handling and a strong effort by State's Todd Fuller to stay within string range. That pattern continued in the sec-

ond half as several East mistakes and big baskets by Prickett and Moore tightened the game. Another pattern developed as well. The East team and Wallace in par-ticular began to whine at the refer-ees and pout after questionable calls. The South, in the meantime, grew more and more energitic, drawing energy from every East miscue.

miscue. South players began to scramble and make steals. Bodies hit the floor. One South player went tum-bling over the scorer's table while several others became intimately acquainted with the baseline pho-tomanhare

Even the players on the South bench got caught up in the revelry.

ount On

They whooped and hollered and exploded from the pine on every good play. They seemed to expend more energy than the East players on the floor.

non-cone is the team payers on the floor. Leading the resurgence was Robinson. The belcaguered coach-with the blogs lack and lots of loss-es danced up and down the sideline, shouting encouragement and instructions to his team. The players responded. The South the dhe game and surged ahead. A three-pointer by Barry captured the lead and consecutive dunks by Louisville's Jason Osborne clinched the win.

Louisville's Jason Osborne clinched the win. Rohinson, the king of the losers, finally enjoyed victory. His players had found something — pride, heart, whatever — and decided that they were sick of being beaten and humiliated. They were determined to get a win before the end of the festival. They were successful. I hope Robinson and his players at N.C. State can enjoy that same kind of success. I hope they can find whatever they need to shake off the gloom of the past two years and for success. I hope they can find whatever they need to shake the first place.

drew them to basecoult in use in-place. I can't say for sure if Robinson will ever be successful enough to make State fans happy. I don't know if he's going to survive as Wolfpack baskethall coach. All I know is that on one nonde-script summer day. I watched an otherwise inauspictous baskethall team plays so hard and so en thusias-tically that I was proud to know its coach.



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Opinion

A paper that is entirely the product of the student body becomes at once the official organ through which e thoughts, the activity and in fact the very life of the campus are registered. College life without its jour Technician, vol. 1. no. 1. February 1, 1920

Graduate quickly, or else

The North Carolina General Assembly has decided that students are taking too long to graduate. Its solution is wrong and self-defeating.

J ust as students were starting to grasp the odds against them... As if rising tuitions, sinking libraries and dead-calm job markets weren't bad enough for students, the already-flunking government is trying to med-dle in their affairs. The dunce is run-ting the starts of the st

ing the classroom. In its drive to take control of the UNC Board of Govenor's domain, the N.C. General Assembly has hidden in it's 1993-94 budget it's intention to make students who take more than 140 degree credit hours for an under-140 degree creati nours for an under-grad degree or 110 percent of the credit hours for a five-year degree pay a 25 percent surcharge on regular tuition. Recommendations on imple-menting the surcharge will be made. a legislative committee, on April 1, 1994

1994. Worse yet, Legislators changed the reguirements for "full-time" status. The current 12 hour minimum will be raised to 15. Fortunately, this won't be implemented until December 1997. The General Assembly's reasoning — if it may be called that — is that students who are taking longer than four years are a burden to taxpayers, and strong action must be taken to end low four-year graduation rates.

end low four-year graduation rates. What Legislators don't understand is that, thanks in part to their contribu-tions to rising taxes and rising tuition. many students have to work while many students have to work while they're in school. Others are admirably trying to stay financially independent of their parents. They can't wrestle with more than 12 hours of school work while working a 20-

of school work while working a 20-hour-a-week job. Furthermore, it's not just a question of how much time homework and a job will take. Reading, practicing and constructing papers takes time. Recreation is essential to anyone's wholistic health. Extracurricular activities – such as honor societies - such as honor societies activities clubs and campus media — are often necessary to gain experience in the field a student wants to pursue. Students with learning disabilities

also get singled out. The Assembly, then, is implicitly

penalizing students. Nevermind the taxpayer burden cre-ated by their own pork barrel projects. Nevermind House Speaker Dan Blue's exhorbitant bonuses to his aides. Suddenly, it's stresed-out, just-getting-by students who are the soul of all the streik emphases.

gening-by sudents who are the sour of all the state's problems. Yeah, right. A five-year graduation mandate is pushing too far, and an increased number of credit hours per semester will cost the individual students more than it will the taxpayers. Frankly, General Assembly, you've raised students' tuition each year, requiring more and more students to

requiring more and more students to work during the school year to get by, and in return you've let our libraries slide almost completely under the mark of legitimacy. One of you in the Assembly claimed concerns about preparing students for a global economy. If you're so con-cerned about a global economy, then why penalize students who double major in hores of bolstering their major in hopes of bolstering their ability to compete? Or have you ever considered making a policy for such vou even situations'

The Board of Govenors would have And if you're so concerned about the poor and uneducated in this state, why institute a law making it almost impossible to work and remain a fulltime student? Do the members of the Assembly have a clue what life's like in the lower half of the middle class in

in the lower half of the middle class in the private sector? What the legislation against working students will do, utlimately, is reduce the number of students who can enroll. How intelligent is that? Get a clue, Assembly: Forcing the working students into the life-long education program isn't going to help the four-year graduation rate. Once again, we find our government "by the people, for the people" just hurting the people, for the decision the legislature has made, if it was neces-sary, should have been made by the Board of Govenors. But while this Board of Govenors. But while this legilation shows us another "ivory tower" — the elitist, out-of-touch members of the Assembly.

If they were truly pro-education, as the Legislators like to characterize themselves, they wouldn't simluta-neously tighten the screws on time and money. Students will do well to do some ousting next election.

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A history of the Mississippi floods

The bread-basket of America is a most remarkable construction of nature. Its richness is comparable to the thin stretch of ferrile land that surrounds the Nile. It is of the same character as the cradle of civi-ization that parallels the Tigris and Euphrates. But unlike these areas, it is vast. It is fertile loam as far as the eye can see. It is inch humus ideally placed for cultivation that is deeper than the plow can turn. Yet how did it get this way? Flooding.

Flooding. Repeated and catastrophic flooding. For cons. the primary Mississippi and Missouri systems, along with their thou-sands of tributaries, large and small, have been overflowing their banks on a regular basis – at least on a time frame that is geo located.

Dasis – al reast of a runne strute was laid with the drying of the epeiric seas that, at many times and in cycles, covered America and southern Canada. As these sediments inhified into a non-porous platform, ero-sional material from the far reaches of the Canadian shield and the bordering orogene of the Rockies and Appalachians was swept away from its resting place among the highlands and deposited on this flat expanse.

the highlands and deposited on this flat expanse. For millions of years, through tempera-ture swings that alternated between ice ages and tropical elime, the deposits kept coming. Bacteria, then plants, then ani-mals all consumed the food, lived, and subsequently died, further enriching the soil with their organic matter. Generation after generation survived and thrived on the bounty provided. The rivers, becoming firmly entrenched in their channels, began to actually rise above the surrounding plain. Each flood, each overflow of existing banks, left addi-tional rich material that fanned outward and downward. Over the course of time.

and downward. Over the course of time the rivers built up their own beds, rising



ever so slowly upward. In some instances, the floor of the river was at an elevation greater than that of the surrounding region before once again seeking its own level and breaking off to form an oxbow lake. All of this new land was enmeshed with the basic nutrents of life. A short time in the past, a mere blip in fact, came mankind. People developed the art of agriculture and controlled cultiva-tion. We tamed the wild grass and herb. We domesticated the animal. We mecha-nized the workload. We planted, we har-vested, we ate. And the river continued to flood, bringing with it the bounty of more good soil.

vested, we ate: And the river continuea to flood, bringing with it the bounty of more good soil. In the last century, American farmers in the Midwest developed the technique of deep-plow farming. The soil in many spots is so fertile that one need turn it only every eight to ten years. They plow deep, Down to ten feet or more. This is a region where top soil extends beyond a level where bedrock is found in most other areas of the world. Once again, why is it like this? Flooding. Overwhelming and cata-strophic. We knew the floods would come. We wanted them. We knew the effects and we knew that they were good. We prepared for them. Though the Mississippi floods did not recur in a regu-lar cycle like those of the Nike, they were gentle when they did come. The river rose gradually, crested, and receded as slowly as it came. The people of the Euphrates would have been blessed to have shared to

fortune of a gentle flood. They had to er the torrents as walls of water over-ed their villages and farmlands. We blocky

Subset their villages and farmlands. We were lucky. Our readiness consisted of always being prepared for the worst. We grew an over-supply of food to feed our families and livestock for when the fields were tem-porarily enguifed. We knew that the wate would recede and the yield would be increased even more so by the trials brought on by the river. We prepared our houses as best we could. We set the farmland at the river-side and our dwellings some yeavs back.

We prepared to riverse as best we could. We set the farmland at the river-side and our dwellings some yays back. Even is, if our houses were taken, we rebuilt. With the help of our fellow farm-ers and lownspeople, we recovered from our temporary sethack and moved onward. We mortgaged our futures with a sweat equity that needed no repayment. In fact, this investment repaid us a thousand fold. At some point, though, things changed. I'm not sure if one could put a date to the time when self-preservation and placed the time the set of expression and placed the time the set of expression and placed the time the set of expressions. They raped what we owned and gave little in return. The river was to longer a life-giver, it became a threat to our existence. Floods were owned and gave little in return. Ther for depositis so valued in the past and so nurtured by the people of the land became seas of unrepressible mud. Invading everything we owned. A nui-sance, a hindrate to our poulcitivity. Our storehouses were depleted, we had given it all away to others who saw grain crops as a commodity to be traded for weapons rather than as a lifeline to be used for food. The loss of one crop became a life-

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Moving: the joy of free beer

It is a universal truth, accurately dis-played at every developmental level of life in the world: moving is a bitch. No matter how many times you do it, the next time is always worse than the last. I invariably find myself counting scabs on my shins on the evening after any moving day. Today I have two; minor ones at best, but I gave that dresser a severe tongue-lashing nonetheless. And I wasn't even the one being uprooted (that comes in a couple of weeks, and already my shins are planning my death). No. I was living the dream of a different moving experience: helping someone else move. Damn. I just found number three.

someone else move. Damn. I jusí found number thre. Having already stated that moving is not my favorite torture, the reader may won-der why I would even want to involve my self mi ti I didn't have to to. The expla-tifered free food and beer, foor those of you already out to get me, yes, that was an infair steropye of male behavior. Buy me pizza and a six-pack and I'll take it ack.) So I was duped, suckered into packing, hauling, and unpacking not one, but two loads start to ramble about how my in it makes my back hurt, and how my eff arm got sunburned from sticking it our prevent in the grandady of all spliners solvy evoking its way to my heart via the third finger on my right hand, but that

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would only belabor the unpleasant point I've already made. What I really need to do is focus on the positive aspects of mov-ing another person. So, I have compiled a list, because some of us need to be reminded that, doggone it, lending a hand can be a good thing. Helping someone else move is good because (1) sometimes you get free stuff, like beer and food. Or a new piece of fur-niture, or some underware, or a nice worn out air freshener. But remember, don't expect nice things unless they're offered. And you know that to get some schme to help you move, that person owes you. This is true even if they give you nice things. OK, point made. (2) You help someone move, that person owes you. This is true even if they give you nice things, tu sually won't stop you're shins from bleeding. So you may be the schmee now, but when you move, you get the right to demand help from the schmee you're helping. (3) You set to compete with other.

demand help it and helping. (3) You get to compete with other belners. Anyone who moves knows over the quick (3) You get to compete with other helpers. Anyone who moves knows that the more suckers you get, the quicker the move goes, and the fewer pieces of heavy And finally, (5). If you do a good job, keep the damages to a minimum, and don't complain too much about the smell, they may just say, "Thank you."

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connery and Eastwood are back

Legeros casts a doubting look towards "Rising Sun," but likes being "In the Line of Fire."

By MICHAEL J. LEGEROS

"Rising Sun" is the second film based on a novel by Michael Crichton to be released this summer. The first was "Jurassic Park." And, like it's prehistoric predeces-sor, "Sun" ditutes Crichton's source novel to an uncomfort-able denera Movie Review

novel to an unconfort-able degree. In "Jurassic Park," Steven Spielberg took the novel's most exciting element — living, breathing, storping dinosays — and ran with it. They left behind an entire subtext on genetic tampering, but that omission didn't close the "Park." Instead, it turned a King Kong-sized para-ble into an empty-headed roller coaster. In "Rising Sam," director Philip Kaufman and Company have neatly excised Crichton's extensive — and questionable — essays on Japanese business practices, which are arguably the most exciting part of the novel.

What's left behind is little more than a bare-bones thriller without the thrills.

The plot revolves around the opening of a Japanese office tower. The death of a Caucasian woman teams the LAPD's hai-son officer (Wesley Snipes) with the depart-ment's authority on Japanese culture (Sean Connery).

Together, they attempt to solve what soon becomes a complicated murder. Make no mistake, "Rising Sum' is far from the standard buddy-cop offerings. The characters are real, the action is short, and the language far from foul. Anyone expecting "Lethal Weapon IV" will be snoring by the second reel. But



John Malkovich don't expect "Chinatown," either. To put it simply, "Rising Sun" doesn't

haracters do! The absence of noticeable speed also ives those onscreen ample room to

gives those onscreen ample room to breathe. Connery does fine with this space, adding nuance upon nuance to his complex charac-ter. But Snipes, whose character is never fully fleshed-out, isn't so lucky. It's no fun to watch an actor as good as Snipes trying to add suble shades to some-thing that isn't there. Still, it's the cast — Snipes included — that makes this long-sit worth watching. Carry-Hiroyuki Tagawa is capitvating as Eddie, the prime suspect. And watch for "Wayne's World" babe Tia Carrere in a prominent role. To his credit, director Kaufman gives his film a sleek, opulen took. At night, the rain-soaked streets recall anything by Ridley Scott ("Blade Runner"). But, by day, things look substantially less impressive.

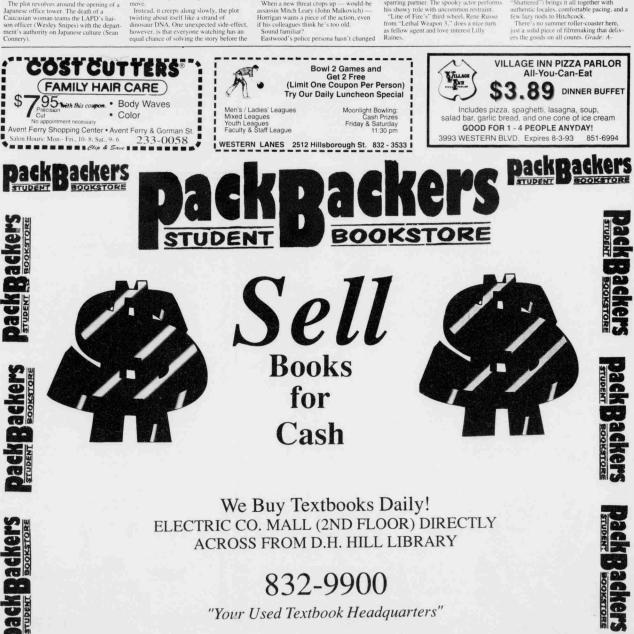
But, by day, things look substantially less impressive. As does this entire film. Grade: C+ Still looking for a decent summer movie? In the Line of Fire" is arguably the best of the bunch — a taut thriller starting Clint Eastwood as tortured Secret Service agent Frank Horrigan. Horrigan is haunted by the ghosts of Nov. 22, 1963, the day he failed to save President John F. Kennedy. He was J.F.K.'s favorite agent and remembers the day to owell. When a new threat crops up — would-be assassin Mich Leary (John Makovich) — Horrigan wants a piece of the action, even if his colleagues think he's too old. Sound familiar? Eastwood's police persona hasn't changed

Eastwood poke gentie fun at his rigid screen image. Malkovich is perfectly cast as Horrigan's sparring partice. The spoolsy actor performs his showy role with uncommon restraint. "Line of Fire's' third wheel, Rene Russo from "Lethal Weapon 3." does a nice turn as fellow agent and love interest Lilly Raines.

In "In the Line of Fire" Rene Russo and Clint Eastwood are Secret Servi protecting the President from the evil plot hatched by the evil, ruthless would-be assassin Mitch Learly, aka "Booth," played by John Malkovich. much since the days of "Dirty Hary." He still swaggers and swears, his heavy-handed personality rarely flinching in the face of subfley, But, lately, he's added shading to his stereotype. And "Line of Fire" lets Eastwood poke gentle fun at his rigid screen image.

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n," played by John Malkovich. The only stray bullets to speak of are a couple cop-conventions. Do we really need another token romance or dead partner to avernge? As threasing and the stray of the



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