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Investigators continue to search for cause of fire

54 students relocated to Mission Valley

By Jeff Drew
Senior Staff Writer

The charred remains of Room 241 lay in a heap outside Owen Residence Hall this weekend, a vivid reminder of the fire that has left 120 second-floor residents temporarily without a home.

Inside the building, investigators continued to search for the cause of the Friday night blaze. District Fire Chief A.R. Wall said Sunday he did not know how long it would take to reveal the fire's cause.

The fire gutted one room and did extensive smoke damage to the rest of the hall. Public Safety Crime Prevention Officer Larry Ellis said. Housing and Residence Life Interim co-Director Susan Grant said a thorough cleaning would remove most of the smoke stains from the walls, but other damages also must be repaired.

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Grant said a contractor will be in charge of the clean-up and will finish the job as quickly as possible. "The contractor will be working around the clock to get the floor cleaned up," Grant said.

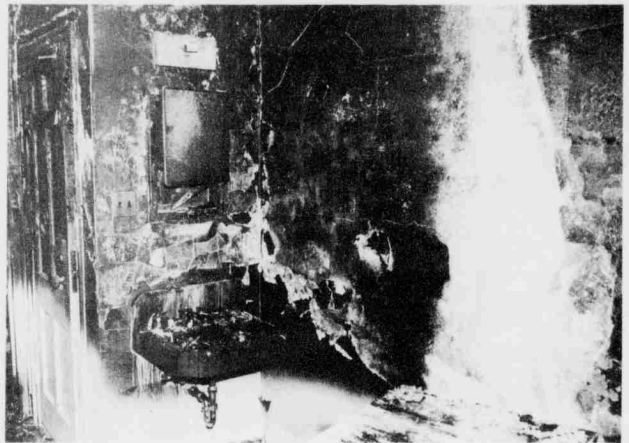
Grant did not know when the residents would be allowed back on the second floor. "We're working on it now," Grant said. "All I can say is that it will be as soon as possible."

In the meantime, 54 second-floor residents have taken refuge at Mission Valley Inn until renovations can be made, Grant said Friday. Other residents are staying

with friends, she said. Grant said that an insurance investigator will assess the damages, but she does not know when a final cost will be calculated.

"I don't know when it will be finished, the state of North Carolina, not North Carolina State is handling the investigation," she said.

The fire started about 11:40 p.m. Friday night in Room 241. The room's residents, Brian Feezor and Michael Garner, were not inside but hallmates Chris Manley and Bruce Myles spotted smoke coming from



Larry Osborne/Staff

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The charred remains of room 241 in Owen Residence Hall are graphic proof of the damage done late Thursday.

Election books to open today

News Staff Report

It's decision time for those who want to be future leaders of the N.C. State University student body. Student Government begins accepting applications today for this spring's elections.

Students who want to run for office should get an elections packet, fill out the enclosed information sheet and return it to the Student Government Office by March 9, said Student Body President Chris Jones.

"[Anyone wishing to run] can come up to Room 307 of the Student Center Annex and ask the secretary for the election packet," Jones said.

Campaigning cannot begin until after the all-candidates meeting March 10, Jones said.

The available positions are:

- student body president
- student senate president
- student body treasurer
- chief justice
- student center president
- senior class president and vice president
- student media authority board positions
- student center board positions

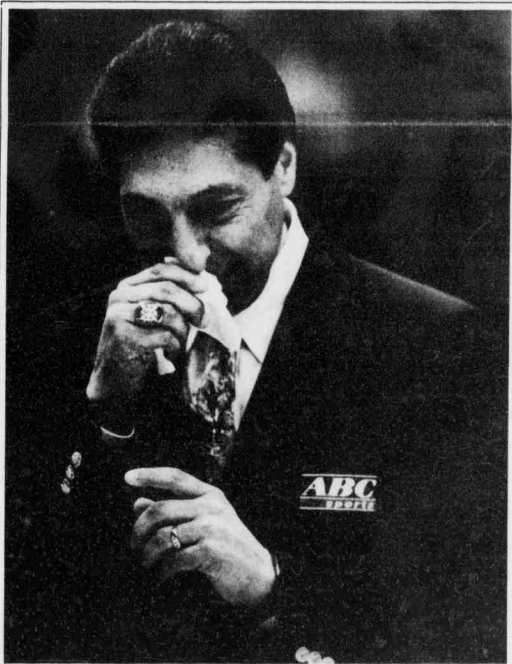
There are also several Student Senate seats open in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, College of Engineering and College of Management. The remaining at-large and freshman

Senate seats will be filled in the fall elections, Senate President Eric Lamb said.

To run for office one must be a full-time student in good standing with the university, Lamb said.

To run for senate president you must be served on the Senate for the majority of one session, and to run for chief justice, a student must have prior board experience, he said.

Students with questions should go to the Student Government Office, Room 307 of the Student Center Annex, or call 515-2797.



Angela Pradgen/Staff

Cardiac Kid

Former NCSU basketball coach Jim Valvano had an emotional homecoming before the game against Duke Sunday. Valvano was honored during a special ceremony recognizing NCSU's march to the national championship in 1983. See Sports, page 3.

Administration seeks 6 percent UNC pay hike

By Mike Feher
Staff Writer

N.C. State University may be making up for lost time in the fight to keep its best educators.

That's the word from the UNC General Administration office on the proposed pay increase for the UNC-System.

Back in October, the UNC Board of Governors approved a proposal petitioning the state legislature for a six-percent pay increase over the next two school years. The primary purpose of the increase is to keep faculty salaries competitive and to make up for the lack of a significant increase over the past couple of years.

"The funds would have to be appropriated," said Ken Grogan, associate vice president of finance for the UNC-System.

Grogan said the money would come from the North Carolina general fund. The proposal asks for \$39.8 million for professors and administrators for the 1993-94 school year and for \$82.3 million for the 1994-95 school year.

"This is what we're asking the legislature to provide," said Jon Worthington, director of Information Services.

Part of the purpose of the proposal is to help UNC-System schools such as NCSU retain a competitive edge in attracting top professors.

"Our competitive position has deteriorated," Grogan said.

One reason for this is that state

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resources have dwindled over the past few years. North Carolina posted a \$1.2 billion revenue shortfall for the 1991-92 fiscal year.

"In reviewing faculty salaries generally, one of the things our university looks at is the average salary compared to other universities nationwide," Grogan said.

Faculty salaries are measured on a national average basis and are expressed in terms of quintiles, or fifths of a percent. NCSU has slipped in its ranking from the first quintile to the third quintile.

Another consideration in making the proposal was the need to make up for the lack of a pay increase over the past two years. The UNC-System received no increase in the 1991-92 school year and only a 1.13 percent increase in the 1992-

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Students discover more than just raw fish at Asia Night

Second celebration of Asian culture at NCSU attracts more than 400 people to dinner and theatre show at Student Center

By David Newton
Senior Staff Writer

Around 400 people learned about Asian culture last night in an evening of food, dancing, fashion and art.

The International Student Committee and Union Activity Board sponsored the second-annual Asia Night in the N.C. State University Student Center. Asia Night began with a dinner at 6 p.m. followed by a program at 8 p.m. in Stewart Theatre.

The purpose of Asia Night is "to introduce people to the Asian culture because Asians

are a minority; to open up to people the things they're not used to seeing," said Yee-lut Kwok, an NCSU senior who coordinated the event.

About 150 people from 10 different Asian student groups worked on Asia Night, Kwok said. Most members of the Asian student groups were born in Asian countries, she said.

"Mainly they were born over there," she said. "There's some American-born, but that is not the majority."

Kwok was born in Hong Kong and came to the United States with her family in

1977. Her family members are now U.S. citizens. Getting a visa is a long process, and every Asian country has a quota limiting the number of people who can come in United States, she said.

The Asian countries are China, Taiwan, Indonesia, Thailand, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Japan, Korea and Vietnam. Eight different languages are spoken in these countries with only China and Taiwan sharing a language, Kwok said.

The food, though spicy, seems to be the favorite attraction at Asia night because it is authentic, not Americanized, Kwok said.

Members of the Asian student groups prepared the meal, which featured typical foods from various Asian countries, Kwok said. Thai spicy shrimp soup, Chinese Hunan chicken and Indonesian pumpkin pudding were a few of the dishes served. Also represented were Taiwan, Malaysia, Vietnam, Japan and Korea.

Eight Asian student groups set up displays that showed some of the cultural characteristics of the different Asian countries. The Vietnam display included carvings and musical instruments. Malaysia displayed coins worth different amounts of sen, which

is comparable to a U.S. cent. Hong Kong displayed a slide rule and fortune-telling device, and China had photos of Panda bears and a vegetable carving of peacocks made out of rutabaga, turnips, potatoes, beets and carrots, which was sculpted by a student.

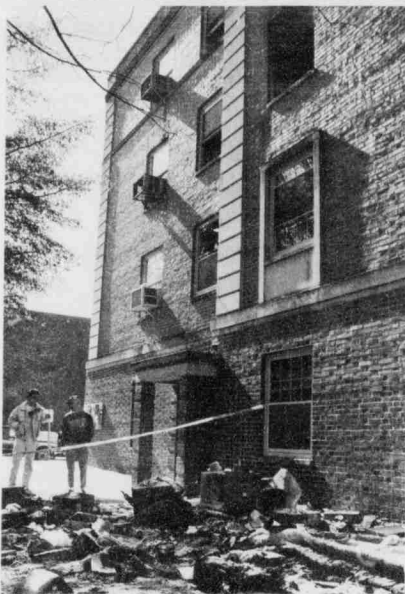
Chiaki Noguchi, who was born in Japan and came to the United States three years ago, participated in the show that followed the dinner. Her group, the Japanese Student

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Cause of fire still unknown

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the room.
Manley and Myles found Feezor in a room down the hall. Feezor then opened the door to his room and was enveloped in a cloud of black smoke.
Fellow second-floor resident Greg Smith pulled the fire alarm. Witnesses said the building's smoke alarm never activated.
"The fire alarm definitely did not go off until we pulled it," Myles said Saturday.
Grant, however, said she had heard the smoke alarm worked.
"From what I've been told by Public Safety, the smoke alarm did trip and alerted the fire department," she said. Hall and Ellis said they weren't sure yet if the fire alarm tripped.
Several residents said they heard that Feezor had been defrosting his refrigerator with a candle and that the candle had tipped and started the fire. Myles said Feezor had shown him a candle earlier in the day but he had not seen it in the refrigerator.
Feezor, who friends say went home for the weekend, could not be reached for comment.



Armando Boaqueiro/Staff

Students check out the damage to the outside of Owen Residence Hall.

Environmentally sound

New major at NCSU becomes only one of ten in U.S.

By Kelly Gollobin
Staff Writer

N.C. State University became an innovator last fall in the field of environmental engineering. It is the first school in the state and 10th in the nation to offer a bachelor of science degree in this field.

Air pollution, water pollution, landfills and recycling are all part of the studies for this undergraduate degree, which has typically been a graduate degree.

"There is a growing demand for undergraduates," said John S. Fisher, professor and associate head of civil engineering. Fisher is one of the faculty members involved in the development of this degree.

"Environmental engineering combines engineering and the life sciences and focuses on technology to reduce the environmental impact in modern society," Fisher said.

This degree was created because the demand for engineers with an environmental background has outgrown the supply. Two thousand to 5,000 environmental engineers at

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NCSU civil engineering professor

the undergraduate level are needed annually. However, only 900 environmental and civil engineers with an environmental concentration receive a B.S. degree nationally each year.

Also, this new degree may help lure more women to civil engineering. Presently, environmental engineering is 27 percent female as compared to civil engineering, which is 16 percent.

"I've noticed there are more women in environmental; it's about half and half," said Ramona Tyndall, a senior double majoring in environmental and civil engi-

neering. "It is definitely one of the most up-and-coming degrees. It is all you hear about on the news."

The degree, which was in the works for two years before it was established, is expected to appeal to a large number of engineering students.

"If the new curriculum had been offered when I first came to school, I would have taken it. It is more of a focused degree. I definitely want to do something in a job situation that would make a difference," Tyndall said. "It is definitely a major everyone has been waiting for."

UNC administrators ask for raise

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93 school year.
The N.C. General Assembly, in conjunction with the governor's office, determines how much will be given to the UNC-System at large and how much each school will receive. After that it is up to each university to determine how to divide its allocated funds.
"At the campus level, it's generally the chancellor who decides basically who gets what," Worthington

said.
"The wisest use of this [increase] is on a merit basis," Grogan said.

Currently the proposal is being considered by both the General Assembly and by the governor. According to a statement from the governor's office, Gov. Hunt is prepared to allocate \$40.9 million for the increase in instructors' salaries, two-thirds of which will be for a flat increase and the other third as a merit bonus. Another \$4.0 million will be for recruitment and reten-

tion, as well as maintaining a competitive edge in salaries.

Worthington said the UNC-System had nothing to lose in petitioning the General Assembly for money.

"I don't think there will be any harm in asking," Worthington said.

When the General Assembly makes the final decision as to how much each UNC-System institution will receive, the money could start showing up in faculty paychecks by late June to early July.

Answers to today's Crossword

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	GAPIS	YOKEL
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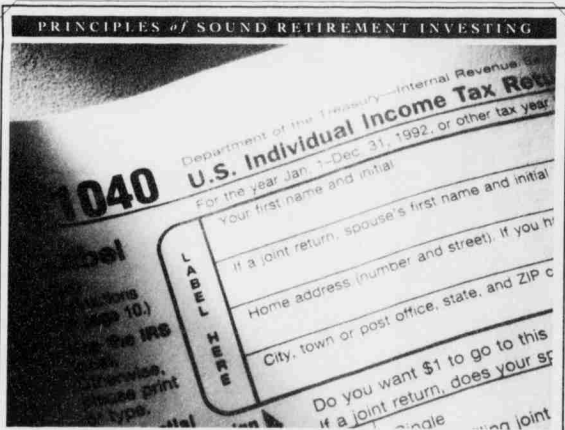
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A date with destiny: Fans salute Valvano's return

"The '83 team taught me about dreams. If someone has a dream and another person believes, then anything is possible. Never give up. Persist. Never ever quit! Don't ever give up!"

—Jim Valvano
Feb. 21, 1993

By Jeff Drew
Senior Staff Writer

The words are their anthem, his anthem. 1983, you remember it, Jimmy Valvano's Cardiac Pack. The team that won nine straight and beat unbeatable Houston to win the national title. The players that wouldn't quit. The coach that wouldn't let them.

Valvano fulfilled his dream of winning a national title in 1983. In the process, he pushed a program to the pinnacle and a fan following to emotional limits. He made everyone revel in euphoria and take pride in wearing Wolfpack red.

A Reynolds Coliseum full of red-clad faithful gave their thanks to Valvano and his magical team during a 45-minute ceremony before the Duke-N.C. State game Sunday. With the lights dimmed and a spotlight on the 1983 national-championship banner, the fans relived the final 45 seconds of the Houston game. ... relived Derrick Whittenburg's shot and Lorenzo Charles's dunk, relived the excitement.

And then nearly all the members of the '83 team returned to their former home. Charles, Cozell McQueen and Sidney Lowe couldn't make it, but Whittenburg was there. So were Thurl Bailey and Terry Gannon and Alvin Battle. Even the managers made it there.

They came to reunite, to reminisce, to relive. They came to look back and to catch up. They came to see "V."

They were far from alone. Valvano, as always, stole the show before it even started. His exhorting battle with cancer once again

brought State fans to an emotional peak, and they showered him in cheers, seemingly in an effort to wash away his disease.

Valvano's broadcasting colleague Brent Musberger said in his introductory speech that he was "happy to once again be surrounded by Wolfpack pride." He then introduced Valvano, who walked gingerly to the front of the State bench, accepting embraces from his former players, a thunderous roar from the crowd and a serenade of "New York, New York" from the pep band.

Valvano had left State under the cloud of NCAA probation and media criticism in 1990. But the pain of the past was long forgotten Sunday afternoon. Former players Tom Gugliotta, Chuckie Brown and Charles Shackelford joined athletics director Todd Turner, current basketball coach Les Robinson and Wolfpack Club executive secretary



Angela Prager/Staff

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Jim Valvano (right) leads a chorus of 12,400 fans in a rendition of the State fight song Sunday afternoon.

Glass slipper doesn't fit this time for State

Thompson scores 30, but Hurley's 15 assists prevail

By Jennifer Bouck
Senior Staff Writer

For over half of Sunday's basketball game, N.C. State looked as though it might pull off a Cinderella victory.

But in the end, the slipper did not fit and State fell to Duke 91-82. Thus State drops to 7-15 and 1-11 in the conference. On the other hand, the Blue Devils move up to 20-5 and 8-5 in the ACC.

"We played our guts out today," State head coach Les Robinson said. "We were setting ourselves up for a major upset, but we just couldn't climax the day with a miracle victory. But it was still a great game as we played hard and intelligently."

In a highly emotional game, State got its momentum going with six minutes left in the first half to take a five-point lead. This spark caused the 12,400 fans present to wonder if State could manage a miracle upset over the seventh-ranked Blue Devils.

Down by three at the 6:22 mark, Wolfpack sophomore Curtis Marshall grabbed a poorly guarded ball and outran Duke guard Bobby Hurley from coast to coast for an easy layup. The Pack then took advantage of another key Hurley turnover. The senior from Jersey City, N.J., threw a pass over the head of his teammates, and fresh-

man Todd Fuller added another bucket to take the lead.

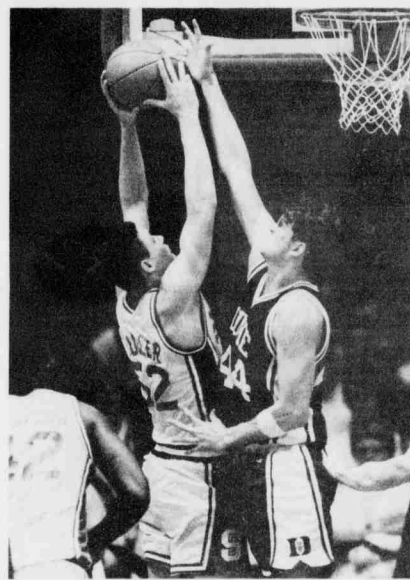
State never looked back for the rest of the half. Marshall piled on four points followed by the first three pointers of Fuller's college career. Senior Kevin Thompson finished off the Pack scoring drive by converting a layup out of a long pass from Marshall to end the half 43-38.

"They outplayed us in the first half," Duke head coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "With the effort State gave today they would have beaten a lot of teams. I have to give a lot of credit to them, especially to Kevin Thompson's outstanding play. I wondered when he would get tired out there."

Putting on another stellar performance, the 6-foot-11 senior center had a career-high 30 points in a tiring 37 minutes of play.

"We were getting the ball to him better than we ever have before," Robinson said. "The guards were getting it to him where he wanted it. The mail was just getting delivered better."

With 12:23 left in the second half, the guards and Thompson were doing just that. After the Blue Devil defense caused a loose ball that sent both teams scrambling, Thompson got his hands on the ball for the



Angela Prager/Staff

Cherokee Parks (44) rejects a Todd Fuller offering in the second half.

Rowdies inspire one good show

By Jeff Drew
Senior Staff Writer

During his 10-year tenure as head basketball coach at N.C. State, Jim Valvano was a showman, capable of entertaining large crowds with his wit, his coaching abilities or both.

In his return Sunday to Reynolds Coliseum, it was Valvano's turn to be entertained. The Duke Blue Devils, the N.C. State Wolfpack and 12,400 Reynolds Rowdies rocked the old gym, putting on a show reminiscent of Valvano's trips to the NCAA Tournament.

Energized by an emotional pre-game ceremony honoring the 1983 national-championship team, the State faithful inspired a rousing effort from its squad. The 7-14 Wolfpack pushed the two-time defending national champions to the limit before falling, 91-82.

"This is as good an atmosphere for college basketball as there is," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said after his squad's 20th win in 25 games. "State's fans were terrific. They were so positive. I didn't hear a bad thing from them all game. They gave their team terrific support, and it paid off."

State coach Les Robinson called his squad's effort its best of the season, and with good reason. State shot 55.7 percent from the field, its best mark of the season. The Wolfpack also achieved a respectable 18-11 assist-to-turnover ratio against Duke's pressure defense.

State's disciplined, patient attack also consistently opened up inside opportunities for center Kevin Thompson. And the 6-foot-11 senior responded in a big way, throwing down 30 points and clutching nine rebounds.

But the true star of the game was the crowd, which rewarded every Pack success and ridiculed every Devil failure. Pushing the sound meter to new limits, the Rowdies left an impression on nearly every participant in the game.

"The atmosphere was great; I could feel it as soon as I stepped on the floor," State guard Curtis Marshall said. "It couldn't help but psyche you up."

"The crowd was really involved and it helped a lot," Lakista McCuller said. "You could tell the crowd was so united, so involved. It helped put me in a zone and I was comfortable out there."

Even a certain Blue Devil from New Jersey was impressed by Wolfpack pride.

"It was a great environment. N.C. State played a great game. Their crowd pushed us to play at another level," Duke guard Bobby Hurley said.

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NCSU	FG	FT	R	A	PF	TP
Parker	4-11	0-0	6	0	0	18
Gibson	7-13	0-0	7	3	1	8
K. Kuziemski	4-8	0-0	7	3	1	8
Hancock	0-2	3-4	1	4	3	3
Whyte	3-11	0-1	7	4	4	6
Floyd	2-4	0-1	4	2	2	4
Davis	1-1	0-0	0	0	1	2
J. Kuziemski	4-8	0-1	2	1	2	8
Kreul	0-2	0-0	1	0	0	0
Team						
Totals	25-60	3-7	38	16	15	57

FSU	FG	FT	R	A	PF	TP
Derlack	4-8	3-6	9	0	4	11
Paschal	6-19	1-2	8	1	4	13
Peery	2-8	0-0	5	3	1	4
Ryan	6-18	2-2	1	1	2	15
Taylor	0-1	0-0	2	1	0	0
Erickson	1-4	1-2	8	0	0	3
Frank	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
Arnoldi	0-1	1-4	1	0	0	1
Team						
Totals	19-60	8-16	39	6	11	47

N.C. State 82-57
Florida State 22-25-47

Three-point goals — N.C. State 4-8 (Gibson 4-6, Parker 0-2) Florida State 1-4 (Ryan 1-3, Peery 0-1)

Turnovers — N.C. State 17 Florida State 19

Officials — Salerno, Mitchum Attendance — NA

Wolfpack women finally win wearing the red

Sports Staff Report

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Unable to come up with a conference road win all season, the N.C. State women's basketball team came close Friday and finally dismissed its travel woes Sunday.

Trying just about anything to change its luck away from Raleigh, State took the court in Atlanta and Tallahassee wearing its home white shorts in the face of a 1-9 road mark through Feb. 9. The result was a 92-89 double-overtime loss to the Yellow Jackets and a 57-47 victory over Florida State.

The win over the Seminoles improved the Wolfpack's record to 13-11 overall and 7-7 in the ACC. The Pack boosted its road mark to 2-10, which includes a blowout of Howard Jan. 31. The win over FSU

was the first conference road win for the Pack since a 87-67 victory over Duke 1.5th 18 of last season.

NCSU prevailed against the Seminoles in a statistically ugly game. Both teams combined for 36 turnovers and collectively hit 44 of 120 shots from the field. The Pack won the battle with a 16-17 assist-to-turnover ratio, while FSU compiled six assists and 19 turnovers.

Helping the Pack to its win, NCSU hit 25 of its 60 shots for a 42-percent field-goal percentage. On the other hand, the Seminoles were only able to manage 19 of 60 baskets to post a 32-percent mark.

Guard Tammy Gibson was the only Pack player in double figures. She totaled 18 points on 7-13 shooting from the field, including four three-pointers. Danyel Parker and Krissy and Jenny Kuziemski added

eight apiece for the Pack. Additionally, Krissy Kuziemski and center Ten Whyte led the team in rebounding with seven boards each.

Attempting to stop State, the Seminoles offense was led by guard Danielle Ryan and Tia Paschal with 15 and 13 points, respectively. Likewise, Christy Derlak contributed 11 points and nine caroms.

Against the Yellow Jackets, Parker led all scorers with 28 points and drove the length of the court to send the game into the deciding overtime. Parker hit 12 of 23 shots from the field.

Gibson also led two additional scorers in double figures with 23 points. Gibson hit seven of 17 baskets, including five of eight three-point shots. Ashley Hancock and Whyte added 10 each inside, and Hancock led the team in rebounding

with nine. Selena Baldwin and Joyce Pierce led the Jackets with 25 and 23 points, respectively. Baldwin scored three points in the second overtime and hit all of her 14 shots from the field. Devony Caldwell scored 17, and Aimee Weiss tallied 14 for Tech. Weiss led the team in rebounding and assists with 11 boards and six dish-outs.

The game was tied at 74 at the end of regulation and deadlocked at 85 after the first halftime.

State will travel to Wake Forest Wednesday night for a 7:30 p.m. tip-off before coming home to battle Virginia in its regular-season finale.

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Men's track team finishes fifth

Sports Staff Report

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. — N.C. State's lead of men's triple, high and long jumpers took the ACC Indoor Track and Field Championships by storm this weekend.

Overall, the Pack men finished fifth in the ACC meet with a team total of 78 points paced by the jumpers. But State has only been able to win the ACC indoor title once, in 1988. Clemson took home the title with a team total of 156 points.

In their team-leading performances, the Pack's leapers took six of the top-10 spots in the triple-jump competition and three of the top 10 in the high jump and in the long jump.

Tyrell Taitt won the triple-jump competition with a leap of 53-2 1/4. Taitt put his name in the Pack's top-10 best triple jumps list for the third time with the jump.



Taitt

While Emmanuel Barnes-Smith followed in second by jumping 53-1 1/2, Neil Chance, Frank Bailey, Reggie Barnes-Smith and J.B. Christian all placed in the top 10.

In the high jump, Sean Garland paced the Pack effort with a fourth-place finish. Garland's jump of 6-11 led the fleet of State leapers. The junior's jump was his best of the season. Rounding out the high jumpers, Omar Dixon and Hillary Leacock both cleared the 6-9 height to finish in the top nine.

Chance also helped the Pack to a strong showing in the long-jump competition. The sophomore finished second in the event with a jump of 25-3 1/2, while Taitt and Bailey placed third and eighth in the event, respectively.

In addition, the runners for the Pack fared well in the finals. But no

Pack runners advanced to the final heat in either of the speed events, the 55-meter hurdles and the 55-meter dash.

But in the mile Tony Riley gave the Pack a first-place finish and gave himself an individual ACC title with a narrow victory.

Riley's winning time of 4:02.44 was the third best in school history. Riley also ran to a second place in the 3,000-meter race in a time of 8:14.17.

Additionally, in the 800 meters Nelson Solorzano placed sixth, while Jason Vigilante grabbed seventh place in the 5,000 meters. Kristen Agnew also added a 13th-place finish in the distance event to the Pack's total.

James Davidson rounded out the Wolfpack's effort with a second-place finish in the 35-pound weight throw. Davidson's throw of 56-6 1/2 was his second-best effort of the indoor season.

In the other half of the competition, State's women's team was led by two outstanding performances by Heather Hollis in the 5,000 meters and by Kelly Cook in the 3,000 meters.

The women's team finished seventh overall with 25 points in a meet where they were severely overmatched. North Carolina's women took home the team title with 142 points.

Hollis won the championship in the 5,000 meters with a time of 17:00.94. Jen Norton and Kathy Knabb finished in seventh and 15th place, respectively, for the Pack.

Cook finished second in the 3,000 meters with a time of 9:58.14, and Kristen Hall grabbed fourth.

The Pack's next competition will be the 10 Way Meet at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va. Feb. 27.

miss. After a low of 48.3 percent shooting in the first half, Duke made a strong comeback and upped its tempo to shoot 61.3 percent. The Devils had only 12 misses in the second half.

"State didn't diminish in the second half," Krzyzewski said. "We just raised our level of play."

In fact, Duke had six of eight players to score in double figures. All-American candidate Thomas Hill proved to be a big scoring threat with a team-high 20 points. But guard Hurley was instrumental in setting up many of those shots with a career-high 15 assists and raised his overall assist total to 1,003.

Hurley is just the second player in NCAA history to break the 1,000-assist barrier behind State's Chris Corchiani. Corchiani dished out 1,035 in his career with the Wolfpack.

"Bobby was terrific," Krzyzewski said. "Sometimes when you are in a slump, you don't want to take those shots, but he did."

"In his driving down the lane to [Clark] I don't even know how he got the ball through there. Some of his passes were just magical."

But in the end that magic didn't rub off on the Pack. With 6:22 left in the game, State fell behind for good. With a Hurley three-pointer and a slam from 6-foot-11 center Cherokee Parks, State hopes diminished. At the buzzer, Marshall hit one last desperation bank shot.

"In the last minutes of the game we got tired," Robinson said. "We missed a couple of shots and they connected. We are getting there. We have been there against some teams



Angela Prigden/Staff

After the ceremony, Valvano teamed with partner Brent Musburger to commentate the game for ABC.

Valvano welcomed by fans

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Charlie Bryant in welcoming Valvano back to Reynolds.

It was State football coach Dick Sheridan who translated the emotion into words.

"We are here today to honor the players and the staff and especially to honor the man in charge," Sheridan said, his voice cracking. "We are here to honor more than their magnificent accomplishment. We are here to honor the desire, effort, pride, optimism and composure that characterizes that team."

"We are here to honor their example, the spirit that overcame obstacles and hardships. And we are here to honor the man who is the well spring for that spirit."

Speaking through frequent applause, Sheridan thanked Valvano for "all he's done for N.C. State." He also saluted Valvano for the positive impact he's had through 23 years of coaching and

three years of broadcasting.

"There are so many lives he's affected in a positive way," Sheridan said. "I know because I'm one of them. His help and support for our football program and for me personally means a great deal to me. I'm proud to call him my friend."

Sheridan closed his five-minute talk by alluding to Valvano's fight to stay alive. Reminding Valvano of former battles on and off the court, Sheridan encouraged his former boss to use the "love and support" of his fans to help him in his current struggles.

"Jim, you've earned our respect and our love," Sheridan said. "You've inspired us to climb to the

mountain top and to, along the way, enjoy the trip and have fun.

"So tonight we rise you up simply and sincerely to say thank you and we love you."

Valvano then stepped to the microphone, waved to his fans and proceeded to lighten the mood. "I'm at a loss for words," Valvano quipped. "But, no that's too good to be true."

The charismatic Italian kid from Queens then launched into one of his famous stand-up segments. First he led the crowd in a rendition of the fight song. Then he recalled the time he flew to the wrong state trying to get to his first Wolfpack club meeting.

"I raised over \$32,000 in the Greenville, S.C., airport," Valvano said. But, of course, the 300 Wolfpack club members in Greenville, N.C., were thinking who is this crazy Italian?"

Valvano then turned his attention to the '83 squad. Calling it a unique team, Valvano said the '83 squad taught him what love means.

"They taught me how to love each other, something that's not talked about enough in sports," Valvano said. "When you believe in something and love each other, you can accomplish miracles. That's what the '83 team taught me."

Valvano then vowed to produce another miracle, a victory in his battle against inoperable leukemia. Saying he had faith in God and his fellow man, Valvano said he would be around when Sheridan and Robinson post national championship banners of their own.

"I'm going to be here to see these things happen to my friends," Valvano said. "And if God wants me, he's going to get the best damn former coach and broadcaster he can get."

Walking slowly to his announcing position, Valvano eventually faded into his job broadcasting the game for ABC television. The crowd, in the meantime, remained electric, inspired by the words Valvano used to describe his own condition.

"This cancer that I have limited me physically. I can't run. I can't [refer to] John Moreau like I want to. I can't do back flips with our world-class cheerleaders. But this cancer can't touch my mind, my heart, my soul."

"I will never give up."

explosion that rattled the rafters and maybe even the Blue Devils.

"[Duke] looked a little scared toward the end of the first half," Marshall said. "But they didn't have that look in the second half."

With Hurley hitting two crucial threes and handing out many of his 15 assists, Duke survived a late Pack run and pulled away in the closing minute. Freshman Chris Collins and senior Thomas Hill also hit key shots for the Devils.

"There were no losers today," Robinson said. "Duke just made the plays they had to. That's why they've won two national titles. So, even though we lost, it was still our best effort of the year."

One that made for a pretty good show.

Blue Devils

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layup and an extra point after a Thomas Hill foul. On State's next possession, Mark Davis threw an inside pass to Thompson as he fought for the two-point layup.

"The guards did a good job of getting me the ball," Thompson said. "I got into the zone, they kept getting it to me and I felt like I couldn't miss."

But Thompson wasn't the only one who seemed like he couldn't

DUKE	FG	FT	R	A	PF	TP
Hill	6-13	7-8	5	3	3	20
Lang	4-5	3-4	3	1	4	11
Parks	8-9	3-10	0	1	15	19
Hurley	5-12	1-2	2	15	2	13
Collins	4-11	4-4	0	1	1	14
Clark	4-6	0-1	2	1	1	10
Meek	0-1	0-0	2	0	4	0
Blakeney	2-3	0-0	2	2	0	4
Team						
Totals	33-60	18-23	29	23	16	91

NCSU	FG	FT	R	A	PF	TP
Davis	3-5	0-0	2	5	4	6
Lewis	3-5	1-1	1	1	4	7
Thompson	13-20	4-6	9	3	2	30
McCuller	6-11	0-0	1	2	3	13
Marshall	7-12	0-0	3	6	3	16
Wilson	0-1	1-2	0	0	1	1
Fauler	2-4	4-4	7	1	1	9
Newman	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Team						
Totals	34-61	10-13	29	18	18	82

Duke	38	53	91
N.C. State	43	39	82

Three-point goals — Duke 7-20 [Collins 2-7, Hurley 2-6, Clark 2-2, Hill 1-4, Blakeney 0-1] N.C. State 4-10 [Marshall 2-6, McCuller 1-3, Fauler 1-1]

Turnovers — Duke 8, N.C. State 11

Officials — Scaglione, Moreau, Gray

Attendance — 12,400



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The Wolfpack's Curtis Marshall (right) drives on Duke's Bobby Hurley.

that aren't at the level of Duke. Ultimately, there were no losers today."

Although Robinson felt the team

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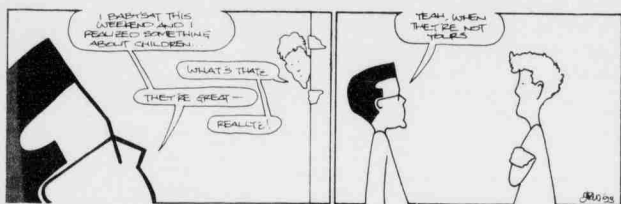
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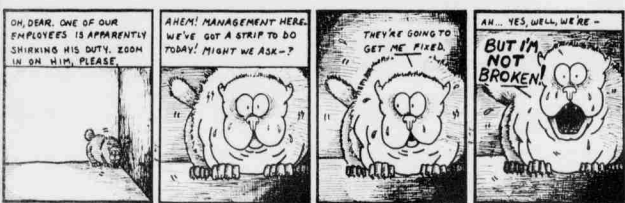
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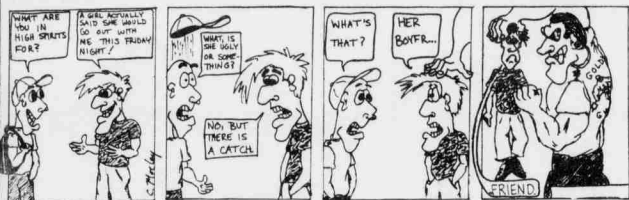
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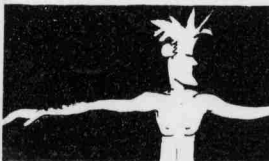
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Senior sets ACC strikeout record

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SAVANNAH, Ga. — Shawn Senior took a no-hitter to the final out of the Wolfpack's second game of the Great Savannah Shootout but couldn't come away with the feat and had to settle for a conference record-tying 19 strikeouts.

That's right, "settle" for something Nolan Ryan has never accomplished.

Senior was almost unhittable versus the hapless Howard Bison, who fell 10-0 and marked Senior's second victory of the season. Almost until he gave up a single with two out in the ninth, Senior then retired Howard's next batter to end the game.

The victory also serves to demonstrate what kind of a season the Wolfpack can expect from the junior left-hander. Aided by home runs by Larry Edens and Pat Clougherty, Senior notched his 15th scoreless inning in two games and stretched his walks-to-strikeouts ratio to 2-26.

In the first game of the Shootout, the Wolfpack scratched out a 3-2 win against Kentucky. Terry Harvey picked up his second victory of the young season, and David Allen added his second save.

The Pack earned the lead for good in the bottom of the fifth inning. Junior transfer Karl Carswell worked a walk and then moved to second on Jeff Meszar's sacrifice bunt. Andy Barket then flew out deep into centerfield, allowing Carswell to tag up and score two baselines away from the plate. Carswell was again a big name in



File Photo

Sophomore Terry Harvey was the winning pitcher over Kentucky Friday.

the Wolfpack's 8-5 victory over host Armstrong State Sunday. He honored in a four-run seventh to help the Pack seal the game and brought his RBI total of the game to three hits in four at bats.

Tim Tracey doubled and tripled in four trips to the plate and was rewarded with an RBI for his trouble.

Rob Steiner picked up his first win in relief of starter Tommy Spotts. With the Pack and ASU tied at three apiece, Steiner gave two runs. But State's six seventh inning made him the eventual winner.

State improves to 6-1 overall as it approaches its home opener against West Virginia Friday. The first game of the three-game series is at 3 p.m.



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Blue's spending follies

When the North Carolina Legislature recently approved a secret, midnight pay raise for legislative workers, they started a hailstorm that will not soon be forgotten. At a time when other state employees received only a flat, across-the-board pay raise of \$522, two aides to House speaker Dan Blue received a \$10,452 a year salary increase.

This has many seeing red — from anger and financial strain.

The legislature has a habit of yelling "no money" but then spending lavish sums on themselves, and Blue's gift to his aides is just another example. It is one that hits close to home.

Consider that the average housekeeper at N.C. State University receives \$14,000 for ten hour days that begin before dawn. This housekeeper was told by the legislator, along with every other state employee this past July, that North Carolina was too financially strapped to offer more than a modest \$522 increase, yet they turned around five months later and doled out \$250,000 worth of increases to 125 employees.

Such actions as these does not help morale or build trust in our elected leaders. It only strengthens the animosity toward politicians, painting them as helplessly out of touch with the people who elected them.

House speaker Dan Blue and former Senate President Pro Tem Henson Barnes approved the raises by using defacto powers granted them by the Legislative Services Commission. The Legislative Services Commission is a board of top-ranking members of the legislature and act as an over-seeing committee much like a board of directors in private industry.

These two men acted alone and kept the news secret until February 12 when The News and Observer found out and broke the story. Until the N&O story was published, most representatives had no idea that a pay raise had taken place.

Blue and Barnes do offer creditable arguments for approving the raises. They state that the raises were given to people based on merit who do not have the same job security of other state workers. Furthermore, they say they want to bring salaries in line with the private sector.

The housekeepers work every bit as hard as the spin doctors and bill writers do downtown — they, too, deserve a merit raise but the state has no money. None of the aides were forced to take their positions. They knew when they took the jobs that the political climate changes easily and they may suddenly find themselves unemployed.

The last argument Blue presented, bringing salaries in line with the private sector, does make sense. Even a pol goes where the money is. Losing someone who has 10 or 15 years experience is a hard knock to take — whether public or private. And we all suffer the consequences of an untrained legislative aide pool.

If the raises had not been granted under the table and Blue and Barnes were honest with their constituency, the flack would not be so bad. But instead, they acted covertly and were not honest. They intentionally covered up their actions and then insulted the state workers by saying in essence that they were not good enough to get a raise. This is not the kind of leadership North Carolina deserves. This is not the representatives the people put into office.

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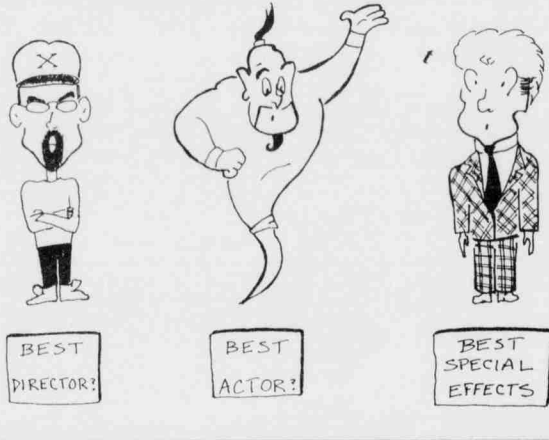
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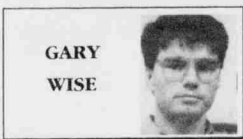


Columns

Bill's big list - taxes, taxes, taxes

For Americans ready for change and tired of 12 years of Republican rule, I have some good news. Change is here. I predict by the time you get out of school a Republican will experience change. Here is a sketch of Bill Clinton's economic package and you can see where you fit in and predict whether you will be helped or hurt by his plan.

1. Surtax of 10% for millionaires — Admittedly, this will not affect many of us. But it definitely appears that now is not the time to be rich.
2. Tax Increase From 31% to 36% for Couples Earning over \$175,000 and Individuals Over \$140,000 — If you are going to college to become a doctor or a lawyer, do not fret. I predict by the time you get out of school a Republican will be back in the White House and your taxes will come back down. If not, then you might be better off to not get married.
3. Increase in the Top Corporate Tax From 34% to 36% — This tax will not affect most of us. It will only affect the big dogs, like GM and Ford. There is no need to worry about this tax, though, because American businesses need to pay more taxes to force them to lay off more workers and export more business to Mexico.
4. Broad Based Tax on Energy — At first glance this tax appears awfully regressive. Since we all use energy, it looks



GARY WISE

as if we will all be sucked into this one. However, if you are in a low income household, you may qualify for special relief on essential fuels.

5. Tax Increase For Incomes Over \$30,000 — Since most of us are hoping to make at least \$30,000 a year, this one may hit home. But there is some consolation to this tax. If your roommate lands a job making \$35,000 a year and you get a job making \$29,000 a year, you won't have to get jealous. In fact, you can enjoy the last laugh. They will pay more taxes and won't fare any better than you.
6. \$16 Billion for Spending on Highway and Bridge Construction — Here's one for the civil engineers. As for the rest of us that cannot find a job after graduation, maybe we can work for the road crew.
7. A Seven Month Increase in Unemployment Benefits —

If you were thinking about getting a job, think again. If you work, you will only pay more taxes. Take seven more months off and worry about finding a job later.

8. \$8 Billion Reduction in Defense Spending — This cut is bad news for the nuclear and aerospace engineers. As for the rest of us, if we cannot find a job after graduation, we need not expect to land in the service. The Cold War is over, and gone is the need to worry about defense.
9. Reduction in Government Size — Bad news for political science majors; the government is shaving jobs. Clinton is also pushing to get rid of the perks of high office holders such as limousine service and aircraft rides. I guess that means we can expect to see Clinton driving himself around and paying for his own gas and insurance like the rest of us.
10. Tax Break for Companies That Invest in the Inner City — Sorry, Clinton. You are plagiarizing on this one. Bush came up with this idea and proved already that it will not work.

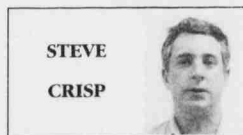
Overall, this economic plan sounds like it is a good time to be unemployed and poor. Or better put, sounds like it is a good time to be a college student.

But don't worry, gridlock will save the day. Even the Democratic majority in Congress will not go along with this plan.

RAs are overstepping their bounds

By this time, most of you are aware of the fire that occurred in Owen Residence Hall Thursday night. Let me relate an associated incident that you may not know about.

Certain resident advisers, students just like you and me, took it upon themselves to act as junior police. These are the circumstances.



STEVE CRISP

Owen had been cleared of residents, Public Safety had responded and the Raleigh Fire Department was on the scene. Student patrol officers had taped off the perimeter, forming a police line no one could cross — not only for the safety of the bystanders but so that fire fighting efforts were not impeded.

A line of yellow tape was strung around the entire dorm and across Cates Avenue. This line was placed over the bumpers of the cars parked along the gymnasium side of the street. The control line did not include the sidewalk area that parallels Cates Avenue on the gym side of the road.

Some 30 minutes after the fire department had responded and the fire was well under control, there was a group of journalists gathered on the sidewalk across the street from Owen. Included were several staff members of Technician and representatives of Agromeck, The News & Observer, WRAL television and WLFL television. We were all on the far side of the police line that had been laid down by Public Safety.

Cameras rolled, shutters clicked and pens flew over paper as we covered the story. Several reporters were comparing notes, and I was getting ready to interview a bystander who was a resident of Owen. Then Ronette Lawrence walked up. No — stormed up.

Lawrence is a resident adviser in Carroll Residence Hall who was on duty Thursday night. She told us to move off the sidewalk. Several of us proceeded to point out that we were on the far side of the police line, but she would hear nothing of it. With an

almost violent tone of voice, she demanded again that we clear the sidewalk. I was once again attempting to inform her that she was out of line when another RA came flying into the scene.

This person, who was later identified as Herbe Commodore, a resident adviser in Owen, jumped in so loud and fast and hostile I thought I would have to resort to physical violence in self defense. (For the record, I asked him three times that night for his name and he refused to give it to me; the Owen area director later told me.) He was screaming and threatening and demanding that we move. Somewhere in his virtually incomprehensible tirade he was making threats concerning his power to enforce this demand by writing us up or having us arrested.

All the while, Lawrence was right in there with her two cents worth, as loud and obnoxious as ever. I kept trying to get a word in edgewise but was repeatedly cut off after several words. The reporter from WLFL instructed his cameraman to get a shot of the tirade being performed by these RAs who were caught up in their own power trip. The camera was shoved in Commodore's face, lights blaring. The mike was placed close. While the action of the camera was being readied, another RA had restrained Commodore and queried him as to how his semi-violent outburst would appear on television. Commodore shut up.

Mind you, these two individuals knew that we were members of the press. They know

me personally. They were screaming at me by name. Not that our status as journalists gives us any additional rights that non-journalists do not possess, but any pinhead could have clearly seen that we were on the far side of the emergency-yellow police line and had a legitimate reason to be there. Maybe they were both color blind, unable to see fluorescent yellow tape. But wait, that couldn't be.

You see, as we were walking to where the fire was located, I saw these self-imposed, ego-inflated RAs bend down, pick up the police-line tape and move it to the far side of the sidewalk. With this mandate of authority, Commodore and the authoritarian-like Lawrence further exercised their new-found powers and removed the stragglers who were now inside this newly placed line.

All the time, these two were yelling and pointing and barking orders just like some impotent, retired drill sergeant — you know, the type who revel in their own sense of pseudo self-importance. This whole scenario raised some questions beyond the media's coverage of the fire:

1. What is the authority of an RA in a fire emergency? In the 1992-1993 Resident Adviser Manual, on page 133, there is a detailed list of explicit and inclusive responsibilities and duties to be performed by the RA in the event of a fire. None of the procedures raised some questions beyond the media's coverage of the fire: department of Public Safety has taken command. In fact, Clause 8 states that "After clearing the building, meet your staff in the area designated by your supervisor. You will receive further instructions from your supervisor and the Raleigh Fire Department."
2. Did these rogues act on their own or were they directed by someone with actual

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authority to assist in crowd control? I discerned from conversations with fire and police officials that no one in the chain-of-command from the fire department or Public Safety gave any authorization for any RA to assist in crowd control after the initial clearing of the building. These same officers also stated that no one in the chain-of-command gave any Housing supervisor the authority to deputize any RA. In a telephone interview, Commodore insisted that he was told by a uniformed officer to assist in crowd control. According to Public Safety Officer Joyce Anderson, moments after the fire had started and as the building

was still being cleared, she asked some members of the RA staff to move people away from the dorm. At this point, the fire department had not yet arrived and the police perimeter had not even been established. This was the extent of her instructions. Anderson further indicated that her instruction certainly did not allow for continued action by the RAs, particularly after the police line had been established.

3. Upon whose authority was the police line moved? Public Safety established the line under the direction of the Raleigh Fire Department. These RAs had no authority to move this line in any manner. In fact, tampering with a police line by someone who is not a sworn officer or member of another emergency response team is a criminal offense in North Carolina, unless the one

moving the line is specifically ordered to do so by someone who does have that authority.

4. If, by some bizarre set of circumstances, the line had indeed been accidentally moved and if everyone who was on the sidewalk was unaware of this line shift except for these two RAs, who then gave them the authority to cross the line? Actually, this is a moot point since I personally saw the line go up around the bumpers of the cars well prior to this incident. Anything said otherwise by these RAs in a feeble defense of their ignorant actions is simply a lie.

One final question: Who from the Department of Housing and Residence Life gave these immature children the authority to have any control over others? It is obvious

from this incident that these two are not capable of exercising authority with control nor are they even aware of the bounds of the limited authority they have been granted. I think it is time that their authority as resident advisers be revoked permanently. It seems obvious that since Lawrence and Commodore cannot even follow their own departmental guidelines, how could they possibly "advise" others?

Cut these two loose and then restrain the rest of the RAs so something like this never happens again.

Oh, one other thing, Susan Grant, the assistant director of Housing and Residence Life, in a telephone interview attempted to justify the actions of these two RAs by stating, "we have an arrangement with Public Safety." Grant said the RAs' actions were

standard procedure and are performed with the consent of Public Safety in the event of emergencies. Several individuals from Public Safety took exception.

Three members of Public Safety who spoke with me on background indicated that rather than an agreement to assist, Housing and Residence Life has been told in the past that this type of action was not its responsibility. One of these officers indicated that interference by RAs in the past has caused problems and that this type of assistance was unneeded and unwelcome.

With a response such as the one I received from Grant, it appears that some of the personnel on the administrative level of Housing and Residence Life need to be put in their place as well.

NCSU wastes too damn much money

It's great to see that the Class of 1993 has made such a tremendous gift to the library. If only the university could give a matching gift to the library, things would really start to happen. But where could the administration find an extra \$174,900?

Perhaps they could eliminate some payroll waste. I would say that the physical plant, for instance, is nothing but a huge vacuum, sucking money out of the budget.

It should not take four masons two weeks to build a two-foot-high brick wall. But at N.C. State University it does. Nor should it take 10, yes 10, laborers two weeks to install four water fountains in a residence hall. But at NCSU it does.

If 10 men each make \$5 per hour, then the university has paid out \$50 in the first hour. By the end of the work day, the university has lost \$400. In one week, these 10 men have "earned" \$2000. In reality, we should only be paying two men for this work. Usually no more than two are actually working, so why pay 10?

The bottom line is this: Stop wasting so much damn money!!

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Military conditions unique, not for gays

I am one of the many people who were offended by Larry Ferber's comment that military men are insecure, ignorant, and have had their hands held by society all their lives. I don't know which history book he studied, but I seem to recall that it is these "insecure, ignorant men" and women who have witnessed and endured harsh, miserable conditions as well as fear, pain, and death to defend this society, its inter-

ests, its allies, and its people.

Like the co-chair of the LGSU who referred to the ROTC personnel as "privates," I suspect Mr. Ferber is rather ignorant of the military and has no place passing judgment on this issue. I have a comment to all those who have never slept in a tank, lived on a submarine, or served in a military unit of any kind: you don't know what it's like, and you probably never will; you will not have to live with the consequences of this policy — we will. I agree that there is a great deal of homophobia in the military and that this is unfortunate; however, there are legitimate reasons for keeping openly gay people out. Much of it has to do with living arrangements, confined spaces, privacy, and the feelings and beliefs of heterosexual service personnel. (Which seems to be blown off by the public. Just because you find homosexuality distasteful, to put it mildly, doesn't mean that you are insecure or bigot.)

I want to go on record that I am adamantly opposed to gay bashing and discrimination. However, the public needs to understand that the ban on gays is not a form of arbitrary discrimination. You must also try to understand the unique conditions of military service and military life. This is a difficult situation that will take time to resolve and adjust to. Stereotypes must be dispelled, but in my experience, servicemen do not have a stereotype of gays as "fluttering butterflies." I am more concerned with the stereotype of us as gay-bashing Netherdraths.

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Mr. President — is it no pain, no gain?

President Clinton feels no paaaain. Is it any surprise the President Clinton is

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raising our taxes? That's right, our taxes. According to the White House, if you make over \$30,000 a year you will have your income tax increased so that we may sacrifice, contribute, and invest in government waste and income redistribution. Tax increases have never worked in stimulating an economy. Does the President think that his ideas are better than those tried before? When did contribution, sacrifice and investment become synonyms for "pay more taxes?"

Webster's Collegiate Dictionary doesn't define those words that way. Another observation about higher taxes: If one has to spend more money in taxes to pay the government for their sorry agenda, then one has to SACRIFICE buying new clothes. One has to SACRIFICE buying food at local restaurants. One cannot CONTRIBUTE to local charities and university alumni funds. One cannot CONTRIBUTE to one's community because one has to work more for less. One cannot make INVESTMENTS in one's retirement and take the burden off of the back of social security. Do you see where this is going? All of this sacrifice, contribution, and investment that President Clinton and his liberal spend-thrift thieves envision will eventually drive this country, its great capitalist economy, and the lives of hard-working Americans into the ground.

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Anti-gay does mean homophobic

Lonnie J. Brenner's submission to A Different View entitled "Anti-gay does not mean homophobic," (Technician, February 10, 1993), epitomizes the "newspeak" in circulation among those engaged in the politics of division. The new rhetoric of hate disguises itself as the friend of the status quo by appealing to the fear of anything outside of one's social and cultural circle. Brenner's "rational and prudent" argument is based on media misinformation and stereotypes.

On the issues of whether homosexuality is an inherent trait or a chosen lifestyle, Brenner conflates bisexuality with homosexuality and cites the success of therapy and counseling in "converting" gays and lesbians. The only people trying to convince anyone of the "choice" of being gay or lesbian are heterosexuals. The psychiatric profession, many decades ago, found counseling and therapy for the sake of converting people to a heterosexual lifestyle unsuccessful (as would be the inverse situation) and is only successful at repressing the true nature or orientation of an individual. For Brenner this issue of choice is fundamentally important to who gets equal protection under law. Brenner and others seem to forget that equal rights protection has been extended on the basis of religious affiliation, which is a matter of choice, not a matter of any inherent character (such as skin color, age or physical impairment). The scientific evidence continues to grow that shows that being gay, lesbian or bisexual is heavily influenced by biological factors — a fact which Brenner alludes to but dismisses. The issue is essentially moot. The real issue is that equal rights — basic human rights, not special rights — belong to all citizens of this country and that equal rights are extended for the protection of minority groups in a form of government based on

majority rule. After all, when did we decide to base equal rights protection on Gallup polls and radio talk shows?

Brenner further muddies the waters, in typical media style, by trying to link gays, lesbians and bisexuals with bestiality, pedophilia and incest. It is important to note that the vast majority of this behavior is perpetrated by heterosexuals. This does not justify me concluding that, for example, since almost all rapes are committed by heterosexuals that all heterosexuals are rapists. Consequently, not all gays, lesbians and bisexuals are perverts and molesters.

Brenner's assertion that homosexuality in the animal kingdom does not exist is simply wrong. There are several species of animals which exhibit homosexual behavior — not the least of which are humans. Brenner further confuses the heterosexual sex act with procreation as its only legitimate function. We know that this simply isn't the case. The media, aided and abetted by the religious right, tries to stereotype gays and lesbians as sexual creatures only, devoid of the characteristics which would make them "real" people. So while Lonnie Brenner perpetuates the "rationality" of a fear-based hate, millions of Americans continue to suffer from the violence, death and social injustice found in the real lives of gays, lesbians and bisexuals.

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Correction . . .

Technician incorrectly identified Mike Duncan as a graduate student in agriculture in the Feb. 15 Campus Forum. Duncan is a graduate student in aerospace engineering. Technician regrets the error.

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