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## Plus/Minus controversy comes to an end

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Senior Staff Writer

Plus/minus is on the way, sort of. N.C. State University Chancellor Larry Monteith approved the implementation of a plus/minus grading system with some conditions, according to a memorandum issued Feb. 26.

The conditions for implementation are that current students' grade point averages not be affected by the system, that the provost implement the system in a way that will significantly reduce GPAs and that the provost be authorized to modify the system after implementation, according to the memorandum. The system goes into effect in fall 1994.

"I tried to make what I honestly felt was the right decision," Monteith said.

Student Body President Chris Jones called the decision a fair compromise.

"Neither Student Senate or Faculty Senate agreed on the issue and neither side got what they wanted completely," Jones said. "His decision is fair because neither side is happy."

Students' main concern was GPAs, and there was no evidence that the system would lower GPAs, Monteith said. The faculty didn't think it would lower GPAs either, he said.

"On the students' side, it was almost totally a GPA issue," Monteith said. "I'm certain the grading system will be as fair as it has ever been."

Provost Frank Hart said he did not yet know the specifics of the implementation strategy.

"We're going to sit down and work on that with a number of peo-

ple," he said.

In the memorandum, Monteith mentioned a flat A or elimination of the C-minus grade as a possible way to prevent lower GPAs as a result of the system.

Hart said there will definitely be some restraints in the system such as a grandfather clause exempting current students.

"The students who are already in school, their grade point average will not be affected at all," he said. However, the plus/minus grades will be on all students' transcripts.

Monteith said NCSU has always

had consistent requirements for students.

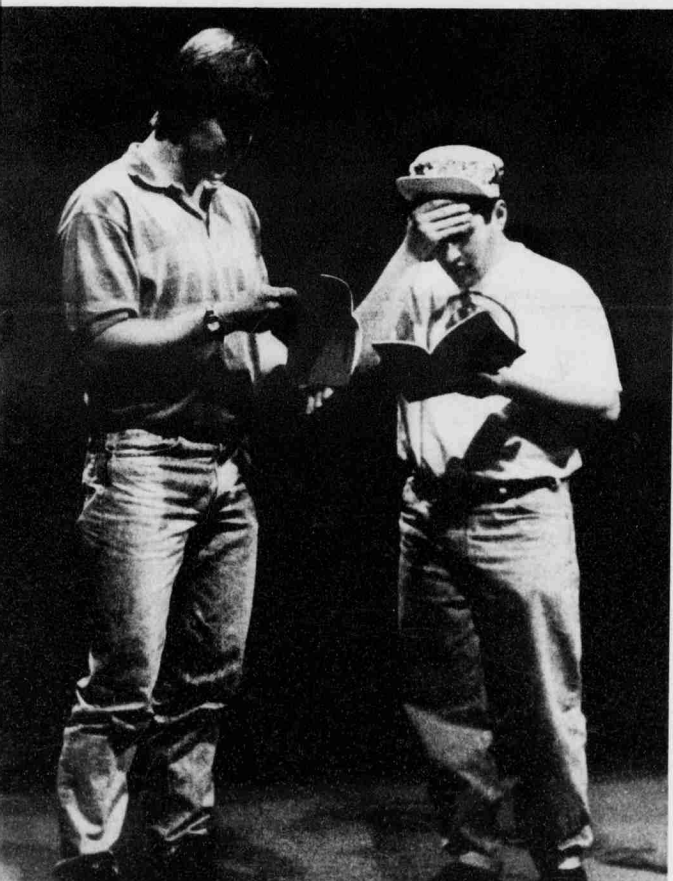
"When they are admitted, they graduate under the system they're admitted under," he said.

Hart said the professors will not be required to use the new grading system.

"It always has been optional for professors," he said.

He said professors should clarify at the beginning of the semester what kind of grading system they will use.

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Bonnie Heath/Staff

### To be, or not to be...

Larry Ferber (left) and Will Bollock (right) show their stuff at the audition for the play, "Line," by Israel Horowitz. The auditions were held at Thompson Theatre March 8 and March 9. For more information call 515-2405.

## Computer access to be easier in the near future

By Dave Blanton  
Staff Writer

In the current information age, personal computers might soon become as commonplace as the hand-held calculator, especially for N.C. State University students.

The Uniform Wiring Plan, a fiber optics setup which is still in the planning stage, could introduce computer possibilities into the dwellings of all NCSU students.

This setup will allow students to communicate with the D.H. Hill Library, the EOS computer network, various data banks and other students — all from the comfort of their room.

Although plans are still in the making, the program will probably not go into effect for at least four years. The Uniform Wiring Plan, which will likely be accompanied by a campus-wide cable television linkup, will be a complicated and time-consuming task, said William Willis, director of computer operations.

"Familiarizing students, faculty and housing with this kind of massive setup will be difficult. It will be very hard to merge the new system with existing computer systems. Working in step with the telecommunication department so that everything operates smoothly will require some effort," Willis said.

Faculty members who are working on the plans have noticed a few problem areas.

Willis said he wonders which students will have access to the Uniform Wiring Plan. If it is a campus-only design, then the 19,000 students who live off-campus will not benefit.

On the other hand, if it is decided that all NCSU students should enjoy the plan, the setup and maintenance will become much more troublesome, he said.

"When you try to plan electronic resources for a community, it's questions like this

that can slow you down. Whether it is decided to serve the 25 percent of students who live on campus or all students will have a large impact on the way the Uniform Wiring Plan is engineered," Willis said.

He said bringing a cable and computer-link to a school this size is more demanding than implementing one at a smaller school. At West Point, the U.S. Army Academy, a campus-wide computer system is already in use. The success of the setup is due to the fact that the school only has a few thousand students, and they all live on campus.

Despite some confusion and lethargy on the part of designers and administration, Chris Parker, assistant director of telecommunications, said his department is forging ahead.

"We're moving forward at telecommunications ... no time-line has been set so far though," Parker said.

Previously, the cable company offered the university a cable television only contract — no computer linkup. The university declined the offer because they decided they want a package deal, Willis said.

Also important to the designers is how different students will use the system. Because of the diversity within the student body, a flexible plan is very important. The university needs to develop and implement a system the individual student can adapt to, regardless of his or her major, Willis said.

"We need to give them something that will make them more productive at what they do," he said.

Parker said whenever a satisfactory plan has been established and the system is deemed desirable by the university's administration, there is still the cost factor to consider. Some students will not be able to afford the extra fees the new system might create. He said he doesn't know what fraction of the cost will be

placed upon the students.

The cost of the program has not been calculated yet, because the Uniform Wiring Plan is in its early developmental stage and there are still a multitude of factors that are still uncertain, Willis said.

Some students, he said, have already expressed anxiety about the cost of the plan, however.

Willis said that while the process will be vexing, the faculty and chancellor are hopeful. He said that getting the chancellor excited about it is a very important step.

Parker agreed with Willis.

"Having all the dorms wired properly is on the chancellor's five-year plan. We have his support," Parker said.

The chancellor's office has stood firm in agreeing that they would like to see all students participating in a networked computer system.

"Allowing a student to use a computer in his room that is linked to the network, instead of being in a lab somewhere else on campus, would be a wonderful advantage," Parker said.

Eventually, students may be enjoying a networked computer system. Many students are delighted at the advantages it may bring.

Rick Hite, a sophomore in computer science, said he spends about four hours a day on his personal IBM "clone."

"I spend about three hours communicating with others and another hour doing my homework by communicating with EOS," Hite said.

Hite's personal computer system includes a few additions to the standard keyboard and monitor setup. He also has a tower Central Processing Unit (CPU), modem, mouse, printer, hand-held scanner, sound card, memory chips and two differently sized floppy disk drives.

In addition, a Bulletin Board

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## Top professors at NCSU receive awards at Founders Day dinner

Kelly Gollobin  
Staff Writer

N.C. State University celebrated its 106th birthday by presenting a tree of its own with Watauga Medals Monday night at the Founder's Day dinner.

Chancellor Larry Monteith and Provost Kelly, chairman of the Faculty Senate, presented medals to Bessie Ballentine, Cornelius and James Jones.

Watauga Medal, an annual award established in 1975 by a group of trustees to acknowledge people who have contributed

to NCSU's advancement. The nominees are selected each year by a committee composed of student and alumni representatives from each college and school, according to the dinner's program.

The first medal handed out Monday was given posthumously to Ballentine in honor of her commitment to NCSU. She served as an executive committee member of the NCSU Humanities Foundation and established the Bess B. and Lynton Y. Ballentine Merit Scholarship, the first college-wide endowment for the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. Her son accepted

the award.

"My mother was a great lady, and I know she would be proud to accept the Watauga Medal," Julius Phoenix said.

Cornelius was honored for his support of the swine medicine program at the NCSU College of Veterinary Medicine. Cornelius also is a founding member of the Swine Advisory Council.

"It is an honor to be awarded for something I enjoy doing so much. We have the best school second to none," Cornelius said.

Jones was honored for his contributions as a member of the NCSU

Alumni Association Board of Directors and for his former service as president of the NCSU Engineering Foundation. His support for the John T. Caldwell Alumni Scholarship program was also noted.

"The University has had a profound effect on my life," Jones said.

State Sen. J.K. Sherron greeted the crowd and praised NCSU.

"With broad vision and purpose, N.C. State has been able to serve the community," Sherron said. "I'm very proud of N.C. State for opening the doors of opportunity to the community."

State Sen. Beverly Purdie, the keynote speaker, praised NCSU for its wealth of great leaders.

"You are very blessed to have Monteith's leadership here," Purdie said.

Purdie spoke about NCSU's past, present and future.

"The tree of learning planted here has been very fruitful," Purdie said. "The students are here for a dream, a dream of making a difference through education and commitment. It's a community of teachers passing the torch of knowledge to students and a simple hope to make life better for others."

Purdie stressed the importance of education, and she spoke about her life growing up.

"Education is the key that binds. Education is the key, the only way up and out of poverty," Purdie said.

Purdie talked about the future of NCSU and spoke of her hopes for the university. She said she hopes to see a better and constant education. She also said she thought raising tuition was needed for various items. Purdie said she wanted the resources for books, computers and better pay that will keep students at NCSU.

# Public Safety to start giving tickets to unlawful cyclists

By Dee Henry  
News Editor

Bicyclists beware. Starting today, N.C. State University Public Safety will be watching you!

Sharing the road is necessary, especially on a college campus. But certain rules have to be enforced, which is exactly what Public Safety is planning on doing, Crime Prevention Officer Larry Ellis said.

Ellis said he and other Public Safety officers will be issuing warning tickets until April 1 to

bicyclists who do not abide by motion and equipment laws. After that date, offenders will be given campus-appearance tickets. These tickets will force the cyclists to appear before the Judicial Board.

"We're enforcing the laws like we should be," Ellis said. "It's done for the safety of the students."

Ellis said cyclists have to obey the same motion laws as drivers when they are riding on a street. He also pointed out that the law requires cyclists walk their bikes while on sidewalks, rather than ride them.

Equipment laws cover everything from wearing helmets to keeping your bike in good condition. For example, all bicycles should be equipped with a reflective mirror or a light both on the front and on the back. The front light should be visible from 300 feet in normal conditions, and the rear light or reflector should be visible from 200 feet.

Ellis said Public Safety is not out to get campus cyclists, they are merely enforcing laws that have been in effect nationwide.

# Student dies in wreck over break

By Betsy Smith  
Staff Writer

An N.C. State University senior died in a head-on collision near Cherryville March 1.

Nathan Cruz, 21, was heading east on State Highway 150 in Cleveland County at about 9:45 a.m. when he collided with a car traveling west, according to the North Carolina State Highway Patrol.

Trooper Dan Cochran, the officer at the scene, said Cruz was traveling about 85 mph.

"Both Cruz's car and the other car

were thrown into a ravine next to the highway," Cochran said.

Cochran said Cruz was pronounced dead at the hospital shortly after the accident. The other motorist is presently in critical condition.

Cruz was at home on spring break visiting his family. The electrical engineering major was scheduled to graduate in May.

Jeff Barnhardt, a D.H. Hill Library employee and a friend of Cruz, said that Cruz was on his way to an orthodontist appointment at the time of the accident.

"He was in a passing zone and couldn't see the car coming in the other direction," Barnhardt said. John Goode, also employed by the library and a friend of Cruz's, said that Cruz enjoyed music and especially liked spending his free time playing the drums.

"He was a great drummer, and he really loved music — that's how we became such good friends," Goode said.

Goode, a guitarist, sometimes performed with Cruz, and the two also shared an interest in jazz and blues music.

# Campus network proposed

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Service (BBS) allows him to receive calls from others and to send messages to anyone willing to call his service, which he has named "Ground Zero". Hite also has the capability to fax messages to people all over the globe.

"It's an educational experience, owning a computer. I have learned a lot about computers, not by reading the thick manuals, but by just experimenting on my own," Hite said.

Hite said his access to EOS has helped him in his studies.

"I'm glad that I can use that system from the comfort of my own room," he said. "Most people are totally unaware of how beneficial a network like the one they're proposing would be. They could save hours just sitting here calling

up data and information instead of going all over campus."

James Monroe, a junior in political science, uses his Macintosh Classic on a regular basis. He sports a hard drive, three-and-a-half inch disc drive, modem and printer.

"He said he communicates to other personal computer users with his modem, and he looks forward to a day when he is a part of a campus-wide network."

"I already do a lot of assignments by using my computer and being in this sort of linkup would be even better. You could probably gather research material more efficiently, and that would save me time," Monroe said.

Chris Walker, a junior in textile chemistry, agreed that having a network system would benefit NCSU students.

"Having a network system with all students would be useful for study groups and for lab reports because it would be so easy to share information. Optimally, it may even save paper," Walker said.

Walker said he understands how computerizing an entire campus would be difficult.

"It will be a tedious process and probably will not be instituted by the time I graduate," he said.

# Grading policy changed

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Hart said as provost he was pleased that the system will be implemented because a large majority of the faculty supported it. However, his views as an instructor differ.

"As a teacher myself, I will choose not to use it," he said.

For the next several years the system will be observed to see what problems arise, Hart said.

"We're going to monitor it very carefully," he said.

Greater flexibility in grading is the main benefit of the system, Hart said.

"The whole idea was that many of the teachers wanted finer grading options," he said. Monteith said he originally wanted to try the system for a couple of years without affecting anyone's GPA. The problem with this plan was that the record keeping would be too expensive and time-consuming.

He said there will be a big implementation phase while the system is perfected. Problems like dropouts who return or students who are at NCSU for many years will have to be addressed by the provost, he said.

Monteith said the incoming provost, Phillip Stiles, will be faced with many of the system's early problems.

"He'll have an opportunity to impact," he said. "A good deal of the implementation decisions will be made by Dr. Stiles."

Monteith said the strategic decisions will be made soon.

"We need to get it designed in time for registration and records to program the computers," Monteith said. "They're putting in a new data-base system."

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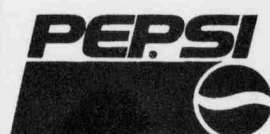
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## Pack ranked in top 10 for first time since 1968

By Owen Good  
Assistant Sports Editor

A milepost on the road to becoming a well-respected national force was reached Monday when N.C. State's baseball team cracked the top 10 for the first time since its only College World Series season of 1968.

The Wolfpack is currently ranked eighth by Baseball Weekly's coaches' poll and ninth by Baseball America's poll. It is the only time the team has been ranked in this elite cluster during the regular season.

State's ranking is also an indication of the depth of talent in the ACC. Georgia Tech occupies the top spot in Baseball Weekly

and Baseball America's poll and is number two by Collegiate Baseball magazine's standards. Florida State hovers around the top 10 in all three polls, and three other ACC teams are featured in the top 25 this week.

Of course, that puts a greater imperative on the Wolfpack not to lose its non-conference games, a scenario that arises today when East Carolina visits Doak Field at 2:30 p.m.

The Pirates, 11-5, are no slouches and



Barkett

should bring a tough brand of baseball to Raleigh. Leading the attack for the Pirates is the versatile Pat Watkins. Watkins is hitting .444 with seven home runs and 11 stolen bases, leading the team in all three categories. Watkins is also slugging a torrid .907 and has driven in 17 runs.

Right behind him is Lee Kusner, batting .382 and leading the team in RBI with 18. Kusner has also converted 10 walks into an admirable .477 on-base percentage.

The probable starter for ECU is Johnny Beck, a power pitcher with 26 strikeouts and a 2.93 ERA that belies his tepid 2-2 record.

The Wolfpack counters with a hardy heart

of its hitting order. First baseman Andy Barket leads the Wolfpack in hitting, but not by much, with his exceptional .444 average. Breathing down his neck is third sacker Tim Tracey with a .439 percentage.

Barkett has cranked two home runs and has driven in 11 runs. Tracey is ahead of Barket with 12 RBI, but multi-role player Pat Clougherty leads the team with 18.

Second baseman Jeff Meszar leads the



Clougherty

team in stolen bases with seven in a golden seven attempts. Transfer Karl Carswell adds five steals to his .304 average. In all, four Wolfpack regulars are above the .300 line.

State coach Ray Tanner appears to be saving sophomore ace Terry Harvey, who pitched last Friday, for the upcoming Wake Forest series this Friday. Nevertheless, Harvey is one of the strongest arms on the team with his 4-0, 2.42 ERA and 21 strikeouts. That means Rob Steinert will face the Pirates for his third start of the season. Steinert's live arm is accountable for a 1-1 record thus far with 14 strikeouts.

## UNC's Sampson is ACC's top player

By Kevin Brewer  
Assistant Sports Editor

If a player was taking over an ACC women's game this season or suddenly burst into a career performance, she was probably doing it inside.

She was filling the lane, banging bodies in the post, hitting the boards and putting those shots right back up for an easy basket. Seven of the conference's top 10 scorers did their work down low and the ACC's top two freshmen both received their initiation from the conference's biggest players.

But Technician's ACC Women's Player of the Year, although able to play inside with anyone at 5-foot-8, has shown she can do it all. Tonya Sampson, North Carolina's junior forward, has ventured into the trenches with the top post players in the ACC, but can handle the ball and hold her own on the perimeter.

Sampson is the only ACC player ranked in the top 15 in eight statistical categories, including her conference-leading 21 points per game heading into the first round of the ACC Tournament.

To show off her versatility, the Clinton native led the conference in steals with 3.7 thefts per game and finished fifth in the conference rebounding wars with 8.2 boards

per game. In addition, her 150 three-pointers was the second-highest total in the ACC.

But Sampson has also been part of the continuing resurgence of the Tar Heels. Although the Heels were thrashed 75-61 by Maryland in the second round Sunday, Carolina holds a 22-6 record (11-5 in the ACC) and a spot in the top 20 to ensure itself of a NCAA Tournament bid.

Sampson will be joined on the All-ACC Team by plenty of inside help and one lone guard.

### Heather Burge

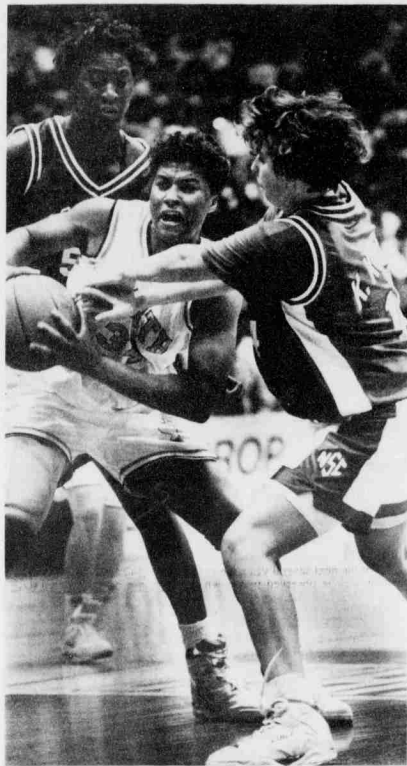
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Sure, Burge plays on the conference's regular season and tournament champion. And she has plenty of help with freshman Wendy Palmer and playmaker Dena Evans.

But the 6-foot-5 center has been the most dominant force down low in a conference ruled by the inside game. She averaged 19 points and eight rebounds per game to go along with a 62-percent field-goal percentage, while only playing 23 minutes per outing.

The ACC's leader in blocks also came up with a big game in the conference championship Monday.

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Mark Schaffer/Staff

UNC's Tonya Sampson (center) led the ACC in scoring in 1992-93.

## Spring season begins for track

By Clay Best  
Staff Writer

The N.C. State men's track and field team has a simple plan for the 1993 outdoor season. A country boy would sum it up like this, "Dance with who brought you to the dance."

The '93 edition of the Wolfpack is incredibly deep in a lot of areas and weak in others.

"Overall, we're going to be a fairly descent team," State assistant coach Gail Olson said. "We've got some holes we need to fill through recruiting. We have strong areas and weak areas. Hopefully, the strong areas will remain strong and the weak areas we can have some people step forward and have some sort of an impact in the conference."

However, the weak areas are not necessarily weak in the literal meaning of the word. In many cases, it's a matter of other ACC programs developing strong programs of their own. And the overall of athletes in the ACC has led to a great amount of parody in some events. However, even with the parody, Olson and head coach Kollie Geiger have set the same goals as always for the outdoor team.

"The goal that we desire is the one we set every year," Olson said. "And that is to win a conference championship, to place as many

people at the national championships as possible and to score as many points as we can nationally."

The Pack, coming off a fifth-place finish in last year's ACC championships, has 28 returning athletes and several redshirt freshmen to score points with.

In the sprints, the Pack looks to seniors Reggie Lawrence and Mike Williams to provide the quick speed for the team. Lawrence, a starting split end for the Pack football team last season, placed fourth in the 55 meters at the ACC Indoor meet this year. Williams finished fifth at the ACC Indoors in the 55 meters and also took fifth in the 100 meters at the ACC Outdoors championships last year.

"Sprints are an area where, body wise, we don't have a great number of people," said Olson, "but the people we have there we certainly have confidence in them. We have to rely on them to step forward this season and produce some good times."

The Pack should look to Nelson Solozano to lead its efforts in the middle distances. Solozano, redshirted last year, placed fourth in both the ACC indoor and outdoor meets in the 800 meters in 1991.

"Nelson is a solid half miler," Olson said. "He's qualified for the finals a couple of times. We'll be looking for him to step up and be an impact. We don't have a lot of bodies [in the 800], so we'll look mainly to Nelson."

The longer distance runners should be a really strong and consistent part of the team. The men distance runners are mainly com-



Geiger

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### The Technician All-ACC Team

Player	Position	Year
Tonya Sampson, UNC	Forward	Junior
Heather Burge, Virginia	Center	Senior
Tracy Connor, WFU	Center	Freshman
Joyce Pierce, Ga. Tech	Forward	Senior
Danyel Parker, NCSU	Guard	Senior

## Women's tennis now underway

By Josh Durham  
Staff Writer

The N.C. State women's tennis team started in its own version of The Wizard of Oz last week.

As the annual spring tour took the team to faraway lands, it had members saying "I don't think we're in Raleigh anymore."

This journey took the Wolfpack throughout Texas. State began in Houston to play two matches, moved on to neighboring Waco for a rainout and finally finished in Huntsville before heading east. State finished its road trip back in Atlanta, to complete a 1-3 record.

Starting off the whirlwind trip, the squad traveled to Houston for a battle with Rice. The Pack came up on the losing end of a 5-4, six-and-a-half-hour meet.

Even though State lost, head coach Kelly Key was pleased with everyone's performance.

"I thought we did a real good job against Rice," Key said. "Everybody played really well."

The next day, the Wolfpack tried to knock off Houston but was again unsuccessful, losing 8-1.

"We were just really dead," team captain Michelle Parks said of the match with Houston.

But the routing served as a wake-up call for the team. State promptly trounced Sam Houston State 9-0 after a match was canceled due to rain. Chastity Chandler, Margaret Kenny and Parks did a superb single game in six sets at the four, five and six singles positions.

But back on the east coast, the

Pack suffered a 6-3 defeat to Georgia Tech in its first conference match of the season. The loss to the Yellow Jackets gives the Pack a 2-3 record overall.

"We're our rivals," Parks said. "We went out there, and they were just a little better than us."

Beth Schaefer led the way for the netters at the first singles spot with a win over Pierrette Harshaw in a tough three-setter, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3. Margie Zimmer followed at number-two singles against Erika Lewis, but was beaten 6-3, 6-4.

State's two freshmen who played in the match also came away empty-handed. Jennifer Johnson lost at the number three spot to Tiffany Schwarz 6-3, 6-1, and Chandler lost to Mariali Vega 7-5, 6-2.

Despite the two losses by the freshmen, Key remains optimistic about the new players' handling of collegiate tennis.

"I'm pleased with the way we played, considering we're so young," Key said. "I see only good things happening."

The Lady Pack split the remaining singles matches with the Yellow Jackets. Kenny went the distance with Sandra Vidal and won 6-1, 3-6, 7-5. Also, Ashley Risk at six to Pam Tatum 7-5, 7-6.

In doubles play, the Pack could only take the number-two match. Zimmer teamed with freshman Leslie Marshall and emerged victorious in the third set as Schwarz and Vega retired. The score to that point was 1-6, 6-2, 3-4.

Johnson and Schaefer lost 6-3, 6-4 to Lewis and Harshaw, while Risk and Chandler were defeated by Vidal and Priti Naik.

With the road trip behind them, the Pack is looking forward to three straight games at home. Back in Raleigh is something that pleases Key very much.

Lewis's first home match will be tomorrow at 2 p.m. when it hosts Oklahoma.

## Wolfpack drops ACC opener

### Tennis team loses to Jackets

By Josh Durham  
Staff Writer

The N.C. State men's tennis team traveled to Atlanta by way of Texas, Saturday and capped off its spring trip with a 4-3 loss to Georgia Tech.

The loss to the Yellow Jackets dropped the Pack's record to 4-4 overall and 0-1 in the ACC. There wasn't anything in particular that went wrong for the netters against Tech; they just came up short.

"I thought we were going to beat Georgia Tech," team member Steve Finch said. "But it just didn't work out."

Finch, who is in the midst of a six-match winning streak, had an excellent showing against the opposition, winning at number-six singles over Mike Berlin 8-2, 6-1. Earlier in the day Finch had teamed with Walt Kennedy at number three doubles to beat Jay Nerenberg and Joe D'Alco 8-6.

But State's other doubles teams did not fare as well as Finch and Kennedy. The tandem of Bert Bolick and Glen Philp fell to Rob Givone and Scott Cotton 8-5, while Sean Ferreira and Brian Ozaki lost 8-2 to Mark Ottinger and Joe Nickels. Since Georgia Tech won two out of three doubles contests, the Jackets received a point.

That point turned out to be the deciding factor for the Pack since the six singles were split between the two teams. Ferreira lost 6-1, 7-5 to Givone, who is ranked 20th in

the nation.

"Givone just played two sensational matches," State coach Crawford Henry said. "But Sean's beaten him before."

Bolick won at the number-two spot over Cotton 6-7, 5-7, and Philp won at three 6-4, 6-1 against Miguel Martinez. But State hit the skids at the three and four singles spots: freshman Brian Ozaki lost to Ottinger 6-2, 6-4, and freshman Matt Yelverton lost to Nickels 6-2, 6-4.

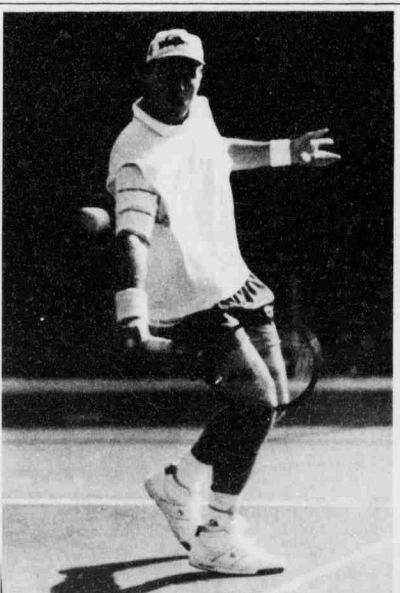
The loss at Georgia Tech closed out the Pack's annual spring tour, a road trip the players were happy to put behind them after finishing with a 2-3 away record.

"We were a little disappointed," Finch said. "We were hoping to go 4-1 on the trip. We just didn't piece together our matches very well."

Starting the trip, the Wolfpack got off to a bad start against Southern Methodist Feb. 28, losing 4-1. Since seven points are the most points possible a team may receive, a match is essentially over when one team reaches four. The Mustangs put the Pack in that spot as State's Matt Yelverton scored the only win for Pack when he beat Jamie Turcuri 6-4, 6-2.

From Dallas it was on to Fort Worth where the team was soundly defeated by Texas Christian 7-0, Mar. 2. That second loss in a row for the team moved its record to 2-3 overall.

But, the wheels began to turn for the Pack on the tennis court. The



Tim Moore/Staff

Bert Bolick scored a win over Georgia Tech in the number-two singles. team traveled to Denton, Texas to take on North Texas the next day and came away with a 6-1 win.

The Texas tour gained more momentum as it rolled into Arlington to go up against Texas-Arlington. Solid performances by Ferreira and Ozaki at the number

two doubles and Finch and Kennedy at three doubles spread the fire that resulted in a 5-2 win for the Pack.

State's next match will be at home versus Maryland on Sunday at 1 p.m.

# Pack post-season hopes up in the air

By Kevin Brewer  
Assistant Sports Editor

ROCK HILL, S.C. — For the second consecutive season, N.C. State women's basketball coach Kay Yow is in an unfamiliar position after an early exit in the ACC Tournament.

After an 89-71 defeat to North Carolina in the first round of the tournament Saturday, it is assumed that a 34-12 record would not be enough to garner an invitation to the NCAA Tournament.

"We're not expecting it to," Yow said of the possibility of the team's big wins getting it into postseason play. "It's very disappointing. We're all competitors and we'd like to go out there and do our thing. This is what we like to do."

If the Wolfpack does not receive a tournament berth, it would mark the second straight year the Pack

has been a bubble team that didn't go to the big dance.

The fact that the Wolfpack is on the fence for a bid has also raised questions of about possible Pack participation in the National Women's Invitational Tournament. The Pack turned down the opportunity for a NWIT berth last year, but the five-senior squad could decide differently this year.

"I really don't know right now," said Danyel Parker, a senior and four-year starter. "I guess the decision would rest on the five seniors since we're the ones it's going to be over for. I can't speak for the four other people and I don't know right now."

The NWIT is unlike the men's 32-team NIT field and is considered less prestigious. The women's version is an eight-team round-robin event, requiring each to play three games regardless of the outcome.

## inexperienced or just a little wet behind the ears. But there is no doubt the 6-foot-2 freshman sensation is not only the ACC's best first-year player, but she is already one of the league's top centers.

Connor was second in the ACC in scoring (20.6 ppg) behind Sampson and was the only player to tally a double-figure rebound average (11.1 rpg), including a 35-point, 22-rebound game against N.C. State, Jan. 21.

The prodigy has also made her mark in the Deacon and ACC record books. Connor smashed Wake records for most points and most rebounds in a season. Both marks were held by Jenny Mitchell, who set them in 1991 as a senior.

The Landis native has been named ACC Rookie of the Week more times than any women's player ever. Counting both men's and

# Track

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posed of the Pack's cross country runners.

Tony Riley returns for his second season with the Pack, after winning an ACC championship in the 1500 meters last season. Todd Lopeman won the conference crown in the 3000 at the '92 ACC indoors.

"The longer distances are really a strong part of our program," Olson said. "Todd is one of the top runners in the country and we've got Riley, who qualified indoors for the 3000 meters. Shane Garcia who really has a lot of athletic ability and who can definitely have a lot of impact. And we have a number of people who will step up and give us really solid support."

The jumpers are the next group of athletes the Pack will be relying on to bring another conference championship back to Raleigh. These athletes make up the deepest group in the program.

"Mainly, the jumps and the distance events are pretty much the same," Olson said. "We're going to

rely on both the jumps and the distances to provide us with a lot of points."

The backbone of a solid group of Pack leapers consists of a ACC Champion and a World Junior Champion. Tyrell Taitt won the ACC triple jump championship last season with a leap of 52-0 3/4. The Pack's World Junior Champion is Neil Chance. Chance won the World Junior title in the long jump with a leap of 25-10 in Seoul, Korea.

Joining Taitt in the triple jump competition will be the twin tandem of Emmanuel and Reggie Barnes-Smith. Emmanuel Barnes-Smith placed second in the triple jump at last year's ACC's behind Taitt. And Reggie Barnes-Smith, who competes in the long jump, triple jump, and high hurdles, rounded out the 1-2-3 finish of the Pack in third place.

"In the long jump we're looking for Chance to lead us there," Olson said. "He's one of the best college jumpers in the country. Then there are other guys down the line who are real solid performers."

In the high jumps, the Pack has four athletes capable of jumping seven feet. Sean Garland, Jason Kimble, J.B. Christian, and Omar

Dixon all have the potential to reach the seven-foot plateau.

"We're weak in the [pole] vault, because we haven't recruited in that area," Olson said. "The pole vault competition in the ACC is ungodly. You've got guys who can go 17 and 18 feet."

Sean McNaull a senior competitor in the long jump is the performer who Olson looks to perform for the Pack.

The throw events for the Pack showcase two quality ACC competitors. Chris Corcoran is a top competitor in the javelin and is the former Junior National champion. Corcoran may be sidelined by an arm injury, but if the problem is not serious Olson says Corcoran should be the top thrower in the conference.

James Davidson competed for the Pack last year in the shot put, discus and 35-pound weight. Davidson should consistently score

points in the throw events this season.

"He's paid his dues," Olson said. "He's not the biggest of guys, but we're certainly looking to rely on him outdoors in the discus and the shot."

Geiger and the rest of the Pack staff look to two upperclassmen to give them the edge in the decathlon. Derek Halberg and Doug Scott both placed in the ACC championships last year. Scott finished fourth, and Halberg finished 11th in last year's meet.

"A lot of good things are going to come from those two individuals," Olson said. "We're looking for them to do well."

The season begins for both Pack track teams Saturday at the Seahawk Invitational in Wilmington.

## Intramural Announcements

### Intramural Basketball Champion Results

Open A  
Africa defeated House of Pain 64-56

Fraternity A  
Sigma Alpha Mu defeated SPE 54-31

Fraternity C  
Sigma Chi defeated Pi Kappa Alpha 48-45

Residence A  
Bragaw North I defeated Metcalf 52-49

Residence C  
Tucker II defeated Bragaw South I 38-23

Residence/Sorority  
Carroll defeated Wood 23-20

Women's open  
Sullivan I defeated Sullivan II 32-26

Point Standings as of 3/8/93

### FRATERNITY

- Sigma Chi 1639.5
- PKA 1627.5
- Phi Delta 1621.5
- SAM 1542.5
- SPE 1515
- PKP 1505
- SAE 1324.5
- Delta Sig 1317
- Phi Tau 1203
- TKR 1165
- AGR 1160.5
- Farrnhouse 1147
- DU 1109.5

### RESIDENCE/SORORITY

- Chi Omega 1354.5
- ADP 1320.5
- Sigma Kappa 1254
- Delta Zeta 1180
- Alpha Phi 1115
- ZTA 959
- Sullivan 848.5
- Carroll 835
- Metcalf 834.5
- Bowen 792

### MEN'S RESIDENCE

- Bragaw N1 1526.5
- Owen II 1250.5
- Gold 1213
- Bragaw S1 975
- Becton 955
- Tucker I 891
- Metcalf 831
- Syme 748
- Bragaw S II 702
- Turlington 657

### IMPORTANT NEW INFORMATION

Home Run Derby will be held on Friday, March 12 from 5 to 7 p.m. on the lower Miller Fields 1 and 2. A Healthy Back Workshop will be held on Monday, March 15.

Congratulations to Southern Comfort for winning the wiffleball tournament.

## All-ACC

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Burge hit 10 of 16 shots and totaled 22 points in the Cavaliers' 106-103 triple-overtime victory.

Burge helped the Cavs win their second straight ACC title and led them to a 24-5 record overall and 13-3 mark in the conference.

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## Answers to today's Cryptquip

What caused the orchestra conductor to resign? It was the pits.

women's basketball, only former Georgia Tech star Keny Anderson took the honor star.

## Joyce Pierce Georgia Tech

After a first round loss to Clemson in the ACC Tournament, the Yellow Jackets will probably not realize the dream of playing in the NCAA women's Final Four on their home court. But Pierce, a 6-foot senior forward, has already proven herself as a winner.

Pierce led Tech to the National Women's Invitational Tournament title last season after the Jackets missed the 48-team NCAA field. This season, Pierce put her team back in the middle of the conference race.

She averaged 19 points and nine rebounds per game to go along with a league leading 83 percent free-throw percentage. Pierce also moved into fourth place on Tech's all-time rebounding list and third on the Jackets' scoring charts this year.

## Danel Parker N.C. State

The usual list of big-name seniors competed for the last spot — Florida State's Tia Paschal (19 ppg, 8 rpg), Clemson's Shandy Bryan (18 ppg, 8 rpg), Maryland's Jesse Hicks (17 ppg, 7 rpg) — but it's hard to pick a team without a true guard.

And the 5-foot-6 Parker, who has experience at both guard spots, gets the edge over Evans. Both players are expected to find the open player for their teams, but Parker compiled her five assists per contest primarily as a shooting guard.

She helped to engineer upsets over Western Kentucky, Maryland and North Carolina this season while placing second on the team in points, rebounds and assists. Parker was also third in the league in steals with 2.7 per game.

Note: Technician's All-ACC Men's Team will be released in Thursday's *Technoo ACC Tournament Special*.

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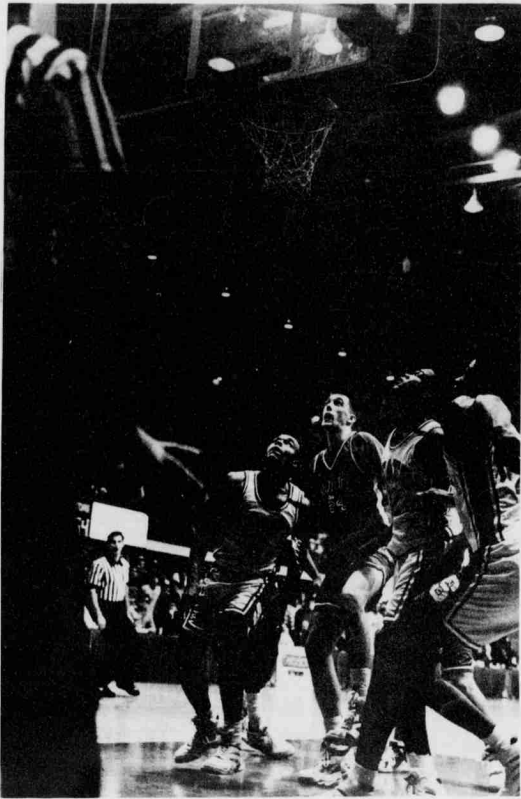
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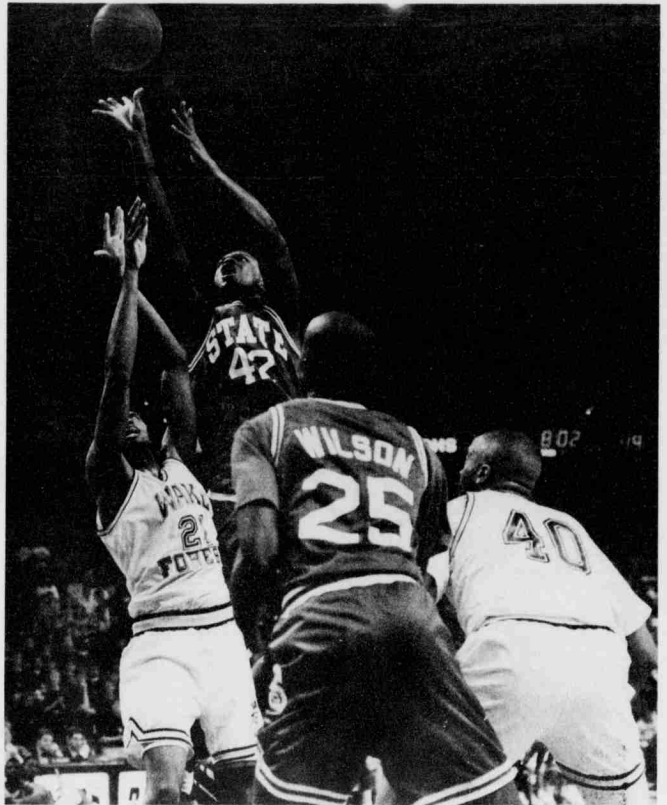
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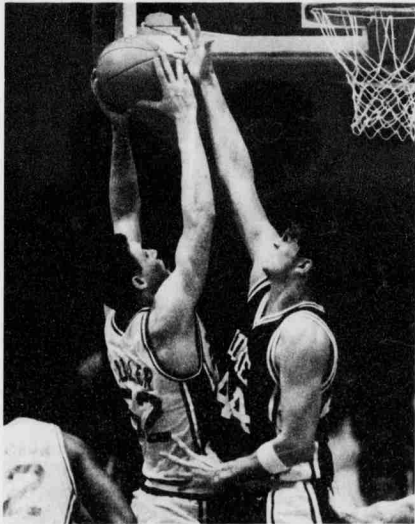
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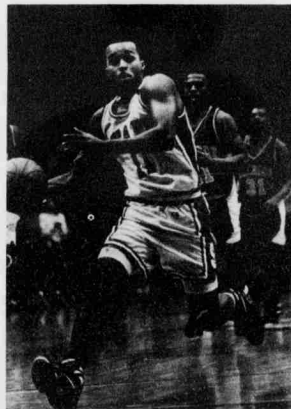
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## THE SEASON OF OUR DISCONTENT

Three major injuries, three academic suspensions, a shooting and a suicide. The N.C. State basketball team suffered through all of these prior to and during the 1992-93 basketball season. The lost personnel left coach Les Robinson's squad with a heavy heart and a short bench as it struggled just to survive in the ACC.

In the beginning, little went right for the Pack. North Carolina, Duke and Georgia Tech dished out humbling beatings. Even tiny UNC Wilmington got in on the act, upsetting the Pack in the first game of the

season.

But even as the losses mounted, there were bright spots for the Pack. Center Kevin Thompson played well enough to earn all-conference recognition. Guards Lakista McCuller and Curtis Marshall developed into solid players. And forward Mark Davis emerged as a surprisingly effective starter.

The team's improvement led to several strong performances against good competition. State even managed to beat Georgia Tech and Tennessee during the last three weeks.

State basketball has survived.



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# Douglas is a suburban avenger

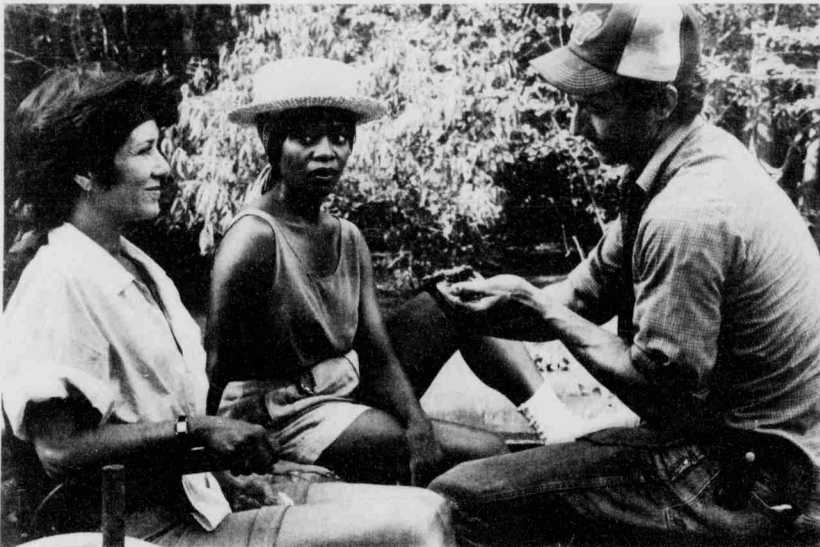


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David Strathairn, Alfre Woodard and Mary McDonnell (l to r) star in John Sayles' "Passion Fish." By Michael J. Legeros Staff Writer

One of the most interesting films of the season is "Falling Down," director Joel Schumacher's revenge fantasy about an ordinary guy pushed too far.

The film opens in high-style with an obscene close-up of Michael Douglas's lower lip.

The lip is quivering in repressed hostility as the camera pulls back in silence, revealing the mouth, the face and, finally, the man.

He's a white-collar guy with hornrimmed glasses, a crew cut and one very nasty pocket protector.

He's sitting alone in a morning traffic jam, but his name is not mentioned. Only his license tag gives a clue to his identity: D-FENS.

A cartoon-lens captures his claustrophobia as D-FENS sits in his hot car, wedged between honking drivers and screaming school kids. Finally, the cacophony proves too loud and D-FENS simply abandons his car in the middle of the expressway.

His explanation to the other drivers: "I'm going home."

So begins the incredible journey — the suburban avenger, wandering on foot through central Los Angeles dressed in dark slacks, white socks and a briefcase in tow.

His first adventure involves a Korean grocer who won't give him change for the phone.

But the grocer's thick accent doesn't bother D-FENS nearly as much as the prices: 85 cents for a can of cola. Grabbing a nearby baseball bat, Douglas initiates his own violent price reduction.

As he continues through Schumacher's golden-hued urban inferno — trading up his weapons from a bat to a blade to a bullet — D-FENS confronts gangs, golfers and one neo-Nazi.

Meanwhile, a parallel story introduces a genial robbery cop (Robert Duvall) struggling through his last day before retirement.

After enduring encounters with his whiny wife and callous Captain, he takes growing interest in D-FENS.

Like his adversary, he understands the compulsion to lash out.

From that starting point, the film moves in an expected — but not necessarily predictable — direction that points these two characters on an inevitable collision course.

Stylishly filmed and well acted, "Falling Down" is an odd mix of morals and motives. Schumacher doesn't rally much support for D-FENS, other than portraying his actions on screen. Unlike, say, Travis Bickle in "Taxi Driver," D-FENS is never recognized for his actions.

He rants like Howard Beale in "Network," but his actions are too gratuitous to be taken seriously. Thus, "Falling Down" is less a broad rallying-cry for the outraged everyman than just an engaging two-character study of tolerance.

And when he pulls out his Uzi after missing the breakfast buzzer by two minutes, he does something we all wish we could. **Grade: B+**

"Passion Fish" is the engaging story of a soap opera queen (Mary McDonnell) forced to adjust to home care after a paralyzing car accident.

She's a tough cookie, sarcastic and unearing toward everyone. But when a no-nonsense nurse (Alfre Woodard) serves the same medicine, the pair find friendship.

From writer-director John Sayles ("Matewan," "City of Hope") comes

a very forward story of recovery and rehabilitation with not a trace of cloying sentiment.

A lazy narrative structure undermines some of the story, but Louisiana locales and strong supporting stars make "Passion" one tasty fish. **Grade: A-**

"Army of Darkness" is the third film in Sam Raimi's "Evil Dead" series: a cheesy, special-effects extravaganza that plods square-jawed hero Ash (Bruce Campbell) smack dab in the middle of the Dark Ages.

Armed with only a chainsaw and a

shotgun, he must save the day by battling an army of undead.

Fast, light, and instantly forgettable, "Army of Darkness" is the best B-movie homage since "Matinee," which was out last month. **Grade: B**

## Campus Calendar

Today through Tuesday

### Wednesday:

"Classworks" art exhibit entries accepted in Room 3302 of the Visual Arts Center in the University Student Center. Entries accepted through Friday. For more information call the Visual Arts Center at 515-3503.

Art Exhibition of Lawrence Fane's sculpture, In Brooks Hall of the School of Design. Hours: Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sunday 2 p.m. - 9 p.m. Exhibit runs through March 20.

### Thursday:

UAB Movie: CHINESE FILM FESTIVAL "Pushing Hands." An award-winning film touching a sensitive issue that millions of Chinese face today. Directed by Lee-An. Student Center Annex Cinema, 7 p.m. Admission is free.

UAB Movie: CHINESE FILM FESTIVAL "My American Grandson." After sharing a few days with his grandfather, an "Americanized" boy learns the true meaning of Chinese family affection. Director An-Hua Sheu. Student Center Annex Cinema, 9 p.m. Admission is free.

### Friday:

UAB Movie: CHINESE FILM FESTIVAL "Song of the Exile." Director An-Hua Sheu looks at the issue of inter-racial marriage between Japanese and Chinese and its effect on the next generation. Student Center Annex Cinema, 7 p.m. Admission is free.

UAB Movie: CHINESE FILM FESTIVAL "Winter Ritual." Movie involving the traditions, rituals and beliefs of native Taiwanese Indians. Student Center Annex Cinema, 9 p.m. Admission is free.

# HAPPENINGS

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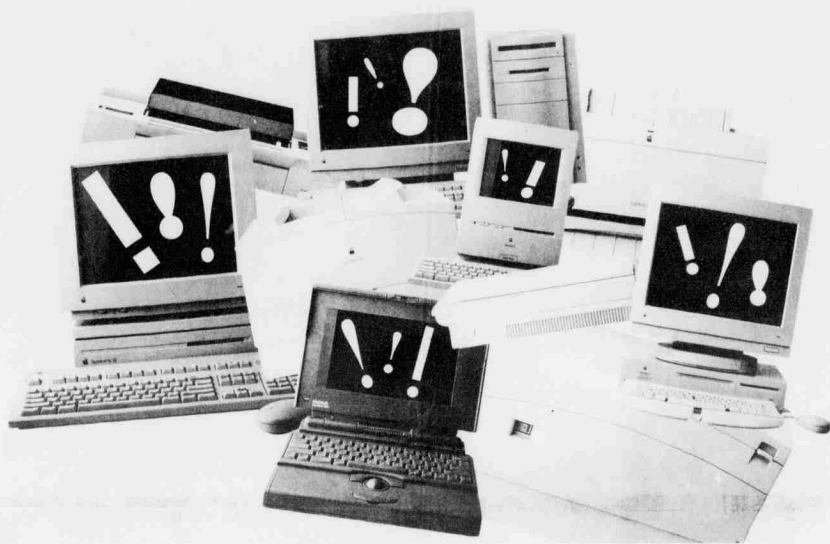
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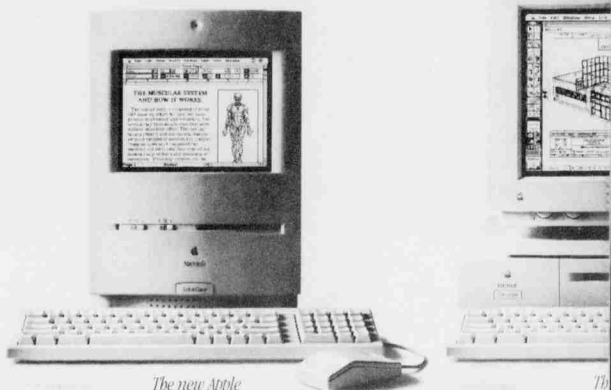
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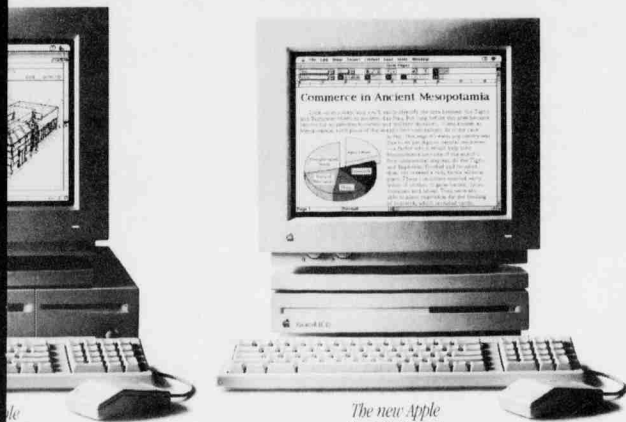
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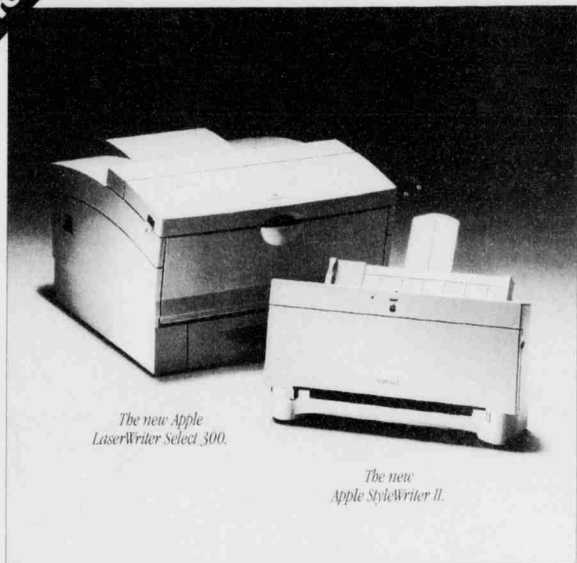
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**Saturday:**  
UAB Movie: "Universal Soldier." Dead American GI's, with foreign accents, are revived with supernatural powers. Starring Jean-Claude Van Damme and Dolph Lundgren. Student Center Annex Cinema, 7 p.m., 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Tickets are \$1.50 for students.

**Sunday:**  
UAB Movie: "Fail Safe." Henry Fonda plays the President facing a difficult decision about nuclear war. Also starring Walter Matthau. Student Center Annex Cinema, 7 p.m. Admission is free.

**Monday:**  
1993 Harelson Lecture by Dr. Thomas F. Malone on "New Dimensions of the Environmental Problematic: Implications for Higher Education." Dr. Malone is currently a Distinguished University Scholar at NCSU and Director of Sigma Xi Center in Research Triangle Park. Student Center Annex Cinema, 8 p.m. Admission is free.

**Tuesday:**  
UAB Movie: WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH FILM FESTIVAL. "Blood Sisters: Women Breaking Ground." A collective of women filmmakers: eight San Francisco films featuring first-person narratives and insight into the struggle to speak of the unspoken in individual voices. Showtime is scheduled for 8 p.m. in the Student Center Annex Cinema. Admission is free.

"Body Parts: A Evening of Dance and Dialogue." Feminist choreographer and educator, Sherry Taylor, presents an exploration through dance of women's bodies and the media. Stewart Theatre, 8 p.m. Admission is free.

## SAY 'NO' TO DRUGS!



## Cult Gods and movies

I've decided to start my own religion. Don't exactly know what kind of religion it will be, but the main goal is for me to meet plenty of ladies. Look at David Koresh down in Waco, Texas. He's a complete and utter kook. He is a talented musician. He doesn't have raw charisma. He is stupid and violent.

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He's pretty much a loser. Yet somehow he has lots of women willing to bear his children. And why? Because he has a religion.

Look at Charles Manson. He also is a complete loser guy. And yet he had his bevy of beauties hanging around his cabin at the Spahn Ranch. Amazing coincidence is that Manson was rejected from being a member of The Monkees. Koresh was allegedly turned down for a shot at the New Monkees.

Here's a couple tips picked up from both Manson and Koresh: Make sure to stress the end of the world is coming and somehow you're house is a fortress against

the apocalypse. Have plenty of firepower on hand. Learn to play folk guitar and claim that the record industry is frightened of your creative power. Claim to be god's true ambassador to earth. Don't bathe too often. And wear only fully licensed NFL merchandise.

**Movie stuff**  
No matter what they say, The "Crying Game" is not overhyped. How can a film that barely cost four million dollars and boasts it's biggest star being Forrest Whitaker, be overhyped?

Compare this small and enjoyable film to "Hook." Now there was a film that cost over 80 million dollars, ripped off Peter Pan, had commercials constantly interrupting "A Current Affair," and starred Robin Williams, Dustin Hoffman and Julia Roberts. Now that was a film that was overhyped. Plus it was really bad.

So if you want to see a tight thriller with a cool scene using a helicopter gunship, view "The Crying Game." Maybe the secret is a bit overhyped. But the secret is kind of fun.

Even if you know the secret, it in no way lessens the impact of the movie.

As for the secret here it is: Old Yellar Dies.



Up all night

N.C. State students dance the night away during a past UAB all-nighter. This year's all-night bash is Friday. There are seven bands scheduled to perform from 8 p.m. to 3 a.m. Wow!

## NCSU shows off talent in art contest

By Anna Sparks  
Senior Staff Writer

Want to show off your artistic abilities?

N.C. State University students, faculty and staff have the opportunity to display their talents with the annual Classworks art exhibit.

The Union Activities Board has sponsored Classworks for nine years, giving students and staff a chance to enter the art world.

Anyone on NCSU campus is eligible to enter up to two works of art. Pieces can include paintings, prints, drawings, photographs, sculptures, fiberworks, multi-media works and design projects.

"We've always had a very good turnout," said Michael Giaquinto, who describes his job as art preparator.

"The first year I worked with it there were mostly drawings submitted. But last year we had a lot of entries from the Design School and we got a lot of 3-D work, and we even had furniture submitted."

Giaquinto has worked with Classworks for three of his nine years.

The Union Activities Board makes sure the exhibit is known to everyone, and all students and staff are sent written announcements.

The works are not juried by a panel before the exhibition, but during the opening reception on March 18 judges will choose from all submitted works and will award gift certificates from local art supplies stores. The prizes will be awarded at 5 p.m. during the reception.

This year's awards will be determined by Athena Balaouris, George

Marsh and Sam Winchester. Judges were selected by the Union Activities Board.

"The majority of the winners in the past have been students," said Giaquinto.

All kinds of students and faculty submit works, and the exhibit is not closed to art majors or design students only.

"We get a lot of non-art students, too. There's always a nice cross-section," said Giaquinto.

All submitted works must meet installation requirements. Sculptures may not be larger than 48 inches by 60 inches, and fiberworks must be no bigger than six feet by six feet.

"Wall space is very limited," said Giaquinto. "We had a real big turnout last year, and we always want to try to show everything."

Any work submitted must be prepared for hanging, and two-dimensional work must be framed or protected with glass and be ready for hanging. Giaquinto will help answer any questions about preparing works for hanging at 515-5337.

Come display your own artwork and submit your pieces by this Friday in Room 3502 of the Visual Arts Center in the University Student Center, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The exhibit will open in the North and South Galleries on the second floor of the University Student Center on Thursday, March 18 at 4 p.m. and will remain open to the public until May 1. For more information call the Visual Arts Center at 515-5303.

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**Candidates will also be asked to fill out a candidate profile form. The forms will ask for basic biographical information and a 25-word statement detailing why you are running and why students should vote for you.**

**If you miss this opportunity you are not assured of having your picture and statement in Technician's student government elections special section March 26.**

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# Hey you !!!!

**Are you looking at a career in journalism?**

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### The Healthy Abstainer Profile

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People who choose to abstain from alcohol use benefit from demonstrations of support and acceptance from the healthy drinkers they encounter. At NCSU, 15% of students on a recent survey, said they abstained totally from alcohol use during the last year.

Whether you abstain totally or occasionally, be ready to stick by your decision.



**Athlete's Quote of the Week**

**NAME:** Christy Buss  
**SPORT:** Volleyball  
**MAJOR:** Zoology - Pre-Med.  
**YEAR:** Senior

**Q:** "If you choose to not drink, how can you deal with others who have difficulty respecting that choice?"  
**A:** "Everyone has the choice not to drink. Respect the rights of individuals."

## CONSIDER HEALTHY ALTERNATIVES

Contact the Program for Healthy Alternatives to Alcohol and other Drugs (PHAAD) at 515-2563

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Technician, vol. 1, no. 1, February 1, 1920

## March — a time of hope

They don't call it March Madness for nothing. The Wolfpack and eight other hope-filled teams will begin the annual drive for the ACC men's basketball title tomorrow in Charlotte. Already hopes have quickened and hearts have risen. From College Park to Tallahassee, college campuses are heating up in preparation for this rite of Spring. And at everyone of them, there is a following so loyal that it will cling to the hope — even the conviction — that its team will emerge victorious.

Witness the madness at N.C. State University. Nobody should expect the Pack to win more than the opening game against Maryland at best. Still memories of another Spring in 1983 keep popping up. Could it happen again?

The Pack, struggling to overcome the well-documented decimation of its program during the late 80s, has won only one ACC tournament game during the past four years. It has also been invited to only one NCAA tournament out of the past three, and it doesn't appear that it's going to be invited this year. State, young and inexperienced to begin with (with the exception of Kevin Thompson), has suffered through the suicide of one of its players, the academic suspension of two of its key players, and several critical injuries that sidelined and hampered key personnel. The result has been a discouraging season, say the least.

During the second half of the season, the Pack defeated Clemson and Georgia Tech and took Duke, Virginia, Florida State and Wake Forest to the wire before losing — a sharp contrast to the earlier part of the

season when State was slaughtered by Duke and Carolina, lost to UNC-Wilmington, and struggled to beat Davidson.

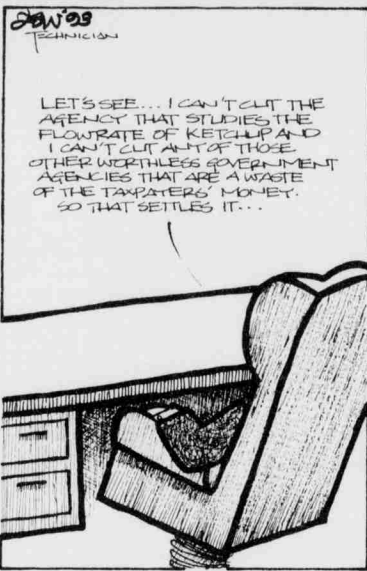
Most Pack fans probably believe that State will be lucky to beat Maryland tomorrow, and that it will get slaughtered by the top-ranked Tar Heels in the next round if it does. Oh, ye of little faith!

It was only 10 years ago that State won the national championship against 100-1 odds. People gave State little chance to win even the ACC championship that year. But it did, coming from behind to beat Carolina in overtime and knocking off top-ranked Virginia in the championship game. During the NCAA's, State pulled off miracle comebacks against Pepperdine, UNLV, and eventually Houston in the championship game to bring the title back to Raleigh. March was a lot of fun then.

This year's team certainly doesn't have the talent of that 82-83 team, but that team illustrates a point — anything can happen in college basketball. State may not win the national championship this year, but it can beat Maryland, and it can beat Carolina. It can win the ACC tournament.

So don't give up on the Pack. The team hasn't given up on itself, neither should anyone else. Throughout this season, Wolfpack fans have shown their undying loyalty, support and love of basketball. That tradition should be continued tomorrow as Wolfpack fans gather around the television to root for a little bit of that March magic to find its way back into Wolfpack country.

Hope springs eternal in the hearts of college basketball fans.



## Columns

### The only defense against government

To be so young and already have an ulcer! A friend of mine told me his ulcer came from "the times we live in." Last week, he and I got to talking about life as we know it.

"Man, we're screwed," he said. "I was willing to give Clinton a chance, but I found out something new."

What's that?

"You know these screwy baby boomers. One of them, this woman Clinton made head of the Council of Economic Advisers — her last name's Tyson — wrote her doctoral dissertation on the Yugoslav economic system in the 1970s. She faulted Yugoslavia for being too decentralist and too market-oriented! It was a communist system, Colin!"

God help us and save us from more of that medication for your uterus!

"One pill, coming right up."  
But that's nothing, really. Labor Secretary Robert B. Reich has said that if anyone wants to quit their job and get trained for another job, the government should help them do so. That was never ever the government's role. And it will cost billions!

"Sign post up ahead: You're entering the Idiot Zone."

There is some hope. These guys have formed this group called Lead or Leave... "Yes! Lead or Leave, baby! Just imagine, two fellas not much older than us trying to take on the spending addiction in Washington."

They're sort of heroes to me. "You know me, I voted for Perot. He got a lot of support from Lead or Leave. But in light of Clinton, I don't blame you for voting Bush. I was sick of him, but he was right when he told the middle class folks to watch out, because Clinton's figures weren't adding up. And now, what do we have? The \$200,000-and-up has now become \$30,000-and-up."

COLIN BURCH



Yep. Just like an old Democrat. There's nothing new under the sun. It may be the same for the Republicans, though, unless Bill Bennett's group comes up with some creative ideas.

"The Libertarians are sounding good to me these days."  
If the Republicans abandon moral issues, I might as well become a Libertarian.

"I swear, this is sick, but I'm almost missing the Cold War. Everything is spiraling downward it seems."  
I'm glad the Soviet Union is dead, but I do long for the old days when idiocy wasn't as rampant. Yet who knows? Maybe in ten years, we can just move to Russia!

"It's scary, man. We're still pretty young. The economy looks good, but the support beams continue to rot. Taxes are going to jump up again. Government is getting more and more power."

Yeah, but stop. I've been thinking about how I can cushion our fall. I think the key is in habits.

"Habits? Yeah, kick the cigarette habit, here comes a big two-dollar-a-pack tax!"

No, I mean positive habits. I had to read Benjamin Franklin's "The Way to Wealth" this semester. It made me think. One thing we can start doing is watching the little things we spend money on, because that's where so much goes.

For me, it's a cup of coffee here, a cup of coffee there, and suddenly I'm out five bucks. I kept a record one week, and it

made me watch my money much more closely.

Now I've decided not to buy another compact disc until I've saved next semester's tuition. It's due May 25! And Jimmy Hunt's going to raise it 3 percent.

But I figured out how we might avoid 30 years of career mediocrity. If we turn off the television and read the trade journals about whatever field we want to go into, we can get ahead and position ourselves for success, even if the odds get bad. Teachers don't tell us that stuff. The information is there, just waiting to help us out, but we just pass it by.

Of course, between Monteth and the General Assembly, we may not be able to find the trade journal we need in D.H. Hill Library anymore, but it's still worth a try. Shoot, UNC-Chapel Hill's library isn't far — to get a leg up in our careers, it may be worth the drive.

I think staying well-informed is important, too. Sounds cliched, but nobody reads anymore, and nobody really knows what types of things are behind the events in the world or even our nation.

"No kidding. That Tyson woman testified to Congress that the purpose of the energy tax was not a program to increase revenues but a conservation program! Radical environmental activism. You never got that from Dan Rather!"

Really. But if we make this line of thinking into habits, we can succeed. Which is important for me, since I'll be going into journalism and I'm not going to make much money!

"Yeah, me neither."

What? You're in engineering! You'll start out with \$30,000 a year! My two choices as a journalist are: (1) live on Food Lion macaroni and cheese or (2) live with my parents!

"Yeah, but the markets are good. Life is iffy. Get into good habits."

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## A little virginity requires commitment

I was very glad to see the full-page ad entitled, "In Defense of a Little Virginity." I have always supported its message and encourage young people to consider it an urgent and serious matter. Our society's family and other life-supporting structures have been coming apart and we continue to look the other way when confronted with the root of the problem — decaying moral values. We have long tried to solve a deep moral problem with superficial solutions. It's time that we realize that just as a university degree requires years of disciplined, committed hard work, a stable society also must require commitment to some set of standards demanding a disciplined life. If we consider commitment and discipline excellent qualities, then we should encourage people to pursue them in regards to their sexuality also. Abstinence before marriage and a disciplined marriage life were the original standards set by God. I guarantee you that following God's standards will be well worth your effort. You'll gain self-respect and develop character in the process — priceless qualities that neither money

## The Campus

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nor a PhD can buy.

Evangeline Kidwai  
Visiting lecturer, Department of Foreign Languages

### HRL commended for quick, thorough action

There was a recent article in Technician that gave a poor view of the happenings of Thursday, Feb. 18 regarding the Owen blaze. Since no one was in the room when the fire erupted, it was noticed well after smoke began pouring into the hall and other rooms. Quick thinking by a resident may have very well saved a life. Since Housing and Residence Life, in conjunction with Public Safety, often have practice fire alarms, the residents of Owen knew the

exact procedure in evacuating the building. Within a half hour, Public Safety and the Raleigh Fire Department had the fire extinguished.

Housing and Residence Life then became the key player and had the purpose of housing the Owen second floor. Several of the housing directors (Susan Grant), as well as many of the area directors, pulled "all-nighters" to find adequate housing for the homeless students. Within three hours, HRL began moving the Owen residents to Mission Valley Inn. Before noon the following day, HRL began a massive rebuilding and clean-up act. Directors, area directors, resident advisers (including Herbe Commodore) and several dozens of other staff labored for the next 48 hours straight in order to re-open the second floor of Owen. At 11 a.m. Sunday, residents were allowed to move back into the hall that had been completely destroyed by fire and smoke and then completely renovated by HRL.

HRL performed a miracle. Anyone who would question the actions and character of a department that overcame an obstacle such as this is an individual of little character himself.

Kevin Rice  
Second-floor Owen RA