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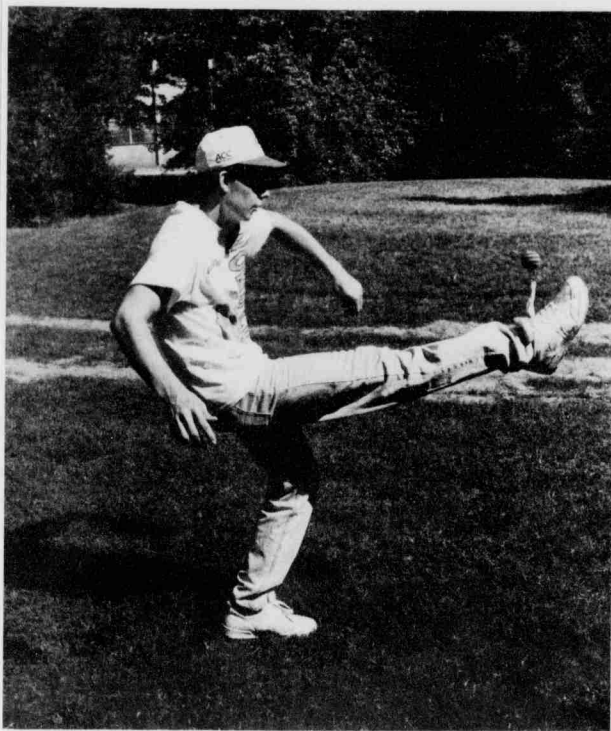
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Kick it!



Jason Burgess, freshman in pulp and paper science kicks a hacky-sack Tuesday afternoon on the lawn between Sullivan, Lee and Bragaw.

Campus reacts to treaty

■ The recent peace-treaty signing in the Middle East is sending a sigh of relief throughout the world.

By MIKE FEHER
Staff Writer

Peace may finally be at hand for the Middle East, and many at N.C. State University are happy and relieved.

Recently, both sides in the Arab-Israeli conflict recognized the right of the other to exist and vowed to begin a new era of constructive relations.

Yasir Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, sent Israeli prime minister Yitzhak Rabin a letter renouncing all past acts against the state of Israel and promised to start anew.

Robin Dorff, an associate professor of political science, said this move heralded an unprecedented step toward peace in the Middle East. He said while many of the details of the peace treaty haven't been hammered out, the idea provides some measure of relief.

"The specific aspects [of the agreement] are the issues that each side recognize the other's right to exist," Dorff said. "It's like opening the door to discussion."

One of the details of the agreement includes provisions for Palestinian self-rule.

Dorff said it was not merely the long-frustrated efforts of the United States, but of all involved parties that have been trying over the years to bring both sides to the bargaining table to reach an agreement.

"The U.S. feels this is a momentous event of history," Dorff said. "We hope there will be a whole series of talks."

Dorff said this move is crucial to the future of Middle East relations.

Dorff said one similar instance of a hope for peace was during the signing of the Camp David Accords in 1979, in which U.S. President Jimmy Carter brought together then-Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and then-Israeli prime minister Menachem Begin.

These accords came on the heels of many years of fighting between the Arabs and the Israelis, punctuated by the 1973 Yom Kippur War and the 1967 Arab-Israeli War.

Dorff speculated the Palestinian and Israeli communities finally tired of the endless struggle. He compared it to a child's learning the futility of the game of tic-tac-toe only after having played it dozens of times.

The roots of the longstanding conflict lay in the 45-year history of the state of Israel. After World War II, the United Nations passed resolutions resenting the Jews into a newly created state along the eastern border of the Mediterranean Sea.

Dorff said the United Nations passed the resolution specifically creating the Israeli state and a number of adjunct resolutions to establish a basic homeland for the displaced Jews.

"If they had tried to carve something out of Germany or France it would have been unthinkable," Dorff said.

At the time, a number of Palestinians lived in the area, and as a consequence of the Jewish resettlement, many of these Palestinians were forced out of their homes.

Dorff said, however, that these groups could not singlehandedly disrupt the process.

"Terrorism in and of itself won't be enough to derail the process," Dorff said.

Dorff also said he would not be surprised to see more attacks specifically targeted against the United States.

Abdel-Aziz Fahmy, a professor in materials science and engineering, said he was happy over the development.

"It's a good beginning but only a small beginning. It's going to take some time to erase the hostilities," Fahmy said.

Fahmy said many people in the Middle East are very touchy over the long-standing issues of hostility and suspicion. He said this conflict is a decades-old one and will take a great deal of time to alleviate.

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— Robin Dorff
associate professor of political science

Dorff said the carving up of Palestinian lands to provide a state for the Israelis caused much grief not only for geographic reasons, but also for the more important reason of religion. For example, Mideasterners consider Jerusalem to be the third most holy city in the area, along with Mecca and Medina, Dorff said.

"The nature of the conflict runs way beyond just territory," Dorff said.

Dorff said the decision was recognized from the start as being a potential cauldron of conflict. What started as a regional conflict ended up being a 45-year headache for both Palestinians and Israelis.

Dorff also cautioned against being too hopeful based on this one event.

"The other side of the coin is to caution people against being overly optimistic. The most difficult decisions are yet to be decided," Dorff said.

"But this is a monumental breakthrough, a historical breakthrough," Dorff said.

Dorff said the process, now in its infant stages of discussion, is not immune to disruption. He said it would be wise not to underestimate the impact of splinter groups.

Dorff said terrorist acts would probably increase, but hastened to add that terrorism is also a big part of the lives of those in the Middle East.

"They are all working hard to settle this agreement," Fahmy said.

Fahmy admitted that that process wouldn't be flawless. He said many groups in the Middle East oppose the peace process and would try to break it up.

"There are many people trying to disrupt this agreement," Fahmy said.

Fahmy said this is a monumental event in the history of the Middle East but that it will mean a big change for all involved parties.

"It's a good thing," Fahmy said.

Salah Elmaghraby, a professor of operations research and industrial engineering, expressed his pleasure over the announcement.

"Personally I'm delighted. Nobody in his right mind would not be delighted," Elmaghraby said.

Elmaghraby said he hoped progress could now be made constructively.

"When we stop this madness we can learn to live with each other," Elmaghraby said.

Elmaghraby said it would take some time before things settled down and the Israelis and Palestinians would be able to learn to peacefully coexist.

"It's about time for people to live together," Elmaghraby said. "Let us all hope for a just peace. Peace that is not just livable."

State virologist hunts killer

■ Research on a virus that is dangerous to horses could lead to better research in the fight to find a cure for HIV.

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The story line has a Star Trek tone to it — a researcher races against time to uncover the signals that will force a clever, shape-changing parasitic invader to destroy itself.

But the invader is a retrovirus called equine infectious anemia (EIA) that is similar to the AIDS virus and causes whole-body inflammation in horses. The researcher, Dr. Frederick Fuller, is trying to find the chemical signals that will turn the virus against itself and make EIA, and possibly AIDS, vulnerable to defeat.

Fuller, a molecular virologist at N.C. State University's College of Veterinary Medicine, said the EIA virus and similar viruses are difficult opponents because they are more highly adaptive and have better survival strategies than other viruses.

The plan of action for polio and flu viruses is straightforward — attack cells and force mass production of virus particles until the host's immune system kills

them. Although the EIA virus starts out with a similar move, it has a secondary plan that gives it the edge over a host's immune system. The EIA virus initially attacks mature cells, called macrophages, that are the human body's first line of defense against bacterial, viral and fungal invaders.

During the first assault, the EIA virus forces the macrophages to mass produce virus particles. "Cells producing a lot of virus particles betray themselves and are killed by the host's immune system," Fuller said. "Normally, that takes care of the virus."

But some of the EIA virus particles slip away and avoid detection by hiding in immature macrophages (premacrophages) that won't replicate the virus, Fuller said. Macrophages are made in bone marrow, circulate in the blood stream as premacrophages, then mature and move into a variety of body tissues.

When the infected premacrophages mature, Fuller believes a chemical signal is sent that tells the hidden virus to begin replicating and to repeat the process all over again.

Fuller said he believes that signal comes from the virus' extra genes. The EIA virus and HIV belong to

the same subfamily of retroviruses called lentiviruses that have from three to six additional genes called accessory genes. The EIA virus, the simplest of the lentiviruses, has three accessory genes. They are the key to understanding how viruses attack host cells.

To gain this understanding, Fuller and his colleagues have targeted all their efforts at determining what role these additional genes play in the EIA virus and how they carry it out.

"If we could figure out what signal the infected macrophages were producing and either prevent its production or prevent it from reaching target cells, it may be possible to prevent an infected horse from ever showing the disease," Fuller said.

This research ties into finding a cure for AIDS.

"Secondly, if we could figure out what signal turns off the production of virus particles in infected premacrophages, and if we could turn it on, then the host immune system could find those particles and destroy them. That could potentially represent a cure for the EIA virus and possibly HIV."

Fuller and his team have begun

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Students can register to vote now

■ A bond package that could bring \$44 million to NCSU is at stake.

By ROY BAICHO
Senior Staff Writer

N.C. State University students can register on campus this week to vote in the Nov. 2 elections.

Student Senate President Chris Scott said the main reason for the registration drive is to get students to vote for the University Improvement Bonds.

If the bonds are approved, NCSU will receive \$35 million for the

Engineering Graduate Research Center, \$4.5 million for the Agricultural Communications Building and \$4.5 million for the Laboratory Animal Facilities.

"We want to get as much support as possible," Scott said. "We need to register as many people as possible."

Scott said he was worried that voter turnout may be low.

"It is a non-representative election, but that doesn't make it any less important to vote," Scott said.

Laura Pottmyer, Inter-Residence Council president, said NCSU

should be known as a voting force. "Whoever is representing Wake County is representing NCSU students for the majority of the year," she said.

Christy Agner, president of College Democrats, said voters can register at either D.H. Hill Library or Cameron Village libraries up to the Oct. 11 registration deadline.

On campus, NCSU students can register today, Thursday and Monday at booths sponsored by the Senate, the executive branch of Student Government, the Inter-

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New exhibit features 10 artists

■ The Friends of the Gallery are footing the bill for NCSU's latest edition to the glass-art collection.

By CHRIS BAYSDEN
Staff Writer

The Visual Arts Center will soon reflect North Carolina's importance in glass art, thanks to a donation from the Friends of the Gallery.

That group plans to purchase three separate glass sculptures within the next few months.

Charlotte Brown, director of the Visual Arts Center, said the Friends of the Gallery made the decision to expand N.C. State University's glass art collection last September. The Friends chose glass art because of North Carolina's contributions to the medium.

"North Carolina is considered one of the most premier states for glass art," said Evelyn Reiman, chair of

the Art Acquisition Committee. "One of the things we want to do at the Visual Arts Center is play to the state's strengths."

After deciding to expand the glass collection, the Friends concentrated on finding artists who could be commissioned to do the work. In accordance, Friends of the Gallery member Lisa Anderson made a presentation to the Friends on 10 glass artists from North Carolina. Anderson's knowledge of glass art comes from her membership in the Glass Collection Society of America.

The Friends picked three artists featured in Anderson's presentation: Rob Levin from Bakersville, John Nygren from Walnut Cove and David Goldhagen from Hayesville.

Brown said the committee chose the artists because of their affordability and the importance of their work.

The Visual Arts Center has the sculptures Levin and Nygren made, although they are not on display. Goldhagen's sculpture has yet to be acquired. Brown and the Friends of the Gallery will view several pieces of his work before making a purchase.

Once they are ready, all three glass sculptures will be displayed in the Bryan Orientation area in the University Student Center. At least one will be positioned in front of the glass windows located there, allowing students to view the exhibit even when the area is closed.

Money to pay for the sculptures will come from a Friends of the Gallery endowment. The total cost is slightly over \$5,000, Brown said.

Megan Jones, student liaison to the Art Acquisitions Committee, said she thinks the glass sculpture purchases will help the university as a whole.

Sunshine studying



JAY STOCKLAND/STAFF

Dawn Haines, a graduate student in statistics, gets a few more minutes of study time in while enjoying the sunshine in the brickyard.

News Notes

Injured jogger still in coma

Cory Casper, the N.C. State University student who was badly injured in a wreck Sept. 28, still lies in a coma at Wake Medical Center, family members said Monday.

She suffered serious head injuries, a broken leg and several broken ribs when a vehicle struck her on Western Boulevard during rush-hour traffic.

Casper was admitted to the hospital in critical condition the evening of the wreck. She has not regained consciousness since the accident.

Casper is a freshman, but her parents have enacted an academic withdrawal on her behalf, her father said.

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Races lead to run-offs

Run-off is the key phrase for this year's elections.

Early polls for the mayoral race were accurate as Republican Tom Fetzer will have a run-off with Democrat Barlow Herggett. Fetzer received the most votes, although not a clear majority, with 44 percent of the votes. Herggett followed with 30 percent.

In N.C. State University's district [District D], the city council race is down to two contenders as well. Eric Reeve received the majority of the votes, getting 48 percent. Benson Kirkman was a close second with 34 percent.

The run-offs will be decided in four weeks, when voters will also voice their opinions on the bond referendum.

More than 42,600 people, roughly 30 percent, voted in yesterday's elections.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

TODAY

TOURNAMENT — A basketball tournament will be held at 7 p.m. in Carmichael Gymnasium. Contact the intramural-recreational sports office at 515-3161.

FOCUS GROUP

Lesbian and Gay Student Union (LGSU) is sponsoring a pizza party and safer-sex focus group today. Tompkins G-118, 6:30 p.m. Participation in focus group carries you \$5 cash. Call 821-5995 for more information.

MARKETING

Make yourself marketable. Join the American Marketing Association. The first meeting is at 7:30 p.m. in Nelson Hall Room 223A. All majors are welcome.

MEETING

Outing Club meetings are Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in Carmichael Gym Room 2014. Fall break trips — hiking, white water rafting and backpacking. Other trips include canoeing, kayaking, rock climbing and caving. Details at meetings, or call 850-4394.

LEADERSHIP

The 1993-94 Leadership Development Series has begun. You can register for workshops now or on the day they are offered. Call 515-2452, or come

by 3114 University Student Center.

VOLUNTEERS — The African-American Cultural Center is seeking volunteers to help open its gallery in the library. Interested? Come by the AACCC Room 356 for times.

WANTED

An experienced magician to perform for the 1993 Madrigal Dinner. Contact Charles Martin, Thompson Theatre, 515-2405.

EXHIBIT

Sheila Wright's exhibit, "Volatile Natures: African-American Women in Management Positions," will be displayed at the African-American Cultural Center Gallery. The exhibit is running today through Dec. 17.

EXHIBITION

The Crafts Center Gallery at NCSU presents "Clay: Art's Versatile Language," through Oct. 3. The gallery is open 2-10 p.m. Mon., Wed. and Fri., 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Tues. and Thurs. and 12-30-5:30 p.m. Sat. and Sun.

HOT LINE

Call the Enrollment Committee hot line to find out the latest information about the coffeehouse and other events. Call 515-3737, and follow the instructions. Enter '1' at

the prompt and then '780'.

TUTORS WANTED

Calculus tutors needed: The Engineering Tutorial Program needs students to tutor MA 111, 141, 241 and 341. Good pay, tutor and tutee set appointment times. See Matt or Gary in 118 Page Hall.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed to help reduce the isolation of persons who are both deaf and blind through assistance such as recreation, transportation, shopping and companionship. Call Volunteer Services in Raleigh at 733-9700.

MEETINGS

Orientation: Counselor information meeting. All students interested in a summer position as an orientation counselor should attend one meeting. See our classified advertisement for exact dates and times for meetings.

THURSDAY

FUND-RAISING

Register to vote. NCSU could receive over \$40,000,000 in the statewide bond election in November. Voter registrar will be in the Brickyard from 10 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Sponsored by NCSU College Democrats.

MEETING

NCSU College Democrats is an exciting organization. Come join us on the second and fourth Thursday of every month, in the Student Center Blue Room at 7:30 p.m. Any Questions? Contact Christy at 850-0981.

FRIDAY

INTRAMURALS

Table tennis will be held Friday, starting at 6 p.m. on Courts E3-E9 in Carmichael Gymnasium. Contact the intramural-sports office at 515-3161 for more information.

BOOK DRIVE

Wanted: Books. The Friends of the Library of NCSU needs books of all types, CDs, video and audio tapes for its fifth-annual book sale. Call 515-2841 for drop-off location information.

SATURDAY

REGISTRATION

College Bowl Intramurals Saturday. Register teams and get information at UAB office in Student Center. Questions? Call Laura Cleveland at 231-7957 or Kirk Harris at 512-1513.

SUNDAY

MEETING

The Athlete Club meets Sundays, 2 p.m., Caldwell G107A.

MONDAY

MEETING

Pre-veet

meets Thursdays in Winston 29 at 7:30 p.m. Get involved, have a good time and help make a difference at NCSU.

Club meeting Monday. Speaker to be announced. Meet at 7:30 in 1404 Williams Hall. Refreshments will be served.

TUESDAY

MEETING

The N.C. State Delegation of the N.C. Student Legislature meets in the Student Center Boardroom Tuesdays at 7 p.m. All students are invited to attend. NCSU is important and fun.

DISCUSSION

Careers in Investigation and Law Enforcement: A panel discussion with FBI, SBI, Secret Service agents and police department personnel Tuesday, 3:4 p.m., in the

Student Center, Room 3118. Sponsored by the Career Planning and Placement Center.

MEETING

The NCSU Habitat for Humanity chapter holds meetings Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in Mann Hall, Room 216. Everyone is welcome.

MEETING

World AIDS Day planning meeting, Tuesday 11:45 a.m., Student Center Board Room. Students, faculty and staff invited to plan AIDS-awareness programs and call-to-action activities. World AIDS Day is Dec. 1.

MEETING

Students for Choice meeting is 6 p.m. Tuesday in Harrelson Hall, Room 124. Don't lose your rights.

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Voting

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Residence Council, the League of Women Voters and College Democrats.

Booths will be located outside the Atrium from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and in front of the Dining Hall from 5 to 7 p.m. today and Thursday.

East Campus residents can register today from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in front of the Syme C-Store and Thursday from 5:30 to 7:00

p.m. in front of the Quad C-Store.

"The booths will make voter registration more accessible to East Campus," Pottmyer said.

The College Democrats sponsored a booth Friday on the Brickyard from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. They registered 37 new voters and made 18 address changes. They will sponsor another booth Monday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the Brickyard.

"It is crucial that students take a part in elections," said Student Body President Chris Jones.

Virus

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their research by developing the first infectious molecular clone of EIA, and more importantly, he said, by demonstrating that the genes within it can be manipulated.

That has opened the way to projects such as one by graduate student Maureen Flaherty, which involved inserting a mutation into the EIA's third accessory gene, called S2, to see what happened.

She found that in certain kinds of

cells, the S2 gene is essential for the virus to replicate, and in others it is not.

Mapping out what these accessory genes do is a long and complicated process, but Fuller said he has more faith in the results than in the development of a vaccine for these viruses.

In addition to the virus' ability to hide, it also can "change shape" or mutate from month to month, he said. Unlike the polio virus, which has been the same for years, or the flu virus, which can change from season to season, the lentiviruses can transform themselves very

quickly.

"This means that a vaccine that is effective for this month's strain of EIA might not be effective next month," he said.

"We're not working on vaccines because I don't believe for the long term that is a solution for the AIDS virus or for controlling some of these animal viruses," Fuller said.

Working with Fuller under a grant from the National Institutes of Health are Stephanie Perry, Leroy Coggins, Debra Sellon at NCSU and Susan Payne at Case-Western Reserve University.

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Wolfpack harrier Riley on a long-distance charge in '93

■ Tony Riley, once a short-distance runner, is now leading the Wolfpack cross country team to national prominence in the long run.

By DAVID HONEA
Staff Writer

Tony Riley has come a long way to run a long way — even if that's not exactly how he planned it.

Riley, a junior on N.C. State's cross country team, has established himself as the runner to beat in the ACC this year and has helped the Wolfpack to its highest national ranking in eight years.

"In early races and particularly in practice, Tony has shown signs of being one of the elite cross country athletes in the nation," N.C. State cross country coach Rollie Geiger said.

Although Riley has become a standout over the collegiate race distances of 8,000 to 10,000 meters (5 to 6.2 miles), he never imagined himself running that far while going to high school in New Mexico and Massachusetts.

"Before I got here, I thought I was an 800-meter runner," Riley said. "I ran cross country in high school, which was three miles, but even that seemed like a long way. Five miles, or six miles, I thought that was forever."

Riley never pictured himself running so far from home, either. A Native American from Laguna, New Mexico, he went to high school at Santa Fe Indian School, a boarding school about 100 miles from home. While running there, he planned to go to college somewhere nearby, such as Division II running power Adams State in Colorado.

After winning state championships in track at 800 and 1,500 meters, Riley was recruited by several eastern colleges, but they encouraged him to spend a year at a prep school. He ended up at Mt. Herman Prep in Northfield, Mass.

"Going to prep school really opened my eyes," Riley said. "Before that I hadn't realized all the options I had. I definitely hadn't thought about N.C. State."

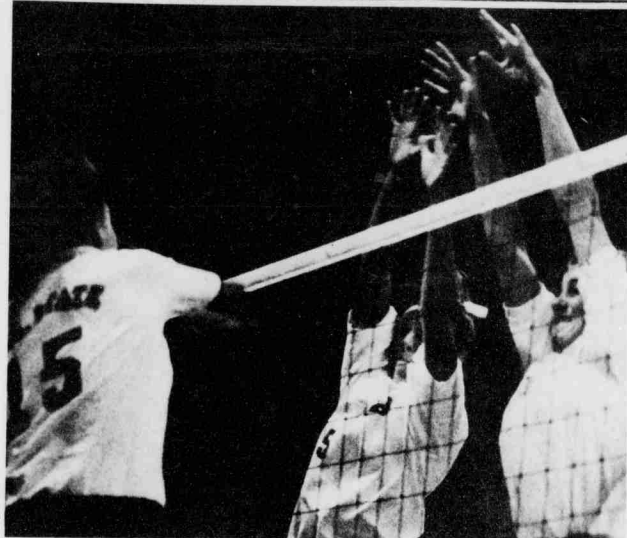
Of course, State hadn't given Tony Riley much thought, either. Geiger heard about Riley from a high school coach who saw him run at Mt. Herman and recruited him primarily for his track ability.

"I thought I was getting an 800 runner who had great potential to move up to the 1,500 and mile," Geiger said. "Of course, any mile is going to fit into your cross country team somewhere, but sometimes they struggle with the longer distance."

To help the transition to college, Riley redshirted



Riley has emerged as a leader of the Pack.



Shelley Partridge hammers away at Duke's front line in State's loss to the 25th-ranked Devils.

Devils drop Wolfpack

Duke 3
N.C. State 1

By KEVIN BREWER
Sports Editor

Sometimes N.C. State volleyball coach Judy Martino is content with a moral victory. Like when the 9-6 Wolfpack is taking on 25th-ranked Duke after three consecutive road losses and State still comes up with a 15-5 win in the third game of a 3-1 loss to the Blue Devils.

"Hey, we can do it," Martino said of keeping pace with the two-time defending ACC champions. "It would still take a lot to beat them in a five-game match. That was a big

lift, a big victory." State jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the third game and kept the margin at four when Duke made the score 9-5. Then, with Rhonda Surratt in the game to serve for Tenekeh Williams, the Wolfpack captured the longest point of the night, ending with a Jenny Schmit kill off a Devil defender.

Surratt didn't serve up any aces, but the Pack was flawless during the game-ending stint. Freshman Pam Summer totaled three of 12 kills. Shelley Partridge finished off the game with one of her nine kills and Schmit added another.

The Pack wastied by Williams, who had 13 kills, and Gretchen Guenther with nine kills and seven

digs. Partridge also added 17 digs. "That was a period of time when we didn't make mistakes," Martino said. "They attack more out of the middle than most teams. I think we caught them off guard. I've never seen any team score that much on Duke."

Duke, coming off an impressive 15-7, 15-4 start went into the third game "a little flat," according to Blue Devil coach Jon Wilson.

"State played better. We got frustrated and played right into their hands," Wilson said. "We're not taking anyone lightly. We don't feel like we got an easy win."

In the first game, Duke broke

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CHRIS HUBBARD
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Walt Wolfram had a less than auspicious introduction to the world of higher education — he flunked his first college paper. It was a discouraging beginning for the man who went on to become N.C. State University's first Distinguished Professor of English.

"I felt overwhelmed and inadequate," said Wolfram, the sixth and youngest child of poor German immigrants. Raised in Philadelphia, he said he was the first child his parents could afford to send to college. "I felt that coming from where I did, I wasn't ready for college," he said. "I had never written a composition before. I was a very good student [in high school], but I can't really say I was prepared for college."

But the three-sport high school star persevered, graduating from Wheaton College in 1963 with an anthropology degree and eventually earning a doctorate in linguistics from Hartford Seminary Foundation in 1968.

"It was my vengeance on Mrs. Jones, my freshman comp teacher," he jokingly said about his academic turnaround.

Perhaps his unusual academic start explains his unorthodox teaching style. Wolfram's lectures are very informal; he teaches in casual clothes, jokes with

students, offers cash rewards for correct answers in class, and often tells humorous stories from his past. Most of his students simply call him "Walt," a sign of the comradery he builds with them.

Wolfram's path to NCSU was as unusual as his academic beginning.

After receiving his doctorate, Wolfram got a job with the Center for Applied Linguistics, where his work with African-American dialects brought him recognition as one of the pioneers in the emerging field of social linguistics. He has written nine books and more than 100 articles analyzing different dialects, such as African-American English, Appalachian English, Ozark English, Southern white speech, and American Indian English.

Wolfram came to NCSU last year as the first William C. Friday Distinguished Professorship in the English Department at NCSU — an endowed chair.

"He's a strong asset to our department," said David Covington, the assistant head of the English department. "He gives us a great deal of credibility in the university, in the nation, and internationally. He sort of gives us all something to shoot for in our own work."

Fellow NCSU linguistics professor Barbara Fennell said she brought Wolfram to the university's attention when it was searching for someone to fill the distinguished professor position.

"He's incredibly productive," she said. "He's a workhorse. He's wonderful and chaotic, extremely energetic and extremely demanding. It really is something to work with him. I consider it a great privilege to work with him."

At NCSU, Wolfram and some of his graduate students are studying different dialects of the North Carolina coast. Currently they are studying the Ocracoke dialect, which fits in more with Northern dialects than with the dialects of mainland North Carolina, Wolfram said.

He said his fascination with linguistics was prompted by a professor he had at Wheaton — noted linguist Roger Shuy — and by his desire to be a missionary.

"I was going to do linguistic missionary work," he said. "I was going to go into an Indian language in Ecuador that had never had its language written down or analyzed. I was going to analyze the language, write up the grammar, and then I was going to do a translation of the Bible."

Wolfram said he and his wife couldn't afford to go on a mission, however, so he took the job as director of

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Walt Wolfram (above), the first William C. Friday Distinguished Professorship in the English Department at NCSU, is known for his offbeat style and entertaining ability in teaching. (Above right) Wolfram (left) accentuates Yancy R. Hall's vowels. Both Hall and Chris Craig (right) are graduate students under Wolfram.

'Malice' is a thriller that will keep you thrilled to the end

■ "The Joy Luck Club" examines how the immigration to America by four Chinese mothers affected their lives, and their relationships with their daughters.

By MICHAEL J. LEGEROS
STAFF WRITER

Wayne Wang's "The Joy Luck Club" is an honestly captivating, but an emotionally bloated film about the strained relationships of two generations of mothers and daughters. Told in vignette-by-way-of-flashback format, the story explores the history of four Chinese mothers and their four Americanized daughters.

"The Joy Luck Club" opens in modern-day San Francisco at a party for daughter June (Ming-Na Wen), who's leaving for China to meet two long-lost sisters. June tells in voice-over and flashback that her mother Suyuan left two babies behind while escaping her war-torn country.

June adds bits and pieces of her own life, laying the foundation for one of the film's central themes: mothers' expectations, and subsequent disappointment, in their daughters.

June's narration is picked up by "Auntie" Lindo (Tsai Chin), who shares the story of her youth and arranged marriage. Which, in turn, is continued by another "Auntie."

And so it goes, round-robin for almost two hours, until the film's focus returns to June.

Told from eight different points-of-view, the episodic structure of "The Joy Luck Club" is both a blessing and a curse.

The story is easy to follow, each character speaks in turn, and the time — and location — shifts are smooth enough to prevent confusion.

Mainstream Hollywood rarely attempts such intricacy.

By the second hour, the pattern becomes obvious and the film turns into an exercise in predictability. Mother tells terrible story, daughter tells terrible story. When the last "Auntie" gets around to her tale, she has become less interesting than the atrocity she's about to reveal.

The horrors that male-dominated Chinese society inflicted upon these



women read like a sequel to "Needful Things," a title, e.g., infanticide, abuse, and abandonment.

Where's Max Von Sydow when you need him?

Wayne Wang tries to make "The Joy Luck Club" a somber affair, but he overloads the film with narration and music that restate the obvious. Some will cry a river, but the discriminating viewer will grow restless waiting for each emotion to finish repeating three times.

Happily, the heavy drama is balanced by a fine cast. The four "Aunties" are all good, with Tsai

Chin stealing the show as the feisty Lindo. Particularly good as the daughters are Ming-Na Wen and Lauren Tom.

In an industry where good female roles are as scarce as Asian-American actors, "The Joy Luck Club" refreshes on this front.

There's even some good humor. Watch for a great insult to table manners when Waverly brings her boyfriend to visit. And don't miss Lindo's hilarious day-by-day account of her arranged marriage.

In a masterful stroke of unintentional hilarity, Andrew McCarthy ("Weekend at Bernie's I & II") wanders through as a very-serious husband.

A well-crafted emotional epic,

Wayne Wang's "The Joy Luck Club" is as captivating as it is emotionally bloated. It's a long-sit, but the multi-character story speaks volumes about Chinese culture, mother & daughters, and self-worth. *Grade: B*

"Malice" is an enjoyable potboiler that strives to be an old-fashioned Hollywood thriller. But too many cliches and a couple of bad casting calls make "Malice" little more than matinee material.

Credit writers Aaron Sorkin and Scott Frank for having the *courtesy* to recycle every suspense cliché ever written. They pile it on thick: a sleepy New England college town is plagued by a serial rapist. The

dean (Bill Pullman) cannot get the police to do anything, plus he is worried about his wife Tracy (Nicole Kidman). She has been having mysterious abdominal pains. Enter super-surgeon Jed (Alec Baldwin), who's new in town and

moves in with the couple. This action provokes some marital friction, until Tracy lands in the operating room with internal

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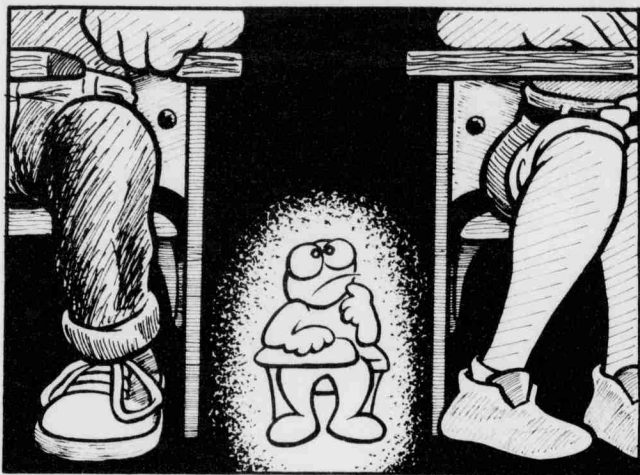
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Two views on big classes



■ Bigger isn't always worse. Professors say big classes allow them to teach broad concepts to a large number of non-specialists. But is bigger really better? A counselor says it requires more discipline for students. One student says it's harder to learn with so many people, and another says it's easier to sleep.

The professor's view

By JENNIFER GREER
STAFF WRITER

They're watching me. That may be the reason why some students don't ask questions in large lecture halls. And some N.C. State University professors agree.

History professor David Gilmartin would rather teach a smaller class because student-teacher communication is important in the learning process. He believes it's easier to have

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The student's view

By NICKY WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Herded in like cattle. That's what students in some N.C. State University classes look like. But is bigger really better? Student performance often depends upon class size, said Kwabena F. Ashanti, staff counselor at the Counseling Center. Larger ones can help some students become more responsible.

"In a large class it requires a lot more discipline, a lot more self-motivation and responsibility to perform at an optimum level," Ashanti said.

This is one of the many transitions from high school to college. Students need to become academic

self-starters by attending tutorials and group studies rather than relying totally on step-by-step instruction from a teacher.

"All students can learn to overcome any of the barriers that a large class may entail with the right type of counseling and assistance," Ashanti said.

But some students prefer smaller class rooms to large lecture halls.

"I feel that if you are in a smaller class you get to learn more because you are one on one with the professor," said Lee Rivers, a sophomore engineering Student Senate representative. "With larger classes you have SI (supplemental instruction) and tutorials but the drawback is you don't get to talk to

the actual professor who makes out the material."

William Richardson, a mechanical engineering junior agrees. "In a small class the teacher takes the student's attitude into account."

"It is very difficult to learn in an atmosphere with that many people," said Ryan McMunn, a freshman in civil engineering.

Still, there are social benefits in larger classes.

Lisa Batten, a freshman majoring in biology, explains that the smaller labs are important for understanding the material covered in classes, but in big classes, "you get to meet more people."

Allison Camastra, a pre-med freshman adds "It's easy to sleep in big classes."

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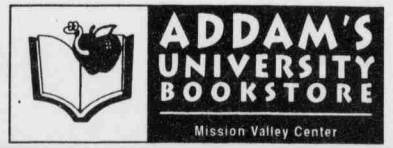
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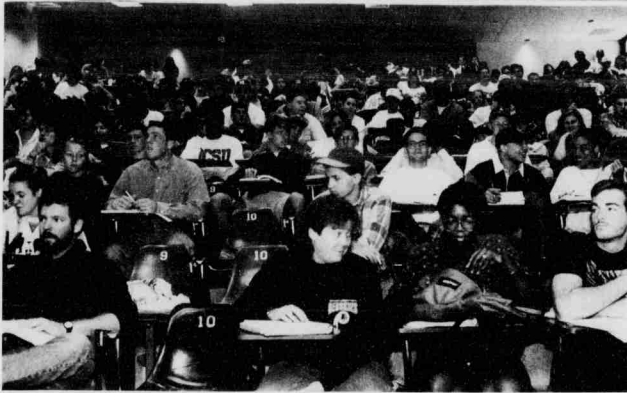
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This is a point of view few students will ever get to see, the front of chemistry 101. If you think it is hard to ask a question in a big class, think what it is like to teach a class of this size.

Professor

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discussions and students are able to freely ask questions without feeling the pressure of hundreds of pairs of eyes glaring at them.

"It's more difficult to get students to speak because they are more uncomfortable in a large class," Gilmartin said.

Still, psychology professor James Kalat enjoys conducting large classes with a freshman majority

because they are "non-specialists who can deal with broad issues at certain levels."

At some point, the variety of elements in large classes can be "partly entertaining." However, Kalat also feels that students are more content in smaller classes and that it's easier to keep their attention.

Chemistry professor Forrest C. Hentz, Jr. agrees.

"The burden is on the student to learn from my examples," he said. "People who adapt to the situation can do just as well in a large class

than in a small class if they are willing to do the work. I like large classes because they encourage the self-initiative in students. Sooner or later, people have to do things on their own, and a large class is the perfect place to begin just that."

Gilmartin, Kalat and Hentz all agreed on one thing. It is difficult to keep a student's attention in large classes. So don't hesitate the next time you want to ask a question in a large class. The professor just might be glad to know there's somebody paying attention.

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bleeding. And guess who's behind the knife.

Despite the psycho-who's-your-surgeon previews, "Malice" is a very intricate thriller. Tired plot devices notwithstanding, "Malice" manages one genuine surprise after another, linking together a host of seemingly innocent details from early in the film.

The clues are there — you just have to see them.

When everything unfolds in a gloriously wicked and familiar fashion near the end, however, "Malice" never really delivers. The surprises are not real enough to intrigue.

Blame the writers, who are overloading on cliché, and blame the casting director.

Despite strong performances from Baldwin and Kidman, the weak link is Pullman. He tries very hard to pull off a Jimmy Stewart everyman. Outclassed by his costars, "Malice" walks right over him.



PHOTO COURTESY OF COLUMBIA PICTURES
Alec Baldwin and Nicole Kidman star in Malice, a thriller that will thrill you till the end.

With the exception of monotone Bebe Neuwirth ("Cheers"), the supporting cast is a dream: Peter Gallagher, George C. Scott, and Anne Bancroft as Tracy's lushly mother.

Faint-hearts take note: "Malice" is virtually devoid of any shocks or

gore. Even the surgery scenes are sterile.

Boasting great performances from Alec Baldwin and Nicole Kidman, "Malice" is the best bad thriller of the year. It may stink of herring, but it will keep your attention right up to the closing credits.

Grade: B

Wolfram

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research for the Center of Applied Linguistics in Washington, D.C. He lived in the Washington suburbs with his wife and four children for 25 years, until he left for NCSU. During that time, he also was a professor at the University of the District of Columbia, a traditionally African-American land-grant university.

In 1971, he left a teaching position at relatively prestigious Georgetown University to teach at UDC, a move he said many of his colleagues chided as stupid.

Wolfram said he believes that judging people's intelligence or worth based on whether they speak a standard English dialect is a form of discrimination. He wanted his students, mostly inner-city youth, to learn that non-standard English dialects aren't a sign of stupidity and that such dialects have cultural value and their own set of consistent rules.

"He's very concerned about preserving cultural heritage through the presence of dialect," Fennell said.

Wolfram's research at the Center

for Applied Linguistics also allowed him to interact with people from many different walks of life, something he feels many academics can't or won't do.

"Lots of academics are very uncomfortable with a lot of different cultural groups; they don't relate to them. They're nerds," he said.

That sort of outspokenness has rubbed some colleagues the wrong way in the past, he said.

At NCSU, his hefty salary has had the same effect. Wolfram said he makes \$102,000 a year.

"His coming has certainly highlighted the disparity among salaries," Fennell said. "And that's not a criticism of Walt; that's a criticism of the system."

Fennell said that even those who resent or dislike Wolfram respect his work ethic.

"Everybody, even those who may not be so positive toward Walt,

certainly admire his appetite for work."

Wolfram is aware that there is some resentment within the English department.

"I wish that weren't so," he said. "I would like to be accepted by everyone, but I hope that over time people will judge me by the substance of my character and my product rather than by how much I earn or how much I teach. I also recognize that's a fact of life."

But even if he never finds complete acceptance among his academic brethren, he probably won't waste much time worrying about it. After all, as when he first entered Wheaton College, he's been on the outside of academia looking in.

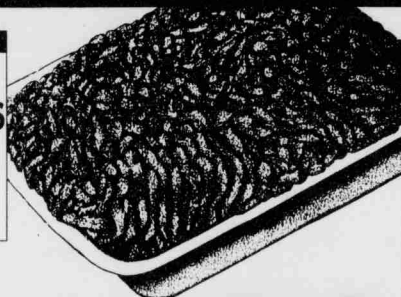
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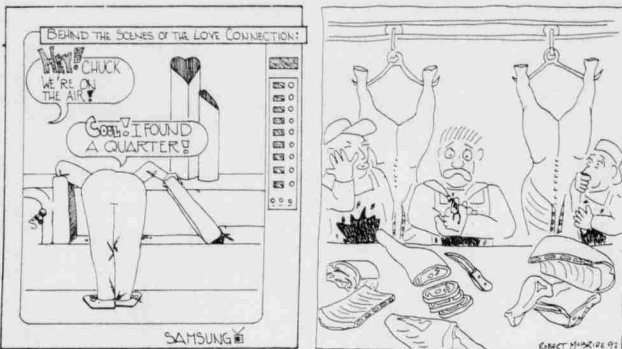
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Stiles' diversity memo

■ Action, not words, is needed when dealing with issues of diversity. But Provost Stiles' letter on diversity didn't really even say anything.

"There is a difference between diversity and multiculturalism," said Darryl Lester, assistant coordinator of African-American Student Affairs. "To be diverse you don't have to do anything. That's a fact. Multiculturalism is appreciating the differences."

Though a war over semantics is a waste of time, the provost should note that the above quote is the key to what is wrong with his memo on "diversity in the context of community."

His Sept. 14 memo stated: "Our vision for NCSU is: North Carolina State University is a working and learning community of people whose lives are enriched through diversity of people, ideas and opportunities."

As Lester pointed out, N.C. State University is already enriched through a diversity of people. In fall of 1992, for example, 87 countries were represented in the student body, according to NCSU's University Planning and Analysis.

So the key is multiculturalism. But the key is not the problem. The problem is that the provost's memo said nothing in the first place.

The feeling one gets in reading the memo is that the provost was doing his obligatory bow to a current buzzword. A close read of the memo makes the provost's true level of concern with the issue questionable.

Stiles says "the theme of our effort" is "diversity: what ought we to do?" Following the statement given in the memo is a list titled "goals of this initiative," which includes "to define diversity."

Stiles has decided an undefined subject is worth debate. The question naturally follows — how do you know it is worthy of debate if you do not know what it is?

The second initiative is "to help us understand what we should do about representation of diverse people, ideas and opportunities in the NCSU community."

Considering the representation of 87 countries in the student body, perhaps leaving our admission standards as they are could accomplish this initiative. But foreign students are not the only example. American Christians, Muslims and Jews attend NCSU, and all worship differently. Native Americans, too, have their faiths and creeds. A student's religion is not filtered out in admissions, either.

The third initiative, though, sheds a little light: "to help us understand what we should do to improve the climate at NCSU for diverse people, ideas and opportunities."

With these 87 countries represented as well as different religions, this third initiative is important — although it's hard to believe Stiles stumbled across it in the context of diversity, which apparently he has not defined.

Stiles goes on to request that "each of you examine how you might contribute to the dialogue on diversity. You might ... focus any special events ... on the theme." If the theme is "diversity: what ought we to do," will the focus of this simply exacerbate the differences?

The fact that we have different cultures and religions is an integral part of campus life. Although some assimilation is required on any foreign soil, the campus should try to make life as accommodating and comforting as possible to the different traditions, religions and lifestyles of foreign students. That is, the campus should be more multicultural.

Furthermore, diversity in curriculum is missing not only in Stiles' take on diversity, but in the view of many others.

For instance, we know that a low number of women are enrolled in technical curriculums. We also know that a low number of African Americans are enrolled in technical graduate programs.

We don't need to talk about diversity, we need to do something about it. And we certainly do not need empty words.

Ultimately, is Stiles just being politically correct, or is he really interested in this?

The memo says nothing.



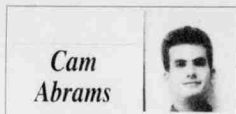
Commentary

Learning to wait for the big bite

A weekend of fishing is probably something most busy college students aren't lucky enough to even consider. But for me, when the opportunity came I seized it, and it was exactly what I needed. Sitting on the end of a pier that jutted out into the wide river, I had a lot of time to think, to speculate, to ponder many things under the sun. But my thoughts always took me back to this: when was that fish going to take the bait?

Fishing, more than anything, is an exercise in patience. You learn to wait. You learn that time spent waiting for something that may not even happen can be some of the most intellectually productive time you'll ever have. You learn why locals like to sit just stare at the water, catching a glimpse of a passing gull, noticing the sailboat slip by on the other shoreline. You learn that sitting for three hours on the end of a little pier can make your butt sore, but not one-tenth as sore as fifty minutes in a classroom can.

You get to a point where you're used to the waiting, and your mind gets into a groove, and you wonder about things you've never wondered about before (like, what's so great about money? — besides the obvious, I mean). The peaceful water that ceaselessly lap at the pylons and the gentle breeze that vibrates the rim of your hat both testify to your heightened awareness, and they sing to you. That



Cam Abrams

early in the morning the sun has just started to peek through the cedars thick with clumps of Spanish moss, and as the first rays of light hit your eyes, the blindness makes you forget you're holding a fishing pole... And then... BAM! A strike! Being shaken from a daydream by a fish strike isn't like being shaken by your high school trigonometry teacher or an alarm clock because you're immediately put into a position of control — one side in a battle, fighting to land the mighty leviathan. (Ok, ok, so the biggest fish I caught this weekend was a pound-and-a-half catfish, but you know how fish stories go.)

You reel in the monster, and instead of being disappointed about how small a catch it really is, you think that it was worthwhile just to catch something. You carefully remove the hook from the fish's mouth and toss him back in the river, and you always make sure he swims away, and he does. Five years from now, a small child will sit on the end of that pier and

reel in the biggest catfish he's ever seen, not knowing someone caught that same fish when it was a small child too.

Sighing, you find another worm in the bucket, and with relaxed concentration, you bait the hook. Then the hook goes back in the water for the thirty-seventh time after a flawless cast, the line stiffens, and you resume waiting. And thinking.

I thought about fishing as possibly being an analogy to human society: there are baited hooks all around us, people waiting to fight with us and reel us in, and all we have to do is take their bait. A chilling thought, but soon after that realization, the sun came out from behind a cloud and warmed my face, and I also realized that fish are just dumb animals that simply respond to stimuli. How much are we like the fish? How many fishermen are really out there with baited hooks patiently waiting to start a war with us? How often do we react to them like animals?

For the rest of the morning I didn't get another bite, but I had good conversation with my fishing partner and good homemade coffee. It was a wonderful break from the semester, a wonderful break from all the things that have been reeling me in. It's funny how a small fishing trip can reinforce the conviction that I'm going to make it, and everything will somehow work out, no matter how many times I take the bait.

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Thought for the Day:

The sole substitute for an experience which we have not ourselves lived through is art and literature.

Alexander Solzhenitsyn
from his Nobel lecture in 1972

Multiculturalism versus diversity

Multiculturalism under the title of diversity is rearing its ugly head on this campus again.

In a Technician news story Friday, it was reported that Provost Phillip Stiles is concerned with how the "university deal[s]" in a constructive, positive way with differences."

He also asked for the students to come up with a definition of diversity. Here's mine.

Diversity is the individual or group retention of distinct cultural, religious, political, social and economic tenets held by a native-born American, naturalized immigrant or legal alien whether assimilating into the fabric of society of the United States or flirting with the cultural fringe.

It is the right to form a 60s-style commune or become a yuppie.

It is the right to worship under the dogma of any creed or cult; it is the right to deny the existence of any spiritual force at all.

It is the right to eat any type of food, to live anywhere one's means can attain, to shop in any store, to vote for any candidate of one's choosing or to associate with any other individuals that one chooses to associate with.

It is not the requirement that I respect any specific tenets.

It is not the requirement that I participate in the acceptance or even the understanding of any of these practices or beliefs.

I have a legally mandated responsibility to disregard race, creed, color, national origin, sex or religion as criteria for equal employment, educational opportunities, entrance to public functions, housing or the right to assemble.

I have the ethical and legal responsibility to allow others the ability to practice whatever they believe provided it does not



Steve Crisp

bring physical harm to myself or others. I also have the right not to participate in any of these practices. I have the right to not allow others to participate in my private functions. I have the right to deny anyone access to my home or my private, non-tax funded organizations, schools or societies. I have no right to dictate what anyone

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else should think. Conversely, no one has the right to dictate what I believe.

I have the right to be wrong and deny someone the ability to "straighten me out." I don't have to listen. Neither does one have the right to require me to listen to another viewpoint. If I care to, I will. If not, I won't.

The Irish can have their St. Patrick's Day. The Italians may celebrate Columbus Day. African-Americans can celebrate Kwanza. Christians, Jews or Muslims may celebrate their holidays. For all I care, witches have the right to the practice of dark forces on All Hallows Eve. Americans can celebrate Independence

Day and say the Pledge of Allegiance until their arteries explode from patriotic fervor. The French may recognize Bastille Day, the Chinese may commemorate the Long March, and the Mexican, Cinco del Mayo.

I have the option to participate. I also have the right not to care. I must simply accept these group's existence.

I don't have to sit and eat with anyone with whom I choose not to. I do not have to attend any of these functions. I don't even have to publicly recognize the existence of any other group.

I have the right to publicly denounce any other belief structure. I have the right to encourage the non-acceptance of others because of their beliefs. I have the right to join the KKK, the Jewish defense league, the Black Panthers, the Irish Republican Army, Students for a Democratic Society, or the Young Republicans if I choose and they will have me.

I have the right to be as suspicious or accepting of any individual or group as I want.

I have the right to support the feminists, the animal rightists, the pro-choice crowd, the homosexual lobby or the Communist Party. I also have the right to not even give these groups or their members the time of day. I have the right to support public funding for their causes; I have the right to do everything in my power to deny public funding to any group whose beliefs I disagree with.

According to Student Senate President Chris Scott, the senate intends to provide a venue for the exposure of people's cultures and beliefs. That is fine with me. But will the Senate allow the Aryan Brotherhood or ACT-UP to voice their views? Will we see the Nation of Islam or PETA on the Bruckyard this Nov. 4th? I think not.

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Frat presidents respond to Silver

In his column that appeared in last Wednesday's Technician, Reginald Silver compared Fraternity Court parties to parties held at the African-American Cultural Center. In the column Silver attempts to demonstrate that the Cultural Center's parties have been unfairly criticized even though they are no worse than Fraternity Court parties. We, the presidents of Fraternity Court, feel that all student organizations should have the right to govern themselves and to socialize as they see fit without being persecuted for doing so. However, we feel that Silver's good intentions are mired by a number of misinformed assertions concerning Fraternity Court.

N.C. State University fraternities abide by stringent rules which were set up to curtail underage drinking and limit the number of non-affiliates on Fraternity Court. These policies have been implemented largely because statistics show that 85% of all crime and vandalism that occurs on NCSU's Fraternity Court is committed by non-residents (who in most cases have been drinking). It is important to understand that we take every effort to stop those who are liable to cause injury to themselves or others from coming to our parties.

In his column, Mr. Silver states, "rarely do we hear the statistics of interventions by [Public Safety] at a Frat Court party." If Silver is implying that Fraternity Court never receives negative publicity, we can assure him that he is sorely mistaken. (His column itself is testimony to this fact.) Despite our efforts to keep those who make trouble on Fraternity Court away from Fraternity Court, we are repeatedly bashed in the newspapers, on the news and among the university's hierarchy. Essentially, we are continuously struggling to shake the "Animal House" image. The community is often times more interested in harping on our parties rather than noticing the strides we have made in philanthropy, membership development, scholarship, and yes, risk management. Mr. Silver typifies this mentality when he writes "there is more to the Cultural Center than just Greeks having parties." The implication being that parties are the nucleus of the Greek system. Sadly, this seems to be the mind set of many people. And with a seemingly endless barrage of misinformed attacks like Mr. Silver's, this situation is unlikely to change.

The column also states "If

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something goes wrong at the Cultural Center, advisers are ready to close it down." If something goes wrong at one of our houses, they do close us down. Silver goes on to state, "We have never heard anyone say anything about closing down Frat Court." Mr. Silver has obviously never had the pleasure of being bum-rushed by a Gestapo of public safety officers hell-bent on putting an end to the "disturbance." Furthermore, we have seen the blueprints for what Fraternity Court will look like in 10 years. Guess what, Mr. Silver, Fraternity Court does not exist on any blueprints! So, it seems logical to reason, there has been more than just talk of shutting Fraternity Court down.

Silver states, "It is unfair that the Cultural Center catches so much heat because of situations that happened in the past while Fraternity Court doesn't even get so much as a slap on the wrist." Obviously Mr. Silver is unfamiliar with what we, as chapters, have to deal with. Fraternities, like individuals, can and are issued campus appearance tickets. In the event that a fight breaks out at a Fraternity Court party, oftentimes the fraternity president will be called before the Student Judicial Board to justify the incident. In the eyes of the judicial board, in such an instance, it is the fraternity that is at fault—whether or not affiliates were involved. In other words, our houses can be prosecuted for the actions of trespassers on our property. Obviously Mr. Silver has never had to withdraw \$500 from his fraternities account in order to pay a university fine because a non-affiliate somehow gained access to his house and proceeded to pull the house's fire alarm. So, in a sense,

Mr. Silver is actually right! It would be inappropriate to say that we get "slapped on the wrist." "Getting bent over" would be the proper terminology. Strangely enough, it seems that the Cultural Center and Fraternity Court suffer from the same problem: crimes and altercations are being committed by non-affiliates which negatively on our organizations. We believe in the Cultural Center's purpose and its right to hold social functions without outside interference. We feel, however, that nothing can be gained by ignorantly scapegoating NCSU's Fraternity Court. As students with a common problem, we should be working together, not slinging mud without worry to where it lands.

Fraternity Court President's Board

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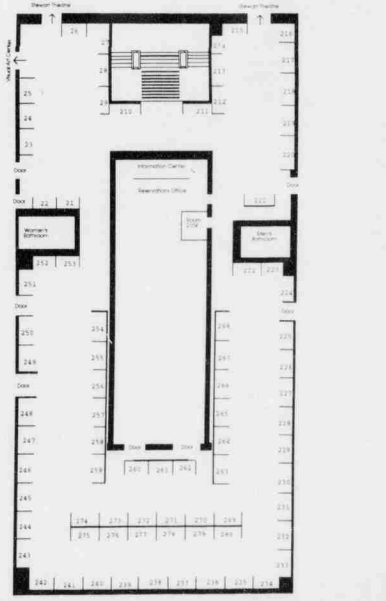
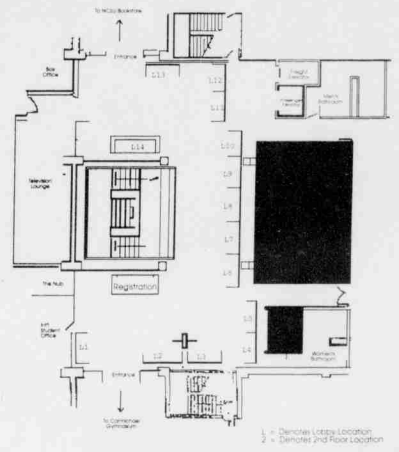
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Riley

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during his first year with the Pack. This gave him a chance to adjust to a heavier training load without the pressure of racing. He also built up enough strength to be an important part of State's 1991 ACC cross country championship team, finishing 14th at the ACC meet.

The following spring, he made his first big impact at the college level, winning the 1,500 meters at the ACC Championships. That race, and particularly his kick at the end, seemed to confirm his position at the short end of the long distance spectrum.

Riley was just as successful last fall, earning all-American honors in cross country and leading State to a second consecutive ACC title. But in the spring, it was back to relatively short races, as he earned all-American honors for 3,000 meters in indoor track and 1,500 meters in outdoor.

This fall, Riley has already gotten an easy win at the Wolfpack Invitational and finished second at the very tough Nike Invitational in Minnesota Saturday. And he is the biggest reason for State's number-

eight ranking.

So how is he so successful over such a range of distance? Geiger isn't sure what the secret is.

"I knew Tony would be running well, but I didn't expect him to be quite this fast," Geiger said. "He has raised his workload and responded well. There are some people with a lot of speed who seem to struggle with high mileage, but Tony hasn't had any problems."

Both Geiger and Riley mention three-time defending NCAA champion Arkansas when talking about increasing the Pack's national prominence. Although the majority of the top cross country athletes run 5,000 or 10,000 meters in track, Arkansas has become the nation's

most dominant program using primarily 800 to 3,000 meter runners.

Riley hopes to mimic their success.

"The Arkansas guys are the same ones I run against in track, so when I see them run well in cross country it gets me fired up," he said. "I think coming from a shorter distance gives you an advantage in speed, so if you're strong enough to hang on through the race, you can win at the end."

The biggest difference for Riley this fall was actually the summer. Last year, he began the season out of shape after a back injury ended his summer training. This summer, he was healthy and he stayed in

Raleigh to better focus on his training. The results — for competitors — have been devastating.

"Tony has gone to a new level this fall, to the point where he doesn't practice with the rest of the program," Geiger said. "He does most of his training with former all-Americans and ACC champions like Bob Henes, and sometimes he even runs away from that group."

The danger for an athlete at that level is that he may lose touch with his teammates, both psychologically and physically. This is particularly frustrating during a race, when Riley has no idea what his teammates are doing behind him. But he still has complete confidence

in the rest of the Wolfpack.

"We've all talked about what we want to do and what each person has to do," Riley said. "I see what everybody does in practice, so I know they're ready."

"The only bad thing right now is Shane getting such a late start," he added, referring to fellow all-ACC runner and New Mexico native Shane Garcia. "He would probably be with me if he hadn't been hurt this summer. But I missed last summer and came on fine, so I'm sure Shane will be up there by the end of the year."

Riley and Geiger have agreed on a set of goals for this season that includes an ACC Championship and a top-10 finish at the NCAA

Championships. But their plans diverge when it comes to track season.

"I think he will definitely be back down to the 1,500 for track season," Geiger said.

But Riley seems to like the longer stuff.

"I'd like to try the 5,000," he said. "I was watching that race at the NCAA meet, and I thought maybe I was in the wrong race. It just looked so much easier, going seven or eight seconds a lap slower."

So, now Geiger wants to stick with the shorter races, and Riley wants to try the longer distances.

Maybe it's because Riley has come a long way, and he doesn't want to stop.

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