Technician

Wednesday

A study in solitude



Christian Mueller-Phanitz, a graduate student in computer engineering, studies in the Arboretum Tuesday morning. After the harsh early winter, many students are taking advantage of the recent mild weather to spend time outdoors.

Video classes take lectures off campus

students to avoid that most traditional symbol of college - the

By JASON SCHEPERS

Do you feel more comfortable in front of a television screen than a person? Do your working hours make it difficult to attend class? Some people have found this to be the case and are turning to video courses, said Tom Russell, the director of the Office of Instructional Communications at the McKimmon Center.

Russell coordinates the video course program. And he said most of the students enrolled are older than traditional college students or are having scheduling conflicts with their jobs.

Handicapped students and people who work with their jobs.

Handicapped students and people who work odd hours find video courses a good alternative to regularly scheduled classes, said Rusself, who named police officers and firemen among those enrolled.

The numbers alone indicate an increase in popularity of the taped courses, which have been offered at N.C. State University since the spring of 1987.

"(The program) is definitely expanding,"

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Russell said that a new facility has been established in the basement of Nelson Hall to

"They are regular classes taught by regular N.C. State teachers."

Tom Russell director, office of instructional communications

any other courses offered at NCSU, Russell said. Courses available in the program include finite math, introductory French and introductory systehology.

"They are regular classes taught by regular N.C. State teachers." Russell said.

He said it is generally left up to the instructor to determine how assignments are to be turned in.



Video classes have grown, but are a long way from catching traditional lecture halls

Health Services to move

■ Clark Infirmary will soon be a thing of the past if a new health center goes up as expected.

By JODIE JOHNSON

Plans are underway to give Student Health Services a new home, but it will cost students \$25 to \$30 extra each semester.

Student fees could rise to pay for the new building as soon as next semester, said Jerry Barker, health services director.

The fee increase will go to a new building planned for the corner of Cates Avenue and Dan Allen Drive, where the Harris parking lot is located. The university is borrowing \$6 million to build the facility, and the fee hike will pay off the loan, Barker said.

"Our health fee is not that large in comparison with other schools in the Southeast." Barker said. "Out of the 16 campuses with fees higher than ours."

Students now pay \$63 a semester for health services. The new building will house the Health Education Center, Center for Health Directions, Counseling Center and Disability Services. Medical services will also be provided there. Student Health Services are now based in Clark Hall, which was built in 1939 as a residence hall.

Barker said Clark Hall is not equipped to be a modern health care center.

"There are a lot of deficiencies," he said. "Problems include totally inadequate totiet facilities and lack of privacy."

Barker also said Clark Hall is at an inconvenient.

include totally inadequate toilet facilities and lack of privacy."

Barker, also said Clark Hall is at an inconvenient location for students.

"The new location will be within 300 yards of approximately 6,000 students," he said.

The site for construction has been approved by the University Board of Trustees. The loss of parking spaces in Harris Lot was a concern with which the university had to deal, Barker said.

He said about 90 parking spaces will be lost in the construction of the new student health center. To counter this, Barker said plans are in progress to move the Armory Shops to another location, tear down that building and create 166 new parking spaces.

"We have tried to make sure parking was not lost in our efforts," Barker said. "Armory Shops will be rebuilt when funds are available."

Students have mixed reactions to the upcoming rise in health feets.

health fees.

"The majority of the money should be based on user fees." said Chris Horton, a senior in industrial engineering. "If I don't use the place, I don't want to pay for it."

Horton said he thinks most students who are from this area probably won't use the center. He said he has used the health center once in the time he has attended NCSU.

NCSU.

Kevin Creech, a sophomore in agricultural education, had a more positive reaction to the increase in fees.

"I think it's worth paying a little extra because health care is a top priority for students." Creech said. Treally don't think that paying an extra \$25 or \$30 will hurt anybody, and it will be beneficial in the long run." Daryl Carter, a senior in sports management, agreed

"It's not going to matter if you have to pay a little extra if it will help the school," Carter said. "If you're going to keep it modern, you have to do what you have to do. If you figure up the cost of fixing up the old building, you might as well build a new and better facility."

Carter also said he believes that if building a new student health center will improve the quality of service for students, then he thinks it is worth it. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin new spring. Occupancy could take place in the fall of 1996. But Barker added that those are just preliminary

Rape leaves police hunting suspects

An administrator and Public Safety are wondering how a rapist entered a building that is usually kept locked.

BY DAVE BLANTON

A graduate student was raped at gunpoint Saturday while doing research in a Polk Hall lab. According to Public Safety Crime Prevention Officer Larry Ellis, the woman said a man came into the room about 1:30 p.m. and raped her, using a gun to scare her into silence.

silence.
Students and faculty were
working in the room next door
when the man approached her, but
they never heard a sound, said Curt

Moore, the administrative assistant for the biochemistry department. Students and faculty members often work at night or on the weekends in the biochemistry building, which has few classrooms. Moore said.

Researchers tend to come in small groups though, instead of working alone. Moore said since the building isn't used for classrooms, access is usually restricted.

"It should be hard," he said. "We should make it very hard for intruders] to get in the buildings. We don't want to learn about ceutify problems this way."

Ellis will talk today to those who work in Polk Hall about Sautrday's incident and rape prevention.

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Bike path meets hesitant approval

Campus Greeks are no longer fighting a project they once said would needlessly increase crime.

By RON BATCHO

Fraterinty Court residents and the university have compromised on the once-controversial bike path which will connect Fraterinty Court to Varsity Drive.

"It is no longer a hostile situation with the physical environment committee," saud Heather Taylor, president of Alpha Delta Pi. "We are working with them and have reached a compromise."

The compromise focuses around security measures.

"We have been promised heavy lighting, blue light phones, more shrubbery and security systems for the houses," Taylor said, "We walked where the bike path is going to be and [Public Safety Crime

Prevention Officer] Larry Ellis pointed out the dangerous areas, where to put the lighting and the blue light phones."
"None of the money for the security systems will be coming from Fraternity Court," said Chad Oakley, chair of the Fraternity Court Presidents Board.
Shraibers will be planted nex fall to obstruct the view of court houses from the bike path. The Alpha Delta pi house is within \$0 feet of the bike path. Taylor said.
But area residents are still not happy with the idea of a bike path in their backyards.
"Yes, we are opposed to the location, but we welcome the idea of a bike path," Oakley said. "There is no way the university will change the location, but they understand our concerns."
"We still don't want it, but it is a

safety measures, "Oakley said.

There are still safety concerns about the areas at the ends of the path.

"At the other end of the path cars go 50 miles per hour and are parked on both sides of the road," Taylor said. "The path goes into the Pi Kappa Alpha parking lot where cars are pulling in and out."

Oakley said he also wants an increase in protection from Public Safety.

"We are hoping Public Safety will step up its patrol to prevent any would be crime doers from committing vandalism to the adjacent parking lot and the sorority duples," Oakley said.

Opposition to the path initially arose because Fraternity Court residents weren't aware of the plans to put it in and because of safety concerns.
"Our main problem was with the

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News **Notes**

Accident sends 3 to hospital

A three-car accident Tuesday night on the corner of Hillsborough Street and Dixie Trail sent three people to the hospital, including an N.C. State University student.
At about 8:55 p.m., white Honda Accord ran a red light and hit a black Chevy Blazer, which in turn hit a Cheverolet sedan, said Officer T.A. Hardy of the Raleigh Police Department.
The driver of the Accord, Frank Ballard of Raleigh, was charged with a red light violation.

with a red light violation.

Ballard, 34, was taken to the hospital along with his wife Margaret.

argaret. Also hospitalized was the driver the Blazer, 19-year-old NCSU udent John Hardison of illiamston.

Williamston.

The driver of the Cheverolet sedan, Mark Recktenwald, 23, of Durham suffered no injuries.

None of the injuries were life-threatening. Everyone was wearing a seatbelt, Hardy said.

ALS working to cut load in landfills

Agribusinesses struggling to manage increasing volumes of animal wastes will be getting more help from N.C. State University

help from N.C. State University this year.

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at NCSU has begun more than 70 projects designed to help find environmentally appropriate methods for handling the more than 24 million tons of manure and litter generated each year by livestock and poultry agriculture.

This year, NCSU will begin work in its planned Animal and Poultry Waste Management Center. This facility is expected to be built at NCSU's Lake Wheeler Road Field Laboratory.

TODAY

CIRCLE K

each week for 11 weeks. Learn accompaniment styles for acoustic guitar through country, folk and pop music Cost is \$110. Guitars are provided. Call Bett Padgett at 834-4636.

THURSDAY

INTERVIEW — Second interview: Prepare for the plant or office visit. A critical step in job searches. — Career

A critical step searches. Career Planning and Placement counselors advise you Thursday, 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. in Pullen Hall. Room 2100. GERMAN CLUB Come join us for free

ESSAY CONTEST -African-American Student Afrairs is spoisoring a scholarship essay contest filled "Afracan-American Women in Leadership." All African-American women and the student of the

WHAT'S HAPPENING

German Club meets every Thursday from 4:30 to \$30 pm.
FESTIVAL — Japanese Animation Festival IV. From 7 to 10 pm, in the Student — Center Ballroom. Admission is free. Features Irresponsible Capitain Tylor, \$60 Bianca and Gundam 0083: Stardust Memory.

Semiformal attire.
THEME DINNER

S15-7034.
MEETING — Gaming Clab meets Fridays at 7-30 p.m. in Tompkins Hall, ground floor. Many role-playing and strategy games are offered. Members get discounts at Foundation's Edge and Hobbymasters. Questions', Call Donna Nolen at 851-8010.

SATURDAY

SATURDAY
VALENTINE'S PARTY
— Triangle Lebanese
Association, Saturday
from 8 pm. to 1 am. at
the block Church, 5000
Leadmire Rd. Lebanese
meal, music and
dancing, \$12 for
members, \$15 for nonmembers, \$18 for nonmembers, \$18 488-486
or 878-0565 for tickets.

Memory.

MEETING — The Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society will have its second organizational meeting Thursday at 5 p.m. in Weaver Hall, Room 158. All majors are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

SYMPOSIUM — The Self Knowledge

FRIDAY

MONDAY

PARTY — The Student Association is having a Valentine's Dance at the Student Baptist Center. 7 pm. to midnight. S5 for singles for couples wal attre. MONDAY

DANCE — Country line
dancing aerobics.
Mondays from 4 to 5
p.m. at Fairmont United
Methodist Church, located on the corner of
Clark Avenue and Home
Street. 51 per session or
53 per month, Call 8323371. All faculty, staff
and students are
welcome to come.

ESSAY CONTEST 28SAY CONTEST—
The African-American
Student Affairs is
sponsoring a scholarship
essay titled "AfricanAmerican Women in
Leadership." All
African-American
women students are
encouraged to compete
for the \$500 prize. Call
515-3835 for details.

TUESDAY TALK SHOW — "Let's
Talk About Sex." A talk
show
about
communication are
relationship. Improv '94
to provide vignettes.
Tuesday at 7-30 p.m. in
the Student Center
Annex. Prizes. free
admission. Sponsored by
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others.

Health Driecting and these times: Tuesday at 4:30 p.m., Feb. 16 at 6:30 p.m. and Feb. 17 at 4:20 p.m. Buy lickets at the Student Center Box Office. Two tickets per person. For more information, contact Alul 3:370,440.

What's Happening Policy

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A dozen students will be Monteith's next helpers

■ The chancellor is looking to work in return for a chance to hobnob with NCSU's leaders.

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By Dave Blanton
Suggest Start Warms

As one of Chancellor Larry
Monteith's 12 student aides, you get to work for free But at least free food is part of the contract.
And don't forget the red blazer.
It's standard attire for the job.
That's because part of the job is not a full-time job." she said.

"It can be a busy schedule, but it's not a full-time job.'

> - Janet Bailey. chancellor's aide

About 35 students applied last year, but Milks said the number of applicants varies from year to year. Applicants must be rising juniors and seniors and have at least a 2.5 grade point average. She said the application—is simple, adding that it's not the most important part of

the hiring process.

Applications are due by Feb. 28.
Milks said she then interviews all who apply.

"The interview is what does it," Milks said. "A lot of getting this jost personality. Applicants have to be outgoing, articulate."

Milks said other than learning a little about how the university operates and spending some time with Monteith, serving as a chancellor's aide can beef up a resume.

resume.

Bailey said she enjoyed joining the chancellor and his guests at NCSU football games last fall.

Assault

yet, but Public Safety has increased patrol.

attacker as an African-American male, about 5 feet 11 inches to 6 male, about 5 feet 11 inches to 6 feet tall with a medium or dark complexion and weighing 160 to 180 pounds. He was also reported to have been wearing black sweatpants, a white, hooded sweatshirt and gold-rimmed

Ellis said if students must work in campus buildings at night or on the weekends, they should call for an escort from Public Safety. He added that locking doors and staying in groups reduce risks.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION

The Catalyst Bookshop NCSU Bookstores

Celebrates Black History Month with Readings and Displays

> Wednesday, Frbruary 9th from 12:00 till 1:30

All African-American fiction and non-fiction will be 20% off all day.

Please join us.

BOOKSTORES

Answers Crossword Puzzle



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NIFTY MOTTO OF OUR TOWN'S EMBROIDERY CLUB: LIFE IS CREWEL.

Bike path

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university for failing to inform us."
Oakley said. "They told us about the path only two weeks before the surveying took place."
That problem has been solved, Taylor said.
"We will be updated on any progress that is made," Taylor said.
University planners said they were happy to hear from students about the path.

he path.

"The community has been helpful with their input," said Sallie Ricks, he university landscape architect in charge of the path's planning.

"There will be an opportunity for the university community to review "[The bike path] is in the design, development and review stage right now," Ricks said. "There is nothing

development and con-now." Ricks said. "There is nothing yet to review."
The site has been surveyed.
"There are stakes in the ground where the bike path is going to be built." Taylor said.
The contract for the bike path will be awarded in early spring, Ricks said. Construction should take four to six weeks, she said.
Ricks said the money for the 14-foot-wide, three-lane bike and pedestrian path comes from the N.C. Department of Transportation.

Technician has one page designer position open. Applicants should have some QuarkXPress experience. Contact Colin Boatwright at 515-2411, or drop by Technician's main office located in suite 323 of the Student Center Annex and fill out an application.

ELECTION NOTICE

Union Activities Board President and At-Large Student Center Board of Directors applications are now available in Room 3114, University Student Center.

Candidates for President must have served at least six months as a chair or member of a UAB committee; or as a member of the Student Center Board of Directors. At-Large Board of Directors candidates must be fee-paying students in good standing with the University and who do not hold offices in the UAB.

Deadline for applications is 4 p.m., February 28.
Candidates must also complete forms in the Student Government office to be accepted. Call 515-2451 for more information.

Sports

Wolfpack edges Volunteers in overtime

By CLAY BEST

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. - It wasn't supposed to

e much of a game.

Two sub-par teams with winning creentages comparable to the NBA's vashington Bullets and Milwaukee Bucks sually don't make for an ideal night of asketball.

basketball. But Monday night, they did. When Ricky Daniels' 15-foot jump shot with 8.5 seconds left in overtime fell with a swift swish of the net, it gave N.C. State a 72-70 victory over Tennessee — which deby 16 in the first half — in an unlikely overtime they

ertime classic. It was a gutty shot," Wolfpack head

coach Les Robinson said. "I wouldn't have taken it, but I'm not as good a shooter as Ricky Daniels.
"It was a great shot, although I thought it came about four seconds early. Tennessee went to a zone on us after our timeout and yet our guys responded to it well. The floor opened well, and women's and up and Ricky hit the shot. women's After Daniels' jumper, preview to Volunteers called a **See Poge 7* timeout with 5.6 seconds left, LaMarens Golden, descriptions.

missed.
"For LaMarcus that's a good shot,"
Volunteer coach Wade Houston said of the late overtime miss. "And Stanley had a chance to tip it in. After Ed made that three-point shot, I thought maybe we were gonna

get some things to go our way."

But things didn't, and State escaped a fate similar to the one it fell to at the end of regulation. Tennessee kept its dreams of wiming a close game — something they haven't done all season — alive with Ed Gray's three-point basket with 18.2 seconds left in regulator.

Gray's 23-footer, his only basket of the second half, tied the game at 62. The Pack had a chance at victory, but Curtis Marshall's short jumper missed. Tennessee jumped out to a 30-14 lead with 7:15 to play in the first half. The inside-outside trio of Steve Hamer, Gray and Golden combined for 29 of the Vols' 40 first-half points.

Hamer scored 10 of Tennessee's first 12 points, while Gray and Golden combined or a outside shooting tear that resulted in a 16-0 Vol run. Bad shot selection and tough UT defense held State scoreless for nearly

six minutes.
But three consecutive three-pointers by Lakista McCuller followed by a Jeremy Hyatt layup cut the Vols lead to five at 30-25. McCuller trainshed with a season-high 21 points including five treys.
McCuller was five of eight from beyond the stripe. The jumor hit five three-pointers in a game for the second time this season, this first came in State's upset win over then No. 21 Georgia Tech.
"Everybody just got me the ball in the right spot at the right time." McCuller said.
McCuller combined with backcourt mate Curtis Marshall for 37 points and nine feodunds on 15-30 shooting from the field-including seven of 13 shooting from three-point range. Marshall fished out 10 assists against only two turnovers.
"When they have that kind of night, we're going to win against most teams," Robinson said.

While the M&M combo ruled the Pack's outside, Hamer riddled the State's interior defense for 26 points on eight of eleven shooting from the field.

"It's tough having to play two seven-footers inside." State center Todd Fuller said. "It made a lot of difference in how we could defend. If we concentrate on one, that leaves the other open. It forced us into a lot of one-on-one situations in the post. Hamer made some good inside moves once he got the ball."

The Pack defensive effort keyed a 17-8 nn to take the lead at 48-47 with 11:11 to play.

play.
"At haltime we talked about getting back in it gradually," Robinson said. "We cut it to four early and went on to get the lead. "I think we almost got the lead too early, because if you gradually come back the crowd doesn't get into it as much. We were very fortunate to win."

Owen S.



Reynolds still the best

A couple Carolina blue journalists discovered the magic of Reynolds Coliseum in their first visit to the historic gym.

Picture this: Your university is playing a road basketball game against your arch-rival in one of the most hostile gyms in the country. From the colors of the seats to the hue of people's shirts, everything and everyone reminds you that you are a pilgrim in an unholy land. Your one mascot gets throttled by two of the other team's. Your starting five are introduced and booed lustily.

Then the lights go out. How do

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Then the lights go out. How do ou react? Fear? Anxiety? Blind

terror?
"Wow!" exclaimed John C.
Manuel, assistant sports editor for
The Daily Tar Heel.
""Consulting unprintable]!"

The Daily Tar Heel.

"[Something unprintable]!"
Jacson Lowe, Manuel's cohort, shouted in reflex. Its impact misses no one. The N.C. State spotlight introductions fired up not only a State red crowd of 12,400, but at least two Carolina blue journalists whose job is, by the way, to carry a Tar Heel bias. And since The News, & Observer's Mickey McCarthy wasn't in attendance, that left Lowe and Manuel.

Lowe looked astonished. No way a 6-12 ream gets this kind of response. It look at No. 1 versus No. 2 matchup for his home crowd to get close to this kind of noise. Yet State's throng equaled and exceeded that faster than the flick of a switch. Faster than the speed of light.

And if these are the lean years — well, he just had to say it:

"I bet this place was really rockin' in the 70s and 80s."

No less so than now, my friend, Just because you wear the same dynamite threads to church for 20 years doesn't mean they get dull—if you take good care of them. And State has always put its Sunday best in the stands, grooming its fars with several features that shapen the game's atmosphere.

Such as the spotlight introduction, Les Robinson's best contribution to Reynolds — until he starts hangin banners. And like the noise meter. Know who invenied both of these? Everett Case — the man who made southern basketball what it is.

But both of the Tar Heel's two writers agreed the best thing about relying that for the Duke game. Of course, a game later, he topped that by getting lost looking for the Reynolds sonference room.

Conference room.

But there are places in the
Coliseum I have never seen, and
I'd probably get lost in search of
them. I've never set foot in the
upper deck of Reynolds Coliseum.



While sitting out last season. Nicole Cimato and Karen Chester never lost sight of the team's goals. This year, they want to take more of an active role in achieving them.

BY CLAY BEST

When Nic had the stitches taken of her back and struggled to walk out of the hospital, K.C. was there for her. When a torn ligament in K.C.'s shoulder put her back in the hospital just weeks after recovering from a torn Achilles tendon. Nic stat in the hospital with her. Nicole Climato and Karen Chester both red-shirted last season and spent plenty of time sitting and watching while the rest of K.C. State's gymnastics team finished its best season in school history without their

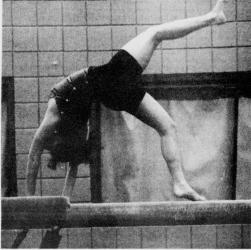
help.
"We stuck together the whole time,"
Cimato said, "We spent so much time
together last year. We had to support each
other. The team didn't have that much time
to worry about us. They had gymnastics.
"But even if our situation got us down, we
supported them through everything they
did."

Chester and Cimato supported their teammates all the way to Athens, Ga., — the site of the NCAA Regionals — paying their

site of the NCAA Resionals — paying insur-own way.

"If we could be there for them, we were,"
Chester said. "We tried our hardest to get there to be with them, cheering them on when they needed it. It was tough for me at times because I kept thinking this would have been a great way to go out — as part of the best team in school history."

But their teammates weren't the only ones, who needed the support. Cimato and



CIMATO & CHESTER: COMING BACK

Chester did too.

They needed to be around the mats, the bars. It was part of them, a part they couldn't leave behind for a whole season, especially in such a success-filled season like last year. I learned that gymnastics is a gift from God." Chester said, "It can come and go. I feel like I have to prove myself again. I want to prove that I'm the best again,"

Chester can't do anything else but prove the herself. Not after she provided a then school-record 9.8 on the vault two seasons ago and lead the team in all-around competition in four different meets, including a personal-best 38.2 all-around score in a meet win.

Cimato won the all-around with a 37.85 at William & Mary in 1092. Later in the season, she bettered her all-around best, posting a 37.95.

Those kind of consistent performances were missed by the Wolfpack during the early part of last season. Then, later in the year, the Pack's younger gymnasts provided scores comparable to the veterans' numbers of the year before.

So the duo went back to work in the off-season. Cimato began her road back on the bars because that's what was easiest on her sore kines. The junior worked non-stop on the bars until she received clearance for the other apparatuses last fall.

"Nic's meredible on the bars," Chester said. "She can do things without thinking I can't even conceive being able to do."

"If you ask Nic to try something, she'll do it." State coach Mark Stevenson said. "It's that kind of philosophy that makes her great to be around."

Chester returned this season after

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State hopes for record finish

N.C. State's women's tennis team is looking for a record-breaking year, even if that means only finishing higher than fourth place.

BY SCOTT VOGELSBERG

On paper, N.C. State's women's team is picked to finish in the second division of the ACC. But Wolfpack coach Kelly Key doesn't read that paper. She's got a different one on her desk.

"This is the strongest team I've had here, on paper, Key said. "The personnel looks better than last year."

The Wolfpack looks to break a

year."
The Wolfpack looks to break a string of four straight fifth-place finishes under Key. Last year's team finished with one ACC

victory and a 7-15 overall record

victory and a 7-15 overall record.

Any major move up in the ACC
standings will make history for
N.C. State. Since the team started
play in 1977, no Wolfpack
women's tennis team has finished
higher than fourth place in the
conference.
Don't think Key doesn't realize
that.

Don't finis, key doesn't realize that.

"We want to do better, We'd like to see some more ACC victories," she said, adding, "We've been competitive. Now we want to win." Returning seniors Beth Schaefer and Maggie Williams will be counted on to lead a young but steady Wolfpack. Schaefer is a particularly strong doubles player, while Williams is considered an emotional leader.

emotional leader.
"We won't have any superstars,

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1994 Women's Tennis

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Date	Opponent	Time
Feb. 11-13	Davidson Doubles	
Feb. 16	UNC Greensboro	2 p.m.
Feb. 19	at Davidson	1 p.m.
Feb. 20	at UNC-Charlotte	1 p.m.
Feb. 23	Duke	2 p.m.
Feb. 26	Virginia Tech	1 p.m.
Feb. 27	Georgia Tech	1 p.m.
March 3	Campbell	2 p.m.
March 6	at Furman	11 a.m.
March 8	Winthrop	2 p.m.
March 13	at Florida State	1 p.m.
March 14	at South Florida	11 a.m.
March 25	at Virginia	10 a.m.
March 27	at Maryland	1 p.m.
March 30	North Carolina	2 p.m.
April 1	Richmond	noon
April 6	at Wake Forest	2 p.m.
April 9	Virginia Commonwealth	11 a.m.
April 10	Clemson	1 p.m.
April 13	Barton College	2 p.m.
April 21-24	# ACC Tournament	
May 13-21	& NCAA Championship	

Pack: Old vs. New

■ N.C. State's men's tennis took on a Wolfpack Dream Team Saurday in a classic

By AARON MORRISON

The present met the past when N.C. State's men's tennis team battled former Wolfpack all-stars Saturday at the Raleigh Racket Club.

Club.
The team of former players included four all-Americans, two ACC Champions and a player who was once ranked 14th in the world, but the Wolfpack youth pulled out

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Golfers ready for new season

will attempt to continue its winning tradition this season with a younger squad.

MIKE PRESTON

An ambiguous spring awaits the N.C. State golf team, but it confronts the new season with one certainty — State will make a run at

1991. Mirchum led the team in several categories last year, including top 10 finishes, stroke average and rounds shot under par. However, even with the loss of Mitchum, State coach Richard Sykes has five of his six regulars returning from a team that finished 20th in last year's final rankings. However, he is also quick to point out that the burden of leading this team now rests on the shoulders of two underelassmen. "Without a doubt, our top players this year will be [Mark] Slawter and [Todd] Ormsby." Sykes said. "They II have to be the one's who will have to have consistently good games, to help our freshmen who will have both good and bad games."

Sophomores Dana Allen and Chastity Chandler look to build on

Mark Slawter is looking to follow up on a spectacular freshman year, when he was named ACC Rookie of the Year and to the all-ACC team. In addition to those honors, he was named to the preseason hird-team all-American team, but he isn't satisfied. Slawter is still trying to fine tune his game for the upcoming season.

"I see my game improving. It might not show it in the scores right now. but as I become more consistent, my scores will go down," Slawter said.

Helping him in the Wolfpack's ACC campaign will be junior Todd Ormsby, who was named a preseason honorable mention all-American. He produced five top-20 finishes last year and finished in the

top 10 three times. He led the team last year in the NCAA Championships by shooting a low round of 71 and pacing State to a 22nd-place finish.

"We haven't cally been able to see what Todd can do yet." Sykes said. "He's been out playing through the fall on a bad ankle, so his scores haven't reflected what he is capable of."

Other underclassmen who will make an impact this year will be junior Press McPhaul, who was the scond lowest finisher at the NCAA Championships. Brad Adams, who also turned in an impressive performance at the NCAAs, is expected to contribute to this year's team.

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The Wolfpack's freshmen are

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play, and three will see a lot of playing time," Sykes said, "Those three guys are T.G. Smith, Billy West, and Aivers Erkmanis, all of whom have a lot of potential."

The Wolfpack will get its season underway this weekend at the Puerto Rico Classic.

Tennis

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but we will have ten solid players,"
Key said.
Juniors Margaret Kenny and
Margie Zimmer bring experience to
the team. Kenny has improved the
last two years and looks to do so
again in 1994. Zimmer is touted as
sever of the sense, best abilities. one of the team's best athletes and a pivotal player this year.

Sophomores Dana Ailen and Chastity Chandler look to build on impressive first-year performances. Allen is the 'most improved player' from last year and Chandler has learned to play a smarter match. Both play es meet to step up this year to help the Pack improve.

Sophomore Leslie Marshall and newcomers Laura Cowman, Meredirh Quinn, and Kylie Hunt will also see plenty of action and provide depth for the team, Quinn, a transfer from Mississippi, is

looking to contribute immediately in her first Wolfpack season.
Key and her team are excited for the season to start, but both know there is a reason the ACC is such a rough conference to play in.
"There are four ACC teams in the top 25, so we know it will be tough. We definitely have our work cut out for us." Key said.
The team looks for fan support—which is scarce at most non-revenue spring sports — to help it through another tough season. Key invites

Wolfpack students and fans to come out and cheer the team on, even if it's only for one match.

"Any kind of support is great. You can be vocal in college tennis. It's not like a country club," she said, demonstrating the polite clap of the rich and unexcited.
"It's not basketball either," she quickly added with a laugh, "but you can have fun and make some noise. I know tennis is more of a participation sport than a spectator sport, but support is very important to the girls."

Key and the team will try to hold up their end of the bargain and give State fans plenty to cheer about this

State

Continued from Fages a 4-3 win.

"We are delighted to have the rich tradition of North Carolina State tennis continue." State coach Crawford Henry said. "This was a real confidence builder for our players. We are really looking forward to our opener at South Carolina."

The Wolfpack and the old-timers each took three singles matches, Eric Saunders. Brian Ozaki and Walt Kennedy stole wins for State. Senior Bert Bolick had five match-points against former Pack standout

and top-20 player John Sadri. But Bolick could not hang on for the win, leaving the score knotted at three going into the doubles

matches.

Ozaki and Kennedy defeated Matt
McDonald and Carl Bumgardner 85 to give the Pack a slight
advantage. It came down to the
regionally ranked duo of Bolick and
Saunders. And the duo held true to
form, beating Sadri and Andy
Andrews 8-6 to bring the Pack a
vectory.

"Our players really fought hard and played very well," Henry added. "It is hard to beat a team that does both of those,"

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"I'm sorry we're so much

weirder than most alternative bands."

Being different is a key ingredient for Cracker. The band's musical style is grounded in the concept of diversity. Lowery prefers the elasticity of the rock in roll genre, which he feels encompasses a wide variety of characteristics. "That's what's interesting about rock music." Lowery said. "It's malleable, it's fluid, it's flawed. It's not a rigid form. It's a live thing, it's an interaction, it's a dialogue."

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Still, Cracker falls under the heavy constraints of one label — something Lowery views as a double-edged sword.

"In a certain way I think that's cool," Lowery said. "Alternative came up because there were a bunch of bands in the early 80s that kind of acted like punk bands, but they were ultimately kind of playing rock and pop music. People couldn't really call them punk or postpunk, so, eventually, evaryone settled on alternative."

"There are no throw-away songs on any of our records," Lowery said. "I'd want to be remembered for our songs,"

- David Lowery

Cracker's lead singer

David Lowery and Johnny Hickman members of the band Cracker.

Cracker is band redefining the boundaries of music and astounding audiences, at least in Chapel Hill.

By Maria McKinney

Cracker began their performance at The Tat's Cradle Friday night with an apology. "I'm sorry we're so much weirder than nost alternative bands," exclaimed lead inger David Lowery. Cracker is not a band that falls prey to be generic, the overdone or the normal imply put, they are not a band to adhere anything.

Domulaic," Lowery said.

Lowery cited The Lemonheads and uliana Hatfield as examples of this strict

attern. "[These bands] are just totally pop-usic, Juliana Hatfield's like the Go-Go's seep the guitar is distorted and Evan ando [lead singer for The Lemonheads] like ... I don't know what that's like, but me that's music that's so safe. It's just ort of like this alternative formula that's pure out now."

come out now."

Lowery finds being categorized with hese bands insulting partly because he feels the music isn't grounded in anything. "There's not even a sense of roots or istory in their music," Lowery said. The alternative label that's complimentary to Lowery is the one that he helped create with Camper — the ilternative music that really does have oots.

of the same affect on the audience. The dumfounded concert goers could do nothing more than stare catatonically at the band for the first few songs. Yes, it was a weird show, but looking back on it, Mr. Lowery needn't have apologized. Experiencing

Yes, it was a weird show, but looking back on it, Mr. Lowery needn't have apologized. Experiencing a Cracker concert is kind of like being exposed to many different categories of music — at the same time. This meshing of music creates brand new categories altogether. Like alternative-country or classic nock-pop. If everyone weren't so overrun with labels and categories. Cracker would be the uncategorizable indeed. Take, for instance, the lineup of the band. Instead of having the usual four or five music tans playing their respective instruments. Cracker is more of a musical orgy, allowing several players the chance to bang away. "We don't really have an original lineup," Lowery said. "We've had lots of members of this band, something like 13, but it's just me and Johnny [Hickman] and we have different people back us up." For this tour, Cracker rounded up Bruce Hughes from Poi Dog Pondering and drummer David Lovering from the Pxics. Oddly enough, neither of these musicalians played on the new album "Kerosene Hat."
"Me and Johnny are big Pxics freaks." Picking up players from bands like the Pxixes, plus Lowery's days fronting Camper Van Beethoven, sticks Cracker with the alternative label. But Lowery has a different view of what Cracker epitomizes."

band in the grand tradition of rock bands in that, ultimately we play pop music." Lowery said. "And we play different styles, we're brave enough to play different styles."

The good, the bad and the ugly

■ Popular belief aside, Volkswagen Beetles are still in style.

By Jean Lorscheider

Assistant is extend Enrolo

For a car that hasn't been made in 15 years, the Volkswagen Beetle just won't go away.
The people's car has never been more popular. Proud Volkswagen owners gathered at the Starmount Shopping Center on Capital Boulevard to show off their cars and compete for prizes at the Volkswagen Beatles Reunion. (That's Beatles as in the band, not Beetles as in Bugs.)
The custom paint jobs on some of the fancier Beetles made the cars resemble giant, rolling Easter eggs.
Others looked as if they were held together by Just.

Many Bug-lovers brought their babies and their dogs to enjoy the sun, the fun and the chrome.

Sixty-seven Beetles, campers, buses and trucks entered a contest sponsored by radio station WRDU-FM and Unfinished Furniture

Express.

Owners entered their VWs in the categories of ugliest, oldest, best custom job and best restoration job. There was also a category for best micro-bus and a prize for best of show.

Ray Milosh won the prize for the ugliest VW. He drives his rare 1963 single cab pickup to work everyday.

"It'll last longer than I will," Milosh said. "It's the most useful vehicle on the face of the earth."

the earth."

And probably the ugliest.

The truck has faded from its original turquoise to a dismal, school wall green.

Patches of rust cover the sides of the ridiculously long bed. Faded towels hide the

seats. Volkswagen enthusiasts said the cars are special for their simplicity, longevity and sentimental value. Nathan Guinn, a former N.C. State University student, said his camper is suited to his style of living.

"You can sleep in it, cook in it, live in it.

They're simple," Guinn said, "And the engine ain't got three million computer parts in it." It seemed as if everybody in the parking lot had a Volkswagen story.

David Elien was roaming around, with his sister, Kathy, looking at the cars and computer or the said of the cars and computer or the said of the cars and computer or the cars.

reminiscing.
"They have a sentimental attachment that brings back fond memories of simpler times."
Eilen said.

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Eilen opened the door of one beat-up Beetle and pointed out a round heating vent under the back seat. He recalled getting his feet burned by the vent when he was a child. He also remembered fighting with Kathy for the

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seat of honor—shorgun.
Wendy Wenck said driving her Beetle
always makes her feel happy, even though it
sounds just like a riding lawn mower. When
she wouldn't take a nap as a child, her parents
would drive her around on a lawnmower until
the sound of the engine fulled her to sleep.
"I just love the sound of it—putt, putt, putt,
"" Worck said.

"I just love the sound of it—putt, putt, putt, putt, putt, putt, "Wenck said, Frank King, a WRDU disc jockey who emceed at the event, recalled his own VW, which he lost in a divorce. He was stuck with a diesel Rabbit while his ex-wife drove off in his belonest collapse over each of the put of the second of th

a diesel Rabbit while his ex-wife drove off in his belioved yellow convertible.

"She got the better end of the deal. That's how community property laws work in California." King joked.

Chet Holmes, who won best of show for his handpainted '72 Beetle, said VWs are a family tradition. He carried on the tradition by spending a year painting the body of his car and tiling (yes, tiling) the floor.

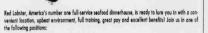
"I get a lot of neat reactions" said Holmes, a carpenter from Holly Springs. "People either really love it or really hate it. Little kids especially seem to like it."

I's easy to see why this car would attract young eyes. Every color imaginable is represented on the outside, which is adoned with flowers and warped checkerboard patterns. A huge smiling sun beams from the passenger side.

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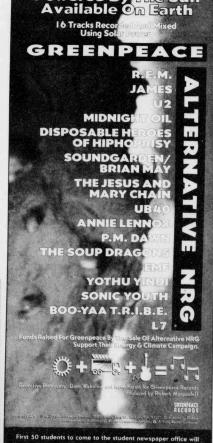
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Gymnasts

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recovering from her shoulder injury. And she has contributed at a consistent pace, totaling two score 9.5 on the vault already over 9.5.

"K.C.'s skill level has started to come back where it was," Stevenson said. "She's doing fine on vaulting, the beam and floor but is still trying to get her bars to come around."

around."
Stevenson feels the pair's uphill battle is twice as hard because of the sport's nature. The height, the motion, the flipping. They add an extra obstacle to the comeback.
"There's a fear level that goes with our sport that's way above and beyond any other level of what athletes do," Stevenson said. "It's a very tough sport to compete in unless you have a go-get-it attitude."

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Tension! Tension! If you

are one of the

A go-get-it attitude. That may be an understatement for the duo. Cimato is ready to forget last year's sidelines as quickly as possible.

"We're going to make it even better," Cimato asid. "The only thing that kept us going last season was looking forward to next year. Next year is there.

"I got a best friend out of this situation," Cimato said. "Both of us were there for each other last year. It's just a great feeling to be back. This team is more team-oriented this year than ever before because we know we have to be that way to attain our goal of nationals." Last season, State traveled to Athens for regionals, but only Christi Newton advanced to the nationals. This year, Cimato and Chester are leading a recommitted team.
"We know that the team needs us

"We know that the team needs us on the floor this year," said Chester, "and not on the sideline sitting."

Reynolds

Continued from Page 3. I mean ever. Not even when I go to watch practice. I don't know what it's like, and I don't care to know as long as I am an undergrad. That's a stark contrast to North Carolina, where cushy lower-deck seats kiss the alumni's buts for giving much bucks to Carolina's Education Foundation (or the Rams Club), while the kids are shuffled into the upper deck. The descent from seaf row to seat row in that blue' heaven' is so severe, you can't enjoy the game because of the lingering danger of falling forward and plummeting to the hardwood. If's like observing playground hoops from a skyscraper, but without guardrails.

"They're gonna be missing a lot of tradition when they move out of this place," Manuel said, looking up at the championship banners. I agreed. We spoke about the difference in the antiseptic Dean Dome and the character of Carmichael, with its old hand-operated scoreboards and the corner

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Don't drop policy

repeat without penalty policy is a mistake that will hurt students who use it wisely.

Faculty Senate is trying to make it harder for students to get a second chance.

Two weeks ago the Faculty Senate's Academic Policy Committee decided

the course repeat without penalty policy hurts students and should be eliminated

The policy, which applies to all 100-and 200-level courses, is being used as a safeguard by students — not as an academic crutch, as the committee

suggests.

Most NCSU students who have used the policy only did so as a last resort. Who really wants to sit through another semester of something in which he or she did poorly?

Chances are that if students do poorly the first time, whatever the reason, they will try harder the next time and do better, thus learning what they need to learn. Students learn and digest material at different rates, therefore the amount of meterial one. therefore the amount of material one student can master in one semester

may take another student two.

"Our whole purpose is not to encourage an easy way out," said Hayne Palmour, the resolution's author. There is no easy way to graduate from a university as demanding as NCSU. The sole demanding as NCSU. The sole purpose for the policy is not to protect students from low grade point averages, as the report would have you believe. The policy gives students some extra time to learn the material well and an opportunity to lay the foundation for further knowledge.

NCSU students can only use this option three times. Even if students used this option all three times, only between 9 and 12 hours of their total graduation hours would be affected. The other 100 or so hours would paint the big picture.

Students who are serious about graduating do not abuse the policy. Even those students who are drifters cannot depend on course repeats without penalty to get a degree or save their GPA.

If this university is genuinely concerned about its students, the course repeat without penalty policy will be allowed to remain what it is a helpful aid to students

Improvement needed

While plans for expanding a pilot advising program get started, many flaws in the current program need to be

e advising program at N.C he advising program at N.C.
State University is changing.
The changes are for the better.
According to Assistant Provost
Rebecca Leonard, a model developed
last year defining what good advising
should do has been implemented this
year in four departments. Teams in
each of those departments have each of those departments have attempted to modify their current system based on those guidelines. As Provost Phillip Stiles initiates a plan to expand the pilot program, several aspects of the current system deserved

The policy requiring students to have an adviser should be questioned have an adviser should be questioned. The current advising program can be a time-consuming chore for both advisers and students. Students and professors both have busy schedules. It is unnecessary for students to meet with their advisers for the sole. purpose of receiving their personal identification numbers. Many students are on task already and don't need any advice from their advisers. In those cases, it is a waste of time for the student and the adviser to arrange a

time to meet each semester.

On the flip side, students who do

need advising don't always receive the help they need by their assigned advisers. When advisers cannot answer students' questions, they often send them to other faculty who can. Sometimes students are not helped at all and leave the meeting without solutions or answers to their problems. To avoid such difficulties, problems. To avoid such difficulties, students should be able to choose an adviser who is helpful. All advisers can't be equally effective. And professors can't be blamed for not meeting the needs of all students. Full-time advisers could meet those needs. Hiring faculty who would do nothing but advise students should be considered. Low graduation rates show that many students need more guidance in course and curriculum

guidance in course and curriculum selection. Currently, advisers don't have the time to work with every student who needs help. The focus of

student who needs help. The focus of full-time advisers would be on the students and their goal would be to put them on the right track.

This proposed solution is only one among many possibilities. The advising program needs improvement. advising program needs improvement. Its weaknesses need to be addressed when making any changes. Academic advising has a great impact on students. With help, that impact can be a positive one for more NCSU students. Stiles should be applauded for recognizing weaknesses with the current program and taking the initiative to eliminate them.

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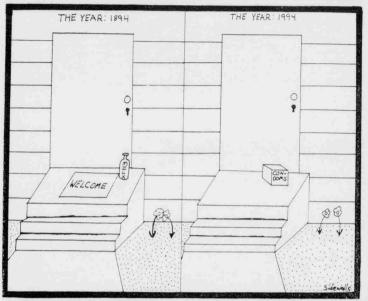
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Commentary

Beware, the legislature is in town

There's an old adage that states, "When the legislature's in town, hang on to your wallets and make sure your teenage daughters are safe inside your home." The legislature is back in town for a special session on crime. It intends, in grand deliberative fashion, to stamp out crime in one fell swoop.

It will debate over prisons, presumptive sentencing, juvenile crime, gun control and (fill in the blank). This last one is, of course, a catch-all category that allows this august body to enact whatever legislation it chooses.

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legislation it chooses, Gov. Jim Hunt is loosely presiding over this session, having called it and addressed

it. In the coming weeks, you'll see on the pages of your newspapers and the screens of your televisions a veritable parade of testimonial witnesses, legal experts, senatorial sound bites and other such drivel. Pay close attention to what they are saying. Write it down. Analyze it for content and legal to the screen witnesses where the saying which is the same series where the saying which is the same series where the saying which is the same series where seri

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If you do this properly, if you cut to the heart of the issue, you will find the abounding proclamations are as devoid of substance as will be your savings accounts if this circus meets expectations. For, you see, we are entrenched within the age of full-blown, liberal compassion. This period of judicial forgiveness began in the late 1960s when love came to be seen as an acceptable substitute for military might on an international front. It continued in the 1970s by extending itself to domestic policy. It entrenched in the 1980s as an ideological, democratic reaction to the thought that a conservative had actually won a presidential election. It will now explode in the 1990s ander the philosophy of President Bill Clinton and

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These people have effectively rewritten the definition of the word victim.

Victims used to be people who suffered at the hands of individuals who committed crimes against them. There was a clear line between victim and perpertator.

A victim is now a woman who cuts off the penis of her sleeping lushband and (for all practical purposes) gets away with it because of the trauma and indignity she has previously suffered. Never mind that this gay was sleeping. Never mind that this gay was sleeping. Never mind that all this woman had to do was walk out the door. But wait, she couldn't do that because the arch-feminists have proclaimed that she has the right to her home. She shouldn't have to leave, therefore she won't.

A victim is now the woman who voluntarily gets so drank she doesn't know what bar she's at, who (after sleazing over some willing male just as drunk as she goes to bed with him. He's now the rapist and she is the victim. I'm not kidding about this folks. Under the law, if a woman is drunk, the courts say that she cannot give consent, even if she has granted consent prior to her drunken state.

A victim is now two men who kill their parents, leave to reload the shorgun and

return to kill them some more, as if the first round wasn't enough. This used to be first-degree murder. Today a jury can't even decide if it was involuntary manslaughter. You think these are the aberrations? You think these are just the high-profile cases and are but exceptions to the everyday meeting of justice? You are wrong. These atroctites of warped moral values are occurring all over this country, on every level of the judicial system, everyday.

every level of the judicial system, everyday. In cases large and small. In cases of national significance and those which affect only two parties. Yet our legislature is now swooping into town to take care of the problem. Listen to me! It is the legislatures, the courts and the executive branches in this country that caused the problems to begin with. It is their laws, their ignorant bureaucratic policies, their illegitumate court decisions, their penal codes and their liberal ignorance that allowed the social climate of our country to rot and fester. And now we expect these same cretims to do something about it? Their policies allow criminals of this country the latitude to commit tand get away with more violence and more theft than ever before. If you take away all moral constraints, those with no morals at all will fill the niche.

We don't need new laws and regulations, We need to eliminate the criminal from society.

Polls and labels are misleading

Political discussions today are dominated by polis and labels. A poll is a survey of persons chosen at random or from a sample group in order to discover public opinion trends. Polls are not oracles of truth, but of subjective opinion; yet poll results are often treated as irrefutable facts. A label is a short descriptive word or phrase, Polltically, labels are empty terms used to distract people from issues. For example, let's examine the currently hot topic — crime. In a USA Today Gallup Poll relased on Jan. 25, 37 percent of the respondents listed crime as the most important problem facing the United States. Health care, unemployment, the economy and poverty drew 20, 18, 14 and 11 percent, respectively. Interestingly, six months ago the order was different. Health care drew 28 percent, the economy, 26 percent, unemployment, 20 percent, and crime a meager 9 percent. An article in the Jan. 25 issue of USA Today noted that all crime dropped 5 percent in the same time period. In the polls, however, crime surged in importance. So, crime must be actually getting worse.

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Or is it? I believe crime is a serious problem, but it is the perception of crime about which I am writing. With the Bobbitt trial, the Menendez trials, the local Seagroves trial and the ever-unfolding Tonya Harding saga. I can understand how the public's sensitivity to crime has been heightened. Gov. Jim Hunt's recent address and call for a special session of





the state legislature indicates that he feels

media.

Remember, I am not saying crime is not a problem, it is. When the media report on events, however, they do not actually create reality but rather our collective view of it. I am not so cynical as to write that the media simply fabricate stories out of thin air, but neither am I going to concede that the public receives the objective truth. The purpose of the media, like all good capitalist ventures, is to make money. The media, good or bad, liberal or conservative, will tend to cover what is currently "hot" in order to get the ratings, and hence the advertiser's dollars.

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Thus polls, which reflect what the media consider to be important, reveal only what the public has on its collective mind. For example, in the same USA Today Gallup Poll an overwhelming 84 percent of the respondents indicated they believe there is a health care crisis. Bob Dole says there is no health care crisis. Since I believe that there is a health care crisis, and have "backed" it up with a poll, is my modest

opinion now "fact?" Of course not. Dole has his opinion, and I respect it while I disagree with it. Yet some people, when they read something they do not agree with, arrogardly seek to prove they are right by quoting a poll. If this is a valid means of determining truth, then I am right and Bob Dole is wrong. If Bob Dole is wentiled to his opinion despite what polls say, however, then so am I. You cannot have if both ways.

Labels come in handy to turn political opponents into something they are not. Take for example the role of government, A USA Today editorial on Jan. 25 asserted that crime is a local problem and the federal government should stay out. The opposing guest columnist, with whom I agreed, argued. "The federal government has an obligation to do what it can to stem the tide of violent crime in America. The federal government will spend \$5 billion to build 10 regional prisons to which states can send their violent criminals, but only if the states adopt key reform ... Who was this man ready to expand the role of government at considerable taxpayer expense, and who called upon the sovereign states to change their laws to satisfy a more centralized federal government? Who conformed to this example of the liberal label? Why, Bob Dole of course. Since the same Gallup Poll listed Americans as believing Democrats were better than Republicans, at fighting crime, so is crime fighting now

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Wolfpack sports

As we find ourselves in the middle of our men's basketball season, the Student Wolfpack Club encourages the student body to also membre the university's many non-revenue sports. Although Coach Les Robinson and the team need students' support to help pull them through the tough ACC battles, our other teams need support as well. If you have never seen Coach Kay You and the Wolfpack women in action, you're missing out on some great basketball. Also, how many opportunities will you have to see collegiate swimming, gymnastics or wrestling? Coach Ray Tanner's nationally ranked baseball team is getting ready for another great season. All of this action is right here on campus — free for students! Again, the Student Wolfpack, Club encourages you to pick up an affain, the Student Wolfpack, Club encourages you to pick up an affain, the Student and ger ready for all kinds of great Wolfpack action! Go Pack!

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Be proud of student athletes

How soon we forget. I believe the athletic low point for N.C. State University was the infamous quote, "I am amphibious." I am amphibious." As an aluminus of N.C. State University. I am as discouraged as the next when it comes to basketball. What Coach Les Robinson. Todd Turner and Chancellor Earry Monteith are trying to create is an athletic program locused on academics, creating men and women off the courts and fields who will be able to compete and strive for the best once they have received their degree. The coaches and administrators are encouraging the athletes' minds to work off the court, because not everyone is the best-of-the-best it.

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takes to be a professional athlete.

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So if athletics is that important to you, Maybe, you should have gone to Carolina.

Go Pack!

Jenny Kumor

Gilbody's claims way off base

Week after week G. Douglas Gilbody uses his column to criticize any point of view that may differ from his own. Gilbody is also not above slandering the names of our founding fathers or calling the last four Republican presidents liars. He speaks of truth, but he ignores any discrepancies that have surfaced within the first year of Bull Clinton's presidency. Gilbody criticizes past presidents and ignores the fact that Clinton is nose is growing at an exceptional rate. Gilbody now goes so far as to try.

Gilbody now goes so far as to try to convince us that the news media do not present the news with a liberal slant. Although, he disproves

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