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Broder wants public input

■ People know better than the government what they want, a nationally syndicated columnist said on campus Friday.

Ideas for health care reform must come from the public, Washington Post columnist David Broder said Friday at the final session of the Emerging Issues Forum. People ultimately will resent any plan in which they have no input, he said.

"The public had better feel that this is something it chose rather than something that was forced on it," he said. "Policy is made by the experts and is explained by the politicians. The mass of people

The media also often struggle to explain complicated ideas in a way readers and viewers can easily understand, he said.

"I have yet to hear anyone with a health care reform plan who can walk a person through it, even in the barest detail, in under 30 minutes," he said.

minutes," he said.

Broder, speaking during a luncheon at Gov. Jim Hunt's annual symposium, questioned the federal government's ability to efficiently manage a new health care system. Congress has only a 29 percent approval rating, and 1,100 interest groups are trying to influence the structure of the new plan, so the outcome is not likely to be what Americans want, he said.

"As a practical matter, when you are trying to change a system and have to go through 536 government officials and 1,100 special interest groups, the chances of getting anything coherent are slim," he

anything coherent are slim," he said.

The answer is to have more informed discussion about the problem, he said.

"Forums such as this one are exactly what we need," he said.
"Perhaps some audience members will go back to their own communities and hold their own forums on health care."

The appreciative audience of about 1,000 laughed at Broder's description of his first overnight hospital stay.

He went to Johns Hookins in 1901

He went to Johns Hopkins in 1991 for prostate surgery and, while there, was told he also needed gall

they d give me a topotomy, ne joked.

His experience in the hospital made him feel that government should regulate but not control health care, he said. Banks are government-regulated and are generally efficient, while the powerment and is less efficient, he said.

"People say 'Can government police the [health care] industry better than it can police itself?" he said. "The answer may be yes. Can the government run this industry better than it can run itself? Probably not."

Broder, whose columns prompted

Broder, whose columns prompted Hunt to call him the "dean of political correspondents," spoke after a panel discussion featuring



David Broder said Congress has trouble making decisive choices when considering issues that affect everyone.

insurance and medical experts.

To weather hurt attendance at the forum, which featured speeches by Clinton Thursday.

Here's one!



Mott Davis buys roses from Debble Driscoll and Christine Rhyne of the Circle K Club Sunday evening in the University Student Center.

Man attacks, fails to rape student

convicted of breaking and entering in 1992 is charged with the attempted rape of an NCSU freshman.

BY DAVE BLANTON

A paroled felon is behind bars again after he allegedly kidnapped, sexually assaulted, beat and stabbed an N.C. State University woman early Friday morning after volunteering to give the 18-year-old a ride.

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Police said Oliver Westbrook Fox. 18, of Raleigh, arranged to pick up the woman from Lee Residence Hall around midnight and take her to meet her boyfriend at his Hilsborough Street workplace.

But Fox instead marched her through the iced-over campus and into a Pullen Park restroon, where he forced her at gunpoint to undress. After trying and failing to rape her, he forced her to perform oral sex. Then, after again trying and failing to rape her, be told her

to turn around and then stabbed her twice — once in the neck and once in the neck and once in the chest, police said.

The attacker then tried to peel the rest of her clothes off, until she tried to move away, prompting him to beat her in the head.

The assulant left after convincing the woman to remain still in the restroom for at least an hour, police said.

Raleigh police officers later arrested Fox while he stood at a Hillsborough Street pay phone. He was charged with first-degree sex offense, first-degree kidnapping, assault with intent to kill and attempted first-degree rape, according to arrest warrants. Fox was charged in a break-in that occurred Monday. He was convicted of breaking and entering in 1992. Fox served five months in the Western Youth Institution in Morganton and was parioled in September.

Although Pullen Park is out of the jurisdiction of the campus police department, Public Safety arrived.

Stafford: Student participation needs to improve

■ Students don't always fill their responsibilities in university committees, some

By CHRIS BAYSDEN

committees.
There are over 20 standing committees at N.C. State University, and many of them have spots for undergraduate students. Each year, the student body president appoints from two to six

The number appointed depends on the size of the committee. Committees deal with a variety of issues and events, from commencement to residence life.

The decisions made by those committees often carry considerable weight with high university officials, said Provost Phillip Stiles. "All the way up to the chancellor, those committees have input,"

Stiles said.

NCSU Health Committee chair Timothy Winslow agreed.

"[Students] have a hot line to the top. They know that their voice will be heard," he said. Winslow said

"It's nothing new. One [student] last year actually called the library and asked to be taken off the mailing list. Lo and behold, he's back on the committee again this year."

— Susan Purrington, chair of the Library Committee

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Hall promotes lottery, education in bid for state House

■ The state legislature could get a shot of young blood if an NCSU student's plans work out.

BY DAVE BLANTON

Part-time student Duane Hall said he will try to bring to North Carolina the lottery and stiffer penalties for fathers who don't pay child support.

But the senior in political science must first be elected to the state House of Representatives, a position for which he said he would run.

He lives in the 63rd District, the zone that encompasses N.C. State University's campus, Western Boulevard, Avent Ferry Road, Gorman Street and part of Cary.

The Guilford County native said he will try to introduce a bill that would bring the lottery to North Carolina, something he said 70 percent of the public would support. It also has other advantages, he said.

"The lottery can bring a lot of money to education in this state. The lottery is beneficial. It is instant money."

> Duane Hall, senior in political science

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But he said he knows lottery funds are often misused, tied up in a bureaucratic quagmire. He said when other states starting getting money from their lotteries, they winded up just cutting funds from the general education supply. But he said he'll try to keep that from happening.

appening.
"I think the solution is to propose a bill that
akes sure most of the money goes where it
tould — education," he said. "That part
ould be written in to the original bill."

He said Dan Blue, D-Raleigh, continues to vote the bill down, which means the electorate doesn't get the chance to vote on

the measure.

"I think be is just personally opposed to the lottery and that's why be's not letting it out of the House," Hall said. Blue, like many others, said he feels a lottery will hurt those who are already poor, Hall said.

Hall, who was 1988 president of the NCSU
College Democrats, said his car was stolen about two weeks ago. As he stepped into the Avent Ferry Road shopping center post office, the thief drove his car off. Charlotte police recovered his car a few days later. But he said the suspect had been arrested for two other car thefts and was on parole.

Friend and NCSU alumnus John DeHart

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perspective on crime.
"He's been a recent victim so he'll probably
want to crack down on [crime]," said the
1990 graduate, who was vice president of the
NCSU College Democrats when Hall was

president.

Now a loan officer with Abbey Financial, he said Hall used his leadership and energy to recruit more members for the student organization.

"The group probable of the student organization."

organization.

"The group probably doubled in size," DeHart said. "We had about 15 active members and it went to 30."
Hall said he would introduce a bill that made it a felony to not pay child support. That meshes with his philosophy about families that have children but then fail to stick together, he said.
"If a baby is born out of wedlock, we should know who the father is so prosecution is easier." Hall said.
He said other states have engineered bills that would take away driver's licenses and

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News Notes

Exhibit features area artists' work

The multimedia works of 10 eaching artists from universities in

The multimedia works of 10 teaching artists from universities in the Triangle area are on exhibit until April 8 at the African American Cultural Center Gallery.

The Gallery is open to the public, free of charge, weekdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"Explore, Envision, Enricht African-American Faculty Exhibition 1904" includes work by Chandra Cox and Charles Joyner of N.C. State University; Linda Dallas of Meredith College: James Gadson of UNC-Chapel Hill, Minnie McMillan of Shaw University, David Johnson of Shaw University David Johnson of Shaw University and St. Augustine's College; and Beverly McIver, John Hughley and Lana Henderson of N.C. Central University.

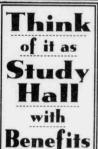
This is the first year that the exhibit has been held in the Cultural Center.

Public events highlighting the exhibit include a series of lectures by participating artists on selected Thursdays. A meet-the/artist reception is scheduled for Sunday at 3 p.m.

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Annex.

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didn't keep up with their child support. He recommended similar bills in the House.

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responsible."
In his three years as a full-time student, he served on the NCSU Judicial Board and the N.C. Student organization

Judicial Board and the N.C. Student Legislature, a student organization that simulates sessions of the General Assembly. He co-oped in 1989 for Stewart James Brokership in Raleigh, then worked as an intern until the company relocated. He decided then to stay in the Raleigh area.

Stafford

Continued from Page 1 attendance problems. "It's nothing new." she said. "One [student] last year actually called the library and asked to be taken off the mailing list. Lo and behold, he's back on the committee again this year," she said. Purrington said she doesn't know why students don't attend meetings. The committee tries to meet when there are the fewest conflicts, she said. The fact that the student body president honored them by appointing them should be incentive for them to attend, she said. istudent last year actually called the thirary and asked to be taken of the mailing list. Lo and behold, he's back on the committee again this year," she said.

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Environment Committee had a similar problem last year. But this

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year he called all the students who were not attending and asked them to step down if they were unable to come to the meetings. He said he worked closely with Student Body President Chris Jones to appoint students who would be active in the committee.

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Sports

Kevin Brewer



Why not add the black?

A search to find out what N.C. State's official school colors are just might end up changing them. You never

Imagine N.C. State's football team running onto the field at Carter-Finley Stadium with Janet Jackson's "Black Cat" or AC/DC "Back in Black" playing over the stadium speakers.

stadium speakers.

Or how about the Rolling Stones

*Paint it Black**?

First, the team is announced, and it runs out to Mick Jagger's subtle

it runs out to Mick Jagger's subtle beginning.

I see a red door, and I want to paint it black/No colors anymore! want to turn them black.

And by the time Jagger is depressed about his whole world being black, the team and \$9,000 fans are whipped into a frenzy. You don't even have to think about the sun being blotted out because the song will fadle out before its end. I don't know if that's what Christowe, a long snapper on the football team, had in mind when he frought the idea to fondahan Bost, a member of the Student Wolfpack Club, but why not?

Teams incorporating black in

member of the Student Wottpack Club, but why not? Teams incorporating black in their colors is already a trend. And besides, Bost says this will just make it official. Most sports merchandising companies already use red, white and black in selling Wottpack products, "Everywhere you look, it's red, white and black, even though it's red and white in the fight song." Bost said. "You might as well put it in the books to make it official." Bost said clove heard a rumor that the official school colors are red, white and blue. What? That's when Bost began his research. His search ended in State's Archives department, where

That's when Bost began his research. His search ended in State's Archives department, where he found out that yes, the school colors are red and white. And they've been red and white since 1895, according to the Beezley Document, which provides a brief history of athletics at State. By the way, the last change, according to last year's football media guide was in 1895. The colors before red and white were blue and pink.

OK, then let's make it official, Go ahead and change the colors. That's the hard part.

When the faculty agreed to red and white in 1895, it also mandated that the colors will only change again if NCSU's students express their concern with a two-thirds vote.

their concern was a swotch.

That's right, two-thirds. Not only is it hard to get a mere 10 percent of State students to participate in an election for Student Body. President, but motivating two-thirds—almost 18,000 students to vote for anything may be nearly impossible.

But don't let that discourage you. Maybe—just maybe—a trivial

But don't let that discourage you Maybe — just maybe — a trivial issue about sports is just what the campus needs to vote on. And Student Senate President Chris Scott said it is likely a referendum concerning the school colors will be on the ballot for the

referendum concerning the school colors will be on the ballot for the student elections in the spring. Bost and Love are both student senators, and Love said he will propose the referendum Wednesday. But let's look at another advantage of changing the school colors to red, white and black—it's trivial, mind you. The professional teams that have built the biggest reputation on their colors are the Oakland/Los Angeles Raiders and the Atlanta Falcons. Imagine defensive tackle Carl Reeves tackling a quarterback in red and white. Now, do the same, adding a considerable amount of black—not just trim. Same result, but Reeves would be a lot more intimidating in black—of you should be a lot more intimidating in black—of State/And we know we are the best/A hand behind our back we can take on all the rest/Go to hell Carolina/Devils and Deacs stand in line/The red, white—and black—of N.C. State/Go State!

Terrapins avenge loss with all-around game

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — It was an ugly shooting performance for N.C. State's women's basketball team.
And is 71-63 loss to Maryland Sunday will probably keep it out of the NCAA Tournament. State, which shot 36 percent from the field, fell to 11-10 overall and 4-7 in the ACC, placing the Wolfpack sixth in a conference enduring a down year. State has five ACC games remaining. Two are on the road against top-10 opponents

for the Pack to total an 8-8 record in the conference.

The loss is the Pack's fourth in its last five games. Maryland ups its record to 13-8 overall and 7-4 in the ACC. The first half, which period, holding a four-point lead with seven induced live ties, went back and-forth. The Pack even led for most of the period, holding a four-point lead with seven forward Bonnie Rimkus scored seven points, including a three-pointer at the buzzer, to give Maryland a 41-33 lead. The Terps ended the half with a 13-4 run, and State didn't inch any

closer than eight until the \$3.31 mark in tea-game.

Rimkus led Maryland in the win with 19 points, including 15 in the first half, and tine rebounds. Forward Michele Andrew also chipped in with 12 points and 11 boards.

The Terps' inside game made the difference. In the teams' last meeting Jan. 22, State pulled out a 57-56 win, while concentrating on Maryland's front line. The Pack placed its three inside players in man-to-man, and its two guards helped out inside in a zone.

zone.

Lil Purvis and Karon Ferguson combined

at 8:34.

State's Jennifer Howard helped bring the Pack back, scoring 17 points and pulling down five rebounds. The freshman guard totaled seven points in the second half and hit two free throws, cutting the Terrapin lead to four with 3:31 left.

State's Kolleen Kreul totaled 14 points and nine rebounds, while reserve Muriel Davis came up with 13 points and nine rebounds.

Tennis team splits first two matches

South Carolina N.C. State

By Aaron Morrison

COLUMBIA, S.C. — N.C. State's men's tennis tennis team split its first two regular-season matches Saturday, beating Boston College 6-1 and falling to South Carolina 4-1 for a 1-1 record.

State fielded three underclassmen.

1-1 record

State fielded three underclassmen, and freshman Dan Murphy was instrumental in the Pack's victory over the Eagles. Senior Bert Bolick had a banner weekend, not dropping a match the entire weekend.

"I felt like our freshmen were very comfortable out on the court." State coach Crawford Henry said. "There were a lot of good close matches all weekend."

In the first match, Murphy and Merritt Lawn snagged the deciding point in doubles competition to give State a 1-0 lead. Then, Murphy battled from behind in the second set of his singles match, giving the Pack a four-point cushion and the win over BC.

Against South Carolina, Bolick and freshman Eric Saunders turned in an upset performance, defeating the nationally-ranked team of Jose Fronter, and Johann Sandberg 8-5. "That was a big win for Bert and Eric," Henry said. "That win really helps their ranking and confidence."

Bolick cruised in his singles

Eric," Henry said, "That win really helps their ranking and confidence."

Bolick cruised in his singles match, beating Sandberg 6-4, 6-2.
"It's frustrating to know how close all the matches were and still come away with a loss," Henry said, "especially when we have some players who can't play because of injury. I am very pleased with our overall performance."



Pack thrashes competition

West Virginia 187 825 New Hampshire Missouri 183 425

BY CLAY BEST

For N.C. State's gymnastics team, the season began anew Friday night in Reynolds Coliseum. The new year kicked off with a few bumps and bangs, but mostly a lot of hits. The Wolfpack defeated three top-20 teams in the Hearts Invite, its first home meet of the season.

first home meet of the season. The Pack's season-high score of 189.675 blew away 11th-ranked West Virginia's 187.825 by almost two points. State was also nearly three points shead of 15th-ranked New Hampshire (185.8) and was over six points better than 20th-ranked Missouri (183.425).

of the season for the Pack, it was the one State coach Mark Stevenson's squad pointed to as the true beginning of its season.

"We try to use late January and early February to try out new things in our routines," Stevenson said. We fill add new tricks and see what we can realistically do in competition. We want to improve each week in our early meets, but this is the meet we look at in terms of preparing to qualify for regionals."

All four of the Pack's event team scores were higher than any score posted by any of the meet's three other teams.

State's success began on the vault

Baseball team pulls out 3rd-place finish

ORIANDO, Fig. — After three consecutive losses in the Olive Garden Classic this weekend, N.C. State's 14th-ranked baseball team defeated Kansas 7-3 Sunday, picking up a third-place linish in the tournament.

Starting pitcher Matt Roupe pitched 6 1/3 innings, surrendering only two carned runs on two bits.

with two RBI. He was also the tournament batting leader, going 12-15 for an .800 average and a Classic record. Edens' 12 hits are

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Tennessee 6, N.C. State 3 No. 10 Tennessee blast

No. 10 Tennessee blasted Terry Harvey for six hits and six runs in his first start of the season. Harvey last 4 1/3 innings the seven-inning

game.

Mark Bogle and Corey Lee pitched the last two inning, shutting out the Volunteers.

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State's academics on the right track

■ N.C. State's semester-by semester rule has brought attention to its athletics policies. But other academic indicators place NCSU at the top of the conference.

By Aaron Morrison

N.C. State University changed its academic standards for student-athletes five years ago because of low graduation rates and the controversy that surrounded its men's basketball team.

Now, after the surrounded.

men's basketball player Lewis Sims on Jan. 14, some say the changes may not be warranted and question their efficiency. According to the NCAA's report

on graduation rates, State's men's basketball team had graduation rate of six percent for players entering in the 1986-87 school year. North Carolina and Duke both have graduation rates over 80 percent during the same span.

And Clemson, a school similar to State in age and curriculum, graduated 31 percent of its players. Something had to be done, so NCSU implemented a semester-by-semester evaluation plan for all

therees.

The plan, the only one of its kind in the nine-member Atlantic Coast Conference, determines an athlete's cademic eligibility to compete in

the rule."
State Athletics Director Todd
Turner said the six-percent
graduation rate is not indicative of
the performance of the athletes this

the performance or the auroscs by-year.

Compared with other men's
basketball NCAA Division I teams,
the high school SAT scores of
current State players scores rank
seventh in the nation and first in the
ACC. State's SAT average is 956,
120 above the NCAA average.
Players at North Carolina
averaged 797, and Duke's players
averaged 883. Clemson's average is
821.

**21. "That statistic does not surprise me." Turner said. "Les Robinson has brought student-athletes to this university who can excel in the classroom as well as on the court. His biggest job is to develop student-athletes into better people."

Grade point averages

Turner also said State's team grade point average has risen from a 1.8 to a 2.5 since Robinson has

a 1.8 to a saturation over.
And GPA requirements for athletes at State are — on the whole — consistent with those of the NCAA requirements with a few

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Minimum GPA Requirements for Graduation Minimum hours of specific degree

GPA By the beginning of second year NCAA requires NCSU requires 1.5 By the beginning of third year NCAA requires plus a declared major NCSU requires 1.8 1.7 By the beginning of fourth year NCAA requires NCSU requires By the beginning of fifth year NCAA requires NCSU requires

NCSU grade point average requirement for hours required for satisfactory progress by the NCAA. GPAs shown are for hours required for minimum NCAA satisfactory progress. If more hours are taken, GPA requirement may increase. Actual scale is:

72-83 1.9 more than 8.3 2.0

*NCAA requirement equals 90 percent of GPA required for graduation.

*NCAA requirement equals 95 percent of GPA required for graduation.

*Up to 12 hours of remedial courses may be taken during the first year. NCSU does not count remedial hours for graduation and they must be subtracted from the hours of satisfactory progress (col. 1) to yield the actual hours of progress countable toward a specific degree (col. 2). If this yields fewer hours than are shown in col. 2, the student is ineligible.

*Based on NCAA requirement of 25 percent, 50 percent and 75 percent of hours required for graduation at beginning of third, fourth and fifth years respectively.

*NCAA requires that at least 75 percent of these hours must be taken the academic year (no more than 25 percent in summer school).

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Three-point shooting: 1-3 (Rimkus 1-2, Purvis 0-1).
Blocked Shots: 3 (Purvis 2, Camper).
Turnovers: 16 (Ferguson 5, Andrew 4, Camper 3, Rimkus 2, Adams, Williams, Steals: 8 (Andrew 2, Ferguson 2, Purv Rimkus, Williams).

Attendance: 1,210. Officials: Pickett, Franklin, Wein

Hearts

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Vault, tying for third place. She landed solid — maybe too solid—and imped off holding her back. However, the senior co-captain returned to compete on the floor.

"We bad a really good day vaulting." Stevenson said. "It set up bars nicely, and after the falls, we really got on a roll." State had three falls on the bars, but only two counted since six Pack gymnasts entered the bar competition.

Nicole Cimato's 9.6 won a second-place finish on the bars. Jennifer Kilgore, Christi Newion and Christy Davis all fell in the bars routine. Newton's fall costs her a five-tenths deduction and, more importantly, the individual all-around competition.

The sophomore finished second with a total of 38.35, a seant .35 of a point behind the Mountaineers' Lajuanda Moody, Newton just missed her second consecutive all-around win of the season.

Davis took a hard fall, but finished her routine and stayed in the competition, notching a 9.675 on the balance beam.

"We could have gotten down lafter all of the early mishaps]."

Answers

Crossword Puzzle

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Grades

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Newton said. "But we stayed focused and got tougher as the meet

focused and got tougher as the meet went on."
Freshman Lisa Donaldson showed some of that toughness in her first meet. Donaldson finished with two solid scores, a 9-575 on beam and 90.5 on the floor exercise.
Newton won the individual competition on the beam with another 9-8.

Tatte dominated, the floor

mother 9.8. State dominated the floor ompetition, finishing with a team core of 47.55, on the heels of a chool record on the floor last weekend in New Hampshire. Sewton also won the individual loor competition with yet another (8).

9.8. "We just concentrated on what we did in practice," Cimato said, "It worked tonight. We could have gotten down after bars, but we didn't. We stayed together and had a great night."

didn't. We stayed together and ma-a great night."

"We continued on the right track tonight." Stevenson said of his squad, which improves to 4-3. "So far this season, we've tried to improve each meet by two points. We've been able to do that.

"But tonight we jumped over two points. We're doing a good job. We've just got to keep working and worry about ourselves. It's nice to win the meet, but it's even better to accomplish the things you set out to do."

Continued from Page 3 discrepancies. After their first semester, athletes must post a 1.5. There is no requirement for the NCAA. However, 24 credit hours of

NCAA
However. 24 credit hours of
progress toward graduation each
academic year is a mandate from
the NCAA — but not NC. State.
And no more than 25 percent of
those hours may be taken during
summer school.

"First I think we should raise the
initial GPA requirement to from 1.5
to 1.6 or 1.7, but we should not
enforce that until after the first year,
not first semester, "Cooper said.
"We also need the addition of the
progress toward graduation. That is
the best thing the NCAA requires."
According to the Anderson (SC.)
Independent-Mail, the Clemson's
men's basketball tream produced an
average GPA of 1.8 for the fall
semester and no Tiger players were
suspended.
The high school GPA of
Clemson's players is also 2.7, while
State's is 3.03. NCSU's is also
higher than North Carolina's (2.54)
and Duke's (2.81). The NCAA
average is 2.6.

average is 2.05.

Recruiting

And statistics like the Wolfpack's graduation rate and the semester-by-semester rule burt a coach's chance at snagging top prospects.

"The past problems and graduation rates do put coaches on the defensive," Turner said. "It doesn't give them a chance to sell all the good things about our university."

And that has caused State to make changes in recruiting strategy. Cooper said the university is now recruiting only student-athletes with a better than average chance of graduating.

a graduating.

According to the Board of Governor's Report on Athletics, the graduation rate in the last five years

Academic Comparisons

Men's Basketball	SAT	GPA'	Graduation Rate
NCSU	956	3.03	6%
Duke	883	2.81	82
NCAA Avg.	836	2.65	41
Clemson	821	2.70	31
UNC	797	2.54	86
Football	SAT	GPA'	Graduation Rate
Duke	1003	3.09	86
NCSU	852	2.62	43%
UNC	834	2.47	67
Clemson	781	2.92	39
NCAA Avg. 'High school GPA	558	2.68	47

Graduati Exhausted Eligibility Duke UNC 82 NCSU 74% NCAA Avg.

Duke and North Carolina were selected for comparison because of their geographic proximity to N.C. State. Clemson University was selected for comparison because of its membership in the ACC and its similarities to N.C. State as a primarily agricultural/mechanical landgrant institution of similar founding date.

among student-athletes has risen 12 percent at NCSU.

"The best way to measure how well the student-athletes are doing is to compare their graduation rates against that of the entire student body." Turner said. "In the ACC, there is only one school with a smaller differential between the two than N.C. State. That school is Florids Stree.

than N.C. State. That school is Florida State.

The student body at NCSU
graduates at a rate of 60 percent, while the student-athletes are just behind at 57 percent.

"I believe in the future that student-athletes will have a higher graduation rate than the rest of the student body." Turner said. "The

athletes have more resources and

Although statistics prove that NCSU athletics is on the rise academically, there may still be a discrepancy between the reality of NCSU's student-athletes and their perception

perception.

"Academic performance among student-athletes at our university is much better than it is perceived around the country," NCSU Provost Phillip Stites said. "We have a first-rate program, a first-rate staff and first-rate students and student-athletes. Our university is beginning to set the academic standard for the rest of the country."

Baseball

Kansas 9, N.C. State 6 In the opener, the Jayhawks broke open the game in the first two inning with five runs off as many

walks. Starter Rob Winkler lasted just 1 1/3 innings, giving up all five runs — four earned — and striking

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Wolfpack Notes

Wolfpack nips Tigers for 2nd win

CLEMSON, S.C. - N.C. State's

wrestling team edged Clemson 20-18 Saturday night, earning its second conference victory of the

second conteience victory of the secasion.

The victory improves the Pack's record to 8-6-2, 2-4 in the ACC.

State won five out of 10 weight classes to get by the Tigers. Senior Mike Norton won the 126-pound weight class for the Pack, pinning his opponent at the 6-41 mark.

Chris Kwortnik remains undefeated, winning his 10th match of the year 9-0 in the 167-pound weight class. The win raises the three-time all-American's career record to 66-12-2.

Other Pack winners included Ryan Numanaker at 134. Troy Charney at 142 and Steve Tenney at 177. State hosts Navy Sunday at 177. State hosts Navy Sunday at 1 p.m.

Basketball Preview

State, 8-13 (3-7 in the ACC) A&T, 13-7

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Cupid's cute image may be a piercing illusion

Cupid: Cute and adorable or mean and nasty? You decide.

By Jean Lorscheider

o, you mought Cupid was simply a plump little cherub who adorns greeting cards and chocolate boxes? He just made eeople fall in love and live happily veer after, right?

Think again. Cupid was a roublemaker.

Cupid is represented as a chubby winged baby. He sometimes wears a blindfold, because (you guessed it) love is blind.

3. Hey, there's always 976 numbers

11. V.D. also stands for venereal disease

If you did have a sweetheart, he or she could very well be Really. You never know.

5. (FOR WOMEN ONLY) All men are pigs, anyway

6. (FOR MEN ONLY) Women think we're all pigs, anyway

2. You won't have to be subjected to your lover wailing "I-eeceeee-I will always loooooooooooooo youuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuu..."

4. Rest assured - Love does not make the world go 'round, money does.

7. Holding hands with somebody makes your palm all sweaty and gross. Why would you possibly want to spend the evening being wined and dined when you can study instead. (Red's probably not your color,

9. You are above the crass materialism and hollow sentiments that characterize Valentine's Day. So there. (Do you really want a cheesy Hallmark card to sum-up how you feel about somebody?)

10. You can always look forward to the future: Valentine's Day candy will be half-price tomorrow!

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g c f Marsy as into trouble, though. He just used his attitude. One day, all the gods were hanging out, listening to Minerva play her flute. When Cupid laughed at the funny faces she made when she played, she became enraged and throw the insortment to carrie

finner cupin tangines an interpretable from y faces she made when she played, she became enraged and threw the instrument to earth. This guy Marsyas found it and knew it was a superior instrument. So, he decided to challenge Apollo, the master musician, to a contest. Of course, Apollo won the had the upper hand, heing a god and all), Marsyas was skinned allive for being so disrespectful—thanks to Cupid, in a roundabout way. Cupid's vengeance against Apollo created big problems for an unsuspecting nymph. When Apollo ticked him off, Cupid shot the greated big problems for an unsuspecting nymph. When Apollo ticked him off, Cupid shot the greated big problems for an leaden arrow that made her depsise the thought of love. Apollo wanted Daphne, but she ran like hell to get away from him. When she could run no more, she begged her father Peneus, the river god, to save her. Daphne was transformed into a Laurel tree, which Apollo used as a crown. So much for playing hard to get. Cupid was a little materialistic. When Venus and Hera devised a plant to make Medeaf Ili in love with Jason, they enlisted Cupid's services. The payment for putting an arrow in Medea's heart — a ball

Cupid "the fairest of the deathless gods."

The god fell in love with the mortal Psyche, who became this wife. Early in their marriage, though, Cupid played serious mind games with his spouse. Cupid would not reveal his dentity to Psyche. He remained invisible to her, until she finally decided to kill him. When she saw the beautiful youth sleeping, she realized the error of her ways. But her relief ddn't last long.

The sleeping god woke up when Psyche inadverently spilled some hot lamp oil on him. He freaked and ran.

not lamp of on fill. He freaked and ran. When Psyche encountered him next, he was invisible again. He said that love cannot survive where there is no trust One poet described Cupid as more than mischievous, vengeful and self-righteous. Cupid had a masty side:

Evil his heart, but honey-sweet

"Evil his heart, but honey-sweet-his tongue. No truth in him, the rogue. He is cruel in his play. Small are his hands, yet his arrows fly far as death. Tury his shaft, but it carries heaven-high. Touch not his treacherous gifts, they are dipped in fire."

If you see an adorable flying baby take aim at you today with one of his golden arrows, maybe you should walk the other way. Fast.



The idiot's guide to original Valentine.

Candy in a heart-shaped box — preferably big, preferably lacy, preferably Godiva. (The gaudier the better.)

2. Flowers - preferably roses, preferably red, preferably 12.

Hallmark cards — preferably long, preferably rhyming, preferably with the word love at least five times.

4. Lingerie — preferably see-through, preferably edible, preferably bla

The Romantic Get-Away — preferably far away, preferably exotic, preferably expensive.

Dinner — preferably candle-lit, preferably quiet, preferably non-American.

Movie — preferably romantic, preferably non-realistic, preferably something with Julia Roberts in it.

8. Jewelry — preferably diamonds, preferably dazzling, preferably heart-

9. Puppy - preferably cute, preferably cuddly, preferably house-broken.

The Marriage Proposal — preferably sincere, preferably on bended-knee, preferably in public.

Valentine's Day vigilantes

■ There is some solace for those who think Valentine's Day should be banned.

By CLARENCE MOYE

Valentine's Day is widely considered to be the lover's holiday. No one believes Valentine's Day has become too commercialized. Everybody loves Valentine's Day, right' Wrong!
Two members of the University Scholars Forum, Johnathan Routh and Tonya Coffey, have created the "I Hate Valentine's Day" party for everyone who either doesn't have a significant other or just plain hates Valentine's Day.

significant other or just plain hates Valentine's Day. Tired of all the "cute" parties that are frequently held, Routh and Coffey wanted to start something "really, really different" for those

who get depressed on Valentine's Day. As co-chair of the event Coffey states, the "I Hate Valentine's Day" celebration "offers something to people who don't have boyfriends or girlfriends."

griffrends."

The party was held on Thursday, Feb. 11 , n Sullivan Dorm. Attendees of the festivities were encouraged to dress like Lorena and John Wayne Bobbit and participated in full-contact twister. Two special films. "Fatal Attraction" and "The Crush" were supposed to have been shown, but due to the inclement weather, someone's copy of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" was shown instead.

"(The party) went really well," Coffey stated, "We had a heart-shaped pinyata and a sheet cake with a heart on it with a "no" symbol through it."

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Welcome to the Year of the Dog



(Above) An unidentified woman plays "Touch Nose, a creative version of Pin-the Tail-on-the-Donkey during the Chinese New Year.

(Far right) The event was a chance for nearly 300 NCSU students and their families to celebrate their heritage.

(Near right) A man hands riddles he has solved to a game host in return for tickets that are redeemable for cassettes, video tapes and

■ The Chinese new year, celebrated Sunday night in the Student Center Annex, is a time for festivities.

Dog.
On Sunday, about 300 Chinese graduate and doctorate students brought their families and friends to the Student Center Annex to celebrate the Chinese new year, which was actually last Thursday.
Along with the students and faculty, some visiting scholars from



the festivities.
"We were all too busy during the week to have the party then," said Zhaoging Xue, president of the Chinese Student Association.

This celebration doesn't have any of the characteristics of the Western new year celebration. There was no count down or high ball dropped Thursday in China. There's only a smooth transition from the Year of the Mouse to the Year of the Dog that signified the beginning of the Chinese spring festival.

The Chinese calendar is based on a cycle in which the same animal

will represent a new year again every 12 years. This system also assigns one of the 12 animals to a person born on a certain year. For example, according to that calendar, you are a dog if you were born in 1970.

This system has many of the attributes of the Westernized astrological system in which one of the animal signs presumably is oriented more toward certain other animals within the system, Whether it's the dog liking the mouse or the Virgo liking the Libra, it's the same

The Chinese fertile season determines the spring festival and the Chinese calendar. At a designated time of the year, the new year celebration initiates the citizens' spring festival.

Chinese students at NCSU were a bit late, but the happy atmosphere and the smiling faces showed that those there didn't mind waiting three days for the party.

The International Student Committee sponsored the event, which enabled children and parents alike to enjoy games and refreshments.



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Viruses can also be transmitted in the small

aerosolized particles produced by a cough or sneeze, but this requires very close contact, and is not nearly as important as hand-to-hand (hand-to-nose) spread.

> Use the Cold Care Center at Student Health Service to get free cold symptom medication (at the corner of Pullen Rd. & Cates Ave.)



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2: What does safer sex mean to you? Safer Sex Defined



I'M AFRAID WEVE FOUND OUT

WHY YOU'VE BEEN

A: Safer sex for us means wearing condoms and taking the pill even though we're nonogamous. It doesn't hurt to be a little paranoid now

Devon K. Paedric



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HAVE SOME BAD NEWS

being aware of the possibility of STDs and taking precau-

Delores Miller



A: Safe sex is not just wearing a condom. It is good judgment in choosing a partner. Not good judgment in choosing a partner every other weekend, but choosing a partner and developing a relationship before taking the next step.

Roger Daniel

Being safe is more than just using a condom because they do not provide 100% protection. Protecting yourself and your partner should also involve safer behaviors and attitudes. A little more time preparing for intimacy can often spare you the potential aftershock of

Some methods that lead to safer sex include

- · Communicating with your partner about abstinence, contra ception, STDs, and past partners.
- Expressing your feelings and emotions about sex.
 Discussing how you and your partner could get screened for STDs/ HIV.
- . Using condoms with every act and style of intercourse and
- · Being aware of alcohols effect on sexual discisions

QUESTIONS ANSWERED BY DR. RIZK, NCSU STUDENT HEALTH SERVICE

Q. Once a Student is diagnosed with an STD, what are the issues they must deal with?

A. Basically two issues: the psychological and the physical aspects of the disease. The psychological issue is a real one—and often times the most difficult to address over the medical aspects of the STD. This is particularly true if the STD has no cure like genital warts, herpes, HIV, etc. I get asked quite often: "How and What do I tell my partner? What if he/she breaks the relationship?" The medical aspect is most of the time well accepted by the patient's partner provided he/she was given sufficient explanation about the cause of the disease and it's complications

Q. What are the most common STDs diagnosed at NCSU Student

Two STDs come to mind. Chlamydia and genital warts. Chlamydia is curable if treated promptly and properly. Genital warts has no cure to date, except for the physical destruction of the growth(s). Chlamydia is the leading cause of infertility in the U.S.

FEELING SO BAD LATELY, ALICE YOUR SEXUAL BEHAVIOR

2: Do you think abstinence/virginity is gaining popularity? Why?



A: Abstinence and virginity will never make a comeback as long as our society places a good deal of importance on the single act of sex. Sex is used simply for a means of entertainment and pleasure rather than an act of love

A: Virginity is a possibility for some, mainly if they have made that choice and can stick with it.

Abstinence seems far-fetched. It's hard for me to imagine a

person who has had sex to sud-denly decide not to.



A: I don't see virginity and A: I don't see virginity and abstinence as a resurging con-cept because upwards of 15 years old, young men and women want to experience the wonderful world of sex. They see it as something everyone does and enjoys.

Amy Lawless



A: To some I think abstinence and virginity are making a comeback but to most people in our generation sex is just a part of life. The only thing most of us can do to make sex safer is to stay informed and use the knowledge we gain

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ATHLETE'S QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Name: Todd Ward Sport: Football, Tri-Captain Major: Business Management Q. What are the three most important qualities in a healthy relationship?

This exist is a symmetrial to the following segmentation. The Control for Booth Principles, CAPE, John Parlamete, Capes, Agency, Aprila Major, M. E.A. H. Wenner, R.E.A.L. Mon, Thompson Theore and Alpha Major. INFORMATION RESOURCES:

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The root of the problem

■ In the General Assembly's special session on crime. improving education should be at the top of the list of things to discuss.

A s the General Assembly meets with Gov. Jim Hunt in a special crime session, lawmakers should be careful not to lawmakers should be careful not to focus solely on law enforcement and the state's prison systems. They should also take a hard look at one of the root causes of the state's growing crime problem — poor public school

The recent kidnap, assault and rape of an N.C. State University student brings a tragic emphasis to a new study done by NCSU sociologists who say that poor education and juvenile delinquency are related.

Matthew Zingraff and Jeffrey Leiter, associate professors of sociology at NCSU, have published findings that expose the ties between education and crime. They've found strong evidence that says schooling will reduce the risk of delinquency for abused and neglected children.

Society may be becoming jaded, but the findings seem like a given.

Though the "victim excuse" is losing its credibility due to high-profile court Menendez trials, children who are neglected or abused are certainly more likely to become criminal or anti-social

As the General Assembly debates proposals in this early session on crime, legislators need to discuss these findings.

When Hunt called for the special when runic cancer for the special session, he also televised an address to North Carolinians that outlined his proposals for quelling crime in the state — proposals from a Democrat governor that didn't sound all bad to Republican legislators

Now the General Assembly is debating proposals on crime, and its members will decide how to pay for Hunt's proposals — if they can agree on which proposals and how to implement them.

Though the session hasn't been a big media event so far, and though there have been minimal sparks flying among lawmakers, citizens cannot afford to look away from this session. The point cannot be made strongly

enough, nor hollered loudly enough: Education can stop crime

And education has taken as many its as law and order recently

According to a report in The News & Observer, a high school diploma doesn't mean jack to N.C. employers doesn't mean jack to N.C. employers anymore — employers such as the Saber Company in Warren County, Mistabishi in Durham and NMC Inc, in Zebulon. At least that's what Hunt's Standards and Accountability Hunt's Standards and Accountability Commission heard when it traveled to Morrisville last week. Questions and complaints from the employers revealed that high school graduates cannot read their paycheck stubs or figure out how to pack 72 items into one foam box.

And there's more: A recent \$5 million study of 500,000 N.C. public school students, conducted by the state's testing programs, shows that students could not explain how they get their answers on open-ended tests. The design of the study's tests were just to gauge the simplest abilities, said one state official.

The tests asked the students to use their brains, to think, to reason, to explain the answers. Few could do so," said Bill Brown, director of the state's testing programs, in The N&O.

Is it a coincidence that more and more crimes take place while reports like these are being released?

In light of the findings of Zingraff and Leiter, the answer is a definite "no." Education quality has slipped, and crime rates have jumped.

Meanwhile, some citizens and educators are worried that the increased spending on a crime package may cut the education budget. After all, the proposals from this special session cannot be implemented without some tax increase or spending cuts in other places, such as education.

But that's something the state cannot afford. Public schools make a difference

Public schooling is an invaluable socializing experience, one that makes relationships possible and puts opportunity within reach.

Among Hunt's proposals is a prisoner rehabilitation plan, and that proposal carries a touch of irony. If he could go back in time and educate those prisoners, they wouldn't be where they are now.

Commentary

Drinking law ineffective and costly

There are victims of every law. Someone must get the short end of the stick, right? But what if people are only victimized, and no one is really benefited by a law? Last Halloween some underaged friends and I went to a small Chapel Hill club to see a band we really like. We frequently go to see bands and do not go early or stay late; we see the show and leave. However, this particular club had not bought the rather expensive license allowing it to let minors in the club; if a club serves fujour, it can let minors in with a stamped hand for a fee. Thus many smaller clubs opt to not allow minors in, or not to sell alcohol at all.

Anyway, after a while, we were thrown out of his establishment, into the crowded streets of Chapel Hill late Halloween night. If you've never been to Chapel Hill on Halloween night, are in the content of the c

idiots on Franklin street are a hell of a much higger threat to society than we would be in that bar."
The fact is, as any young adult knows, minors drink regularly. It has elevated to a part of many college freshmen's lifestyles. The only difference between their drinking now and before the 21-year-old age limit is that now people simply drink in private.

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An editorial in a recent News & Observer said the law is especially dangerous because youths drink "on the

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sly" and thus never have an opportunity to learn responsible drinking. That is, it is not legal or acceptable for people to drink until they are too old to be living at home.

It would be much more logical for the minimum age to be reset to 18. This is no because we should mold laws around the way people behave, but because the 21-year-old limit is simply wrong.

At 18 you are legally recognized as an adult; you can live alone, marry, even get drafted, but are not considered mature enough to drink legally. Indeed, many 18-

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year-olds are not mature enough to drink, but neither are many 40-year-olds. The problem lies in the fact that the government wants to prolong individual, personal decision-making for as long as it can, without any regard to effectiveness.

The present law (actually forced down the state's throat by the federal government) is about as embarrassingly ineffective as prohibition in the 1930s or the present-day drug laws. But, no matter, we will continue to stupidly enforce this law until our money runs dry, I suppose. (The point of the law, initially, was to reduce drunk driving in youths. According to The N&O, minors' accidents have slightly gone down, but prohably as a result of better DWI laws. As I said before, the drunk 13-year-04 who bit me this summer showed no fear of the law, only fear of the frather's punishment.) My friends and I are all non-drinkers and non-drug users. But the reason we are these things has nothing to do with the law. If we really wanted to get sloppy, it would be easy, but we choose not to because we think it's boring and stupid. I suspect each youth's decision to drink or not is based on personal preference, not on the non-threat of our state's laws. Examples like these show the government's inability to make realistic laws. The mentality seems to be that if something is bad, we must ban it. But laws do not exist in a vacuum; lawmakers must stop to consider what the actual results of a law may be. And lawmakers should, more importantly, reconsider laws that have proven ineffective and money-wasting.

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So, the 21-year-old limit is a law that has a wide selection of victims; small, independent band oncover drinkers; and anyone who may benefit from all the wasted money being blindly thrown at enforcing this ridiculous law.

Thought for the Day:

"Do not keep on with a mockery of friendship after the substance is gone — but part, while you can part friends. Bury the carcass of friendship: it is not worth embalming.

William Hazlitt

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Valentines message lost in Bosnia

Unless you're in hibernation until spring break, you know full well that today is Valentine's Day — the day we show our love for our fellow man. The sprint of this day is so ingrained in our society that even the advertisers take a vacation from the task of dogging the American public. It is a day of sappy engagements in grocery store aides and valentines by the pound, accompanied by an upswing in the floral and confection industries. A fun, mushy, sugar-sweet day to enjoy before we have to take our dentist up on his Ides of March 2-for-I special on fillings. But my stoic self pushed me to look beyond the cutesy trappings of this occasion and see what was going on with the rest of the world. I saw red, and it was not a rose.

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The suffering of the Bosnians, especially those trapped in the besieged city of Sarajevo, is unfathomable. The pictures on the news of a small crater in a soccer field surrounded by five or six large splotches of blood seem alien when seen from our comfortable siegeless abode. The people skittering around trying to avoid sniper fire while getting water or frewood for the long winter ahead seem unreal. So do the pictures of wounded men, women and children in a Sarajevo hospital. They are practically stacked one on top of another writhing in pain while the doctors and nurses do their level best with no medicine, sporadic electricity and incoming artillery fire from the surrounding mountains. It is a tragic seene, but a seene that to us has become somewhat jaded. Unfortunately, the





response from the West has t

Since this conflict in the Balkans began Since this conflict in the Balkans began nearly two years ago, the United Nations and the United States have repeatedly warned the Serbs and the Croats to stop their ethnic cleansing of Bosnia or else. The Serbs have correctly translated this to mean "stop or we'll make another threat."

mean "stop or we'll make another threat."
The world is doing little to help, and
what little it does isn't doing much good.
Food drops from American cargo planes
to Moslem fighters last year either landed
on top of the Serbs or worked as death
traps against the Moslems, as Serb forces
would wait for them to come and get the
food and then fire upon them. Now
American warplanes fly overhead to
protect Sarajevo and other Moslem
enclaves from air attacks. But that does
little to stop the shelling from artillery
hidden in the mountains.

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The United Nations has handled this as if it were a giant public relations event. It would airlift a handful of wounded children to England or the United States for medical care and place lots of blue-helmeted U.N. soldiers in their white tanks at the Sarajevo airport so they can do their best imitation of sitting ducks. All this

while Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali gallivants across the globe providing plenty of photo opportunities as the blue-capped savior of the modern world. But Boutros-Ghali and the fat-sow organization he heads are as useful as screen doors on a submarine. The United Nation's achievements Italely have been pitiful and shallow, as shown by its handling of the Somalia crists. It cannot handle any given situation and cannot produce any practical solutions. It's as if the U.S. Congress picked a color scheme and went global.

But the Sarajevans got a reprieve a few lays ago. The Serbs agreed to a cease-fi days ago. The Serbs agreed to a cease-fin—sort of an early Valentine's present. Whether or not it will hold is to be seen. feel it will not. By the time you read this, the sewers of Sarajevo could be running red with blood from the modern day Slaughter of the Innocents. I don't think the Serbs differentiate "Cupid" and "Sunor".

"sniper."

Sarajevo was, before all this, a peaceful modern city. Moslems and Christians lived together in peace. They somehow defield the awful human quality of intolerance that haunts us in our own country today. They had what most civilizations could only dream of: tolerance and peace. And two intolerant groups want to rend it asunder by exterminating one ethnicity and conquering the other.

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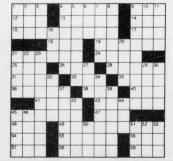
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