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Actors try to teach reality of homeless

■ The gritty antics of California-based thespians show that people without homes aren't without worth.

By JAMIE BYRUM
Staff Writer

Do you want the cosmetic version, or the real deal?

The Los Angeles Poverty Department (LAPD) gave receptive audience members a strong dose of reality this weekend, hitting them square in the face with the grim plight of the homeless.

The four-man, two-woman theater group based in Los Angeles's Skid Row culminated a six-week residency in the Triangle with performances Thursday, Friday and Saturday downtown at the City Gallery of Contemporary Art.

"Our goal is to spread the message that even though they're homeless, they're not helpless," said Otis Rogers, one of the group's newer members. "We need to help them be able to be involved in society."

Rogers and company did this by visiting homeless shelters and holding workshops in the Raleigh area, as well as on N.C. State University and Duke University campuses.

Rogers said LAPD's performances are improvisational, blending together bits and pieces of the homeless experience with

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— John Drain,
audience member

actions to add flavor to the performances. For example, guests were greeted Saturday night at the door by the fierce growl of the "guard dog," better known as LAPD director John Malpede.

The performers sprinkled themselves throughout the crowd, roaming the isles, responding to the action on stage and even accosting certain audience members for money. Players on stage depicted real events from everyday life on the street, including the desperate search for jobs and the quick profits of the drug trade.

Rogers said one of the LAPD's primary objectives in Raleigh is to remove the walls that separate the homeless community from mainstream society.



LAPD's performances are improvisational, blending the homeless experience with actions to add flavor. Guests were greeted Saturday night by the growl of a guard dog, also known as LAPD director John Malpede.

"We want to create a bond between normal society and the homeless," he said.

The team built this bond by relating to the experiences of those with whom they worked. The members shared something in common with the local homeless community and thus broke down the barriers separating the two, Rogers said.

The group said Raleigh's homeless community was receptive to its efforts, while many others just did not care. LAPD sought to wipe out this complacency by building self-esteem in the homeless.

"[LAPD] builds their confidence so they can do things," said audience member John Drain, who was homeless for eight months before winning a job with the Raleigh Department of Parks and Recreation.

"The homeless are just trying to get back into the mainstream."

LAPD came to life in Skid Row eight years ago through the inspiration of Malpede. The six-member crew, all then homeless, now works regularly with Los Angeles's homeless community when not on the road.

The company has traveled throughout



Europe and worked in major metropolitan areas across the country. Its performance in Raleigh was a joint effort with NCSU's Center Stage and local civic organizations.

Money here for travel

■ A grant may help some NCSU students learn about life in other countries.

By NANCY NELSON
Staff Writer

The Study Abroad Office is offering a new scholarship aimed at promoting international study and personal growth.

An extra \$10,000 from the provost's discretionary fund will give up to \$2,000 per year to each of several students focused on foreign studies, said Cindy Chalou, Study Abroad Office coordinator.

"It is fascinating to be a part of this office and see the growth in students," Chalou said. "Their eyes are opened to a whole different way of doing and seeing things."

Chalou said the office still hasn't decided how to divide the money. But the scholarship is available to all undergraduate students engaged in international study or research

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Frog-man enters pool



Last weekend, N.C. State University hosted the N.C. East Regional High School Swimming and Diving Championships at Carmichael Gym. Thirty-six teams contributed.

NC STAR gets 1992 alumnus

■ A recent graduate is a new leader of an activist group.

By THOMAS TAMPLIN
Staff Writer

John Seay said he wants to help North Carolina Students Teach and Reach (NC STAR) do what it has always done.

"We want our volunteers to teach students about racism, discrimination, prejudices and stereotyping," said the 1992 N.C. State University graduate. "We also want them to promote human relations, improving self-esteem and conflict resolution."

A group called People for the American Way created NC STAR. Members from that group named him coordinator.

Seay's qualifications for the job made it easy for People for the American Way to pick him, said Cathy Stuart, executive director for

the group. "John has demonstrated dedication and commitment to better human relations and reducing violence," Stuart said. "We are very fortunate to have him coordinating Wake County."

NC STAR is a program that tries to train college student volunteers to help teach respect and understanding for diversity to middle and high school students.

It began in 1990 as a pilot program by a group of N.C. Agricultural & Technical State University students on the 30th anniversary of the Greensboro sit-ins at Woolworth's.

Since 1990, the program has spread to over 10 counties. NC STAR now has over 80 volunteers working in 13 Wake County schools, Seay said.

These volunteers come from NCSU, Meredith College, St. Augustine's and Shaw University, he said.

Seay has named Caroline App, a senior in communication, as assistant Wake County coordinator. App was Seay's former NC STAR partner and has worked with NC

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Women's Center forum stresses awareness, safety

■ A meeting last week was supposed to help reduce sexual assaults.

By CHRIS BAYSDEN
Staff Writer

In the wake of two incidents of rape on or near campus recently, some student groups have one thing on their minds — prevention.

The N.C. State University Women's Center responded Wednesday to the assaults by holding a campus forum designed to prevent rapes.

"Awareness about safety has been heightened," said Rhonda Mann, director of N.C. State University's Women's Center. "We're just trying to strengthen the way we can help each other."

The forum focused on preventing sexual assault incidents like the one in Polk Hall, the site of a gunpoint rape that's still unresolved. The

"The way to make things change is at the departmental level."

— Shannon Francis,
graduate student

graduate student was raped at gunpoint during the daytime. Forum planners said the incident means there are risks in working, day or night.

Public Safety Crime Prevention Officer Larry Ellis gave some safety tips. Ellis said students should make sure not to work alone and should lock the doors to the labs if possible. They should make sure they know where the phones are in the building so if they get in trouble they can call someone. Ellis also said students should learn where the fire alarms are, since they

would bring authorities to the building even if it is impossible to get to a phone.

Shannon Francis, a graduate student and Ph.D. candidate in genetics, said prevention is good, but not the only answer.

"That's all good and fine, but for all the crime prevention [Ellis] has been teaching, that didn't prevent the rape," Francis said. "I think every building needs to be checked every night. I don't think that it's unreasonable for more door checks and walk throughs."

Ellis said Public Safety and the student patrols do make building checks, but they can't be everywhere at once.

"This is a very large university," he said. Due to recent crimes, Public Safety has increased the number of officers it has on patrol each night, he said.

Ellis and Francis agreed on who is responsible for new safety

precautions being installed.

"The way to make things change is at the departmental level," Francis said.

Graduate students working on class projects in campus laboratories sometimes have to work late at night since some experiments take several hours to complete. Although these buildings are supposed to be locked, students who have night classes may prop open doors and forget to close them. Sometimes graduate students leave doors open so their lab partners can get in when they arrive late.

The dark, deserted buildings can be dangerous places for women if a rapist enters through propped open doors, Mann said.

Francis was one of the students who helped Mann organize the meeting. She agreed that security is the problem.

"In light of current events, we felt

unsafe. Security was inaccurate," she said. "I consider [propping open doors] a safety hazard."

Francis said the forum's speakers suggested several changes that would improve security. These included peep holes for doors, additional lighting, external phones to prevent the need of propping open doors, and security guards to lock the doors and to make sure they stay closed.

There was also talk of establishing a phone tree. In the event of a sexual assault, key people would be informed of the crime, and they in turn would start calling other people. The news of an assault would therefore branch out, alerting as many people as possible that there was a rapist on campus.

"People who are sex offenders are frequently repeat offenders," Francis said.

A phone tree would curb that tendency, she said.

News Notes

News show aimed at campus events

Student Senate leaders are establishing a news program on Raleigh's cable access station in an effort to gain accreditation for a news station that could be broadcast on the upcoming cable system.

Chris Scott, Senate president, and Imran Haque, Senate chief of staff, are coordinating the program that will soon air on cable access. After they establish the program on cable access, they hope to gain access to one of the stations that students will see when cable gets installed in the dorms.

These kinds of college news shows are not new on college campuses. On some campuses such as UNC-Chapel Hill's, the news program is as common as NCSU's radio station, WKNC, is in west Raleigh.

Scott said the people working on the program will mostly be Senate members, and they will be working for accreditation for the program until the new cable system gets implemented.

"The program will be similar to UNC's news show," Scott said. "I think it will be a full Student Senate job."

— Mark Taffar

CORRECTION Election Deadline Extension

Application deadline for Union Activities Board President and At-Large Student Center Board of Directors has been extended to 4 p.m., Tuesday, March 8.

Applications are available in the Program Office, Room 3114, University Student Center. Candidates must also complete forms in the Student Government Office to be accepted.

Call 515-2452 for more information.

Help Wanted:

Technician has several news and features writing positions open. If you are interested, come by suite 323 of the Student Center Annex and fill out an application or call 515-2411 and ask to speak to Jodie Johnson. You can also send her e-mail at the following address: jodie@ama.sca.ncsu.edu

TODAY
SYMPOSIUM COUNSELORS — Information sessions for African-American Symposium counselors in Harris Hall, Room 2015. Times: today at 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday at 7 p.m. For more information, call 515-3835 or come by Harris Hall, Room 2010.

INTEREST SESSIONS — Students who plan to apply for Judicial Board positions may want to attend an interest session. Dates and times: today from 6 to 6:30 p.m. in the University Student Center Brown Room. Tuesday from 5:30 to 6 p.m. in the Student Center, Room 107. Wednesday from 7 to 7:30 p.m. in Tucker Hall Underground. Get involved in your Student Government.

SALE — Support the Waterski Club bathing suit sale in the Brickyard building through March 10. One for \$10 or 3 for \$25. The Waterski Club will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. in Carmichael Gym, Room 205.

APPLICATIONS — Students must submit their applications to become chancellor's aides by today. Applications are available in Francis Milk's office, Room 216 NCSU Television Studio. The studio is located at 3617 Western Blvd., adjacent to the McKimmon Center. Her number is 515-7184.

COLLEGE BOWL — Woo your friends with your knowledge. Join us for College Bowl practice from 5 to 7 p.m.

today and Wednesday in the Student Center, Room 3121.

APPLICATIONS — Applications for the 1994-95 Residence Hall Judicial Board are available at any regional desk or the Department of Housing and Residence Life. Application deadline is March 21.

MEETING — The Recreation Club will have Brian Miller of Outdoors Adventures as its speaker today, 7 p.m. in Billmore Hall, Room 2006. All are welcome.

MEETING — NCSU Collegiate 4-H Club will have a meeting today at 7 p.m. in the Student Center Green Room.

ATTENTION JEWISH STUDENTS — You are not alone at NCSU. Call Julie at 942-4057 to find out about Jewish community programs.

LEADERSHIP — Join the Leadership Development Series free. Plan interesting leadership experiences for others. Meetings are 5 p.m. every Monday in the Student Center, Room 3125.

MEETING — Culture: The Asian Students Association invites everyone for discussions, speakers, movies and more. Weekly meetings are Mondays at 7 p.m. in the Student Center, Room 3118.

ENTERTAINMENT — Join the UAB Entertainment Committee and help plan our coffeehouse, comedy night and novelty shows.

Meetings are every Monday at 5:30 p.m. in the Student Center, Room 3125.

LEADERSHIP — Leadership Development Committee presents "How to Act Like a Businessperson: Even When You're Not (Yet): A How-To Workshop on Professionalism." 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. today. Call 515-2452 to register.

NEW CLUB? — Interested in wicca, shamanism, Quabbalah, Magick or just plain paganism? Interested in finding others with similar interests? Help initiate a campus program following Call Donna Nelson at 676-0361.

ESSAY CONTEST — Women's History Month Committee is sponsoring a 1,000-word essay contest. \$500 will be awarded for the best essay. Theme: "In Every Generation, Action Frees Our Dreams." Submission deadline is March 16. Call 515-2012 for details.

MAGAZINE — N.C. State Engineer Magazine needs writers and staff to help with publication and business aspects of the magazine. All majors are welcome. Excellent resume builder. Call 515-2240.

TUESDAY
CELEBRATION "Wild Women Don't Have the Blues." See the film. Hear the music. Part of NCSU's Women's History Month celebration. Women's Center, Nelson Hall Room B-18 Tuesday

from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

LEADERSHIP — The Leadership Development Series offers "Taking Charge: The Magic of Personal Leadership" and "Leadership and Public Speaking" from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Open to all students.

MEETING — Pre-med/Pre-dent Club will have its next meeting Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Boston Hall, Room 3712. Speaker will be Duke University admissions official.

SUPPORT GROUP — Bereavement support group meets every Tuesday at 2 p.m., 112 Clark Labs. Open to all NCSU students, faculty and staff. Facilitated by campus chaplains and the NCSU Department of Counselor Education Volunteers. For more information, call 833-1861.

WEDNESDAY
PRESENTATION — "Indecent Exposure" — about sexual revolution of the '80s and '90s. Sponsored by Cornerstone Christian Fellowship. 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Metcalf Classroom 202.

MEETING — Society of Women Engineers will meet at 5:30 p.m. in Riddick Hall, Room 222. A representative from Eveready Battery Co. will be making a presentation. Come and enjoy refreshments and door prizes.

SEMINAR — Sigma Nu will host its first of four educational seminars Wednesday from 6 to 7 p.m. in Mann Hall,

Room 216. Wednesday's seminar is on fire safety.

LEADERSHIP — The Leadership Development Series presents the workshop "Saving and Investing for the Future" from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Call 515-2452 to register. Open to all NCSU students.

CIRCLE K — New meeting place: Student Center Annex, Room 107 on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. Fun, fellowship and community service. Work with local Key and Kiwanis Clubs. Questions? Call Debbie at 512-4852 or Christine at 512-2069.

SAILING — The Sailing Club covers every aspect of sailing: racing, lessons, social events, campus trips and more. We now have boats in the water, and there is sailing every weekend. Races are just around the corner. All skill levels are welcome. Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in Carmichael Gym, Room 2037.

THURSDAY
PROGRAM — Delta Sigma Theta sorority will present a program titled "Supporting Our African American Males" Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the African American Cultural Center. Guest speakers are Daryl Lester and Sherry Watts.

SEMINARS — Sigma Nu will host its second of four educational seminars, which will address alcohol and drug abuse, sexual relationships and health

issues. It will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. in Mann Hall, Room 216. Open to all students.

DINNER AND DISCUSSION — For Jewish students. Topic: Steven Spielberg's "Schindler's List." Meet at Bruegger's Bagels at 6 p.m. For information, call Julie at 942-4057.

COFFEE AND MUSIC — The Instant Coffeehouse features the band Figment and The Rest. Join us for coffee, cards and fun. Free to all NCSU students, 8 p.m. in the Student Center.

GERMAN CLUB — Come join us for free drinks and conversation at Mitch's Tavern. The German Club meets every Thursday from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

SYMPOSIUM — The Association for the Concerns of African-American Graduate Students announces its symposium on "African-American Perspectives." Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Student Center. Call Angela Hicks at 515-5210.

FREE MOVIE — "Eye of the Storm" by Worldwide Pictures, starring Connie Selleca. Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Poe Hall, Room 216.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

What's Happening Policy

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Study

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programs. Applications, due Tuesday, will be evaluated on several criteria including grade point average, financial need, experience abroad and desired location.

Chalou said the office is especially interested in promoting unusual activities. "Perhaps students with independent study or research goals in non-European or non-English speaking areas," she said.

N.C. State University's Committee on International Programs (CIP) made funding available Dec. 1. The committee is

made up of 14 members representing faculty from all colleges, students and off-campus members involved in international events. "CIP is extremely appreciative to the provost for establishing funds for this purpose," Chalou said.

CIP expects to receive 30 to 40 applications, but Chalou said it's difficult to get the word out on a

large campus.

"We do not consciously identify students we want to apply. This scholarship is open to all," she said. Evaluation of applications is based on:

- Recommended GPA of 3.2 or above
- Travel choices that coincide with academic pursuits and personal needs

- Little or no prior experience traveling overseas
- Students returning to NCSU
- Writing ability

Chalou said international study experiences are important in landing a job.

"It is doing something above and beyond getting grades," she said. A recent participant said it's personally enriching to encounter people from another culture.

"This scholarship is a good idea since anyone who wants to study abroad should be able to," said Janet Bailey, a senior in textiles management who participated last year in NCSU's summer program in London. "The best classroom is real life."

"This was the first time I felt like I had really lived."

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1. North Carolina	815.0
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SPORTS STAFF REPORT

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — N.C. State's swim teams stumbled at the ACC Championships this weekend as both finishing more than 200 points behind conference champion North Carolina.

The Tar Heels took the men's title with 781 points, winning three individual events and two relays Saturday — the final day of the meet. The championship marked the fifth in seven years for Carolina. State totaled 505 points for a fourth-place finish.

The Heels had to edge Virginia, which finished with 667.5 points Saturday. The Cavaliers captured four titles Saturday and Bill Smyth, who won the 200-yard backstroke Saturday, nabbed Most



Georgia Tech's James Forrest scored 18 points and pulled down six rebounds while stuffing the Wolfpack offense.

Jackets take chance, stifle Wolfpack

Georgia Tech	81
N.C. State	69

By OWEN S. GOOD
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

ATLANTA — A second chance.

There are some teams that would kill for a second chance. Give some teams a second chance, and they'll kill you.

Georgia Tech is one of those teams.

The Yellow Jackets (14-10, 5-8 in the ACC) grabbed five more offensive rebounds than N.C. State and put just as many to their best use in a winning 23-7 second-half run to seal a 81-69 win Saturday.

From 12:23 to 5:38, the Wolfpack (10-15, 4-9) missed 10 of 14 field goal and free throw attempts. While Tech missed four of each, nearly every errant try resulted in a rebound and score.

State, with forward Bryant Feggins fouling out after center Todd Fuller got his fourth foul in that stretch, had little of the front-line presence that allowed the Jackets to have their way with the boards.

The Pack tied the game at 44 on Fuller's turnaround basket with 12:23 left, but State quickly froze up on offense. The Jackets led 50-47 with 10 minutes left when it struck the most telling blow of

the day.

Fred Vinson rebounded a miss and bricked a three-point attempt, which was collared by Eddie Elisma. Elisma was then fouled by Feggins — his third — at 10:09, and missed the front end of a one-and-one. James Forrest grabbed the rebound and stuck in a layup.

"A big difference was the second shots that Tech got in the second half," State coach Les Robinson said. "The crowd got into it and Tech got inspired. We would take a rushed shot and the next three possessions, we don't do much. Next thing you know, it's a nine-point game."

Just after Forrest's lay-in, Mark Davis fumbled a Lakista McCuller pass and guard Travis Best picked up the loose ball. He fed Forrest on the break for a seven-point lead.

Robinson, with his hands on his head, pleaded with his team to slow down the game. But Davis' next shot banked high above the square and completely missed the rim.

At the other end, Martice Moore missed a running shot to the right of the rim, but followed his miss left for a 56-47 lead. Robinson called a timeout at 8:50. And State didn't get any closer for the rest of the game.

Then Feggins fouled out with his team down by 15 and 7:26 left on the clock. He finished with six

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Suber rips Pack

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SPORTS STAFF REPORT

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — In an up-and-down year, N.C. State's women's basketball team ended its regular season dead even, finishing 13-13 overall and 6-10 in the ACC with a 81-58 loss to Virginia.

The Cavaliers (23-3, 15-1) sprinted out to a 10-0 lead in the game's first five minutes and never let up. After the 15:05 mark — when State forward Marlee Davis hit one of two free throws and cut the lead to 10-1 — the Wolfpack never came within single digits.

Virginia freshman Tora Suber did most of the damage. She scored six of the Cavs' first 10 points and her first-half total of 21 points matched the Pack's output. Suber was 8-9 from the field in the half, including 4-5 from three-point range. She finished with 23 points and four assists.

State trailed 43-21 at the intermission after the Cavaliers ended the half on a 14-4 run.

For the Pack, the season marks its second-worst regular season record. At 6-10, only State's 3-11 season in 1988 is worse.

Now the team must prepare for the ACC Tournament. The sixth-place Wolfpack will probably play Clemson in the first round of the tournament, although North Carolina is a small possibility. Tip-off for the sixth-seed against the third-seed is at 8:30 p.m. Saturday in Rock Hill, S.C.

State began the second half on a

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Home sweet home



The N.C. State baseball team swept George Washington in its first home series of the season. The Wolfpack is now 7-3-1 after outscoring the Colonials 29-9 this weekend.

ROD GARREN/STAFF

Baseball team pulls off sweep

N.C. State	9
George Washington	2

MIKE PRESTON
STAFF WRITER

Just when it looked like things couldn't get any better for the N.C. State baseball team — they did.

After a three-hit shutout by Terry Harvey Friday and a 10-run rout Saturday, the Wolfpack displayed flashes of greatness. The trend continued Sunday as State extended its unbeaten streak to eight with a 9-2 victory over George Washington at Doak Field.

"I thought we played solid today," State coach Ray Tanner said. "We didn't play great, but we were very solid. We picked up some runs early and played pretty good defense; we're happy to beat a team like George Washington."

State jumped out to a 2-0 lead after the first, keyed by Mark Well's no-out RBI single. But the first inning was nothing compared to State's output in the second.

It started innocently enough; catcher Robbie Lasater drilled a double to center field and Andy Barkett singled. Kevin Faircloth then hit a grounder to third, which caught Lasater in a run-down. But he scored on the play when third baseman Scott Guiliana overthrew catcher Scott Sharp.

With runners on first and third, Tom Sergio hit a routine groundball to second. Colonial second baseman Mike Ingwer threw the ball away, allowing another State run to score and moving runners to second and third with no outs.

They were brought home on a Tim Tracey double into the left

centerfield gap. State led 6-0 at the end of the inning.

"This is the kind of hard-nosed baseball you're going to be seeing," Tracey said. "We're going to go out and leave everything on the field and go hard everyday."

State added three runs, which included a monster home run by Wells, who went 3-5 with two RBI.

"After I struggled yesterday, I thought I had to come back today and keep battling up there and it would come to me," Wells said.

Freshman pitcher Brent Jones threw the ball well for 4 1/3 innings. He only surrendered two hits in the first four innings, but he gave up five hits for the game and recorded four strikeouts.

"He gave us a good outing," Tanner said. "He struggled a little bit, but he took us into the fifth inning. And we put some runs on the board for him."

The 9-2 victory Sunday was the finishing touch on State's opening-series sweep at Doak Field.

In the first game, Harvey pitched a complete game three-hitter as the Wolfpack came away with a 3-0 victory. Harvey's 10-strikeout performance was more than enough for the Pack, which scored all of its runs in the sixth inning to ensure the victory.

"He was very sharp, and any time a pitcher can give you that kind of outing, you have a chance to win," Tanner said. "It was his best performance of the year."

As for the second game of the series, it was a little more brutal. State led 4-1 until the seventh inning. The Wolfpack exploded for 12 runs in the inning for a 17-7

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Gymnasts rebound from Bayou loss with victory in Carmichael



ULRICK CASBARI/STAFF

The Wolfpack gymnastics team posted its only sub-48 score of the meet on the beam Sunday, but still defeated Towson State.

N.C. State	192.525
Towson State	191.375

By CLAY BEST
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

N.C. State's gymnastics team could have rolled over and went back to sleep Sunday afternoon. But it didn't.

Instead the team gave its best performance of the season, defeating Towson State 192.525-191.375 Sunday in Carmichael Gymnasium.

Only 12 hours after getting back from a Friday night meet in Baton Rouge, La., against Louisiana State, the Wolfpack stepped back on the floor and left with a win over the Towson State.

"This was our best competition of the year," State coach Mark Stevenson said. "I saw a lot of desire out there today.

"This is the first step we've taken

to getting where I believe we can go. We missed a few things we don't usually miss. But we know those things will be there."

The Pack set a quick, high-scoring pace early on the vault. Christi Newton led State on the vault with a 9.875, receiving a 9.9 on each of her vaults from one judge. The sophomore already holds the school record on vault with a 9.9.

Both Karen Chester and Liz Bernstein scored above a 9.7. Chester received a 9.75, while Bernstein totaled a 9.7.

Bernstein finished second in the all-around competition with a score of 38.125. The freshman's score was her first score above 38 on the year.

"Liz did a great job for us today," Stevenson said. "All of her things are coming together. She's had to adjust to doing harder skills than she did coming in. We're just seeing her put all of the skills together."

The Pack also put together one of its most impressive bar rotations of the season, topping 48 again with a 48.025.

Lisa Donaldson led all scorers with her 9.85. The score was her season best on any event.

"Lisa gave us a beautiful routine on bars," Stevenson said. "She upgraded her routine this week and did an even better job than she did last week."

Nicole Cimato and Bernstein rounded out the meet's top three on the bars with a 9.825 and a 9.7, respectively.

On the beam, State posted its only sub-48 score of the meet — 47.825. Jennifer Kilgore won the individual competition with a 9.70 on beam, while Christi Davis finished second with a 9.675.

Another excellent effort followed. Christi Newton tied a school record she shares with Rosann Grabner on the floor. Newton's 9.9 came after falls on both the beam and bars that

left her favoring her left ankle.

Grabner also gave an electrifying routine. Her 9.875 came just before Newton's 9.9.

State totaled a 48.225 on the floor. The win improves State to 7-4 on the season, but more importantly, it gives the Pack its highest score of the year for their national qualifying score.

LSU 194.325, NCSU 189.350

BATON ROUGE, La. — State fought hard against the fifth-ranked team Tigers, but three falls on the bars and four on the floor cost it a shot at a major upset.

The Pack set a school record on vault with team total of 48.75. And Newton tied a school record she already holds with a 9.9 vault. Susi Curry led the Pack with a 9.65 on vault.

On the bars, State hit its first three routines, but missed its last three.

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rebounds and 12 points on 6-8 shooting. Curtis Marshall led the team with 13 points, including two three-pointers, and McCuller had 12.

Feggins and Fuller shut down Vinson and center Ivano Newbill one month ago in an 84-78 win. But in that game, Feggins didn't get his third foul until the final two minutes and Fuller only had one. With their wings clipped by quick whistles this time, the two watched Newbill — who didn't score Jan. 26 — score 12 points and grab four offensive rebounds. Moore started at small forward and had 15 points and six boards.

"We had almost no interior baskets early in the second half," Cremins said. "And finally [Forrest] gave us the inside play we needed." Forrest led the Jackets with 18 points, despite leaving at 8:17 in the second half with an injury. He and Feggins scrambled after a loose ball and their collision sent Forrest limping to the bench with a twisted knee.

"This was an unusual game," Robinson said. "I don't think either team played that great until the 12-minute mark, when Tech got that little spurt."

Actually, until the run, State was shooting 44 percent, had only 8 turnovers and had rallied to a 30-29 deficit at halftime despite the Jackets opening the game on a 9-0 stretch. Over its seven ACC road losses prior to Atlanta, State had shot 37 percent and averaged 13 turnovers.

"I felt like we could get back in it," said Robinson, who added he was pleased with his team's composure. "You don't go from where we were to winning on the road in the ACC. I'm pleased we've improved to the level of beating [non-conference] teams on the road and competing better in the second half."

Still, the Wolfpack has not won on the road in the ACC since Feb. 22, 1992, when it upset North Carolina 99-94. The streak is now at 18 games.

However, Robinson is not concerned that his team has developed a mental block about playing away from Reynolds, even with the ACC Tournament in



State's Bryant Feggins came up with 12 points and six rebounds in 27 minutes at Atlanta Saturday.

N.C. State (69)					Georgia Tech (81)							
fg	ft	r	a	pf	pts	fg	ft	r	a	pf	pts	
Daniels	4-8	0-0	4-8	1	3	9	Moore	6-12	3-5	3-6	2	15
Feggins	6-8	0-0	2-6	1	5	12	Forrest	8-17	2-4	2-6	1	18
Fuller	3-13	1-2	3-4	1	4	7	Newbill	4-4	4-6	4-7	1	12
McCuller	3-10	2-2	0-3	1	12	Best	6-14	6-6	2-10	1	19	
Marshall	3-10	5-7	2-3	4	2	13	Vinson	2-8	2-2	3-5	0	7
Davis	1-3	0-0	0-2	1	3	3	Eisma	2-3	2-3	2-7	0	6
Wilson	4-10	2-2	5-6	1	10	Barbic	0-1	2-2	1-4	1	2	
Hyatt	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	4	0	Williams	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	2
Lewis	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	Totals	29-60	21-28	21-44	15	81
Sutton	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	3						
Totals	26-64	10-15	16-32	12	24	69						

Three-point shooting: 7-19 (Daniels 1-4, McCuller 2-7, Marshall 2-5, Davis 1-2, Sutton 1-1).
 Blocked Shots: 1 (Lewis).
 Turnovers: 12 (Daniels, Feggins 3, McCuller 4, Marshall, Davis 2, Hyatt).
 Steals: 8 (Daniels, McCuller, Marshall, Davis 2, Wilson, Lewis 2).

Charlotte 11 days away. State is 2-7 on the road this season.

"I think our chances of advancing are as good as three or four other teams," Robinson said. "I don't think I could have said that last year."

The Wolfpack finishes up its season at home, facing Florida Atlantic today and then Clemson and Wake Forest Wednesday and Saturday, respectively. State is 4-2 in ACC home games, the fourth-best home record in the league.

represented NC STAR at educational forums. After graduation he began his own consulting firm, Primary Consulting Services, and was hired as a consultant by People for the American Way to coordinate the Wake County NC STAR program. Now that he is the Wake County coordinator, he will recruit, train and place college students into NC STAR. The training process for

volunteers includes teaching them to creatively address issues with children. Motivating young people is another of the group's missions, Seay said. "I encourage individuals to participate in programs such as NC STAR which afford them the opportunity to further develop interpersonal skills as well as serve as positive role models for secondary school students," Seay said.

Seay

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 STAR for four years, Seay said. Seay began doing volunteer work for NC STAR as an undergraduate in 1991. In that position he facilitated discussions with public school students and occasionally

Answers

Crossword Puzzle

WHOS	SAP	CALM
RODE	TWO	ADDE
ALOE	REDOGROSS	
PIERS	SI	BEVIRTS
ARITA	TEEN	
REDWINGS	SIAM	
ALE	DENTIS	NSA
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Valuable Swimmer for the men. Virginia's Nicole Ruthowski took Most Valuable Swimmer honors for the women as she won the 1650 Saturday. The Cavaliers totaled 734 points but fell short of the Heels' 815. The Wolfpack finished fifth with 468.5. Ruthowski and Cavs' Pete Wright were the only swimmers to qualify for NCAA Saturday.

For the Pack women, Nicole Lehman was the only swimmer who earned all-conference honors. For the men, Chuckie Cox took the honor.

Lehman placed third in the 200 individual medley with a time 2:05.38 and second in the 100 butterfly in 56.31. She also tied for first in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:04.46.

Cox noched a third-place finish in the 50 freestyle in 20.52 and teamed up with Brandon Walts for a third-place finish in the 400 free relay.

Virginia's Mark Bernardino was named Coach of the Year for the men and the women.

Final Standings

Men
 1. North Carolina, 781 2. Virginia, 667.5
 3. Florida State, 614.5 4. N.C. State, 505
 5. Clemson, 403 6. Maryland, 188.7
 Georgia Tech, 166 8. Duke, 130

Women

1. North Carolina, 815 2. Virginia, 734.3
 3. Florida State, 496 4. Clemson, 474.5
 N.C. State, 468.5 6. Maryland, 210 7. Duke, 197

Baseball

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win. Sergio was 5-6 with four RBI. "We lost our first three, but we've battled back to win seven," Tanner said. "And we're not happy where we are, but we're getting better and we hope to be a little more solid."

After outscoring George Washington 29-9 in the series, State improves to 7-3-1. Tuesday, the Pack puts its eight-game winning streak on the line against Campbell in Buies Creek.

Virginia

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12-4 run to cut the Virginia lead to 15, but the Wolfpack didn't inch any closer. The Cavaliers held their largest lead of the game, 26 points, with 2:28 left at 77-51.

But the game was over in the first half. State shot 36 percent while the Cavs hit 61 percent from the field. State was also out-rebounded 19-9

N.C. State (58)					Virginia (81)							
fg	ft	r	a	pf	pts	fg	ft	r	a	pf	pts	
Webb	4-6	2-2	1-5	2	12	Lesoravagi	2-3	0-0	0-2	1	3	4
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Howard	2-9	4-4	0-2	3	4	Suber	6-13	3-4	0-2	4	1	23
Kreul	2-8	0-0	1-2	0	3	Lofstedt	3-5	3-6	1-3	2	0	9
McLeod	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	Boale	1-8	2-2	1-4	1	4	
Hodges	1-5	0-0	0-4	1	2	Gausepohl	5-6	2-2	2-3	1	0	12
O'Connell	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	Waterman	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Taylor	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	Taylor	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	22-53	8-10	6-30	10	19	58	Totals	30-59	17-25	11-35	20	81

Three-point shooting: 6-11 (Webb 2-2, Mitchell 0-1, Howard 3-5, Hodges 1-3).
 Blocked Shots: 1 (Webb).
 Turnovers: 25 (Webb 2, Floyd 6, Davis 3, Mitchell 3, Howard 4, Kreul 4, Hodges 3).
 Steals: 6 (Webb 3, Davis, Kreul 2).

Attendance: 5,870
 Officials: Salermo, South, Pickett

LSU

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The Wolfpack finished with a score of only 45-80 on the bars.

The difference in the floor at LSU cost State a better score. Stevenson said the "Tigers' floor is a foam-based floor. Very few schools in the nation use foam floors instead of spring floors.

"The bounce on a floor like that is very different from what we're used to," Stevenson said. "It's a softer surface. You sink further down when you land and do not bounce as high."

State was able to score a 47-175 on the floor. Newton led State with a 9-775 on the floor.

"This weekend showing these kids they can compete with the best in the country," Stevenson said. "We had some troubles at LSU, but overall we did some great things. We've talked all year long about what we can do. Now we know we can do it."

before halftime. Freshman guard Jennifer Howard led State with a team-high 17 points, including three three-pointers. Forward Umeki Webb was the only other player in double figures for the Pack. She had 12 points.

Guard Jenny Boucek had 14 and Wendy Palmer had 11 for Virginia. Sophomore Jeffra Gausepohl came off the bench to add 12 points on 5-6 shooting.

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O'Connell	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	Waterman	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Taylor	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	Taylor	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	22-53	8-10	6-30	10	19	58	Totals	30-59	17-25	11-35	20	81

Three-point shooting: 4-6 (Lesoravagi 0-1, Suber 4-5).
 Blocked Shots: 0.
 Turnovers: 17 (Toussaint, Palmer 4, Boucek 2, Suber, Lofstedt, Beale 3, Gausepohl 2, Glessner 1, Taylor 2).
 Steals: 8 (Palmer 2, Boucek 2, Suber, Lofstedt, Beale 2).

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N.C. State 58
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Black inventors due credit

February is Black History Month. Without further adieu, a tribute to African-American inventors.

By SHONDA N. SMITH

From a very early age, students learn about history and science by studying famous people such as George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and Thomas Edison. However, our youth, black and white, are missing out on vital information about African-American scientists and inventors who helped shape American history.

Africans were discoverers and inventors in spite of lack of contact with parts of Asia and Europe. Authorities in anthropology and archaeology concede that Africans were the first to discover iron, one of the most useful elements to humankind. Scientists are now giving credit to Africans for discovering iron, developing stringed instruments, domesticating the sheep, goat and cow, and learning about the planetary system.

When Africans were brought to the United States and enslaved, the majority of them became illiterate. Most of the southern states during slavery had laws prohibiting anyone from teaching slaves to read and write. This was just one of the obstacles that slaves faced.

African-Americans, even though oppressed and enslaved, successfully made a contribution to American invention. Due to slavery and lack of rights, the contributions of many African-Americans have gone unclaimed and, therefore, unknown.

There are many African-American inventors and scientists to learn about. The ones in this article achieved their accomplishments before and during slavery. The purpose of this article is to recognize these great inventors and scientists and give them their due respect.

Benjamin Banneker: "Mathematical Genius" (1731-1806)

Have you ever wondered how we are able to keep track of time? Well, the first clock ever built in the United States was built by Benjamin Banneker in 1753. Banneker was born on a farm outside of Baltimore, Md. in 1731. As a boy, he took great interest in mathematics and displayed his ingenuity in mathematical computations.

The clock was built entirely of wood and each of the gears was carved by hand. The clock kept perfect time throughout Banneker's life of over 40 years. Many came from all over the country to see it.

Banneker also had a great interest in astronomy. His ambition was to publish the most accurate almanac ever. He wrote it in 1791, but it was not published until 1792. He

composed a new almanac each year thereafter for ten years.

The almanacs included the times of eclipses, the hours of sunrise and sunset, weather forecasts, a tide table for Chesapeake Bay, festival days, holidays, phases of the moon and more.

Banneker predicted that a solar eclipse would take place on April 14, 1789. This contradicted the prediction of two eminent mathematicians and leading astronomers of that time — Ledbetter and Ferguson. Banneker demonstrated their calculation errors and the eclipse took place as he predicted.

Banneker became the first

Banneker became the first African-American to receive a presidential appointment.

African-American to receive a presidential appointment. He was appointed by George Washington to a commission that designed a capital city for the new United States.

As a result of an argument, the chief architect, Major Pierre Charles L'Enfance, resigned. Banneker had memorized all the plans and was able to draw them from memory. Because of him, the city we know today as Washington, D.C. was built.

After a long and productive life, Banneker died peacefully on Oct. 25, 1806.

Elijah McCoy: "The Real McCoy" (1844-1929)

You may have wondered where the phrase "The Real McCoy" came from.

Elijah McCoy was born on May 2, 1844 in Canada. He was the son of two runaway slaves. He and his parents returned to the United States and settled near Ypsilanti, Michigan. He attended grammar school and worked in a machine shop.

As a boy, he was fascinated with machines and tools. He served an apprenticeship in mechanical engineering in Edinburgh, Scotland. He returned to the United States, eager to put his skills to work.

At that time, companies were reluctant to allow an African-

During his lifetime, McCoy was awarded over 57 patents and became known as one of the most prolific black inventors of the 19th century.

American to work in such a highly skilled position. He worked as a firefighter on the Michigan Central Railroad, where his duty was to oil the engine. This job led him to become interested in problems of lubricating any kind of machinery that moved. McCoy wanted to make lubrication automatic.

In July, 1872, McCoy patented his first invention of an automatic lubricator, and afterwards the "lubricator cup." He invented and patented a total of 23 lubricators for different kinds of engines. In 1920, he applied his system to air brakes.

During his lifetime, McCoy was awarded over 57 patents and became known as one of the most prolific black inventors of the 19th century. He founded the Elijah McCoy Manufacturing Co. in Detroit, Mich. to develop and sell his inventions.

McCoy continued working and inventing until his death in 1929. Of course, many people tried to imitate his products, but people often inquired if they had "the real McCoy" — settling for nothing but the best.

Garrett A. Morgan: "Mister Safety" (1877-1963)

Garrett A. Morgan was born on March 4, 1877 in Paris, Ky. He received elementary education but no formal education. He left home at 14 and went to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he worked as a general handyman for a white landowner.

He then moved to Cleveland, where he taught himself to operate a sewing machine. He became a machine adjuster for Roots and McBride. In 1909, he opened a

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tailoring shop.

One day, a sewing machine's needle moved so quickly that it scorched the thread. Morgan experimented with a chemical solution to reduce friction and eliminate scorching. When he wiped the solution on a piece of wiry pony fur cloth, he noticed that the wiry fuzz of cloth was straight. He experimented on a neighbor's dog and straightened its fur as well. He then tried a little on his own hair.

He had discovered the first human hair straightener, marketed as G.A. Morgan Hair Refining Cream. Today, the G.A. Morgan Refining Co. is still located in its original building in Cleveland. It is still doing thriving business.

Morgan received a gold medal from his adopted hometown of Cleveland for his devotion to public safety.

Gas Mask

In 1912, Morgan came out with the safety hood, later known as the gas mask. The patent was granted in 1914. The safety hood was put to the test on July 24, 1916 when a disastrous explosion took place in a tunnel of the Cleveland Water Works. The tunnel quickly filled with smoke, dust, and poisonous gasses.

Someone remembered Morgan's safety hood and called him. He and his brother pulled all 32 of the trapped men from the tunnel, although not all were alive.

Morgan received a gold medal from his adopted hometown of Cleveland for his devotion to public safety. He also received a medal from the International Association of Fire Engineers and was made an honorary member.

Morgan had requests from fire departments, police departments, and mining companies to demonstrate the safety hood. He set up his own company to manufacture and sell the hoods.

In the deep South, he had to employ a white man to show his invention. Morgan had received numerous orders for his safety hood, but when people found out that he was not white, the orders were canceled.

He improved his safety hood and it emerged as the gas mask used by the U.S. Army during World War I. It saved the lives of thousands of soldiers on the battlefield. It was also used in subsequent wars.

Traffic Signal
One day, Morgan witnessed an accident involving an automobile and a horse and carriage. The two vehicles had collided at an intersection. The driver of the automobile was knocked unconscious and two people were thrown out of the carriage. The horse was badly injured and had to be shot.

Morgan felt that, with the growing number of automobiles on the streets, something had to be done to prevent accidents. He came up with the idea to have electric — light signals with different colored lights at intersections. And thus was born the first traffic — light signal system.

In Nov. 1923, Morgan patented the traffic signal and secured British and Canadian patents as well. The rights were sold to General Electric Co. for \$40,000, a large sum of money at that time.

Morgan died on July 27, 1963.

Granville T. Woods: "The Black Edison" (1856-1910)

Granville T. Woods, known as the "Black Edison," was born April 23, 1856 in Columbus, Ohio. He had to go to work when he was 10, and never had the chance to finish elementary school. At an early age, he worked in a machine shop. In 1872, he moved to Missouri and worked both as an engineer and firefighter on the railroads. It was then that his interest in electricity began.

In his leisure time, Woods studied electricity and read books. After obtaining enough knowledge from books, he took courses in electrical and mechanical engineering. For the most part, though, he was self-taught.

He opened a factory where he manufactured telephone, telegraph and electrical equipment. He also had an interest in thermal power and steam — driven engines. In 1884 he was granted his first patent for an improved steam boiler furnace. He also invented a

In 1887, [Woods] patented railway telegraphy, one of his most important inventions. Messages could be sent between moving trains, and from moving trains to railroad stations.

telephone transmitter.

A year later, he patented the "telephony" — an apparatus that combined the telegraph with the telephone. The American Bell Telephone Co. of Boston, Mass. purchased it for a handsome amount of money.

In 1887, he patented railway telegraphy, one of his most important inventions. Messages could be sent between moving trains, and from moving trains to railroad stations.

Woods organized the Woods Electric Co. to take over and exploit his patents. The company existed from 1887 to 1893. In 1888, he set up an overhead conducting system for electric railways. Woods also invented the "third rail" now used in the subway systems of New York and elsewhere. He sold this invention to the General Electric Co. of New York in 1901.

Whenever he had the time, Woods attended the theater. He was intrigued by the way the lights dimmed until finally going out. He learned that a bulky resistor allowed

this to happen. He set out to produce an economically efficient and safe system for controlling and operating theater lighting. In 1896, he invented a system that would do this by arranging a separate generator that varies the strength of the electric current delivery to the device.

In 1902, 1903 and 1905, Woods invented a series of devices which resulted in the development of the automatic air brake, which he sold to the Westinghouse Air Brake Co. of Pennsylvania.

In the electric railways field alone, Woods was granted 15 patents. He had many patents on other electrical devices. Other inventions include: the egg incubator, a relay instrument, an electromagnetic brake apparatus and an automatic safety cut-out for electric circuits.

Woods sued the Edison Co. twice for patent infringement. Each time, he successfully proved that he had earlier rights to inventions claimed by Thomas Edison. After the second case, he was offered a job by the Edison Co., but Woods declined. He preferred to be his own boss.

When Woods died in 1910, he had more than 60 patents.

These men are just a few of many African-American inventors. Their names deserve to be read in textbooks by students — black and white alike. They deserve to be recognized along with white inventors, not only in black history month, but always. None of these men or their accomplishments shall be forgotten.

This paper was written for Naomie Poran's MDS 302 (Contemporary Science and Human Values) class. When it was brought to our attention, we thought it captured the spirit of Black History Month.

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University grades itself

■ A recent self-study reveals strengths, presents challenges.

Following the self-study of N.C. State University, students can rest knowing that the problems now identified will receive official attention. Whether the corrective action recommended in the study will be taken — and how it will be taken — are the only remaining questions about this university's future.

The study trumpeted NCSU's potential. "Preeminence," a word that appears repeatedly in the study's summary, is the best description for the aim of this campus. "North Carolina State University has established a strong base on which to build an outstanding future," reads the introduction to the summary's "NCSU's Strengths" section.

The strengths listed and praised seem exhaustive. They include a wide and diverse sampling: institutional effectiveness, faculty, educational support services, intercollegiate athletics and administrative processes. One can only wonder what possibly could be wrong.

But the section, "NCSU's Challenges," offers the total picture of a campus striving for "preeminence" yet dogged by rough edges that could be filed by sufficient funds. "The weakness of North Carolina's economy during the last several years has led to a continuing series of state funding reductions in NCSU's operating budget," the summary reads.

Still, the initiatives that follow the introductory section on "NCSU's Challenges" do not rely solely on raising funds and lobbying for money. The initiatives listed in the study also depend on relationships and cooperation within the campus community.

The initiatives are: (1) NCSU should develop a well-defined, shared vision for the future, (2) NCSU should renew its commitment to serving the people of North Carolina, (3) NCSU should address issues of racial and gender diversity more comprehensively, (4) NCSU should provide an excellent infrastructure to support teaching, research, and extension and outreach activities, and (5) NCSU should achieve an appropriate balance among programs and activities. These are bureaucratic-sounding, but they're appropriate.

Initiatives three and four have more relevance to students than the others.

Initiative three, on gender and racial diversity, is not simple. The first point under this initiative guarantees a bit of controversy. It says that the initiative should include "Achieving a richer, more diverse student body through enhanced recruiting activities and increased financial aid." Universities must continue their progressive interest in opportunities for minorities. But while the egalitarian tone is appreciated, lower standards

will not help minorities in the career world. The university should proceed with that goal in mind, but it should not let idealism do more harm than good.

Another point under the race/gender initiative is "addressing the tension between diversity and community." This generation of college students has mixed emotions of "addressing" such things. For instance, one "twentysomething" journal, "Diversity and Division," advertises with bold statements that say on-campus hype surrounding gender and racial equity has done more to exacerbate tensions than quell them. (The journal's subscriptions continue to grow, for whatever that's worth.) Still, panel discussions about race issues have been successful on campus. Perhaps as long as the attendance is voluntary and not mandatory, such successes will continue.

Initiative four is another ball of wax. "NCSU should provide an excellent infrastructure to support teaching, research, extension and outreach activities." Of course, D.H. Hill Library falls under this category. The summary of the self-study (in the pages prior to these initiatives) states, "The NCSU Libraries, a national leader in the application of new information technologies to support teaching, learning, and research, struggles to maintain and develop its basic monograph and periodical collections in the face of rapidly rising costs for journals, especially in scientific and technical fields."

Students have known for some time that the library hasn't been adequate, and that the General Assembly and the UNC Board of Governors have been relatively unconcerned. This should be one of the most important initiatives, one that the Board of Trustees, the faculty and the students all monitor.

Initiative four also calls for the establishment of "one or more centers for teaching and learning to promote faculty and student development through needs assessment, skill development and information resources." With any luck, such a center would eventually inject teaching into tenure considerations.

The committee of trustees, faculty and students who conducted the self-study should be commended, but the tough part has now begun. It took two and a half years to complete the study; it will take longer to renovate the university according to the initiatives.

NCSU has potential, as well as strength in the present. Let's hope that administrators, trustees, the UNC Board of Governors and the General Assembly will see these present strengths and future possibilities, and let this study become more than a stack of paper.

Let it become a beginning.



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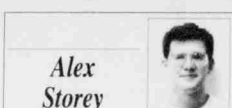
Five ways to improve the Olympics

Like most people, I've been watching the Winter Olympics during the past few weeks. As always, it is a joy to behold such a spectacle. But looking back on it, I see there's room for improvement, so I have come up with "Five Ways to Improve the Winter Olympics."

Number One: Introduce more American sports. Sven and Olga were probably born on skis. Bubba and Lou Ann, however, were born with a preference for Ford or Chevy trucks. This cultural disadvantage on our part must be made up for with more American sports. So instead of the biathlon, which was obviously invented to give the Swedish Army something to do between major land battles, we need something Bubba can kick butt in right away. We need ice bowling. Clear off a frozen pond and cut about 10 lanes into the ice. Set up frozen salmon in pins on one end and put Bubba, his three friends and a few pitchers of beer at the other end and, voila, instant gold medals. After we become a world power in the sport, we can set up an exchange program with the Finns. We show them how to take out a seven-ten split while they explain that ski-jump thing.

Number Two: Get rid of no-talent teams like the Jamaican bobsled team. Why? you may ask. Well, the Jamaicans don't seem to be very serious about the Olympics. In a race last week, their two-man sled was disqualified because they were eight pounds overweight. Not keeping one's weight in check marks the difference between a bad team and a bad team that doesn't care. The Irish bobsled team sucks, but at least they're trying. The International Olympic Committee (IOC) finally got around to barring a British ski-jumper from the Olympic competition, and it needs to do more of this. The athlete was a plumber until the Olympics rolled around when he straps on a pair of skis to see how far back in the field he can finish. The Olympics are for serious world-class athletes, not for no-talent imbeciles.

Number Three: Alter existing sports to create new ones. Humans have a bad habit of not leaving well enough alone, and Olympic events are no exception. Take speed skating and put it on a smaller rink and you get short-track speed skating. Take the ski jump and make the bottom end of the ramp curve vertically and, whammo, aerial skiing is born. Why stop the perversions there? Let's satisfy the bloodthirsty American audience and combine hockey with figure skating to create combat figure skating. Each skater gets the blunt object of his or her choice and four minutes to complete his or her program and eliminate the other skater. Points go to the skater who can combine the artistic and technical elements with bone-jarring checks. Why play out the Nancy Kerrigan/Tonya Harding melodrama in the media? Connie Chung has been on Harding like a wet blanket, and, quite frankly, she's annoying. Let Kerrigan and Harding solve it on the ice. Kerrigan cold-cocks Harding and still



Alex Storey

pulls off a flawless triple-lutz double-loop combination. Now that's entertainment!

Number Four: Get some decent skating judges. The figure skating judges for this year's Olympics were laughable. The British ice-dancing pair of Jane Torvill and Christopher Dean obviously had the best performances in the competition, but they only managed to win a bronze. The judges n't-picked their performance while letting infractions committed by other pairs slide. Canada's Elvis Stojko befell the same fate when the judges placed his flawless program second behind a Russian skater who botched an easy jump. As if the judges couldn't get any worse, the British judge scored a female Hungarian figure skater third best of the evening, while the Canadian judge placed the same skater in 16th place. It's as if one judge — saw a Van Gogh as a masterpiece and the other saw childish scribbles. A difference of three-tenths of a point between judges is understandable, but a disparity of this magnitude is suspect and worrisome to say the least.

Number Five: Introduce snowball fights. The Olympic Winter Games are generally held in cold climes with lots and lots of snow. So why not take advantage of this and make a new, low-cost event to end the games, instead of everyone standing around freezing their buns off listening to some dull speech by some IOC honcho with an unpronounceable name. Build some snow forts and let two nations' teams duke it out until one is snowed or frostbitten into submission. A fun and easy way to avenge a nudge during a race or to settle a nasty trade war.

N.C. should kill capital punishment

With all the talk right now in North Carolina about crime, it is easy to forget what is really important. The purpose of fighting crime is to protect peaceful, law-abiding citizens — not simply to quiet their

con. Jim Hunt has called a special session on crime to meet in Raleigh. It has brought new ideas such as the questionable "three strikes you're out" plan and a whole new debate ("whole new" equals "warmed over" in government terms) over capital punishment.

Many people are starting to doubt the death penalty's effectiveness. They are talking about money and court time, but few ever mention that it is simply wrong for our government to kill people. Perhaps they think only in terms of tax dollars and really do not think it's wrong. Well, these people are selfish, backward children.

There shouldn't really need to be a debate about the effectiveness of capital punishment (which is poor) because we should agree that, as a civilized society, we simply don't want to execute our own citizens. Of course civilization is what you make it, and I guess we've made it into a base, retributive mob mentality when it comes to crime control.

People speak of having the punishment "fit the crime," but that is never really possible, because the only punishments we have are prison time and the brutal death penalty. The best we can do is approximate an appropriate term for a



David Cantwell

given crime.

A lifetime term for murder seems about right, but the public rightfully gets angry when people serve seven years of a life term — or even 20 years — because they must be pushed to make room for some other (often victimless, drug-related) criminal or because of good behavior. Good behavior refers to behavior in prison, not the act of murder. Certainly parole is necessary to keep the prisons in some kind of order, but it is also overused and exploited to the point where many criminals do not really fear prison time, especially for smaller felonies with no minimum sentence. This must change (and has in North Carolina).

But, no matter how heinous the crime, execution is not an appropriate penalty. The mere existence of capital punishment in this century is a grim testimony of the lack of value many of us put on human life. All people are inherently equal, and none should be killed, even if he or she "deserves" it.

Who are we to decide who can and cannot live? Our court system is not flawless, so we should not give it the power to make the ultimate decision about its citizens. In fact, there are situations

when states executed innocent people. What do we do in that situation? If someone has been in prison for 10 or 30 years, we can give him or her a lot of money, rub our chins and send him or her home — but what of innocent dead citizens? It's more than a public embarrassment; it's a social disgrace and failure, because no government should be killing its people in the first place.

But even if you don't fall for all this pinko, feel-good, "civilized" routine, certainly numbers do not lie. It has been proved countless times that capital punishment does nothing to slow crime. It would seem that the government's murder of people would indeed legitimize murder to the common citizen. Plus, executing prisoners costs much more than simply locking the guys up; no one is going to accept the death penalty, so people always appeal and take up court time.

Like I said before, we fight crime to protect the peaceful citizens of our nation. Capital punishment does no more to protect us than do stiff prison terms. People satisfy themselves by saying it works as a deterrent by scaring criminals out of murder, but that has been proven wrong, which is the main reason many former pro-execution thinkers are changing their minds.

I guess maybe I'm expecting too much by saying they're thinking the right thing for the wrong reason. Maybe if North Carolina abolishes capital punishment, we will all be happy to live in a state that (officially, at least) respects human life.

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Technician headline insensitive to victim

As a concerned student of N.C. State University, I feel it is necessary to comment on the two violent reported sexual assaults that have occurred on our campus in the past month. These incidents have gained attention and publicity, but the issue of sexual assault will not fade with the passage of time. It occurs again and again, as it has throughout history.

The article that appeared in Technician on Feb. 14 regarding the Pullen Park sexual assault was poorly written. It remarks that the man "fails to rape [the] student." This vague statement opens the door to doubt the man's competence in performing the sexual act as well as the possibility of her struggle to prevent the atrocities that happened. Lend her some sensitivity by wording your articles in a way that encourages dignity and respect for the survivor. Such a catastrophic experience can instill a feeling of shame and fear that can take months to overcome, and it takes a remarkable act of courage to inform others of such a reprehensible act that violates the body as well as destroys trust and sense of security.

Perpetrators do not differentiate victims by sexual orientation, race or anything of that nature; they are looking for an easy target — male or female. Sexual assault is a serious, violent crime that can affect anyone, whether that person is a survivor or secondary survivor. It is appalling to recognize there are few people that do not have connections of some kind to this issue. It is time to take action, but circumstances will only improve when the campus community decides it is everyone's responsibility to take a strong stand against the issue of sexual assault to make our campus a safer place to live, work, study and socialize.

Kelly Wall
Sophomore, psychology

Assaults, rapes occur everyday

Do you remember the Take Back the Night march? Now, think about the two sexual assaults that we have all heard about in the last month. This is what Take Back the Night was all about! While the annual Take Back the Night march is meant to increase awareness about sexual assault and rape, nothing increases awareness as much as the events of the past few weeks.

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Wake up N.C. State University! Rape and other forms of sexual assault happen every day and night! Whether or not Technician writes ridiculous headlines about it or not, sexual assault happens to nearly 25 percent of all women at some time in their life according to a Ms. magazine report on sexual assault. Furthermore, it happens to men, too! Sexual assault is happening around you all the time!

Does this infuriate you? Well then, take action! Let us join together to take back the night and the day, our classrooms, our residence halls and apartments, our streets and our communities. Do not tolerate rape and sexual assault, or apathetic attitudes towards these subjects!

In closing, let me say to the two most recent survivors, that I wish the very best to you, and please utilize your campus resources if you feel you need to. There are people out there who understand what you are going through and are willing to help support you.

Amy J. Waznegger
Junior, environmental engineering

Speaker didn't say he was cured

I would like to clear up a matter that David Cantwell seemed to be confused about in his column on Feb. 23, 1994.

I agree with Cantwell that the intolerance of homosexuals needs to be eliminated. But I attended the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF) meeting during Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week and I would like to inform Cantwell of what was said at that meeting.

Cantwell claimed in his article that IVCF held a lecture by a man who was "cured" of homosexuality. Wrong. He does not claim to be cured, but helped. The speaker at that meeting has been homosexual all his life. He has ceased to act on his homosexuality. He does not claim to be cured of the urges it gives. What the speaker was trying to tell the people at this meeting was that God loves everyone including homosexuals. He talked about his own struggle with God and how he finally came to realize that God still loved him.

Cantwell, next time you make an accusation about a group based on a meeting, attend the meeting and pay attention first.

Jennifer C. Barlow
Sophomore, English

Not all struggles included in article

I was pleased to see your coverage of many events during the Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week, including Tony Bishop's testimony at the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF) on Thursday night. Although the goals of Bishop's speech were noted (that homosexuality is a struggle and that Christians need to love homosexuals as they are), I felt that a few issues about the struggle homosexuals face that Bishop discussed were not mentioned in the article.

First of all, Bishop stated that although he believes that he was not born gay, he could not recall a point in his childhood at which he became gay. During the time he believed he was born gay, he also came to the conclusion that God, speaking through the Bible, did not approve of his homosexual lifestyle. After his first homosexual relationship, he sought repentance from what he saw as a sin. When he was unable to handle the temptations of homosexuality, he sought help from clergymen who either replied that he was born that way and could not change, or that he had repented and could in turn resist any temptation. After reaching the point of giving up and hearing the advice that nothing was too difficult for God to help him deal with, Bishop began a process which he felt was not a method of becoming straight, but a process of unraveling his sexual character to understand what it had become, and discovering how the identity given by God was greater than his sexuality, and not vice versa.

Bishop works part-time for the Olive Branch Ministry in Raleigh, which maintains a support group for gays and lesbians who feel that God has called them to change their lifestyles. It is a group that does not brainwash homosexuals into becoming straight people, but merely builds relationships and maintains an environment where the love of Jesus Christ is able to work miracles in the lives of those who seek Him and his will.

Britt Peterson
Junior, biochemistry

Gilbody is unfair to conservatives

In response to G. Douglas Gilbody's column "Embarrassed of Conservative Peers," the "apathetic silent majority" would like to voice an opinion.

First, I would like to state that my purpose is not to disagree with Gilbody on any of the points he makes in his column. He does, after all, have a right to his opinions. However, I do have a problem with the manner in which he portrays white, male conservatives. Gilbody stereotypes conservatives as being womanizing rapists who long for "the good old days" of slavery and oppression of minorities. He goes so far as to classify former President Ronald Reagan with the likes of Hitler and Stalin. Gilbody does not have any real facts to base his opinions on, so he resorts to cheap shots and name-calling. This type of immature writing only undermines his credibility.

Sen. Joe McCarthy is mentioned as a source of prejudice and intolerance in the world of today. Gilbody himself is only one of the brand of "McCarthyism" in that he uses "racist," "bigot" or "white supremacist" to silence any opinion that differs from his own. This is an all-too-familiar flaw in the arguments of so-called "open-minded" people with valid arguments. He says that people should either "stand up and be counted, or sit down and be

ignored." What he meant to say was "stand up if you agree with everything I say, or sit down and shut up."

Gilbody describes himself as a voice of moderation on a conservative campus. All I know is, if the time ever comes when his views are considered moderate, the world will truly be a dark place.

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