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Controversy plagues spring elections

■ **Nominations have been accepted for a week for upcoming campus-wide elections — with little publicity.**

By CHRIS BAYSSEN
Assistant News Editor

Elections Board Chair Sean Bullock is on the defensive after complaints about a lack of publicity for student government elections and the possible resignation of two of his board members.

The spring elections process

officially started last Monday when Student Government started accepting nominations for candidates in several races.

Student Senate's Government Operations Chair Chris Love said the process should have received more publicity last week.

"There was no fanfare for it," he said. "That's scary."

Love said only student government insiders knew about the books opening. There wasn't enough of an effort to get word out, he said.

Student Senate President Megan Jones also said the start of the

elections hasn't been well publicized.

"I am disappointed in the publicity Student Government has gotten," Jones said. "If [students] don't know to turn out, we've got a problem."

Bullock said he has publicized the opening of the books by putting fliers up all over campus, and that he also got an ad placed in The Nubian Message.

Bullock said he's had trouble getting Technician to publicize elections. He didn't know to whom he should talk and wasn't helped when he did contact the paper, he

said.

"I talked to one of the employees," he said. "Basically, they told me no."

Bullock said he now knows to whom he needs to speak and will work on getting an ad in Technician. He said he hopes to get it run free or at a reduced rate, as his budget can't pay for significant advertising in the paper.

The Nubian Message ad was free, he said. There is enough money to pay for a Technician ad to run only once, he said.

"I have a pretty tight budget to deal with," he said. "I really don't

know if [the ad] is going to be free or reduced price."

"We're hoping that Technician will be able to help us out in this time of need."

Bullock said he didn't tell Technician's news department about the book's opening because he didn't think about the paper running a story.

Bullock said he expects the election to go well. As of Sunday night, three nominations had been turned in at the student government office.

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Visitor robbed Saturday

■ **The daylight robbery is not known to be connected to other crimes committed in the last week, Public Safety says.**

By EMILY SUTTON
Staff Writer

When UNC-Chapel Hill student Michael Mahon came to N.C. State last weekend to return some library books, he probably didn't think he was going to get mugged in broad daylight.

Public Safety reports say Mahon was walking to D.H. Hill Library at 12:42 p.m. when he was robbed by a black male near the breezeway between the north and south sections of Gardner Hall.

As Mahon, 27, walked from his car, parked near Nelson Hall, the suspect drove by him in a dark-colored vehicle and parked in an AV space. When Mahon walked by the suspect's car, the suspect produced a semi-automatic handgun and demanded Mahon give him money.

"He made it clear he just wanted the money," Mahon said.

According to Public Safety reports, the suspect's mouth was covered by a turtleneck shirt pulled up over the bottom half of his face.

Mahon gave the suspect his wallet, which contained over \$50 in cash. The suspect took the cash and told Mahon to walk away and not turn around. The suspect returned to his car and drove away.

Mahon was unable to get a license plate number, according to Public Safety reports.

Mahon said the incident has changed his perception.

"It has made me be more aware when I'm on any campus or anywhere in broad daylight," he said.

Mahon said the suspect was a 6-foot-2-inch, 180-pound black male, dressed in all black clothing.

Although Mahon couldn't remember if the car had two or four doors, he said it was a dark color.

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Cates/Morrill intersection to be regulated by new light

■ **A new traffic light has been installed to increase traffic safety.**

By CHRIS BAYSSEN
Assistant News Editor

N.C. State motorists and pedestrians traveling through the intersection near Reynolds Coliseum will have to get used to stopping when a new traffic light starts operating, according to Transportation Systems Manager Cathy Reeve.

The light is in place and operating at the corner of Cates Avenue and Morrill Drive. "It's on flash right now," Reeve said Wednesday. "It's getting people used to seeing it."

The volume of traffic and pedestrians who pass through the intersection is the reason for the new light, she said.

The project, which includes design, equipment and installation, cost \$80,000, Reeve said.

The new light will have a five phase traffic cycle, and an all-pedestrian phase.

The buttons which control the pedestrian phase will stop all traffic so pedestrian can cross

safely, she said.

"It should be interesting to see if people use them," Reeve said.

The all-pedestrian phase will have a feature new to campus intersections.

"We're going to have cuckoos," she said.

The "cuckoos," similar to the ones in downtown Raleigh, are an audible sound which resembles that of a cuckoo clock. When the "walk" light comes on, the cuckooing will start, so visually impaired pedestrians know it's safe to cross. The "cuckoo" warns people when it is unsafe to walk.

"There's a different tone of cuckoos," Reeve said. "There is an audible change."

An additional safety feature has been built into the light. If the lights ever go down, all its sides would turn red, Reeve said. This feature should prevent accidents in case any damage happens to the light, she said.

The light won't be activated until some road work is finished, Reeve said. In addition, sidewalk and curb work still has to be done.

The lane configuration on East Cates Avenue will also be changed — which means new stop bars and lane stripes have to be painted.



Ron Johnson straightens out a traffic light on a mastarm recently installed at the intersection of Cates and Morrill at 2 a.m.

Fido's suffering can be treated by drugs

■ **Studies contradict what most veterinarians have been taught about pets and pain.**

By SHARON CORKERY
Staff Writer

Thanks to researchers at N.C. State's College of Veterinary Medicine, the world just became a friendlier place for man's best friend.

Dr. Bernie Hansen, visiting assistant professor of medicine, and Dr. Elizabeth Hardie, associate professor of surgery, directed new studies contradicting what most veterinarians have been taught about pets and pain.

"There's a widely held belief in the profession that most animals don't experience pain after minor surgery such as spaying and neutering," Hansen said. "But our work shows that somewhere between one third and one half of the patients who don't get [pain] relief would benefit from it."

Veterinarians wait for obvious

signs of stress before prescribing pain medicine.

"It's been taught that a little bit of pain keeps them quiet," said Dr. Joseph Gordon, a 1986 graduate from NCSU who practices at Oberlin Road Animal Hospital. "Our standard routine is to give no sedatives."

Hansen said that many veterinarians get no pain distress training.

"No other vet school spends as much time studying pain as we do," he said.

Doctors are taught to be really judicious about using narcotics because of the drugs' negative side effects, Hansen said. As a result, only the more obviously stressed dogs get relief.

"The burden of proof is on the patient," Hansen said. "Many animals can have pain and not show it."

Hansen said that no one has ever tried to systematically categorize the behavior of dogs after minor surgery.



Dr. Joseph Gordon examines Frances at the animal hospital.

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SAT scoring scale will be raised to reset average

■ **A new change in the SAT will cause scores to increase about 100 points.**

By JENNY FRAZIER
Staff Writer

For years, high school students have wanted to score higher on the Scholastic Achievement Test. Their wish may come true next year, but higher college entrance standards could nullify any gains.

The College Board, which administers the SAT, recently announced it will modify its scoring scale to reset the average score to 500, the midpoint of the 200-800 scale. The current national average for the SAT is 424 in the verbal section and 478 in math.

A College Board employee said the scale hasn't been readjusted since the test was first given in 1941, and the average scores for that group have been used as points of reference ever since.

Beginning in April, the College Board's SAT scale will reflect a more contemporary reference group. Students taking the PSAT/NMSQT already are scored

under the new scale.

According to a College Board publication, the decrease in the average SAT score is due to changes in the type of students taking the test, the increased number of test takers, and changes in how and what students are taught in schools.

N.C. State's director of undergraduate admissions, George Dixon, said setting the average verbal and math scores at 500 means that most students' scores will be higher, resulting in some amount of confusion.

"Most students will see a rise in their scores by 100 points," he said. "Colleges and high schools will adjust their standards, but the public may misinterpret the change."

Mary Ellen Taft, a senior guidance counselor at Millbrook High School in Raleigh, said the change has already affected some high school students.

"It has certainly caused some confusion," she said. "Our juniors took the recent PSAT in the fall, and I don't think it's sunk in

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News Notes

Author to speak in Nelson Hall

John Newlin, author of "The World Is Your Market," will discuss global opportunities and strategies for involvement in the world marketplace at 4 p.m. Monday, March 6, at N.C. State.

The event, part of the NCSU College of Management's Executive Lecture Series, is free and open to the public. It will be held in Nelson Hall, Room 240.

Medal awarded at Founders' Day dinner

N.C. State will celebrate the 108th anniversary of its founding at the 1995 Founders' Day Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 7, at the McKimmon Center.

N.C. Speaker of the House Harold J. Brubaker of Asheville will be the keynote speaker.

During the program, Chancellor Larry Monteith will present the prestigious Watauga Medal, the highest nonacademic award bestowed by the university. From one to three medals are given annually in recognition of distinguished service to the university.

Founders' Day celebrates the founding of N.C. State on March 7, 1887.

Tickets for the dinner are \$13, and reservations should be made by Friday, March 3. For reservations or for more information, call (919)515-7184.

TODAY

AUDITIONS — Auditions for spring student studio will be held today and Tuesday at 7 p.m. For info, call Diane at 515-2405.

LECTURE — Eric Schopier will give a speech on "Autism in the Schools" at 3:30 p.m. in Poe Hall, Room 636.

WORKSHOP — A workshop covering letters of inquiry, acceptance, cover, introduction, etc., will be held from 4 to 5 p.m. in Broughton Hall, Room 3216.

WORKSHOP — A four-part, hands-on session for students wanting to make changes. Attendance at all sessions, today, Wednesday, March 6 and

8 from 6 to 7 p.m. is required. Call 515-2396. Career Planning, to register. A \$5 fee covers materials.

SERIES — Leadership Development Series presents "Benchmarks for High Performance" and "Leadership, the Four C's and You" today. Sign up in the University Student Center, Room 3114.

SYMPOSIUM — Display research projects in four categories: biological sciences, engineering/technology, humanities/social sciences and physical/mathematical sciences. Entry deadline is March 28. Call 515-5114 for info.

INTERNSHIP — available to assist with sexual assault prevention and personal safety awareness programming. Contact Connie Domino, sexual assault educator at 515-9355.

TUESDAY

WORKSHOP — Learn what works from the experts, develop your own strategy. A free, walk-in session from Career Planning will be held from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. in Pullen Hall, Room 2100.

SERIES — Tonight's events presented by Leadership Development Series include "Conflict: A Creative Opportunity" and "The Creative

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Leader: Whacked, Kicked, Poked and Laughing Out Loud." Sign up in the Student Center, Room 3114.

AUDITION — Meredith College will hold auditions for *The Imaginary Invalid*, a comedy, today, and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Studio Theatre on the Meredith College campus. Production needs 7 to 8 men, ages 18 to 50. Call 829-8586.

MEETING — Interested in horses? Come join the collegiate horseman's association. Our next meeting is at 7 p.m. in Polk Hall, Room 5A.

CONTEST — Black Repertory Theatre sponsors the Ebony Man

Contest at 8 p.m. in Stewart Theatre. Tickets are \$2 in advance or \$3 at the door.

ORIENTATION — Students who want major related work experience while in school can attend a cooperative education orientation at 5:30 p.m. in Poe Hall, Room 214 or call 515-4427. All are welcome.

MEETING — The North Carolina Student Legislature offers you a chance to initiate and debate popular legislation for the state. NCSU meets at 7 p.m. in the Student Center Boardroom. Contact Nat Swearingen at 512-6190 for more information. All are welcome.

WEDNESDAY

CLASS — A self-defense class for NCSU women will be taught today and

Thursday from 6 to 9 p.m. at Carmichael Gym. Tuition is \$12. Call Connie Domino at 515-9355 to register. All are welcome.

What's Happening Policy

What's Happening items must be submitted in writing on a What's Happening grid, available in Technician's offices, at least two publication days in advance by noon. Space is limited and priority will be given to items that are submitted earliest. Items may be no longer than 30 words. Items must come from organizations that are campus affiliated. The news department will edit items for style, grammar, spelling and brevity. Technician reserves the right to not run items deemed offensive or that don't meet publication guidelines. Direct questions and send submissions to Chris Bayson, assistant news editor. You may also e-mail items to TechCal@NCSU.Edu.

Pets

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"We depend on this behavior, but no one's bothered to study it," Hansen said.

Hansen and Hardie's research consisted of videotaping the postoperative behavior of dogs.

"Initially I handled the dogs on camera," Hansen said. "I would pet them once an hour and observe their behavior."

From personal contact, Hansen said he determined that most of the dogs were back to normal after an average of six hours. However, after reviewing the videotape and tracking specific behaviors, Hansen said he realized the pets he thought had recovered after six hours really took a full 24 hours to recover.

Since doctors' perceptions might be biased toward their own expectations, Hansen said the owner's point of view has been a

consideration. Researchers interviewed owners, but that data hasn't been analyzed.

"Obviously the owner is more aware of how the animal normally acts," Hansen said. "We expect the results of that data to coincide with our other findings."

Gordon said the owner's wishes played a large part in his practice.

"If the owner called and said that the dog was experiencing pain, I would prescribe something," Gordon said.

While he would make sedatives an option for the owner, Gordon has no plans to encourage owners to buy medicine for their pets.

That bothers some pet owners. NCSU senior Erika Farr said that a doctor's suggestion would have made a difference when her 2-year-old Akita, Dallas, was spayed.

"If they had stressed the pain killer, I probably would have given her pain medicine," she said. "They definitely didn't make it sound like she'd be in pain."

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SAT

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why their scores are higher. It will probably take about a year for the parents and us to get used to it."

The new test won't be any easier and the new scoring scale won't change the rank order or percentiles for the students taking the test, a College Board employee said.

The average SAT score for the 1994 NCSU freshman class was 484 in the verbal section and 571 in math, for a combined score of 1055. When admitting the high school class of 1996 to NCSU, Dixon said his office will most likely increase its minimum SAT score for consideration to over 1100.

High school students will have to take those changes into account when applying to NCSU, Taft said.

"Because the majority of our kids want to go to State or Carolina, the question for us is what the standard range will be in these colleges," he said. "If a 1250 used to be the minimum for State's engineering program, they might want it at 1350 now. That score sounds unattainable to most students because all they see is the numbers."

About half of the Millbrook seniors who attend four-year institutions apply to NCSU, Taft said.

Robbery

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with tinted windows, according to Public Safety reports.

Even though the robbery occurred in the middle of the day, Public Safety spokesman Sgt. Larry Ellis said there were no known witnesses.

Mahon said no one was in the area when he was robbed, but a woman rode by on a bicycle shortly after the robbery.

Ellis said students can protect themselves by developing good

safety habits.

"Don't walk alone and avoid isolated places," he said. "Most of the time robberies do not happen in broad daylight, but crimes do happen and there are only so many things a person can do to prevent them from occurring."

Ellis said he does not know if the incident is connected to the robbery in the Dan Allen Parking Deck on Feb. 16 or the assault in Winston Hall on Feb. 19.

"I don't see that the crime rates have gone up this semester," Ellis said. "Over the past few years, statistics have shown that the rates have gone down."

Election

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Potential candidates must pick up an elections packet from the Student Government office and fill it out before March 7 at 5 p.m. to get their names on the ballot.

Publicity isn't the only question other officers have about the elections board.

Bullock said the day after he picked the seven students who would serve on the elections board, he discovered a potential problem with its members. Four of the appointees are members of Sigma Chi Fraternity, Eric Ness, a potential candidate for student body president, is also a member of the fraternity.

"There could be a conflict of interest there," Bullock said.

The fraternity members were just being active in the election, not trying to help Ness, Bullock said.

Ness didn't know anything about it, Bullock said.

"He was pretty shocked there were four [Sigma Chi] members on the election board," Bullock said.

Bullock said he talked to the members and said two of the four have said they will resign some time this week.

The elections board must be intact by the March 8 Student Senate meeting, Jones said.

Bullock said he doesn't see any problems getting replacements for the two members.

Two Sigma Chi members will remain on the board, he said.

"The other two just really wanted to be on the elections board committee," Bullock said.

The Sigma Chi members will not count the ballots for student body president, and their duties won't be a conflict of interest, he said.

The elections will be held March 27 and 28. Run-offs are scheduled for April 3 and 4, if necessary.

Positions for student body president, student body chief justice, student body treasurer and student senate president as well as several Student Senate seats are among the offices for which candidates can run for in the spring elections.

Love said he was glad the books opened early this year because it gives Student Government more time to publicize the elections.

"In the past, the trend has been 'open the books as late as you can,'" he said. "We had very little time for campaigning, it seemed like."

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Women's History Month Calendar of Events

Wednesday, March 1
SafeSkills Self-Defense Workshop

4:30-7:30 Carmichael Gym
This workshop is free and open to all NCSU women, students, staff and faculty. You must call 515-2012 to pre-register for this workshop; space is limited.

Monday, March 6
Free Your Mind: Images of Women in Our Pop Culture

4:00-5:30 Women's Center
Connie Domino, Sexual Assault Prevention Educator, will discuss the ways in which American girls and women are presented in the electronic media and how these media images affect socialization of our children and contribute to sexual identity, understanding, communication, and violence.

Thursday, March 2
FACES: Native American Women

7:00-8:30 Women's Center
Sponsored by the Native American Student Association and the Women's Center. Native American Women will speak on their "her-story" and experiences. B-18 Nelson Hall.

Tuesday, March 7
FACES: Women of the World

4:00-5:30 Women's Center
International women will speak on dating customs and issues from their different cultures.

Panellenic's Outstanding Women's Awards Banquet
6:30-8:30 University Student Center Ballroom and Galleries
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7:00-9:00pm Multipurpose Room Waterspoon Student Center

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Sports

Wolfpack sweeps Colonials

By TED NEWMAN
Sports Editor

N.C. State's baseball team polished off a sweep of George Washington in its first home series of season with a 4-2 win.

As was the rule for the weekend, the Pack (6-3) had to rally for the victory. State trailed in the first three innings of all three games before coming back. They won 3-2 in the first game of the series and 7-5 in Saturday's contest.

"George Washington is going to battle for the Atlantic 10 championship," State coach Ray Tanner said. "And to be able to win three games against a team as good as they are, I was really happy."

Sunday's game developed into a pitching

duel for the first six innings. GW scored its first run in the second inning, sandwiching two singles around a fielder's choice to bring in the run.

In the fourth, one of State's starting pitcher Bubba Scarce's five walks came back to hurt him. A one-out pass issued by Scarce scored after back-to-back singles and the Pack trailed 2-0.

Then the Wolfpack bats started to come alive. After being limited to only two hits in the first four innings — a double by Andy Bartlett and a bunt single by Tom Sergio — the Pack collected three in the fifth. Freshman Jake Weber scored on Scott Lawler's pinch-hit single.

Still on the hook for the loss down 2-1,

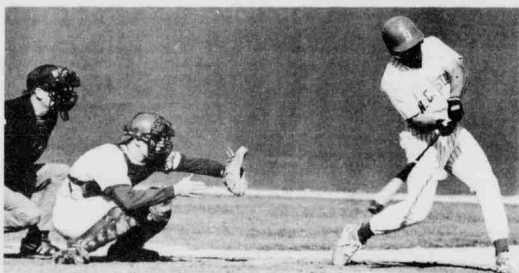
Scarce was lifted after one out in the sixth.

"Bubba's a true freshman and it's a tough situation," Tanner said. "I thought he battled well for us. We got behind and he gave us a chance to come back. When he got up to the 100-pitch limit I pulled him, but I thought he had a good outing."

Still in the sixth, State's Kip Bryan made the catch of the day. GW's Chris Martine hit a hanging pop-up to center field. Bryan charged and dove for the snow-cone grab, saving a sure double.

The Wolfpack tied things up in the bottom of the frame when Tony Ellison hit a solo homer. Friday he hit a game-winning two-run blast in the eighth.

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State's Derrick Clay takes a swing against the George Washington Colonials. The Pack swept the weekend series, all come-from-behind wins.

ROD GARDNER/STAFF

Whitted, Gonzalez bright spots for track team

By DAVID HONEA
Staff Writer

North Carolina dominated the team standings at this weekend's ACC indoor track and field championships in Greensboro. But it was Wolfpack sprinter Alvis Whitted who ran away with the title of outstanding performer.

Whitted, a sophomore, posted impressive NCAA-qualifying performances while winning both the 55- and 200-meter dashes. The wins helped State to a fourth-place finish with 76 points.

UNC won with 192 points, followed by Clemson with 89.5 and

Wake Forest with 85.

Whitted's first win came in the 55-meter dash, where he finished in 6.24 seconds, .03 ahead of Florida State's Jonathon Carter. He had earlier demonstrated his dominance by winning his semifinal heat in a seasonal best 6.21.

Whitted was denied his only real competition when FSU's Phillip Riley, the NCAA leader over 55 meters, was injured in his own semifinal and withdrew from the meet.

"You don't ever want to see a guy get hurt," Whitted said. "But I've still got to get my job done, and that's to beat the guys who line up

against me."

The job was actually more complicated in the 200-meters, where the final was divided into two sections because of the small track. The fastest time from either of the sections would be the winner.

That setup cost Whitted last year, when he threw his hands up to celebrate winning the seeded section, only to be edged out by the winner of the unseeded section. This time he waited until after crossing the finish line to celebrate, and his time of 21.43 buried the field and broke the track record.

"I ran a lot smarter than last year," he said. "I was glad to get the wins

after finishing second in both events last year."

"Alvis was clearly the class of the field, through the heats and in winning the finals," said N.C. State coach Rollie Geiger. "He was very deserving of the outstanding performer award, and I think he has established himself as the ACC's premier sprinter."

Distance runner Jose Gonzalez almost matched Whitted, earning double all-ACC honors by winning the 3000-meters and finishing second in the mile.

In the mile, Gonzalez took the lead with 400 meters to go in a

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Umeki Webb (21) receives the hammer from Wake's Lindsay Seawright. Webb scored 11 points for the game.

HUNTER MORRIS/STAFF

Gibson rains on this Forest in rout

By AARON MORRISON
Assistant Sports Editor

WINSTON SALEM — The N.C. State women's basketball team wound up the regular season with a big win over Wake Forest. After a slow first half, the Wolfpack went on to drum the Demon Deacons 86-63.

In the first half, the Pack shot only 34 percent from the floor and led the Deacons by only one point at the break, 33-32. But some tough defense and 60 percent shooting in the second half put the game out of reach midway through the frame.

"[In the second half] we needed to get our defensive pressure up to a higher level and keep it there," State coach Kay Yow said. "And we wanted to keep the tempo up and have more patience on offense."

"They weren't getting the ball to their strengths in the first half," Wake coach Karen Freeman said. "But they came out the second half and found a way to get it done."

For the third straight game, State's Tammy Gibson scored more than 20 points. Gibson poured in 35 points, 22 in the second half, on 14 of 26 shooting.

"Tammy Gibson has just raised the level of her play," Yow said. "For the last five or six games she just has been awesome."

For the last five games, Gibson has averaged 25 points and seven rebounds.

"I consider myself to be a team leader, whether it is by scoring or defense or whatever. As long as I can do well, our team can do well."

"Tammy Gibson is tough to control," Freeman said. "You're not going to shut her down. You just have to try to keep her in check."

State's Chaisty Melvin also had a big game. Melvin scored 20 points, hitting 10 of 15 shots from the floor. She grabbed 13 boards to boot, including five on the offensive end. The bulk of Melvin's points also came in the second. She had 14 in the final 20 minutes.

"You look at Melvin's 20 points, five of those are offensive rebounds," Freeman said. "That's ten points right there. She wasn't getting the ball, but she found a way to get the ball when it came off the glass. That's the mark of a really good player."

In the first five minutes of the second half the Pack went on 19-6 run and pushed its lead to 14. To finish off the run, Gibson buried a facial three-pointer with 14:51 left in the game.

"We knew we had to come out in the second half and make a run, like we did against Clemson," Gibson said. "That's what we did. We just came out with a run and kept it going from there."

Wake answered with a small run, and closed the gap to 10. Then the Wolfpack turned up the heat again and put the game away. The next five minutes saw State go on a 13-0 run and take a 23-point lead. From then on State and Gibson were in control.

The Wolfpack finishes the regular season in third place in the ACC. Its 11-5 record puts it one game ahead of Duke and behind Virginia and North Carolina.



KRISTEN MCKEON/STAFF (ABOVE)

Will Coenen (left) set a school record in the 200-meter breaststroke but still finished fifth in the championship. (Below) The agony of defeat.

Swimmers 3rd at the ACCs

HUNTER MORRIS/STAFF

Strong individual performances helped the Wolfpack to a strong showing at the league championship meet.

By MICHAEL TODD
Staff Writer

After winning the regular season title, the N.C. State men's swimming team went into the ACC Swimming and Diving Championships as one of the favorites to walk away with the title.

In order to win, the Wolfpack knew that they had to swim better than they did last year.

And swim their best they did, but it wasn't enough as the Pack finished in third with a total of 600 points. North Carolina won the championships for the third straight year with 715 points, while Florida State was second with 681.

Overall, interim head coach Beth Harrel was pleased with her team's performance.

"It was great," Harrel said. "We definitely showed what kind of team we were this year. Our kids swam really fast. They did their best times. We ended up third."

"It's better than last year. We swam faster than last year. So, we're happy."

Carlos Santander led the way for State as he earned three individual top three finishes, including one ACC title.

A freshman, Santander won the 100-meter freestyle event with a time of 43.96, winning the race by over a second.

Also, Santander swam the anchor leg in the 400-meter freestyle relay, as State came from behind to win the ACC title with a time of 2:57.92. Brandon Walts, Chucky Cox and J.J. Marus swam the other legs.

Santander took second in the 50-meter freestyle with a time of 20.30, losing to Florida State's Rob Brankins, the meet's Most Valuable Swimmer. Santander ended up third in the 200-meter freestyle, clocking in at 1:37.63.

Santander also swam on three other relays, two of which took second.

In the 200-meter freestyle relay, State's team of Cox, Walts, Marus and Santander finished with a time of 1:21.66.

The 800-meter freestyle relay squad of Walts, Marus, Matt Ream and Santander set a school record as they finished second with a time of 6:36.36.

Santander played a big part in the Wolfpack's success this year and his future could be full of ACC titles.

"He's done a good job for us," Harrel said. "He could win that title in the 100 freestyle four years in a row."

Coming through in the diving events was Todd Smith, as he took a first and a second and earned the Most Valuable Diver of the Championships award.

In the one-meter diving, Smith dominated the competition as he lead most of the way and won by 26 points.

The three-meter diving was different in that Smith was 11 points behind in third place with three dives to go. Smith fought back to take the lead with one dive to go, but an excellent dive by Clemson's Brian Haacker gave him the title by three points.

"The whole weekend at the ACCs, he (Smith) did an outstanding job," State diving coach John Candler said. "Todd had a great one-meter, blew everybody away, and had a very deserving win. On three-meter, he did a great job to finish three

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Tech's football player ruins State's Senior Day

By JOE GIGLIO
Staff Writer

N.C. State's men's basketball team watched an eight-point lead with less than five minutes evaporate in losing its final home game of the season to Georgia Tech, 72-68.

Sophomore C.J. Williams spoiled Senior Day for the Wolfpack with two crucial three-pointers that put the proverbial nail in State's coffin. Williams, also a member of the Yellow Jackets football team, came off the pine to score eight points in the final seven minutes.

"The football player saved the day for us," Georgia Tech coach Bobby Cremins said. "When a football player comes off the bench and hits two threes, how do you stop that?"

State's defense didn't have the answer. The Wolfpack was doubling down on the post to stop forward James Forrest, who had 18 points and 14 rebounds, and that left Williams open on the wing.

The first trifecta came with 2:23 remaining to pull Tech within a point at 66-65. The next time down the floor, Williams hit another uncontested

three-pointer that put the Yellow Jackets up for good, 68-66.

"The threes knocked us out," State coach Les Robinson said. "Those were big shots."

After Tech's Travis Best and State's Todd Fuller traded baskets the Wolfpack had an opportunity to tie the game at 70.

With less than five seconds remaining, forward Marcus Wilson tipped in an Ishua Benjamin jump shot for what appeared to be the game-tying basket. However, the basket was disallowed when Wilson was called for offensive foul-tending. The ball was still on the mythical cylinder.

"I thought it was coming out," Wilson said. "It is an instinct to go up for the rebound."

Tech was led by Best, the leading scorer in the ACC, who poured in 23 points to lead all scorers. The All-American candidate scored at opportune times throughout the contest to keep the Yellow Jackets in the game.

Center Todd Fuller continued his outstanding play with 19 points and 11 rebounds. It was the fifth game in a row the junior led the team in scoring.



HUNTER MORRIS/STAFF

Drew Barry (10) was whistled for an intentional foul after this bear hug.

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Seniors may get curtain call in Reynolds

■ On Saturday, a trio of Wolfpack seniors played their last game in Reynolds—or was it?

By ANNA MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

Seniors Ricky Daniels, Mark Davis and Lakisha McCuller had their moments of glory just before the start of their last home game against Georgia Tech.

But as the moments dwindled and the game concluded, the Wolfpack's glory from a huge comeback faded as the Yellow Jackets' C.J. Williams came in off the bench to spark Tech.

Williams flushed all eight of his points during the final 2:23 as State lost control of the game. And along with that, the chance at victory on senior day was snatched away by a sophomore football player.

There's no way of knowing how the tables will turn on a day of such enormous emotion. All involved have their own preconceived notions. The fans bid farewell, but concentrate on another win. The underclassmen look to give something back to their teammates. The seniors themselves have countless ideas running through their heads. And the coach, well, the complication frightens State coach Les Robinson.

"Senior day games scare me to death," Robinson said. "I think all

coaches feel the same way. You don't know how they're going to come out. Not just the seniors, but the other guys. The underclassmen, you concern yourself with them because they're wanting to win it badly for the seniors."

Just as the seniors have overcome trying times in their years at State, the Pack hurdled a nineteen-point Tech lead in the first half. Then, down by five at intermission, State pounced on the heat to erode the Jackets' lead.

After Jeremy Hyatt drilled a three-pointer at the 10:34 mark the Wolfpack did not trail until a Williams try with 1:39 to play.

It was all downhill from there, and the Pack falls to 12-12 overall and 4-10 in the ACC.

But the season is not complete. There are still two more ACC games, though on the road. Success could mean a chance for the seniors to play once more in Reynolds and walk off the court victorious. The NIT plays its first round games at home sites, not neutral sites as the NCAA does.

The underclassmen still have a shot at sending Daniels, Davis and McCuller out with a memorable senior finale.

"We wanted to send them out with a big win over Georgia Tech, but we just came up a little short," Hyatt said. "We may have a chance to make it in the NIT and if that happens we'll play at home again

so they'll have another game. "We'd love to win and give them that opportunity."

The seniors still have a shot at post-season play. The last time N.C. State had that opportunity was 1991, the season before this year's senior threesome joined the Wolfpack.

"If we can play in some post-season play I would really be over this and we could get on with it," Davis said. "I think all the guys wanted to win one for the seniors before they left. That's been my feeling the previous three years, and I've always been fortunate enough to win those games."

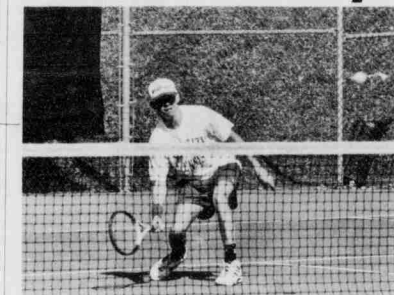
"The emotion was there and the effort, but today we weren't fortunate enough to win."

The team's goal for play after the regular season schedule is still feasible and through all the intensity Daniels made the remainder of the season his focus.

"If we win these next two games on the road and win two in the tournament I still think we've still got a chance to make the NCAA's," Daniels said. "If we win two or three more games we can go to the NIT, but we're still striving for the NCAA's."

Although Daniels, Davis and McCuller didn't gain a "W" for their honorary game, the memory could be erased or at least eased with a trip to one of the post-season tournaments.

Serve & Volley



Wall Kennedy came to the net to beat his opponent in straight sets. The team romped over UNC-Charlotte, 6-1.

Baseball

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"Tony is a great player," Tanner said. "He got one of the quickest bats in the country. He's still learning this game, he's not as good as he's going to be. He's working hard to elevate his game and he's doing a great job offensively."

The go-ahead run came from Rob Winkler. Battling a slump of late and hovering around .200, he took George Washington starter Scott Linder deep to left to lead off the seventh. That ended Linder's day, but State wasn't finished yet.

The Pack was able to manufacture an insurance run in the eighth. A

single by Ellison followed by a single from Jeff Butler left runners at the corners with two outs. State then safely executed a double steal when the throw to home plate was high and Ellison was safe.

Mike Cronmeyer closed out the win for his third save of the season. Brian Fields picked up the win after an inning-plus of relief.

"These were three hard-fought games and we had to play very hard at the end to win all of them," Tanner said. "This weekend was really good for us to grow up some and be in a tough situation. Hopefully what we went through this weekend will help us down the road."

Ream, who swam on the second place 800-meter freestyle relay team, came from behind to finish second in the 200-meter butterfly with a time of 1:48.45.

Mark Wolfenden placed third in the 100-meter butterfly with a time of :49.05, edging a Seminole swimmer by .02 of a second. Wolfenden also swam on the third-place 200-meter medley relay team with Cox, Sami Rennes and Walts, which finished with a time of 1:30.99.

Another school record was broken when Will Coenen swam the 200-meter breaststroke in a time of 2:01.58, which was good for only fifth in the event.

Now that the season has come to a close, thoughts go toward next year. Even with the loss of five seniors, the team will be ready for next year.

"(Next year) looks good," Harrel said. "We've got a young group that's fired up and ready to swim fast. A lot of them swam their lifetime bests, but they're not satisfied yet. That's a good way to walk out of the season, not satisfied and ready to go faster next year."

Track

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slow-paced final, but his surge was not quite enough and he was nipped at the line by Wake's Brant Armentrout, 4:14.27-4:14.35. Gonzalez followed a similar strategy in the 3000-meters but was able to pull away this time, finishing in 8:23.36 to win his first ACC title.

"Jose took on a heavy schedule in this meet but still came within a fraction of winning two events," Geiger said. "He and Alvis combined for half our points, which shows they really rose to the occasion."

State's other all-ACC performance was a "big" surprise. 275-lb freshman John Patterson tossed the 35-lb weight 54-10, a personal best by over four feet, to claim second place. He finished just ahead of teammate John Williamson, who was third with a throw of 54-3.

"This was an amazing breakthrough by John Patterson," Geiger said. "We really just hoped he could score, but he exceeded his previous best on every throw."

"This is also a tremendous credit to our throws coach Tom Woods. He took two guys who were completely new to the weight throw a year ago and produced our biggest scoring event of the meet."

Other top performers for N.C. State included Butch McClelland (4th, 55-meter hurdles), Reggie Barnes (5th, 55-meter hurdles), Jon Hunt (5th, mile) and Jason Johnson (5th, pole vault).

State was hampered in its bid for second place by the virtual absence of ACC event leaders Neil Chance (long jump) and Kristian Agnew (mile). With Chance's pulled hamstring and Agnew running sick, each struggled to a ninth-place finish, one spot out of scoring.

"Second place was certainly within our reach, but we had several areas where we weren't at our best," Geiger said. "Right now Carolina just has so much depth that they are on a different level from everyone else, and they will be hard to catch outdoors."

UNC was equally dominant in the women's meet, scoring in every event to finish with 192 points, far ahead of second place Clemson's 88. The N.C. State women placed eighth with 9 points.

The meet did have one highlight for the Wolfpack women, as 1993 ACC cross country champ Kristen Hall returned from the injury that sidelined her this fall to place third in the 3000-meters. Hall ran a personal best 9:48.19

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With 10:50 remaining in the first half, Georgia Tech went on a 18-0 run to bolt ahead of the Pack by 19. Forrest and Best led the charge, but the run was sparked by the play of guard Drew Barry. There was more Barry than State could handle.

Playing for the first time in three games after an ankle injury, the ACC assists leader took over. He started with a fast-break layup, then had a no-look fast-break assist to forward Michael Maddox. Next trip down the floor he blocked a Lakisha McCuller jump shot and took the ball for another breakaway layup plus the foul.

Despite Barry's efforts, State made a comeback. The Pack closed out the half with a 16-2 run to cut the lead to five at the break. The run was led by seniors Mark Davis and Ricky Daniels. Each hit a three-point basket, and they combined for

10 points. "It is a tough way to go out," Davis said. "I never lost a senior-day game until my own."

The Wolfpack completed the comeback in the second half. With 4:53 left in the game, the Pack's lead peaked at eight.

"When they were up eight, I thought that was it," Cremins said. "Truthfully, I thought that was the ball game."

Todd Fuller agreed with Cremins. "It should have been in the books," Fuller said. "An eight-point lead, at home, after being down 19, you can't ask for much better than that."

The loss drops State's record to an even 12-12 and 4-10 in the conference.

"It is a disappointing loss," Robinson said. "But we have two ACC games remaining and we're not going to throw in the towel."

State will play at Clemson next on Wednesday night at 7:30.

Check out the ACC Women's Tournament preview on Wednesday, including plenty of info on N.C. State's best season since 1991.

Water

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points down to be second.

"He got the MVP and was very deserving. The kid has got a bright future, I'm real pleased."

Smith said that there is no secret to his success.

"I just tried to land on my head as many times as I could," Smith said. Two other State swimmers earned top-three finishes at the championships.

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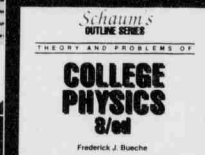
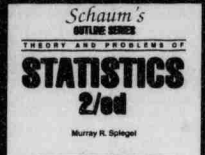
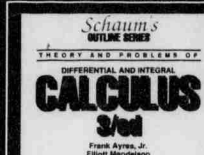
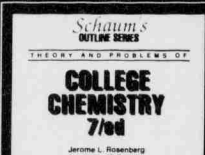
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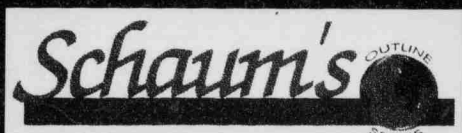
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The Spencers create a magical night

■ The Spencers amazed a packed house at Stewart Theatre Friday with a mix of stunts and illusion.

By KEITH CRAWFORD
STAFF WRITER

Last Friday evening at Stewart Theatre, the Union Activities Board Entertainment Committee brought magic to a full house. Kevin and Cindy Spencer made certain that not a single audience member left without a good time.

The Spencers are a husband and wife illusion team that is taking the college circuit by storm. With their incredible illusions and wonderful rapport with the audience, this comes as no surprise.

The show started with a detailed, but entertaining, explanation of the difference between reality and illusion.

Technician is reality. Ripping up a Technician and putting it back together again is illusion.

Kevin Spencer, who has a bachelor's degree in Psychology, often jokes the degree was wasted. That couldn't be further from the truth.

"The show is psychology," he said in an interview after the show. "The whole thing is developing trust with the audience so that you can fool them. That's what it boils down to. You want the audience to like you, to buy what you're selling — and you're selling illusion."

Audience participation is the key to Spencer's show. From proving

the strength of a rope to volunteering to have their minds read, the audience makes the magic real.

In one part of the show, Kevin Spencer randomly chooses three audience volunteers to think of either a playing card, a place or a popular musician. Amazingly, he somehow read their minds.

He said the audiences make the required 10 months per year on the road worthwhile.

"Just knowing that you're going someplace new, that you're going to see new people keeps it fun," Spencer said. "We change the show quite often so it's fresh for us. Every house is different so it's a new challenge."

The most amazing illusions of the show involve audience members. Also, the Spencers do some tricks involving just themselves.

"I think my favorite effect is the box when we change places, Metamorphosis," Spencer said. "We have four people from the audience that are so close to it that they can touch it, so it makes the magic much more real. I like the audience interaction. It's my favorite part."

In Metamorphosis, Kevin Spencer was handcuffed, tied up in a nylon bag and locked in a trunk. Cindy Spencer stood on the trunk, which was encircled by four audience volunteers, and a nylon curtain was pulled up. In the blink of an eye, Kevin appeared in Cindy's place. When the box was opened, Cindy



The Spencers amazingly changed places during "Metamorphosis."

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Harassment on stage

■ A play last week brought a touchy issue to the NCSU community.

By ERICA HINTON
STAFF WRITER

Last Thursday, N.C. State's Center Stage hosted David Mamet's "Oleanna — A Power Play." This riveting performance amplified the issue of sexual harassment on college campuses.

The two-person cast included Jim Frangione in the role of John, a college professor, and Monica Koskey as Carol. In the first of three scenes, the audience finds out that John and Carol have more in common than they are willing to admit.

Neither character can get a word in edgewise during conversations. This is displayed through John's humorous attempts to talk on the phone. These breaks of laughter were much needed due to the seriousness of the play.

In Scene I, there does not appear to be much sexual tension, but when Scene II arrives, Carol is transformed into a different person. The audience's first impression of Carol was of a banal youth with low self-esteem.

Her turn-around in Scene II may give the impression that she is setting John up for a fall. Her language has gone from dull and down-on-herself to bold and intelligent. While seemingly taking notes on John's

teachings in Scene I, she was actually jotting down notes about John's actions which she considered offensive.

A few grips of the arm were all Carol endured during Scene II. The climax occurred in the final scene when John got so tired of Carol's accusations that he began to throw her all over his office. Only at the close of the play does John realize his tragic flaw.

One may think that Carol was justified in her accusations, but this is not necessarily true. Her character does not get much compassion because she is so strong-willed and determined. John gets no compassion simply because he does not deserve it.

Frangione did an excellent job in the role of John, as did Koskey in her role as Carol. Their roles strongly emphasized the problems of people whose main goal is to have power.

While John's obsession with power is the reason for conflict in this play, he merely represents a group that needs to be brought to justice. The central idea behind this play is to raise consciousness about challenging political correctness.

The night concluded with an audience discussion led by attorney Jay Bryan, and Linda Belans, a writer for The News & Observer. The discussion raised many interesting questions, but none were more relevant than the one about the play's title. The name is never mentioned. It is from an Amish utopian community in Pennsylvania that never worked out.



Mary McCann played Carol and Jim Frangione played John in "Oleanna," a play written and directed by David Mamet.

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'Walking Dead' is a dead ringer for other war movies

■ "The Walking Dead" fails to be more than just another Vietnam movie.

By SHARON CORKERY
STAFF WRITER

"The Walking Dead" is supposed to be a film about the black experience in Vietnam. What it is, however, is a loosely scripted collection of flashbacks that relies too heavily on patriotic sentiment in absence of plot.

You may cry, you may cheer, but in the end, you'll wonder why you bothered.

Most of us are too young to remember the Vietnam war. What we know comes from the news media and countless films depicting the violence American soldiers faced. Not to belittle the seriousness of the issue, but the war scenes in "The Walking Dead" could easily be mistaken for scenes from any other Vietnam war movie.

Yes, there were scenes of graphic violence. Could we have a war

movie without showing flying body parts?

Yes, an innocent Vietnam civilian woman gets brutally murdered. Seen it.

And of course, as in any Vietnam story, a soldier goes crazy from being exposed to the brutality.

Some soldiers die, some are just wounded and some live — sound familiar? It's tragic, but is it enough to make a movie?

Director Preston A. Whitmore II knew the answer was no, but he did not go far enough to do something about it.

Whitmore's solution to a flimsy plot is to saturate the drama with flashback scenes that depict each of the central characters' reasons for enlisting in the Marines. The movie is so formulaic that by the last flashback, even Pvt. Hoover Branche (Eddie Griffin), who sets up the scene, admits that we all knew it was coming.

Apparently back in 1970, those catchy little commercials depicting Marines as modern-day knights weren't around to convince people to enlist, because all of the soldiers

(Left to right) Roger Floyd, Joe Morton, Allen Payne, Tom Sweet and Eddie Griffin star as U.S. Marines dropped perilously into a hot landing zone in the Vietnam drama "The Walking Dead," written and directed by Preston A. Whitmore, II.

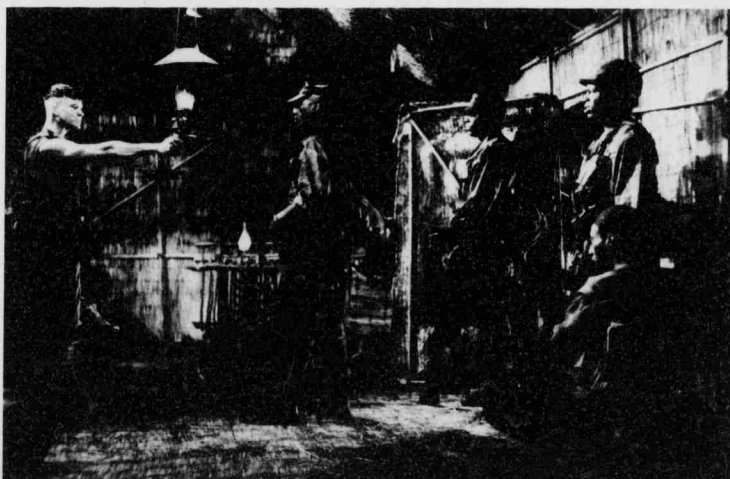


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Tobacco: Good for you

■ Don't throw away those cigs! Eating tobacco is healthier than you might think.

By EMILY SUTTON
STAFF WRITER

Everybody knows that the Surgeon General reports smoking tobacco is harmful to your health. Yet, N.C. State Crop Scientist Ray Long suggests that eating the tobacco plant can actually yield significant health benefits.

Tobacco contains high concentrations of a tasteless, odorless protein called Fraction-1, which has greater nutritional value than casein, the protein found in milk.

"Fraction-1 is the Cadillac of the proteins," Long said. "The extract could be added to consumer foods or used in making pharmaceutical products and hypoallergenic milk."

Not to worry. Just because tobacco extract could be added to consumer foods, you will not automatically be turned into a nicotine addict.

"At an early stage in the plant's life, there is little nicotine," Long said. "This is when we must extract the proteins needed."

The proteins are extracted through a blending process.

"When the leaves are still green, they are ground to produce a juice that is the color of beer," Long said. "Fraction-1 has a good balance of amino acids and is nutritionally excellent. It has many functional properties, it can be whipped, emulsified or turned into 'Jell-O.'"

Because the protein has a good source of amino acids, it is better than soy protein which is found in such foods as Bagel Bits.

Long's studies show the Fraction-1 protein can be used in pharmaceutical goods to actually help people with kidney disorders. It can also help treat brain patients.

"It is a protein supplement that could be added to certain drugs to reduce kidney dialysis by 50 percent," Long said. "Fraction-1 is the most abundant single protein. To process it is economically feasible. The only problem lies in getting it passed by the Food and Drug Administration."

Fraction-1 was discovered by a retired professor at UCLA. Long has been working on this project off and on for 18 years. About 15 years ago there was an effort in North Carolina to begin research, but the initiative fell through because there wasn't enough money to fund the research.

A major concern of the project is to ensure that tobacco growers get the same profit that they would from normal tobacco sales, Long said.

Opinion

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A paper that is entirely the product of the student body becomes at once the official organ through which the thoughts, the activity and in fact the very life of the campus are registered. College life without its journal is a blank.

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Scuba teacher cheats students

■ Final exams are getting too expensive for some students.

If a professor said that after you had paid your tuition and books, shown up for every class and met all requirements, it would cost you over \$200 to take the final, you would be a very unhappy camper, wouldn't you?

Let's assume paying for a final was common practice, but in the class you took, the final cost more than the other section, and you had to share books with other students.

Professor Pollard of the physical education department hopes you will find nothing wrong with this method because he just happens to be the only teacher using it. Students taking Professor Pollard's version of PE 226 — Skin and Scuba Diving I — pay more for their open-water dive (to complete scuba certification) than students taking one of the other five sections.

Pollard's training method involves squeezing students for cash, stretching facilities to their maximum limit and stuffing his trips to Florida with students. How can such a training method enhance a student's learning? It can't. The only thing it helps to enhance is Pollard's wallet.

Complaints have been circulating about Pollard and his method for some time. However, it took Angela Lumpkin, head of physical education department, until this week to bring up the issue with the scuba instructors. On March 3, she will discuss a measure to include a Florida open-water dive with the cost of the class. While this will make the class more expensive, it will equalize the cost for students in all sections.

Students shouldn't feel as though they are being milked by their professors for money. Pollard's method for augmenting his salary by scalping students has gone on too long and should be stopped immediately.



Streaker strikes wrong crowd

■ Students should not bare all on campus.

This past Thursday was Barefoot Day: an event sponsored by the Lesbian and Gay Student Union to protest anti-gay graffiti in the Free Expression tunnel. It seems, however, that one student got his days mixed up.

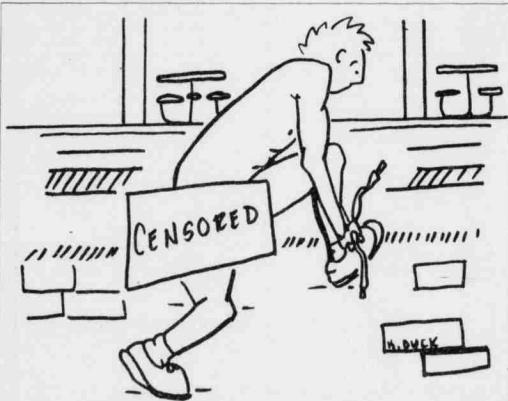
Instead of baring his feet, Jason Edmondson bared his hands and genitals and streaked across the Brickyard during the Lesbian and Gay Student Union's mid-day protest amid laughter and cheers.

The barely-dressed Edmondson, who wore only a jock strap and shoes, was pursued by a Public Safety officer on bike patrol and

apprehended on the sidewalk on the west side of the Erdahl-Cloyd Wing. Edmondson was arrested and taken downtown for his actions, and was later released on bond.

Such behavior is inappropriate for a college campus, as it reflects badly on the entire student population. Not only was he indecently exposing himself to hundreds of people, he further displayed his stupidity by not dressing appropriately for that particular day: bare feet, not bare gonads.

Thanks to him, everybody in town probably thinks that N.C. State students don't know what day it is, or worse, which body part is which. The university community could not bear such humiliation.



Commentary

Pity, not judgment, for tight-shoed people

Last Wednesday was Blue Jeans Day at N.C. State. The day has changed since I first arrived at NCSU. Back then the hate speech in the Free Expression tunnel was civil compared to what it has become this year. But the most interesting development with gay & lesbian awareness week has been the advent of Shoe Day on the same day as Blue Jeans Day. The idea of Shoe Day is to make people more aware of their family values, and the conservatism in our society when they put on their shoes. In the same way, the Lesbian and Gay Student Union seeks to make people think about gay and lesbian people in our society when they put on blue jeans.

This is the first year I have been able to participate in either tradition. I don't own a pair of blue jeans, and haven't for many years. For the past three years I have owned only one pair of shoes — which has left me little room to make a statement. Now that I have three pairs of shoes, I participated in the more recent tradition thoughtfully. I like the idea of Shoe Day.

Shoes are a great symbol for our values — our whole outlook on life. Wherever we go, we are likely to depend on our shoes to help us make the trip. My grandfather used to say that you should never judge a man until you have walked 10 miles in his shoes.

On Wednesday I decided which of my three pairs of shoes represent my values. Whether my values are conservative or not depends on who you ask and what you're trying to conserve. The thing which I am, undoubtedly, is a modernist — not a

Chandler Duncan

traditionalist.

I place a high value on the idea that each person can advance in life. We can become smarter, stronger and more prosperous tomorrow than we were yesterday. We should be confident about ourselves and the contribution each of us has to make to society. I love being at NCSU because this is a place where people come to do just that — modernize.

On Wednesday I wore a pair of Sebago's. My shoes are like my values. They are flexible, they grow as I grow, they enable me to travel the difficult and winding path of life with a bit more security. I felt pretty good about my shoes on Wednesday — they're shoes that I could wear with blue jeans at the same time. They'll take me a long way in life — and it's a long way I plan to go.

When I went through the Free Expression tunnel, I saw some scribbles of people who obviously wear a very different type of shoes. There was a lack of confidence and security evident in the hate messages. I was reminded of what my grandfather said about not judging anyone until having walked 10 miles in their shoes. Could I walk 10 miles in the shoes of North Carolina's traditionalism?

The shoes of the traditionalist are so stiff — so tight, so restrictive. They aren't built for the long haul, and they are worn by those who don't have very far to go.

As I trotted across the Brickyard in my comfortable 20th century Sebago's, I couldn't bring myself to feel anger or sadness about my tight-shoed counterparts, whose names I didn't know, and whose faces I'd never seen. Pity was the only emotion I could feel for those who dwell across this campus lugging iron boots. I know very well I could not.

The hate speech and vulgar pictures we were exposed to last week are only the blisters of values, which, like tight shoes, are most harmful to those who accept and walk in them.

Beyond the blisters of fear, failure, hate and ignorance, think of all the places those who wear such shoes will never see. The heights to which they will never climb are enough to cause the blood to run cold and the eyes to fill with tears.

For our unfortunate traditionalist neighbors here at NCSU, our hearts must be filled with pity, not with judgment. For our conservative neighbors who have reminded us to observe our own shoes, why we wear them and where we hope they can take us, we can give them thanks — and hope they do the same.

And perhaps most importantly, to comfort, endure, flexible shoes and values which will allow many of us to grow and prosper into the 21st century, we should be most thankful of all.

White, heterosexual male — a dying breed

Stand up and shout for the man who created the first automobile!

Let out a yell for the majority of the members of the U.S. Congress!

Wave your pom-poms for the guy who invented the listening devices NFL quarterbacks wear in their helmets!

It is time to give three cheers for the heterosexual white male!

Today, cultural and gender sensitivity rule the world of political correctness. When a person participates in a study of the Plessy vs. Ferguson court decision, she is opening her eyes to black history. When another student stands shoeless in the Brickyard, he is supporting gay and lesbian awareness. And when a female adolescent chooses to become an electrician, she is overcoming traditional gender roles.

However, when a person decides to stand up for the rights of the heterosexual white male, he or she is automatically defined as a bigot.

There are days, weeks and months throughout the year dedicated to virtually every racial and ethnic group except the heterosexual white male. Never has a governor or the president of the United States signed a decree to give the heterosexual white male even a minute of our praise. Now I, with my minute weekly column, shall attempt to declare today as "Be proud to know/be a heterosexual white male" day.

I am advocating that the N.C. State campus join together in showing their support for the men who have changed our world. To show your appreciation, make a banner, wear a T-shirt or simply tell one



Erin Rooney

that you are thankful for their existence.

I realize that there are a number of heterosexual white males who do not deserve our praise, just like there are numbers of people of other races and ethnic groups who have committed horrific crimes toward their fellow humans. It is illogical, however, to punish the entire group for actions that other people committed. Give these men a day and you will feel better for the goodness you have shown.

The heterosexual white male has given his life for my freedom. At the forefront of every battlefield he has been there — ready to fight and willing to die. No general ever asked if he wanted to be there. He was drafted into war and performed his duty.

Today, I am using the freedom of the press. This freedom is a right that a heterosexual white male fought to keep. The right that a leader has to declare February black history month or last week to gay and lesbian awareness is a right brought to our culture by the heterosexual white male.

Females, homosexuals and members of other racial groups, do not be afraid you

are giving up your beliefs by putting a day aside to praise these men. In the times that you look for support of your days and weeks, you look towards the heterosexual white male to join your ranks. You fight for them to understand your points of view and see into your messages. Now it is time to return the favor.

No one chose to be a Cherokee, or a female or a homosexual. All people are created into a body by a power not their own. And no one chooses the environment in which they are raised. Take a stand for believing in equality and appreciate the heterosexual white male.

Affirmative action policies currently make it difficult for them to find jobs. Studies indicate that over the next 20 years, the heterosexual white male will become one of the smallest minorities in America. This group of men is already one of the most expendable groups in our society.

So today I want each and every one of you to make an effort toward supporting the heterosexual white male.

I am going to invite the one who taught me how to bow-fish to spend an afternoon fishing with me. In the evening, I am going to watch a basketball game with the male who explained the rules to me. And just before going to bed, I am going to call my brother up on the phone and tell him I love him. Participate in a way that supports the heterosexual white men you appreciate.

Rah! Rah! Rah!

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Movie

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In "The Walking Dead" joined as a last resort to turn their lives around. In one of the sequences, we see the beginning of a story about racial oppression when Pfc. Cole Evans (Allen Payne) recounts how he joined the Marines to get base housing because the nice, white apartment complexes won't rent to a black family.

Developed, that would have made a good drama: white oppression causes blacks to suffer in Vietnam. Too bad Whitmore didn't go that route.

Another sequence relates how Hoover joined the Marines after he got fired from a butcher shop because he stole some hamburger meat to give to his girlfriend.

A supposed friend double-crossed

Hoover by telling the white butcher about the theft. The butcher showed up at Hoover's girlfriend's apartment and told him he was fired. Hoover joined the Marines because of the humiliation.

A sad story, but it's too bad that Whitmore leaves it after the flashback. Though getting fired may have been a defining moment for a young black man living in Detroit in the '70, one flashback is not enough.

What exactly was going on in Hoover's head as he stood in the hallway of an apartment in the projects, looking at the privileged white face of the man who used to be his boss? Did he really intend to pay for the meat? Would the situation have been different if he had been white?

Your guess is as good as any, because you certainly won't find the answer in the movie.

Whitmore gives the audience little

glimpses of what could be some really intriguing characters, but we'll never know. Instead of trying to show the lives of five soldiers, Whitmore should have narrowed his focus so that we could have at least gotten to know one of them.

The only reason we are given to care about these soldiers is because they are American Marines fighting in Vietnam. We want them to come out alive because we want every American Marine to survive. We cheer because we are patriotic, not because we know who these people are.

Perhaps a better way to experience "The Walking Dead" would be to buy the soundtrack. The one-of-a-kind Motown sounds of Marvin Gaye, Smokey Robinson and the like are the only really good things about the movie, and the music's not new, either.

Grade: B-

Magic

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was handcuffed in the tied bag. In another illusion, a five-year-old boy was chosen from the audience to shoot an imaginary gun. Spencer gave the kid a few practice shots and then let him shoot a balloon. When the balloon burst, out came a dove.

Magic was a part of Kevin Spencer's childhood.

"I started when I was a little kid, with a magic set that my mom and dad bought me for Christmas," Spencer said. "I learned all the tricks, kind of got an interest in it in high school. I worked my way through college doing magic."

Most of Spencer's technical knowledge of magic is a result of

instruction from the magic legend Doug Henning.

"He helped me out a lot and gave me advice," Spencer said. "It was tough getting started out at first professionally, but over the last 11 years things have gone really well."

The show's finale was a revival of one of Harry Houdini's famous escapes, the milk jug escape. Kevin Spencer was handcuffed and locked into a large milk-jug shaped container filled with water and given three minutes to escape before intervention. Amazingly, he escaped after just over two minutes.

Kevin Spencer makes no bones about the danger and difficulty of this particular escape.

"They've had to pull me out a few times," he said.

At the two minute mark, Cindy Spencer began to look a little

concerned. The audience echoed her sentiment.

"It's a great way to end the show," Kevin Spencer said. "But it takes a lot out of Cindy and a lot out of me. It's great when you have a good crowd."

The water escape made it quite evident that Cindy Spencer is as much of the show as Kevin is. After the show, Cindy Spencer was in charge of directing the crew to pack up the sets. And according to Kevin Spencer, his wife is an equal partner — not just an assistant.

"I couldn't do this if she wasn't working with me," Kevin Spencer said. "Cindy is very much the boss. She really takes charge, and a lot of the creative parts of the show, the choreography, the costuming — all of that's her."

Mutual respect desired in tunnel

We, the undersigned individuals and organizations at N.C. State, denounce the latest threats directed toward members of our campus community that have appeared in the "Free Expression Tunnel" during Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Awareness Week. At the same time, we also unconditionally affirm the right to free speech by all individuals and, therefore, refuse to accept any attempts to censor campus speech, even this most unsavory sort. Nevertheless these reactionary statements, explicit threats of violence and death and the individuals who wrote them demand an immediate response.

The statements (the worst of which include: "If you support killing faggots wear shoes everyday") completely undermine the possibility for genuine free speech to exist here on campus. Instead the people singled out for their sexual orientation in these statements and those of us who oppose homophobia are relegated to a position of fear and uncertainty regarding not only the real ability to express our opinions, beliefs or personal sexuality but also the status of our personal safety and security.

To those of us who support social justice and human rights, these statements are nothing less than affronts to our shared dignity and respect for all people regardless of

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sexual orientation and, in other cases, people's race, ethnicity, abilities, age, nationality, gender, religion or beliefs. These events are all the more timely considering that the changes in the non-discrimination policy achieved within the university regarding sexual orientation last year, supported by Chancellor Monteith and the administration, now remain unimplemented as they lie tabled before the Board of Governors.

In the last analysis, what we seek is the beginning of a true dialogue about the state of so-called "free speech" on this campus as well as those issues that the Lesbian and Gay Student Union and the organizers of Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Awareness Week have once again thankfully forced upon us.

Only through substantively dealing with these threats and the questions that arise from them can we move beyond the scribbles on the wall.

Josh Humphreys
Senior, History

Editor's note: This letter was signed by 75 additional people.

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A meeting has been scheduled at the Weisiger-Brown Athletic Facility (football office) on Thursday, March 2 at 5:30 p.m. for anyone interested in becoming a Stately Lady. A discussion of the purpose and responsibilities of the organization will be presented. You must be present at the meeting in order to sign up for an interview.

(Please bring a photograph of yourself to the meeting)

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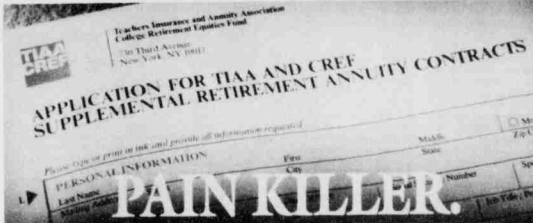
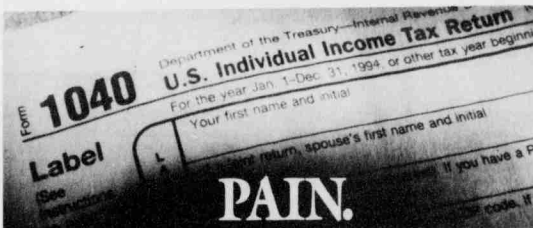
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