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Repairs disrupt fiscal balance

With the end of the fiscal year only three weeks away, the athletics department finds itself over budget.

BY JOSE DAOST
NEWS EDITOR

Due to some unexpectedly high and urgent repair costs, the proverbial budgetary belt around the N.C. State athletics department's waist will be pretty tight until June 30.

Until the new budget year rolls around, the department is having to cut costs after some repairs requiring hundreds of thousands of dollars had to be made, said Todd Turner, NCSU athletics director.

Case Athletics Center's roof had to be replaced after it sprung a leak — at a cost of \$250,000. While the roof was being replaced, asbestos left over from the original construction of the building has to be removed, Turner said.

"We had the money budgeted for these unexpected costs, but unfortunately it is costing more than we budgeted for," Turner said. The expenses add up to almost \$500,000.

Nearly \$200,000 was spent on renovations made to Carter-Finley Stadium's press box to comply with safety codes, and electrical work was done in the A.E. Finley field house.

"We found out that we under-budgeted in these areas," Turner said.

The department has addressed the problem in two ways, Turner said.

Turner and the department are currently trying to contain costs by deferring equipment purchases until after June 30 and limiting trips by athletics department officials. Other cuts include limiting summer school attendance to scholarship athletes who need it for eligibility reasons or to graduate on time.

"We have had to stop spending money for ongoing maintenance, meeting travel and anything that isn't essential for competition," Turner said.

But with this year's increases in revenue from NCAA distribution, men's basketball ticket sales and the football team's victory at the Peach Bowl, the department found itself with more money than it expected.

The NCAA yielded \$100,000 when it redistributed some money from the renegotiated basketball contract, Turner said.

However, Turner said the financial windfall wasn't enough to cover the unexpected expenses.

But with the end of the fiscal year upcoming, Turner said the \$14.5 million budget will be balanced.

A great new stadium, no Bull



ANDREW DAVIS TUCKER/SPECIAL TO TECHNICIAN

Wool E. Bull, the Durham Bulls mascot, strolls across the entrance courtyard at the new Durham Bulls Athletic Park. The architects used lots of brick and steel to make the ballpark fit in with the rest of downtown Durham.

The New Bull Pen

The tradition continues at the new Durham Bulls Athletic Park.

BY KEITH CRAWFORD
STAFF WRITER

The Durham Bulls have a new home. But no need to worry Bulls fans, the tradition of the famous Durham Athletic Park lives on.

The new Durham Bulls Athletic Park (DBAP), designed by HOK, the same architects who designed Baltimore's Oriole Park at Camden Yards and Denver's Coors Field, is head and shoulders above the old park.

"The new park is absolutely beautiful," pitcher

Maurice Christmas said. "I love playing here." Players and fans alike have fallen in love with the new park. It's not just a field, but a cathedral.

Pitcher Micah Bowie got married on the pitchers' mound at a recent game in the DBAP. While his reception was in a skybox, the entire wedding party kept the usual game tradition of dancing to "YMCA" on the dugouts — groomsmen on the home dugout, bridesmaids on the visitors' side.

"I really like the new stadium because it gives the fans everything they need," team mascot Wool E. Bull said. "Everyone has a great seat, and I can get access to every part of the stadium."

"There were parts of the old stadium that I just couldn't get to."

The DBAP features air-conditioned luxury boxes and local flavor concessions like the El Toro Grille.

The park is also a great place to bring the

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More time to cut down class load in fall

The extended drop period, which was passed last year, goes into effect this fall.

BY EMILY SUTTON
STAFF WRITER

Students will now have six weeks to decide whether a class is worth hanging on to.

Although the resolution to extend the drop period from four to six weeks was passed last year, it goes into effect this fall.

Hugh Fuller, chair of Academic Policy of Faculty Senate, helped to lead the Senate to extend the date for students to be able to drop courses.

"The reason we extended the drop date is because we felt the faculty needed more time to give students significant feedback on how they are doing in the class," said Fuller.

Four weeks sometimes isn't enough time for students to decide whether or not they are over their head, explained Fuller.

"By extending the drop date, we will increase the likelihood of teachers giving students feedback, so that students can make a good decision about the class," Fuller said.

Ruffin Bailey, who was the chair of the Academics Committee the year before last, also helped lead the initiative to extend the drop date.

Bailey's biggest concern was that professors would give quizzes in the first four weeks that were not representative of the work load for the entire semester.

Some faculty members were concerned that too many students will be dropping too many classes, Fuller said.

Linda Holley, Associate Head and Director for the Undergraduate programs in the English department, doesn't agree with extending the drop date.

"I think it's a bad idea because I think students ought to commit themselves to the course and work hard to complete it," she said.

"The faculty should tell the students where they stand immediately by assigning and grading papers as early as possible," Holley said. "I think it's a very bad idea."

However, some teachers agree that students need more time.

"I think it's a good idea to give students a chance to see where they stand," said D.E. Garoutte, Associate Head for Mathematics. "Typically there has only been one test in the first four weeks. With six weeks, there has been two. Students need to be able to take two tests to determine their standpoint."

The support for the extended drop period raises some other concerns, though.

"I voted for it because I would like students to have a major test before the drop date, but at the same time it delays the student from psychologically committing themselves to the course," said Mohan Sawhney, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

The policy is likely to aid upperclassmen more than freshman, said John Gilligan, Associate Dean of Engineering and Academic Affairs.

"I think it will help the sophomores, juniors and seniors because they will know how to take advantage of it," said Gilligan. "Freshmen, however, typically find out their troubles at the end of the semester, long after the six weeks is over with."

Clare Casey, sophomore in zoology, agrees with the new policy.

"It's good because you can get a good feel for how you're going to be able to perform in the class before it's too late," Casey said.

Student Body President John O'Quinn was on the committee to extend the drop date, along with Academic Committee Chairman Andy Crocker.

"O'Quinn and Crocker were very persuasive and represented the student viewpoint very well," said Fuller.

Look out for the....screech!



SALVADOR FARJAN/STAFF

Cars parked in the right lane of Hillsborough Street surprised some motorists. The extra spaces provided compensate for the parking ban that took effect June 8.

Woman shocked on Hillsborough Street

A man was charged with indecent exposure after someone listening to a scanner called Public Safety.

BY JOSE DAOST
NEWS EDITOR

Ona Jackson, a Packbackers employee, got an unexpected surprise on her way back to work May 31.

A man drove by in a burgundy

Ford Ranger and exposed himself to her while masturbating, she said.

She later identified John Wayne Moore, who was arrested.

Jackson said she was on her way back from her usual rounds on N.C. State's campus to pick up textbook orders from professors when the incident occurred. She was waiting to cross the Hillsborough Street when she saw the truck pass by.

"I thought I recognized the truck as one of my friends', but when it

passed by again, very slowly, I noticed a plate on the front that said 'John and Tracy' on it," Jackson said.

When the truck passed again, he almost came to a complete stop. She looked at him and then noticed he was only wearing a white jersey and had his penis exposed.

"He was masturbating," Jackson said. "I was so shocked that I threw my hands over my mouth and kept thinking 'What the hell was he

doing?'"

Jackson said she wasn't scared. "I must have been too shocked to be frightened by it. Nothing like this had ever happened to me before," she said.

Jackson then ran back to Packbackers and called Public Safety.

The next day a person who had been listening to a police scanner when the call came in recognized

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Music for all people?

Hypothesis: Top 40 radio targets a diverse generation.

Ah, summer school — when a young engineer's fancy turns to dynamics problems and long hours at an uncomfortable desk. Being a young engineer, the only solace I find in these long working periods is my trusty radio, and more specifically our local paragon of auditory entertainment, WDCG.

For those of you who listen only in your cars or in the morning, you may not have gotten a large enough sample to notice that G105 has developed a certain pattern.

The station seems to own only five or six compact disc singles. This handful of songs are set to run in an interminable cycle. In a two-hour study session, I will have heard the Rembrandt's "I'll Be There for You" (a.k.a. the "Friends" theme song) enough times that those five little claps in the first verse have become a physical tic that I can't control when involved in daily activities.

If I hear another song belted out by Hootie and the Blowfish, I'm not responsible for what I'll do after "Let her cry" plays once more.

If Dave Matthews asks me one more time "What would you say?" I'd say to dear ol' Dave that he would probably find more variety on the Fashion Cafe menu than on G105's play list. I'd probably also beg him to release another single so that the endless cycle of his current hit would finally grind to a

halt. It also seems that the "G" tries to play an exactly equal ratio of top 40 R&B (i.e. TLC) and pop (i.e. Sheryl Crow and the like). My roommate, Kurt, hypothesizes that you'll almost never hear two R&B songs or pure pop songs in a row. We tested this hypothesis and

Jason Piche



found that it held for close to five hours. We couldn't stand to hear Pearl Jam's "Better Man" followed by a Boyz II Men single for a fifth time, so the experiment was prematurely aborted, and the CD player was put into action. The point was proved: G105 apparently tries to make up for lack of variety by varying music genres with every other song. At this point, you're probably thinking "Listen to this guy. Why doesn't he just turn the damn radio off?" The truth is, I kind of get a strange high by being able to predict the next song played on the radio.

Seriously, the "G" does a good job of keeping me entertained. If it's not the actual music I like, it's the chuckle I get when hearing the raucous opening strains of The Offspring's "Self-Esteem" or the tawdry but disgustingly catchy lyrics of "Red Light Special."

From this song I learned more slang sexual terms than you'd ever

hear in a crowded locker room. I guess there's also something to be said for the comfort of familiarity with the music played, which you'll never lack after listening for an hour or more at a time. It's like one of those days where you can't get some song you heard out of your head, except it's more like a list of a few songs that were drilled into my head the night before.

To the folks at G105, all I can say is that you should expand your horizons just a little. I know your station has a format and demographics outline that dictates what music makes your ad time most attractive to sponsors, but in the name of mercy, throw in some old R.E.M. and lay off those "Strange Currencies" for a while.

I know Hootie loves his royalties, but you've made him a small fortune in the last week by my calculations. And why kill the appeal of a good band by overplaying it? If it's hot, new music you seek then try a little Elastica, or maybe Seal or Jill Sobule's "Kissed a Girl," which always tends to elicit a very entertaining and laughable complaint call to the station.

There's good new music coming out every day that could fit the G105 format without making its listeners nauseous with an overdose of Stone Temple Pilots. In the meantime, I'll keep listening. I'm having too much fun to stop now.

Plus, I can sing along with every single song I hear. I must confess, I'm listening to G105 right now.



General stores like Carpenter's are the kinds of places where southern folklore still thrives.

HOIE TERADA/STAFF

Story-telling carries on

Folklore will continue to be part of our culture — that is if we preserve it.

BY TIFFANY A. MCLEOD
STAFF WRITER

Maybe you've heard some of Person County's superstitions before. "If you kill a cricket, there will be a thunderstorm;" "Sleeping on your back will cause bad dreams;" or "If your eye jumps, someone is talking about you." Superstitions are only a fraction of what Person County history has to offer.

Are memories such as these in danger of disappearing forever? Not if Dr. Jim Clark, English professor and director of N.C. State's Humanities Extension/Publications Program, can help it.

Clark wants to keep the art of storytelling alive in North Carolina by gathering, compiling and publishing folklore about North Carolina's 100 counties for distribution to county cooperative extension offices, local libraries and public schools.

In October 1993, individual county extension agents conducted a survey of all 100 counties to find a subject for the booklets. Architecture, slavery, the Civil War and literature were among the topics suggested through the survey, but folklore was the most popular.

A host of stories, recipes, food tips, community histories, names, superstitions, proverbs, photos and illustrations make up "The Rock and the Nail," the Person County folklore booklet that was published this past year.

It is amazing how many different ways there are to make cakes, pies and soup when browsing through "The Rock and the Nail."

"The variation of one apple pie recipe among different areas is astounding," Clark said.

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A night at the Bullpark

(Right) Young autograph hounds have a field day before a game. The stands are only two inches above the field. (Below right) Bulls pitcher Micah Bowie (middle, apparently looking for divine intervention) imitates art by getting married on the pitcher's mound before last Saturday night's game against Frederick.



ANDREW DAVIS/TUCKER/SPECIAL TO TECHNICIAN (ABOVE)



HIDE TERADA/STAFF (ABOVE)



HIDE TERADA/STAFF (ABOVE)

(Above) The architects designed the new ballpark to fit in with the ozone of downtown Durham and its old tobacco factories. (Right) Sandy Simpkins and her son grab a bite to eat on level one of the three-level party patio in right field. In the lower level you can enjoy the cuisine of the world famous Flying Burrito and steal a home run ball away from the right fielder.

DBAP

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family. An arcade and playground provide enough entertainment to keep the younger Bulls fans occupied.

The three-level picnic grounds in the rightfield bleachers are a far cry from the grassy knoll at the old park. Many of the new park's design elements are derived from the DAP to keep a familiar feeling.

"They had a lot of tradition there," pitcher Jeff Bock said. "But time does go on."

Spectators from all over the Triangle are catching Bulls fever.

The Bulls are not your typical minor league baseball team. After Kevin Costner put the team on the map in "Bull Durham," the Bulls are considered the zenith of the minor league experience.

The new stadium is not a place to bury old traditions, but to continue the old ones and start new ones.

Just like the old ballpark, the DBAP has a mechanical ball that blows smoke and wags its tail when a Bulls player makes a home run. And players still win the steak dinner for hitting the ball on the fly.

The park has also added its own version of Fenway Park's "Green Monster."

"I love the walls," Christmas said. "I'm from Boston, and the scoreboard reminds me of home."

The stadium is not appreciated only by the home team and the fans.

"I've always wanted to play here," Christmas said. "Players from other teams always tell me how great it is to play in Durham."

This is due partly to the Bull's loyal fans. From the ubiquitous seventh-inning stretch singing of "Take me out to the ballgame" to Wool E. Bull, the entire stadium joins in the schtick.

"They're just crazy. I've never seen anything like it," Wool E. Bull said. "They love it."

Attendance at the DBAP is consistently in the top 10 for all of minor league baseball. The crowded grandstand influences the action on the field.

"It's a great training atmosphere for a player," said Bill Slack, a pitching coach for 11 seasons in the Braves organization. "You're playing to a capacity or near capacity crowd every time."

The Union Activities Board is sponsoring a trip to the new Durham Bulls Athletic Park tonight. Transportation and admission are provided. But seats are limited. Pre-registration is required. Departure time is 6 p.m. from the Student Center. Call 515-2451 to see if space is still available.



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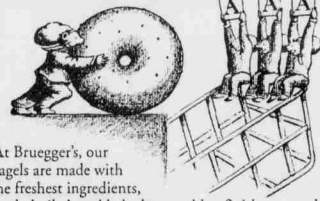
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Minor league baseball strike leaves writer all wet

Editor's Note: In the interest of fairness to the Carolina Mudcats, we decided to include this column about a writer's trip last August to Five County Stadium. The column originally appeared in Technician last August.

Beware of land-lubbing catfish packin' waterguns and balloons.

I have been a minor league baseball fan for most of my life. Growing up in Kinston and attending a lot of Class A Carolina League Kinston Eagles, Blue Jays, Eagles (again) and, since 1987, Indians games has given me an appreciation of the minor league version of the game.

So when a friend came up with four free box seat tickets for the Carolina Mudcats, I immediately canceled all my Saturday night plans and made the 20 mile trip down U.S. 64 to Five County Stadium.

It was Elvis night at the ballpark. Elvis and his look-a-likes had free admission.

"Have a hunk-a-hunk of a good time," the usher said as he tore our tickets at the gate.

As we climbed the steps to reach our seats, I saw Muddy, the Mudcats' mascot, dancing on the

wonder why Muddy did that."

I wondered, too. In fact, I wondered aloud several times what would possess a man dressed as a catfish impersonating Elvis to pull a cheap shot that would make the Washington Capitals' Dale Hunter proud. I swore I'd get revenge.

Was it the Muddy fillet sandwich I bought? Was it the look in my eyes? Was it the clothes I was wearing?

It suddenly hit me why the normally annoying but peaceful Muddy ambushed me — I was wearing a Durham Bulls T-shirt.

I was the latest victim in what has to be one of the most unusual rivalries in professional baseball.

The Bulls and the Mudcats compete in attendance figures, merchandising sales, public funding for stadiums, sports coverage and the hearts of Triangle fans.

The only place they don't compete is against each other on the field.

The teams are natural rivals. The Bulls are a Class A farm club for the Atlanta Braves, the Mudcats a Pirates AA affiliate.

But it seems to go deeper than that. People have seen them as rivals ever since Mudcat owner Steve Bryant picked out a tobacco field just over 35 miles from Durham as the Mudcats' home.

He had to go just that far to avoid violating a proximity rule for minor

Hunter Morris

visitor's dugout dressed as Elvis. The comeback Elvis from the early '70s. Sideburns, cape and bell-bottoms. He spun around and stared straight at me. I gave him a nod and headed up the stairs to my seat.

The next minute seemed like an eternity.

Suddenly, water was flying everywhere. My friend just in front of me was the first casualty. His reaction to Muddy's ambush was to stop dead in his tracks, leaving me with no place to go and no cover. It was like fish shooting people in a barrel.

I covered up the camera I was carrying and braced for my turn. He sprayed my friend for about a second, then turned the gun on me.

They call it SuperSoaker for a darn good reason. Muddy unloaded the rest of an almost full tank on my shirt and pants. Confused and in shock, I stumbled and collapsed into my seat.

"Bless his heart. That boy is soaked to the bone," the woman behind me said to her husband. "I

need help. Jackson shares this sentiment.

"This is a sickness, and I am just glad they caught him before he did something worse," Jackson said.

"I would advise anyone to whom this happens to call the police immediately." This is the kind of thing that could lead to him raping another woman instead of just exposing himself, Jackson said.

"It really is a matter of control," Jackson said. "He just did it to get a reaction out of me."

Moore was arrested, positively identified and taken to Wake County Public Safety Center.

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 the truck on campus. They called Public Safety and an officer was dispatched.

The man was arrested after Officer J.D. Szymeczek searched his car.

The arrest report says that when the officer approached the car from behind he could see that Moore appeared to be pulling up his pants.

Jackson positively identified the truck before she identified him as the suspect at Public Safety Headquarters.

Crime Prevention Officer Larry Ellis said people who commit crimes such as these are sick and

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Ban poses more problems

■ The new ban on parking near campus is already proving to be an ill-conceived idea.

Thanks to the City of Raleigh's answer to complaints from a few residents in the neighborhood north of campus, an annoyance for homeowners has become a potentially dangerous situation.

Last week a new ordinance went into effect that bans parking in the area bounded by Clark Road, Daisy Street, Hillsborough Street and Oberlin Road. New signs were posted along the neighborhood streets warning drivers that cars parked there between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. without "U" stickers on their cars will receive \$15 tickets.

But city planners knew that — signs or no signs — restaurant, bar and coffee shop patrons would keep coming to Hillsborough Street at night and would need a place to park. So they arranged for parking elsewhere.

Now, on the south side of Hillsborough Street — the side that borders campus — in the right-hand lane, late-night revelers can park their cars. There are even signs in place: "Parked cars in right lane."

Problem solved: The neighborhood residents will no longer be bothered by loud drunks who park on their streets, urinate in their bushes and throw empties on their lawns. And those late-night Hillsborough Street patrons still have a place to leave their cars without fear of receiving a ticket.

But solving one problem has led to the creation of a new one.

Last Saturday night, cars lined this outside eastbound lane of Hillsborough Street, leaving only one lane open for traffic going toward downtown. Pedestrians had difficulty crossing the street, and traffic was slow.

If the first weekend night of the parking ban hinted at such obvious trouble, just think of the havoc that will break loose when the campus population swells to more than 27,000 again in the fall. Hillsborough Street will become a snarl of traffic at night, especially on weekend nights when more students from N.C. State and other campuses flock to the strip.

The fact that a new club recently opened on Hillsborough Street, and a new one is on the way will only compound the problem.

There needs to be more parking, but not on Hillsborough Street. Several area businesses have lots that remain empty at night. If they weren't held responsible for maintenance and liability, possibly the owners of these businesses could work with other business owners on Hillsborough Street to find a viable solution to the parking problem.

It would also help if the City of Raleigh would work with Hillsborough Street business owners to seek out parking spaces that already exist, rather than try to create new ones on a busy thoroughfare.

But until business owners, patrons and the city come to an understanding and find parking that satisfies everyone, there's always the Dan Allen deck.

Longer drop period helps all

■ Students can take a longer test drive on professors thanks to a new policy that will take effect this fall.

Students at N.C. State did not used to have a whole lot of time to make decisions about courses when the semester started — one week to add courses and only four weeks to drop them without special permission or lots of forms to fill out. But with a new policy coming into effect in the fall of 1995, students will have a little extra time on their side.

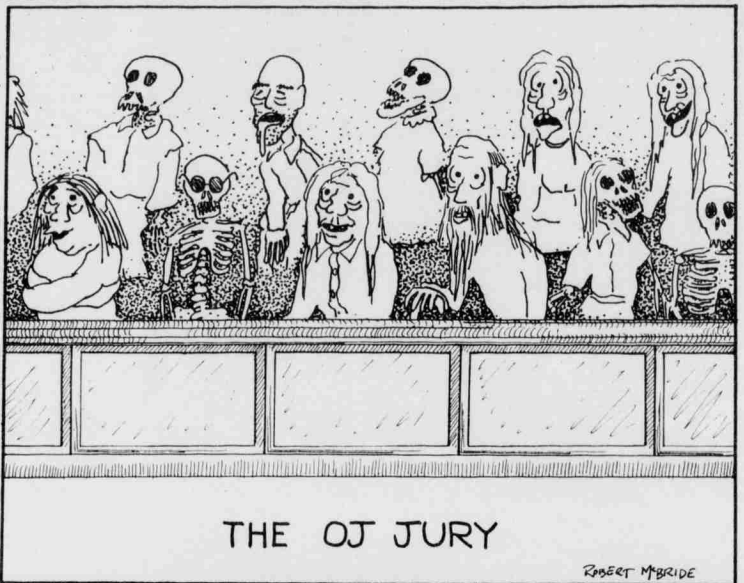
The new policy, which was passed by the Faculty Senate last year, extends the drop period to six weeks after classes start. The Senate felt that the extension was needed to help faculty give students better feedback on their classroom performance.

This was a smart move by the Faculty Senate and will certainly be appreciated by students this fall. Students don't have a whole lot to go on when selecting which instructors they would like to have for a particular course: friends provide a limited network of opinions, grade

distribution reports provide meaningful data on only a fraction of the total sections offered, and TRACS booklets only provide last names, unless you sign up for a class with Dr. Staff, who doesn't even have a last name.

In the midst of this windfall, Student Body President John O'Quinn is trying to get the new policy to benefit him. By claiming that since the issue was a plank in his platform, it was all his doing, therefore he deserves all of the credit. But the new policy had been approved long before O'Quinn took office thus making this campaign promise empty and worthless. Nice try, but no cigar. Even Hotspr in Shakespeare's *I Henry IV* was more convincing.

The extra two weeks will be beneficial to all parties involved — students will get a better idea of how a particular instructor teaches and tests, and faculty can provide better feedback to the students and keep from being stuck with borderline students who stay and later become dead weight for the class.



Commentary

Right wing trying to control culture, masses

James Ellis

Talk radio, the NRA, Senator Bob Dole and William Bennett have found a new crusade, and it's a doozy. It lies at the root of all the fears every parent, every "solid citizen" and every Republican has — a fear that "other" people control public thought.

The NRA tells us that the government wants to control us with Nazi-like raids on our property by "jack-booted thugs." Talk radio says the government wants to take all our money and give it to the poor and Israel, leaving us high and dry. Yeah, and we wonder why government buildings get bombed. And it's the "amen" corner of the GOP, who is bending over backwards to show its piety to the Christian Coalition by telling us that Hollywood is stealing the morals of America like a cat with baby's breath.

All these groups, while saying that they alone know the way to nirvana, have their own little agenda. The NRA wants to be the savior of the Bill of Rights; not just standing up for the rights of gun-owners everywhere, but for all those who enjoy the rights given to us by the Constitution. They've already alienated the cops by working to keep cop-killing

weapons and bullets on the street. They've abandoned that political base in order to be the conservative ACLU. It gives me the heebie-jeebies.

Talk radio wants to be the voice of rebellion and the underground. However, what it doesn't tell you is that a number of the "commentators" are filthy rich and love the idea of less government because they can afford it. Ollie North spends most of his three hours touting his new video, book, exercise machine or whatever it is this week. Chuck Colson is selling watches. He couldn't find an American manufacturer, so he contracted the next best thing: the Swiss. As the makers of better and more accurate watches, the Japanese should feel only a little slighted. No racism here, folks. Dole and Bennett, the Bert and Ernie of the political moral right, want you to know that Nine Inch Nails, Beavis and Butthead, Quentin Tarantino and Ice-T have

destroyed America's moral backbone such that our kids have no morals. Guns don't kill people, kids who watch too much television do? Give me a break.

The GOP and the religious right want to create a cultural hegemony: a single overriding principle that controls all of America's culture. Because most of us never were big museum goers or art-house movie nuts, the most important cultural artifacts in America are the popular ones. Pop, rock, hip-hop and country music are our musical preferences. Action flicks, dramas and comedies are what we watch on the big screen. That is our culture.

Sociologists say that what the average American sees and hears around him or her reflects the culture in which he or she lives. What these people want is to control the culture. They want to help decide what you see and hear because if they influence that, they can influence you.

We cannot allow self-proclaimed judges and juries to influence who we are and what we do. Don't let them tell you that they know best, because they are rarely any better than you. And you alone should have these choices.

Gay and lesbian civil rights in jeopardy

Matt Nash

This weekend, hundreds of members and supporters of North Carolina's gay community converged on Durham for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride 1995. The turnout was quite impressive, but despite the large numbers of people and the community support, the situation is beginning to look grim for gays, both in North Carolina and nationally. The current political climate and recent actions indicate that the civil rights progress of recent years may be for nothing.

The delegates to the N.C. Republican Party recently demonstrated that they are firmly opposed to homosexuality. At their annual convention in May, delegates debated a campaign plank to make sodomy, among other crimes, a capital offense. Fortunately, the sodomy measure was stricken, and the entire resolution later failed. The old moderate-conservative adage "hate the sin, love the sinner" obviously means nothing to these guys.

Even the police have been getting in on the action. The Charlotte Police Department has recently

come under fire for entrapping and arresting gay men. It seems that the department, spurred by complaints of public sex in a local park, decided to send undercover cops to the park to engage in conversation with presumed gay men.

The officers would turn the conversation to sex and eventually get the target to say that he might be interested in specific sex acts. Under North Carolina's "crimes against nature" laws, stating a desire to commit one of the crimes constitutes conspiracy. In this situation, however, the men were arguably entrapped. The crackdown was focused on gay men, and the Charlotte Police Department has admitted that it sent no female officers to the park in the operation.

On the not-so-distant horizon looms the specter of the Christian

Action Network. This group has begun to put pressure on the new Republican Congress, suggesting, now that the "Contract With America" (I didn't sign it, did you?) has been more or less fulfilled, that they confront issues supported by the Network. These issues, almost without question, include civil-rights-limiting measures. To back up this suggestion, the Network offers the threat of a third party in 1996.

In my opinion, a third party is the best thing that could happen for the Democrats. As we saw in the 1992 election, a second conservative candidate means a split Republican vote, which means a Democratic victory, which means good times for you and me.

In the meantime, however, oppression is happening everywhere, to almost everyone, and activism is the only way to stop it. Write your legislators, boycott establishments, even throw paint if the spirit moves you. Civil disobedience is what this country was founded on, and it's high time we saw more of it.

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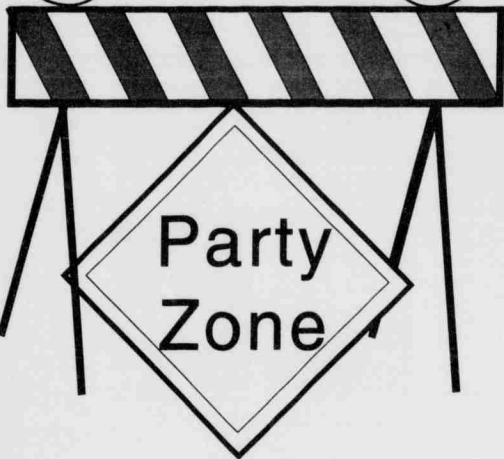
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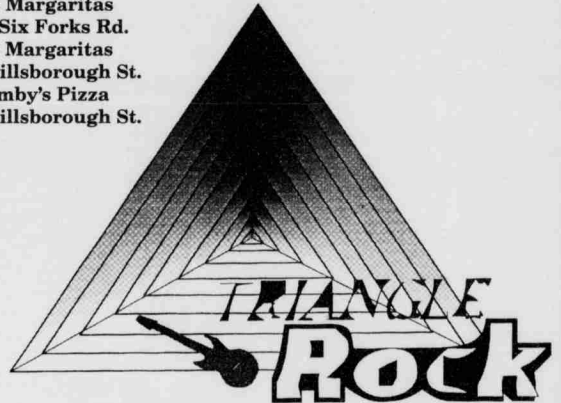
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