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## Bell Tower Briefs



### Five bands for five bucks

On Feb. 18 the Brewery will host a concert featuring five bands to benefit the teen-based service Straight Talk.

The concert will include such bands as Electric Mistress, Adam's Ruin, Steve Howell and Ashley Carter, Iodestar and Automatic Slim. Admission is \$5 and the doors will open at 6 p.m. The bands will perform every hour beginning at 7 p.m.

Straight Talk is a 24-hour telephone information service for teenagers. It provides both live and recorded messages to help North Carolina teens cope with difficult issues such as sex, depression and AIDS.

Services beyond their central office in Charlotte are available in 41 counties. They deal with requests for additional help.

In the future, the directors of Straight Talk hope to extend the service to 800 lines and expand to other counties.

The event will be sponsored by WKNC, the Brewery, Raleigh Air 2112 Percussion and Wrenn House.

Compiled by Lisa Whiteman.

### Professor named to committee

N.C. State Professor Donn Ward, who is associate head and extension leader in the department of food science, was recently reappointed to the National Advisory Committee for Microbiology Criteria in Foods by the Secretary of Agriculture.

The committee is responsible for advising the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), National Marine Fisheries Service and Department of Defense on issues associated with food safety.

In addition, Ward was appointed to the U.S. delegation for the Committee on Food Hygiene of the Codex Alimentarius Commission, affiliated with the United Nations.

The committee is charged with harmonization of food safety standards to facilitate international trade and reduce the global incidence of food-borne disease.

Ward, who is from Fuquay-Varina, serves on the executive committee of the Seafood Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) Alliance. He also chairs the Alliance's Curriculum Development Committee.

The curriculum being developed by Ward's committee will be the FDA standard to evaluate the adequacy for all training requirements specified for the seafood processing industry.

Courtesy of the NCSU News Services.

### Accounting students receive top exam marks

Two of North Carolina's top scorers on the November 1995 Uniform Certified Public Accountant Examination prepared for the rigorous test with accounting courses at the College of Management at N.C. State.

Keith Joyce, a Madison native who recently moved from Apex to Henderson, tied for a gold medal with an 89.75 average on the four-part exam. Diana Rutledge of Raleigh tied for a second-place silver medal with an average score of 86.

## C-stores vow to slash prices

Students will soon be getting a bargain when they visit the C-stores.

By JENNIFER SORBER  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Warning: There will soon be falling prices in N.C. State's C-stores.

University dining is in the process of reducing the prices of approximately 350 C-store items after a meeting with Inter-Residence Council members helped convince university dining officials that prices in the stores were too high.

The price reductions will be complete by the end of February.

Randy Lait, business manager and director of the C-stores, said that the reductions will be noticeable to consumers. After a year's worth of sales, the combined savings at all stores would be approximately \$134,000.

"They're real reductions," said Lait. "It's not like we're dropping things a few cents."

Lait said that although the reduction of some of the prices is not a perfect solution it is helping the problem.

"This is not the ultimate cure-all solution to C-store prices," Lait said, "but it's a step in the right direction."

Lait said that university dining had been discussing reducing prices, but speaking with the IRC helped him realize that students had real concerns.

"By sitting down face to face with students at IRC, I had a better recognition of where we were with pricing," Lait said.

The meeting prompted Lait to begin reviewing prices to see if and how changes could be made.

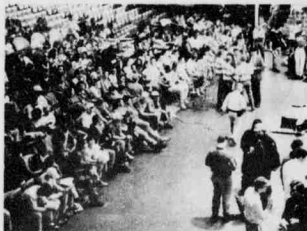
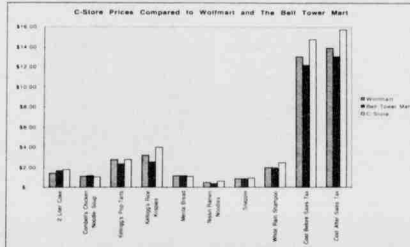
David Beeson, vice-president of the Bragaw Board of Governors,

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AMY KEENE/STAFF

C-store prices may soon be cut by administrators.



## Movie filmed in Reynolds

Wednesday, between 250 and 300 N.C. State students were extras in a movie being filmed at Reynolds Coliseum.

By JASON KING  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Nearly three years ago on Feb. 21, 1993, an undermanned and weary N.C. State basketball team was set to play ACC rival Duke University, and Reynolds Coliseum was jammed to capacity.

Fans gathered not only to watch the game, but to honor one of NCSU's most beloved coaches, Jim Valvano, and his 1983 team. The team had overcome enormous odds to win a national title 10 years earlier.

Valvano, who had been weakened by a seven-month battle with cancer, hobbled onto the court where he had coached so many times and delivered an emotional address. He urged the audience to never give up.

Valvano died of cancer two months later.

Wednesday night, producers of "The Jim Valvano Story," a made-for-TV movie about the former Wolfpack coach and athletics director, tried to recreate the emotional atmosphere of that afternoon at a filming on campus with a sparse crowd.

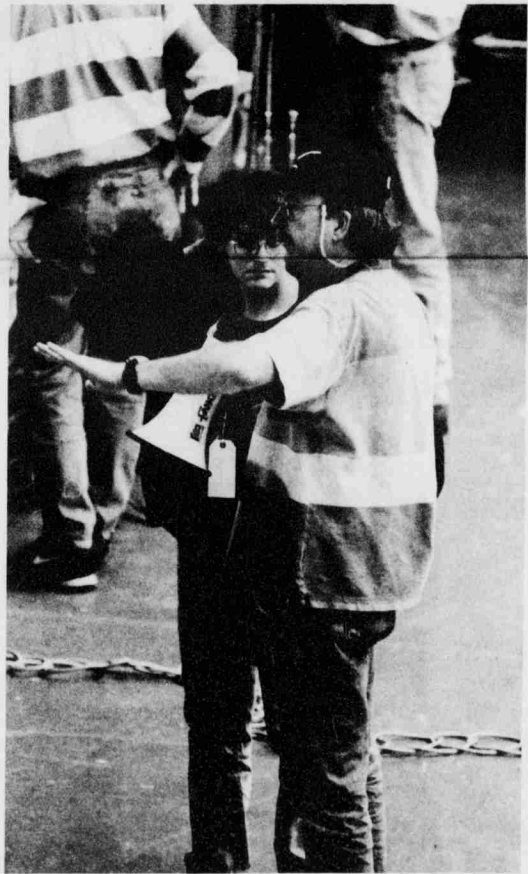
Between 250 and 300 people showed up as extras for the filming. Many members of the crowd said they expected a bigger turnout.

"I thought there would have been more people who would want to participate," said Chris Barnes, a junior in science education.

"It's sort of pitiful," said Marco Rosini, a graduate student in mechanical engineering.

While many said they came out to be in the movie,

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JASON COLE/STAFF

Hundreds of students gathered in Reynolds Coliseum Wednesday night to act as extras (top, left) in the movie, while the crew prepared for the shot (above).

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## Clinton campaigns for student aid

This is not the time to cut financial aid, the president told college presidents last week.

By STEPHEN KIEHL  
THE DAILY NORTHWESTERN  
(NORTHWESTERN U.)

With Republican presidential candidates calling for cuts in education spending, President Clinton is positioning himself as the candidate most committed to education in hopes of winning the college vote.

The Iowa caucuses Monday were widely regarded as the official start of the presidential race, and higher education may be an important issue for college

students considering which candidates to support.

Clinton addressed the higher education issue Feb. 7 in a speech to the National Association of Independent Colleges. He called for more loan and scholarship options for college students through increased Pell Grants, an expanded Direct Loan program and greater accessibility of work-study to students.

"This is no time, for whatever reason, under whatever circumstances, to cut back on any kind of student aid," Clinton told college presidents gathered in Washington. "We need more of it, not less of it."

He said he was engaged in a struggle to "not only keep open the doors of college

for all Americans, but to widen those doors."

To accomplish that, Clinton has proposed a program that would give \$1,000 merit scholarships to high school students in the top 5 percent of their class, and a tax deduction of up to \$10,000 for college tuition for families with incomes of less than \$100,000.

He also proposed raising the maximum Pell Grant to \$2,620 from the current \$2,440. Republicans in Congress have blocked passage of all similar proposals in the past.

In his speech, Clinton suggested expanding work-study jobs to include 1

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# Clinton

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million students during the next five years.  
Currently, about 700,000 students receive federal work-study aid. But this proposal is unlikely to win congressional approval, said a spokeswoman for the Department of Education.

Clinton called on the college presidents to work harder to increase enrollment of minority and low-income students.

"I would ask you all to think about those kids that are coming out of homes from the bottom 20 percent who are afraid that they can't make it," Clinton said.

He also championed the idea of community service for college students.

"We can change the character of America by changing the attitude, the approach, the intuitive responses of this young generation — this brilliant, aggressive, intelligent and energetic group of people — toward the idea of community," Clinton said.

The Americorps program, which Clinton signed into law in 1993, has given 25,000 students the opportunity to earn money for college by volunteering in schools, hospitals, neighborhoods and parks.

"The federal student loan guarantee program, the Pell Grant scholarships... are not big government programs," Clinton said. "These are programs designed to help individuals make the most of their own lives. That is the role of the national government."

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

**TODAY**  
**DEADLINE** — The deadline for applying for the Student Action with Farm workers internship is today. Students work with migrant farm workers in schools, clinics and with other agencies and earn academic credit. For more information, call 919-660-3652.

**SPEAKER** — Nikki Giovanni will present "Racism 101" at 8 p.m., Stewart Theatre. For more information, call 515-5918.  
**NOMINATIONS** — Sigma Iota Rho, the international studies honor society, solicits nominations for faculty and staff membership. Nominees must have made distinguished

contributions to international understanding. For more information, call Prof. Keschull at 515-5072.  
**BREAK** — Spring Break for students begins at 10:20 p.m. on March 8. Classes will resume at 8:05 a.m. March 18.  
**APPLICATIONS** — Students interested in electing the Human Resource Development

option should complete and submit an application before March 6. For more information, call Denis Gray at 515-1721 or Craig Brooks at 515-1725.  
**SUNDAY**  
**CELEBRATION** — CSSFA is hosting a lunar New Year celebration at the University Student Center, 7 p.m. There will be performances at Stewart Theatre, games, karaoke and dance parties. Admission is \$2.  
**GATHERING** — MSA is holding a Fast opening gathering at 5:30 p.m. in Caldwell Hall.

**MONDAY**  
**PRACTICE** — The Water Polo team will practice from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Carmichael Gym pool. New players are welcome. For more information, call Steve Thompson at 852-0095.  
**MEETING** — The Baptist Student Union meets at 5:45 p.m. in the Baptist Student

# C-Store

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compiled and compared the prices of a variety of items from the C-stores to the prices of the same items in grocery and other convenience stores. His findings were presented before Lait and the IRC at its meeting on Jan. 25.

Because of the size difference between grocery and convenience stores, their prices cannot be compared fairly, said Arthur White, associate to the vice chancellor at university dining.

"We can't compare our prices to Food Lion or Harris Teeter," White said. But he added, "Our prices are not that much higher than a normal convenience store."

Some students said they think that they are being taken advantage of by university dining.

The prices are "absolutely ridiculous," said Kelley Shelton, a sophomore in animal science. "They're just trying to rip us off

because we can't go anywhere else. None of this stuff is worth the price."

Another student believes that the prices are acceptable because the stores are located on campus.

"I guess you pay for the convenience," said Kirsten Fink, a sophomore in accounting. However, she said, "some prices are outrageous."

Lait said the proximity of the stores has nothing to do with item prices.

"Pricing is based on cost, not on how close you are to the store," he said.

The C-store prices are set according to the items' costs, Lait said. For this reason, the C-stores cannot offer the same prices as larger grocery stores.

"I am certain that we pay more wholesale than Food Lion and Harris Teeter," he said.

Since campus stores are not as busy as grocery stores, they are not able to purchase large quantities of items at a lower wholesale price, which would reduce retail prices.

"We will never be completely in line with a grocery store," Lait said. "We don't have nearly the traffic that they do on most items."

White said that students have to keep in mind that the stores are convenience stores.

"Some of our prices are higher than they should be, but they're not that much higher than a regular convenience store," White said.

Another factor that affects the prices is student theft, Lait said. "This is not the significant factor."

However, Keshia Heggie, a junior in science education, said, "If prices weren't so high, then students wouldn't steal."

University dining does offer the use of cash points, which are available with meal plans, to offset the prices of C-store items.

"We discount those cash points," Lait said. "Students get extra buying power in the convenience store."

Students are "getting a 15 to 20 percent discount," White said. "They're getting \$250 in cash

points for \$200."  
One student said that the prices do not make much of a difference to him.

"I don't pay much attention to the prices because I use cash points," said Raphael Ventresca, a freshman in the First Year College.

But the prices do raise concerns for other students.

"You can't get the points back, so students are stuck buying stuff they don't really want just to buy things," said Page Smith, a freshman in pre-veterinary medicine.

Smith was also concerned with what the C-store profits were used for.

Lait said that their profits are not as high as the prices would have you believe.

But what they do yield is reinvested into the food service, White said. The revenue goes into improving such facilities as the dining hall, the Atrium and the University Student Center food services, he said.

# Movie

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Valerie Ryan, who works in university accounting, said she came because of Valvano's effect on her life.

Ryan, who is recovering from cancer, said she and Valvano wrote letters of support to each other while both were undergoing treatment. "Jim thought I was the only other Italian on campus," she said. "He was fabulous, though. He had so much energy."

Crew members recruited some extras to stay until roughly 6 a.m. Thursday morning, offering a \$40 to \$60 paycheck and free food. Other unpaid extras stayed until around 11:30 p.m.

Extras spent most of the night sitting and watching or cheering as Valvano, portrayed by actor Anthony LaPaglia, made his entrance, hugged members of the 1983 team and delivered the famous "Never Give Up" speech.


Valvano coached at NCSU from 1980-1990, compiling a record of 209-114 and winning a national championship and two ACC titles in 1983 and 1987. He left the university amid allegations that players had sold shoes and complimentary tickets NCSU had provided them.

Joe Sanders, associate vice chancellor for university relations, said the movie deals with Valvano's early success at NCSU, but doesn't go into great detail about the circumstances that forced him to leave the university.

The movie, produced by MDT Productions, is being filmed primarily in Wilmington and is scheduled to air on CBS, Tuesday, April 2, at 9 p.m.

Sanders said because MDT was allowed to shoot the movie at NCSU, the company will donate \$11,500 to the Jimmy V Foundation, an organization established by Valvano to provide money for cancer research.

# Adam Sandler



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# Sports

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## Florida State tomahawk chops N.C. State

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The N.C. State men's basketball team finds itself in a familiar place after its 79-66 loss to the Florida State Seminoles — the last one.

The loss drops the Wolfpack into the conference cellar with a 3-8 record in the ACC and 14-10 overall.

Florida St. smothered State with two variations of the zone defense, including a trapping 2-1-2 zone press. The Seminoles had 18 steals and forced the Pack into 25 turnovers.

"The zone defense gave us problems and the press took us out of our offensive execution," Coach Les Robinson told the News & Observer. "We haven't played much against the zone, and they played it the whole 15 rounds. [And] they took Todd out of the game."

Todd Fuller, the object of the Seminoles' defense, scored 14 points on only seven shot attempts.

**"When they trapped, we panicked and didn't make the right plays."**

— Ishua Benjamin, N.C. State guard

With Fuller under wraps, State reverted to its usual style whenever it is under pressure — the long-range bombs.

Unfortunately, most of them were duds.

The Wolfpack shot a dismal 12-35 from beyond the three-point arc. Even though seven different State players made three-pointers, those few that went in were not enough. Also attributing to the Pack's horrible shooting was the fact that the Seminoles continually hounded

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Chasity Melvin (44), shown here against the Yellow Jackets earlier this season, torched Georgia Tech once again. She led the Pack to victory behind a 22 point, nine rebound performance on Wednesday night.

## Wolfpack Women swarm all over the Yellow Jackets

SPORTS STAFF REPORT

ATLANTA — The N.C. State women's basketball team played on Wednesday night.

The Pack managed to avoid getting stung and warded off a pesky group of Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets to capture a 73-64 victory.

The No. 16 Wolfpack improved its record to 17-6 overall and 9-4 in the conference.

The last time State played the Yellow Jackets, Jan. 15, the Pack won 68-63 to give Coach Kay Yow her 500th coaching victory.

In the rematch, State took a 15-27 lead into halftime. The Pack built its lead to 20 points at 51-31 with about 13 minutes remaining in the game.

But Georgia Tech would not submit.

The Yellow Jackets sliced State's lead in half with a 14-4 run over a span of three and a half minutes to make the score 55-45.

The catalyst for Tech's comeback was Joannah Kauffman.

Kauffman nailed nine of 11 free throws, scoring 23 points and hauling down 12 rebounds for the game.

The Wolfpack stemmed the tide and maintained their 10-point lead for most of the game.

With about a minute left, Georgia Tech closed to within six with four free throws.

But State hit five of their six free throws down the stretch to preserve the victory.

Four of the Pack's starters scored in double figures. Chasity Melvin led the Pack with 22 points and nine rebounds.

Jennifer Howard hit three three-pointers to finish with 15 points while Muriel Davis and Umeki Wehr scored 13 and 10 points respectively.

Tech's Kisha Ford had 15 points and nine boards.

State will travel to Chapel Hill to play North Carolina on Sunday afternoon. The Wolfpack will look to repeat its 76-72 victory over the Tar Heels from January.

## Here are a couple of things to ponder

■ He didn't talk to the big guy, so it's time to ponder some of life's tough questions.

I almost spoke to David Thompson.

The very man who single-handedly revolutionized college basketball wasn't home at the time, but the Hall of Fame member is the same person who's answering machine cut me off mid-sentence.

"The number here is 919-515-2411 and at your earliest convenience..." is all I could get in before it was just me and the dial tone.

But if I was going to be cut off, at least I was by N.C. State alum David Thompson and not by, say, Bobby Hurley (Note — that was the first and last reference to a Duke player you'll ever see in this column).

So with that disaster out of the way, it was still time to come up with a column idea. And a person can only rip Chris Collins (oh well, I lied) so many times before just

### Michael Preston

C O M M E N T A R Y



he was coming to State, is finally here. He was seen recently playing hoops over at Carmichael Gym with Ricky Daniels, Lakista McCullar and Mark Davis.

That's probably a team, huh? Throw in Donnie Seale and you've got a veritable intramural powerhouse.

Why doesn't anybody cover the foreign players on the perimeter?

In particular Maryland's Sarunas Jasikevicius and Clemson's Andrus Jurkunas. On several occasions, I've seen these two guys standing behind the three-point line, ball in hand — and the defender isn't even close to them.

Before you can say "long-range specialist," Jasikevicius and Jurkunas nail these wide open threes. Memo to every player in the conference, these two weren't recruited for their Shawn Kemp-like hops.

All they do is rip cord on the three. That's it. They have no speed and even fewer moves. Get in their faces.

Isn't Reynolds the greatest stadium in the country to watch basketball?

I've been to Cameron and Duke's fans are as creative as lab mice. Florida State's and North Carolina's underclassmen admitted they were rattled by the noise in the venerable old coliseum.

Frankly, you can take your new-fangled Entertainment and Sports Arena and scrap the whole project. It's basically going to turn out to be a poor man's Dean Dome. Reynolds and its fans are super loud and the best in the country. Eight thousand people in a 20,000 seat stadium are not.

But I tell you what, I'd really like to give that public address announcing thing a try. Call me old fashioned, but the P.A. man shouldn't sound so excited when the opponent scores.

Did you know sometimes our readers come up with some good ideas?

In today's Forum, a letter reads that Les Robinson should be promoted to athletics director and Todd Turner should be escorted to the door and thrown out. Kudos. I would make that deal faster than

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### Basketball Preview

Record: 14-10, 5-7 ACC

In case you forgot, the last time Duke played the Pack, Chris Collins nailed the luckiest shot of his life.

Either way, it was the Dookies first conference win and they just came back against UVA the other day. They definitely have the momentum going into Saturday's match-up.

Keys for the Devils include Greg Newton and Taymon Domzalski not fouling out while guarding Todd Fuller.

The perimeter players have to show up for Duke the way they did down the stretch in the first meeting. Collins, Ricky Price and Jeff Capel will be looked on from the perimeter.

And if Baker Perry gets into the game, chances are it's gotten out of hand. Perry is a walk-on and is practically a human victory cigar.

But it's entirely conceivable that the Devils will dig themselves a hole that they may not be able to climb out of.

Record: 14-10, 3-8 ACC

After a 20-point thrashing of Arizona State, the Pack travelled to Tallahassee and lost by 13 to a team they beat once already.

And who knows if the "Collins' Miracle" is still in the backs of State's collective mind.

The obvious key is to get the ball into Todd Fuller's hands. The likely lottery pick (featured in last week's Sports Illustrated) used the freshman Domzalski and had Newton on his heels the entire game.

But Fuller and Danny Strong can't win this thing all by themselves. Curtis Marshall, C.C. Harrison and Ishua Benjamin will have to come up big from the field and minimize the turnovers. The three combined for 14 turnovers against the 'Noles.

But remember last year when State walked into Cameron and walked out winners? Hang those articles on the bulletin board and State can pull this one out.

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# Opinion

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## Run for office ... please!

■ **Student Government elections are coming up, so get out and run for office.**

Now that it's primary season, it seems like everyone is clamoring about the race for U.S. president — who's in, who's out, who's in front and who's fallen by the wayside. It's also time to wonder who's in the race at this little chunk of red heaven in West Raleigh.

Student Government elections are coming soon, and election packets will be available Feb. 28. If you've ever wanted to represent your fellow students, now's your chance.

Part of the problem with Student Government at N.C. State is not enough people want to be part of it.

With such a limited field of candidates, any students who can get their suitmates or a few of their friends to vote for them can easily win a student senate seat. Some senators now represent their respective colleges after winning the last election by mind-numbing vote totals of 11, five and two — out of thousands of potential voters.

Several ran unopposed and basically had the post handed to them.

So if holding an elected office sounds good to you, by all means, get a candidate packet at the end of the month. Student government needs qualified people. If someone can win by just filling out a form and waiting a month, imagine what someone who's actually motivated and intelligent can do.

## Saving students money

■ **Some N.C. State administrators go the distance for students.**

Finally, someone is taking action to lower costs to students instead of raising them.

Prices at university C-stores will soon be falling. Not by a few cents, but really going down — to the tune of \$134,000 over a year's time. University Dining took this decisive action after attending an IRC meeting where C-store prices were the topic of debate. Randy Lait, C-store manager, and Art White of University Dining

deserve a round of applause for their actions to reduce costs to students. This type of immediate response from university administrators is greatly appreciated.

These cost reductions come after a string of cost increases such as the \$400 tuition hike, the as yet undetermined hike in student fees and the tuition hikes and fee increases of the past few years.

N.C. State students are fortunate to have a few decision-makers who have the power to make changes and who are concerned enough to listen. In the case of Lait and White, not only to listen, but also to act.

## WKNC charity jam Sunday

■ **Rock to some incredible bands and help out a good cause Sunday night, all for a five spot.**

Music may tame the savage beast, but in this case, it helps those in need. This Sunday at the Brewery, N.C. State's radio station, WKNC, is holding a benefit concert for Wake County teens. In coordination with local businesses and charitable organizations, WKNC

is providing Raleigh and the N.C. State community with a chance to see five good local bands for five dollars. It is also providing much needed support for Straight Talk, a phone counseling service for teens.

Straight Talk is a 24-hour service that helps kids deal with relationships, sex, school and home life. So take a little time out of your busy weekend to hear some great music while lending a helping hand to kids who need it. It's the best and cheapest way you could spend five hours.



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## Commentary

# The truth about psychic hotlines revealed

Have you ever found yourself watching television and all of a sudden you see Dionne Warwick on the screen advertising her new Psychic Friends Network? Just to tempt you to call, she offers one sample reading for free.

So now you're sitting there wondering if you should call — it is, after all, free. You're dying to know what this sample reading will reveal about your life, and even though you believe you're smart enough not to fall for these traps, you have a gut feeling you should call anyway.

Well, if you are one of these people, allow me to share with you a secret that I guarantee will satisfy your curiosity once and for all. You never will feel the urge to call these psychic lines again, no matter how many free sample readings they offer you.

I come from a part of the world where fortune telling is a common practice many of us conduct for our friends when we gather for a cup of Turkish coffee. Just a few weeks ago, a few of my friends decided to have Turkish coffee and read each other coffee fortunes. We had some good laughs, and the reading was understood to be a fun activity to excite the evening, nothing more.

Please believe me when I tell you what we say to our friends in a reading is no different than what the psychics tell you on the phone. I know what they feed you and how they try to convince you their



Yasemin Aras

revelations apply directly and only to your life. They use the same tactic on everyone.

This is an example of one of the many things psychics (or fortune tellers — there's no difference) may tell you: "I see two clouds over your head. These clouds represent deep thoughts and major plans that will affect your future. These clouds are constantly occupying your

thoughts. I am receiving this vibe that tells me you will accomplish both of them, however, one will take longer than the other. You will have to struggle more to achieve the second."

I can guarantee everyone who reads this article will find this reading does, in fact, apply to them. How? Simple. I have just told you something specific yet very broad at the same time. Name one person on the face of this earth who does not have something occupying their thoughts? Naturally, you won't find anyone because every person — a street bum, a high school drop out or the president of the United States — will have at least two major things occupying their thoughts.

Even if for some very odd reason a person does not have anything in particular in mind, it doesn't matter. Once their psychic reveals such information, the listener will unconsciously create something at that instant so it would apply to what the psychic said.

So now you're probably thinking "Sure,

I'm more likely to predict my friends' futures because I know them well whereas the psychics don't even know a caller's name." It makes absolutely no difference. On the contrary, it's much easier to make up something for a stranger than for a friend because a friend is much more likely to know when you're feeding them garbage, especially if that friend knows the trick of reading a coffee fortune too.

As an undergraduate, I used to read coffee fortunes for students to raise funds for the international club. I would read the fortunes of students I had never seen or met before in my life. I would literally use hundreds of ways to convince them I knew what I was talking about, and it worked every single time.

I would use the sample reading I shared previously and many others that would literally apply to the entire human population. I could give you other examples, but you know a true magician never reveals the secrets of his tricks, and neither will I.

Take this advice from an expert on fortune telling: Don't fall for these phony psychics on television no matter how they try to tempt you. Just like my life, they can't predict anything about yours. But they are good at the art of tricking you into thinking they hold the answers to your future.

Don't waste your time or money on people who are only interested in ripping you off and giving you false hopes about your life. So the next time you hear Dionne Warwick say "all you need is a telephone and an open mind," just think about what I've just told you and change the channel.

## Online reader defends Robinson

First of all, I would like to tell you how much I enjoy reading Technician via the Internet. It's very hard to get ACC news, much less news about N.C. State, living in Richmond, Va. I have been following the "Les Robinson" situation for the past several weeks, so I thought I might lend my thoughts to it.

I'll start with a little background. My first knowledge of NCSU basketball was around 1974 when I was 6 years old, and I cut out a picture of David Thompson from the Mini Pages for my bulletin board. I kept it there until I got married and moved away. I believe it still may be in my parents' attic.

## The Campus FORUM

same night of the State of the Union address. Good old WRAL-TV chose to air the game instead of the address. There is nothing like Tobacco Row basketball.

Jim Valvano will always hold a special place in my heart. There will never be another like him. NCSU can look long and hard, but will never find a replica. I believe, however, that his downfall came when he was allowed to be both athletics director and coach. That last year was a very bad year for me to graduate. As I was getting ready to graduate, I felt like the negative press would reflect on my degree. When Les Robinson was introduced to the world as the new men's basketball coach, I was very thrilled. He had an excellent record both on the court and off. He himself had played for the legendary Everett Case.

Everybody knew Robinson would have a difficult road. The NCAA had all but shut down our program.

Les Robinson has done exactly what he was hired to do. He carried our program through some difficult years, and we can now look down our noses at those other schools who have spotty academic records. But now the heat is on for athletics performance. I can't remember the last time I got to watch NCSU play in an ACC Conference game on a Friday since Florida State University entered the ACC. I too am upset. But we can't forget why Coach Robinson was hired. He has bridged a difficult gap for our basketball program and must be commended for it. I would like to see him work out the last year of his contract.

If Coach Robinson does not feel up to the job after that year, a perfect solution to the problem is to fire Athletics Director Turner and put Les Robinson in his place. That way we can have an athletics director with a direct link to the university and maintain the athletics department with the same integrity with which he has run the men's basketball program. This man deserves a permanent place at NCSU more than anybody else at this time.

Thank you very much for allowing me to express my opinion. And for God's sake,

do not abandon Reynolds Coliseum.

Brian T. Ezelle  
Class of 1990

## Willis should crack down on web

I think that Bill Willis and his cohorts have every reason to inspect the web pages on World Wide Web server www4. There are students whose web pages are slowing the server to a halt with pictures of Pamela Anderson's breasts. We don't need that here, not on a "edu" domain's server and not when there are people trying to get work done on the same server.

If these people want their pictures, they should download them to their own machine. If they don't have their own machine, too bad. Every student at this university has paid to use the university's computers. If a couple of people hog all the resources, where does that leave everyone else? Stuck on the outside looking at a "server does not respond" message.

Kevin Ring  
Freshman, Computer Science

# Preston

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you can say "ridiculous internal academic standards."

Have you heard that N.C. State signed the No. 17 player in the country?

Speaking of kudos, Mike O'Coin and his recruiting staff deserve some. Rashon Spikes from Connecticut was rated as the No. 17 player in the nation at running back and signed with the Wolfpack. Yes, we do have

Wemayne Stephens, but you just can't look a gift horse in the mouth.

These are just a few things to think about, just in case worrying about going 5-1 in the ACC down the homestretch isn't enough.

Preston can be reached via email at [preston@sma.sca.ncsu.edu](mailto:preston@sma.sca.ncsu.edu) if you need to air any grievances or want to give him a pat on the back.

## Women's ACC Box Score

Wolfpack 73, Yellow Jackets 64										
	FG	FT	Reb	A	PF	Pts				
N.C. State	31	20	20	0	1	63	24	10	10	10
Marshall	40	4.10	4.5	1.4	6	2	15	10	10	10
Webb	4	4.6	2.3	0.2	7	10	10	10	10	10
Davis	31	2.7	9.12	2.8	1	3	13	10	10	10
Melvin	39	11.9	0.3	4.2	2	4	22	10	10	10
Jones	26	4.6	1.2	2.5	1	3	9	10	10	10
McLendon	3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	10	10	10
Shepard	7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	10	10	10
Poate	17	2.5	0.0	3.5	0	2	4	10	10	10
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>27.58</b>	<b>19.25</b>	<b>15.45</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>

## Men's ACC Box Score

Seminoles 79, Wolfpack 66										
	FG	FT	Reb	A	PF	Pts				
State	23	9.1	9.0	0	1	14	44	10	10	10
Marshall	27	3.6	0.0	3	1	5	8	10	10	10
Webb	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	10	10	10
Fuller	38	4.7	6.9	11	1	0	14	10	10	10
C. Harrison	22	1.6	0.0	0	2	3	3	10	10	10
Pinkins	23	4.7	4.6	6	0	1	13	10	10	10
Benjamin	23	1.5	0.0	5	3	4	3	10	10	10
Sutton	21	1.3	0.0	0	0	0	0	10	10	10
Wagner	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	10	10	10
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>22.59</b>	<b>19.15</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>

## Three-point goals: 12-35 (Strong 4-12)

Blocked shots: 7 (Melvin 4, Shepard 2, Webb) 2; Turnovers: 24 (Melvin 7, Webb 6, Howard 3, Davis 3, Jones 2, Shepard, Poate); Steals: 7 (Webb 4, Shepard 2, Howard).

## Three-point goals: 12-35 (Strong 4-12)

Blocked shots: 6 (Louis 3, Jackson, Collins, Luchman) 2; Turnovers: 13 (Shepherd 4, Collins 3, Brower 2, Louis 2, Greer, Curry); Steals: 18 (Collins 6, Jackson 3, Greer 2, Brower 2, Shepherd 2, Luchman 2, Curry).

## N.C. State 35 38 - 73

Georgia Tech 27 37 - 64

Officials: Bill Broderick, Mommigstar

## ACC Men's Standings

Conference	Overall	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
W. Forest	9	2	8	.18	17	3	.850
Ga. Tech	8	3	7	.27	15	10	.600
N. Carolina	8	4	6	.67	17	7	.708
Maryland	5	6	4	.56	12	9	.571
Duke	5	7	4	.47	14	10	.583
Virginia	5	7	4	.47	11	11	.500
Clemson	4	7	3	.64	14	7	.667
Florida St.	4	7	3	.64	12	9	.571
N.C. State	3	8	2	.73	14	10	.583

## Thursday's game

Wake Forest 85, Maryland 78

## Saturday's games

N.C. State at Duke, noon (WRAL)  
Virginia at N. Carolina, 2 p.m.  
Wake Forest at Georgia Tech, 4 p.m.  
Florida St. at Clemson, 7 p.m.

## Sunday's game

Missouri at Maryland, 2 p.m.

## ACC Women's Standings

Conference	Overall	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Virginia	9	3	7	.30	18	5	.783
N.C. State	9	4	6	.69	17	6	.739
Duke	9	4	6	.69	20	5	.800
Clemson	8	4	6	.67	18	4	.818
N. Carolina	7	6	5	.58	12	11	.522
Maryland	5	8	3	.85	11	12	.478
W. Forest	4	8	3	.64	11	11	.500
Ga. Tech	4	9	3	.68	13	9	.591
Florida St.	2	11	1	.14	7	15	.318

## Thursday's game

Clemson 79, North Carolina 78 (ot)

## Friday's game

Virginia at Florida St., 7 p.m.

## Saturday's games

Clemson at Wake Forest, 2 p.m.

## Sunday's games

N.C. State at N. Carolina, noon  
Florida St. at Maryland, 7:30 p.m.



Atlantic Coast Conference Men's and Women's Basketball Standings

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State's perimeter shooters.

"When they trapped, we panicked and didn't make the right plays," Ishaia Benjamin said. "We didn't play smart against the zone."

State stayed close with Florida State throughout the first half. At halftime, the Pack was down only by three, 31-28.

But the Seminoles opened the second half with a 15-2 run to take control of the contest.

After that run, State didn't get to within eight points for the rest of the game.

Fuller and Danny Strong each scored 14 points to lead the Pack. Al Pinkins chipped in 13 points for State.

The Wolfpack felt that this season was beginning to right itself before this game.

"It's disappointing," Fuller said. "I thought we might have something going [after the win over Arizona State last Sunday]."

The Pack's next ACC game will be against the Duke Blue Devils Saturday afternoon in Durham. The game will be televised on WRAL Channel 5 at noon.

All quotes were received from the News & Observer.



Curis Marshall was smothered much like this on Wednesday and that resulted in his seven turnovers in the loss. TECHNICIAN FILE PHOTO

# State women's tennis team conquers the Spartans, 9-0

SPORTS STAFF REPORT

GREENSBORO — The N.C. State women's tennis team breezed by U N C - Greensboro on Wednesday.

No. 1 singles player Blair Sutton had the toughest time of any of the Wolfpack.

She lost the first set to

Greensboro's Natalie Teague, but rallied to win the second in a tie breaker. Sutton cruised to victory in the third set, winning the match 3-6, 7-6, 6-1.

The rest of the Pack had little trouble with the Spartans.

No. 2 singles player Mina Scimicariello bested Liz Brown 6-3, 6-1. Chris Chandler blew by Jen Wisinski in the No. 3 singles match 6-2, 6-1.

Carey Causway topped Maggie

Berger 6-2, 6-2. Nena Bonacic handled Susan Scott 6-2, 6-3, and Dana Allen defeated Tiffany Cooper 6-3, 6-0.

In the No. 1 doubles matches, Sutton and Chandler joined forces to blow away the Spartan squad of Teague and Wisinski 8-1.

Scimicariello and Causway beat Brown and Scott 8-5 in the No. 2 doubles while Allen and Laura Cowman took care of Berger and Cooper 8-3.

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Boy, doesn't that "City Hall" movie look good?

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We're confident the Sixers are going to make a run

Julie, I sure could've used that ride home last night. It was a little cold without a jacket last night. Thanks, MP

