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### Community leaders discuss teen crime-prevention program

Educators, law enforcement agents and community activists met in Raleigh to participate in a workshop to discuss ways to curb the escalation of youth crime and violence in North Carolina.

At the Teens, Crime and the Community (TC&C) Program workshop, which ends today, 60 participants from across the state learned through a series of seminars how to reduce or eliminate specific crime problems in their schools and communities.

The program and workshop, sponsored by the N.C. Center for the Prevention of School Violence, is part of N.C. State's College of Education and Psychology. The center was selected by the National Crime Prevention Council and the National Institute for Citizen Education in Law to implement the program throughout North Carolina.

Presenters included Cpl. Vicky Barnwell of the North Charleston Police Department in North Charleston, S.C.; Erin Donocan, director of the National Teens, Crime and the Community Program in Washington, D.C.; and Dr. Pamela Riley, director of the N.C. Center for the Prevention of School Violence in Raleigh.

Courtesy of NCSU News Services.

### Hundreds of area girls take part in N.C. State workshops

A woman's place is in the laboratory. That's the message more than 450 seventh-grade girls and their teachers from Triangle area schools learned at the fourth annual Expanding Your Horizons Conference on March 13 at N.C. State.

The conference, which featured hands-on workshops and career sessions led by more than 40 of the area's top female scientists, was designed to spark girls' interest in pursuing careers in the traditionally male-dominated fields of science and mathematics.

The girls worked closely with female researchers and broke into small groups to perform experiments in cutting-edge scientific fields such as DNA extraction and fingerprinting, veterinary medicine, bioforestry and water-quality assessment. More than 45 workshops took place concurrently at six locations on the NCSU campus.

After lunch, the girls once again broke into smaller groups to learn about career options in science and mathematics. These sessions ran from 1 to 2 p.m.

The conference's keynote speech was at 9 a.m. in Witherspoon Student Center. The speaker was Freda Porter-Locklear, a post-doctoral fellow in mathematics at UNC-Chapel Hill. Porter-Locklear, a native Lumbie, is developing a computerized method to predict the movement of contaminants in soil and water. She spoke on the changing face of science in America today.

Courtesy of NCSU News Services.

# Tiananmen Square leader advocates democracy

A group of people can make a monumental impact if they commit themselves to a single cause, said a Chinese activist.

By NICOLE BOWMAN  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Li Lu, co-leader of the 1989 Tiananmen Square Student Demonstrations and spokesman for the Alliance for Democratic China, spoke Tuesday night to an almost full Witherspoon Student Center Cinema on how Chinese students changed the world by standing up for what they believed in.

In 1989, Lu led nearly half-a-



Li Lu speaks to students.

million students from 400 universities across China in peaceful demonstrations for 23 days with the hope of achieving democratic reform

in China. On June 3, 1989, thousands of demonstrating students were killed when Chinese military forces crushed the rally.

Lu's speech, titled "Leadership Through Personal Commitment," was part of N.C. State's third annual Human Rights Week.

"We are truly living in a rare moment in history," he said. "In the past six years, our time has seen more people transferred from a totalitarian society to a democracy than in the rest of history."

Lu said the students never would have imagined that the demonstrations would be the first in a series of pro-democracy movements.

"Because we are living in this time, it is difficult to appreciate it," he said.

"It all started with a student demonstration is the spring [of] 1989."

Lu said he believes that everyone has the potential to make a difference for the good of mankind.

"When people see others stand up and light the light of freedom, they stand up for their rights," he said. "That is why the students in China inspired those in Berlin to tear down the wall. Society is better when people rise to meet their potential."

Lu said his experiences during the first 10 years of his life served as part of his motivation for participating in the demonstrations.

He said that he learned about how ordinary Chinese people lived — and died — without anyone giving notice.

"A large percentage of the masses didn't have any voices or rights to speak of — yet they helped me survive the first 10 years of my life," he said.

Many Chinese people were "erased from society" because of their views, Lu said, because they thought a successful rebellion against the Communist government was impossible.

"When you are deprived of private property you are deprived of a sense of dignity," he said. "It was almost impossible to think differently, much less rebel."

According to Lu, his generation was

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## Student Elections

Student Government elections will be held April 1 and 2. Platforms for the candidates for chief justice and student senate president are highlighted today.

### Chief Justice

Priscilla McNeill



Priscilla McNeill plans to give students a fair shake if elected student chief justice.

After three years working with the N.C. State Student Judicial Board, Priscilla McNeill, a junior in history/pre-law, is ready to step up to be the next student chief justice.

She has been a member of the board for one year and an assistant to board members two years.

McNeill said she feels that the chief justice's job is to "maintain order during hearings and make sure sanctions given are fair and appropriate for the violation."

If elected, she plans to work on accomplishing three main goals.

McNeill wants all students to have effective preparation prior to their hearing before the board.

"Often students aren't prepared for their hearing," she said.

Educating the public about regulations in the NCSU Code of Conduct is another of McNeill's priorities.

"I hope to inform students at the freshman level, especially during orientation," she said. "I hope to make students become aware of the code of conduct and what may apply to them."

McNeill also plans to make sure students have a fair hearing and that sanctions passed by the judicial board are appropriate for the violations.

McNeill is running against Lorraine Stone, the current student chief justice. She considers it important that people don't become at ease with their position.

"Every time someone is before the board, their academic future is on the line," she said.

-Compiled by Nicole Bowman

Lorraine Stone



Lorraine Stone says she hopes to build on this year's experience as student chief justice.

Lorraine Stone, a junior in zoology, is running for re-election as N.C. State's student chief justice.

Stone defines the chief justice's role as the head of the judicial branch of Student Government.

"The chief justice presides over all hearings and goes to the Senate and tells them what's going on," she said.

This year, Stone said the judicial branch went into freshmen classes to get the word out about judicial activities.

Stone said that if elected she would like to increase the judicial branch's activities.

"Getting to first-year students is important," she said.

Stone also plans to increase people's awareness of the consequences of drug violations. She also wants to teach the NCSU community how to deal with sexual misconduct.

"Basically I would like to continue what we're doing and increase our pro-active role," she said.

Stone said people should vote for her because she has had this year to gain experience as chief justice and handled the year well.

"I put so much energy into [the job] and I know it so well," she said. "I would like to continue next year."

Stone feels that the judicial branch is an area of Student Government that is considered silent.

"I feel I did well and want to continue that work," she said.

-Compiled by Nicole Bowman

### Student Senate President

Mark Nippert



Mark Nippert's main objective is to make teacher evaluations more accessible.

Mark Nippert, a junior in computer programming, is running unopposed in N.C. State's Student Senate president race.

Nippert said one of his main goals is to make teacher evaluations more accessible to students. He said that he would like to see a number of questions formulated by students appear at the end of evaluations. The answers to these questions, he said, will appear on Student Government's homepage.

"This is not a bunch of kids saying this is stuff we are going to do," Nippert said in reference to teacher evaluations. "This is something that is being done."

Nippert also said it is time for the plus/minus grading system to be changed.

The system is not fair, he said, since two students who receive the same grade in different sections of the same class could receive different letter grades if one teacher prescribed to plus/minus grading while the other did not.

Nippert said that he will work to limit tuition and fee increases.

"I wrote the resolution against the fee increase last year," Nippert said. "I took [a] stand for the student body."

Nippert said he is in favor of expanding 24-hour visitation options in Residence Halls. Nippert also said he will try to provide bussing to home games at Carter-Finley stadium.

"The emphasis here is making specific change that students can see and appreciate," he said. "That's what I am all about."

-Compiled by Phillip Reese

## Christian leaders seek unity

The week called for unity among members of the Christian community.

By CHRIS BAYSDEN  
NEWS EDITOR

On a campus with roughly 27,000 people, unity's a hard concept to imagine.

But members of N.C. State's Christian community have tried to unite the campus through the first Christian Awareness Week, which began last Wednesday and runs until Thursday.

A number of activities, including a picnic, a testimony and several prayer services, have highlighted the week's goal of uniting campus Christians.

"The real key has been to get the body of Christ together," said Todd Waldo, a United Student Fellowship minister. "We're all a family."

Waldo, a junior in electrical engineering who originally came up with the idea for the week, said that it is important for Christians of all races to come together to celebrate Christ. Many times Christians divide into different congregations based on race or denomination, he said.

But you can't have a unified body when people concentrate on their differences, he said.

"The reality is that there are more than just black Christians or just white Christians," Waldo said. "Christ goes beyond any color. Our goal was to affect the entire campus. You have to have representation across the board."

Michelle Brame, a sophomore in parks, recreation and tourism management, said that uniting the Christian community would help to reconcile the racial problems facing the United States.

"Government can do all it wants to integrate, but that's not working," she said. "The only way I think integration will work is through the body of Christ."

Brame, who is a Campus Crusade

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## Scientists develop more efficient fuels

N.C. State scientists find a way to lower the cost of alternative fuels.

NEWS STAFF REPORT

A new process for alcohol synthesis developed at N.C. State could lead to lower production costs for alternative fuels. It may also cut costs for high-value chemicals such as isobutanol, which can be used to make the gasoline additive methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE).

"What we've done is find a family of liquids — saturated or partially saturated fused-ring hydrocarbons — that let us run a slurry reactor at temperatures up to 375 degrees Celsius, or roughly 100 degrees Celsius higher than the known state-of-the-art," said George Roberts, professor of chemical engineering.

"This makes it possible (for industry) to use

slurry reactors in processes where they could not be used before such as alcohol synthesis for which more costly, less-efficient reactors, such as fixed-bed catalytic reactors, are now used."

Slurry reactors contain liquid in which chemical reactions take place, triggered by small catalysts in powder form suspended in the liquid. They are easy and cost-efficient to run, provide excellent temperature control and allow great flexibility in catalyst design.

They aren't, however, widely used in the production of alternative fuels and industrial chemicals because until now they were believed to have an upper operating limit of about 275 C — too low to be of use in many applications.

"But now we've shown that efficient, sustained operation at 375 degrees Celsius is possible with a commercial zinc-chromite, high-pressure methanol synthesis catalyst," Roberts said. "The stability of the liquid is

the key."

He presented his findings, "Alcohol Synthesis in a High-Temperature Slurry Reactor," at 2 p.m. Monday, March 25 at the American Chemical Society's annual meeting in New Orleans.

NCSU has filed a patent application. A major petrochemical concern has expressed interest in the technology.

Roberts and his team measured the performance of a zinc chromite catalyst in their slurry reactor over a range of temperatures from 275 to 375 degrees Celsius. They observed no apparent degradation of the slurry liquid and no significant inhibition or deactivation of the catalyst — two problems long associated with high-temperature slurry reactor operation.

At the lower end of the tested temperature

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

**TODAY**  
**PERFORMANCE** — A dance production by David Rousseau/REALITY begins at 8 p.m. in Stewart Theater. General admission is \$14. For more information, call 515-100.  
**EVENT** — Erasmian '96, a celebration of diversity, will take place in the Brickyard. Free food will be provided.  
**LECTURE** — The NCSU History Club will sponsor

"Instruments of Creation: The Storytelling Tradition in Contemporary Native-American Fiction," by Blythe Forcay, at 4:30 p.m. in the Bragaw Residence Hall Activity Room.  
**EVENT** — Students for Vinroot Coalition will sponsor presidential and gubernatorial primary/mxkx elections from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Brickyard, on Centennial Campus and at the Free Expression Tunnel. Bring your I.D. and vote.

**MEETING** — Are men from Mars and Women from Venus? Find out more about the way men and women communicate at 6 p.m. at the Women's Center, Nelson Hall, B-18.  
**PLAY** — Meredith College's Association for Black Awareness will present the play, "Can I Speak For You Brother?" at 7 p.m. in Jones Chapel on Meredith College's campus.

**WORKSHOP** — An on-site interview workshop will be conducted from 4 to 5 p.m. in Riddick Engineering Labs, Room 120.  
**EXHIBIT** — The faculty of the NCSU School of Design will stage a design exhibit and presentation in Brooks Hall A. Reception is scheduled for 5 p.m. For more information, call John Fels at 515-7341.  
**DISCUSSION** — Alternative Medicine Club will have a

discussion on AIDS at 7 p.m. in Poe Hall, Room 218.  
**FILM** — An Indian film festival, "Bhai on the Beach," will be at 7 p.m. in the Etdahl-Cloyd Theater, D.H. Hill Library. Admission is free.  
**LECTURE** — A look at how the universe reveals certain attributes of a creator and why man was created will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Poe Hall, Room 214. For more information, call 490-1763.

Christians

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 for Christ representative, also said that the week was a way to raise awareness about Christianity and to eliminate stereotypes some people associate with it. Events such as evangelism on Tuesday and the testimony on Thursday were designed to spread the message of God to everyone, she said.  
 "The organizations that are involved are evangelical ministries and they believe in sharing their faith," Braine said. "We don't want to preach to you — we want you to know you can have a personal relationship with God."  
 Waldo agreed that helping people find God was an important part of what the week was about.  
 "We love God and we love you

too," he said. "We want you to experience that."  
 Waldo said the campus community has been willing to listen to the message. The attendance at scheduled events has reflected that, he said.  
 "I've been pleased with the turnout and the enthusiasm," Waldo said.  
 Eric Kang, a junior social work major and a member of the Korea Christian Fellowship, said the week has brought everyone together.  
 "So far it's been a success," he said. "Painting the tunnel was really fun. It was good meeting everyone."  
 Both Waldo and Braine said they hoped this year's Christian Awareness Week isn't the last.  
 "I think it is the start of something that could begin a revival on this campus," Braine said.

Fuels

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 range however, the methanol was the only significant product produced. At the highest temperatures however, the methanol synthesis reaction was close to equilibrium and there were significant quantities of dimethyl ether and olefins produced.  
 "The production of these high-value compounds is especially encouraging," Roberts said.

Besides cutting production costs, the use of slurry reactors in commodity chemical production may boost environmental and workplace safety by reducing the use of toxic or harmful ingredients, such as chlorine, in the production of some commonly engineered materials, he said.  
 Roberts' co-authors and research collaborators are Marco Marquez of Raleigh and M. Shawn McCutchen of Kennett Square, Pa., both chemical engineering doctoral students at NCSU. McCutchen is now with E.I. duPont De Nemours and Co. Inc.

Lu

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 the first to learn about Chinese people in the other parts of the world.  
 "A generation began to collectively think, 'What's wrong with this life?'" he said. "They realized that something was wrong and they had to do something about it."  
 Chinese college students in the '80s began to learn that they shared similar thoughts and could join together to protest.  
 "If everyone thinks the same, we thought maybe one way to break this is for some of us to speak up and join together," Lu said.  
 He said that the secret of leadership is to take a step, take a risk and speak loud for a cause.  
 "It's like a balloon," he said. "It can be made very big and very powerful, but it can't survive the power of a little needle."

If people believe in humanity and commit themselves, their cause might have a chance, Lu said.  
 "If you fail you may end up the same as the people, but what are the alternatives?" he said. "One is to give up the hope [of living] like a human being."  
 Around the same time as the Tianenmen Square demonstrations, enough people in China were willing to see what would happen if they tried to act for changes.  
 "We asked ourselves, 'Do we live half-human or take a chance to live in full humanity?'" he said.  
 The students demanded that the government treat them as humans — with respect, Lu said.  
 "We stayed true with our demand, but the government felt that their power would be corrupted if we were allowed to be heard," he said.  
 Lu is currently studying law at Columbia University.

Elections '96 Notes

Scott Brown, a candidate for Student Senate president, dropped out of the race Tuesday. Brown stated financial reasons as the cause. Brown, a resident advisor in Lee Residence Hall, issued a press release saying his academic-year salary would have dropped

around \$1,000 if he was elected because the Department of Housing and Residence Life restricts RAs from holding time intensive leadership positions.  
 Brown said he learned Sunday night that the source he had been depending on to supplement his reduction in salary would not be able to provide financial support after all.

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In the race for senior class president, Chad Norman withdrew his name from consideration, leaving Jennifer Hanes as the lone candidate for the position.  
 Ali Maalzaedh dropped out of the race for Student Center president, leaving voters to choose from Amy Cox and Jonie Satterwhite.

The Election Board handed out the first round of warnings on March 22. The following candidates were cited for violations: Jason Duncan and Nick Dutka received warnings for posting campaign flyers on RA bulletin boards, while Josh Hawn was warned for posting a flyer on a glass door.  
 Fifteen candidates: Paul Zigas, Todd Brown, Brian Heywood, Scott Padenich, Adam Linker, Scott Boyer, Jeff Nieman, Danielle 'Gresco,' Roy Wijewickrama, Jim Renke, Simon Melcher, Ray Starling, George Scott, Dee Catlett and Chris Jones received warnings for violating chalk usage rules.  
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 See Friday's Technician for student body president platforms.

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# Sports

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## James Madison Lail



### The V magic is back

■ It was the best of times, it was the ...Valvano era.

When people start to think of Jim Valvano, the usual images surface: Valvano prowling the Reynolds Coliseum sidelines; raising the net and a fist over his head in triumph on April 4, 1983; scampering around desperately looking for someone to hug on the floor of The Pit that same night. We will finally get to relive those moments again.

No, N.C. State is not playing in the Final Four this weekend. But Tuesday night, CBS will air "The Jimmy V Story," starring Anthony Lapaglia as the self-proclaimed "Gym Rat." Just from watching the promos, I can tell it will be hard to watch it and not get a little emotional.

Valvano gave me, along with thousands of others, a reason to enjoy life to its fullest. He and Destiny's Darlings introduced the world to March Madness and the magic of college basketball. It is their run that made "The Road to the Final Four" what it is today. I can remember missing through the 11 months between the end of the '81-'82 season and the '82-'83 season after North Carolina won the Tournament. I remember thinking, "Carolina's just too good. And that Michael what's-his-name is still there. Not to mention they still have Warren Martin," (hey, I was young, I didn't know any better.) "How will we ever top that?"

And they did it. The Cardiac Pack won that thing in a way that will probably never be surpassed. There may be attempts, like Villanova in '85, or possibly Mississippi State or Syracuse this year, but the '83 State team is like The Beatles. Some may try, but they will never be greater. I'll never forgive myself for the night of April 4, 1983. While 60 million were watching a miracle take place, I was in another room with my face down on a table, so sure that if I went into the den, they'd surely blow it. I knew I was bad luck. And I wonder about that even today. Heck, since I joined Technician, I've seen the baseball team fail to make the NCAA Regionals; the football team fail to make a bowl for the first time in seven years; and our basketball team was, well ... OK, so that probably had nothing to do with me being bad luck. But getting back to the game.

The whole time I was in the kitchen wearing garlic and crossing my fingers. Dad was yelling updates from the den. "Houston just scored again to go up by six," he'd say. "But don't worry, we'll win this thing." Father knows best.

Finally, through my parents' forcing, I decided to watch the final minute. And boy, am I glad I did. The rest, as they say ...

About a month after the championship game, Valvano did a tour of Belk stores selling his clothing line. My father and I made it out to the Jacksonville store just so I could get another autograph. So what if I already had about 10 of them?

Valvano welcomed us with his usual smiles and jokes, and the next thing I know he's got his arm around me as we go around the store shopping. There we were — V and I. Finally I picked out a Coach V baseball shirt (with autograph of course) that I wore until, oh, last year.

He was a genuine human being. There's no doubt he was a man of faults. But he was also a dreamer.

## Pack wins again, streak at 10

BY CHRISTIE STANCLIFF  
STAFF WRITER

The Wolfpack had no trouble handling UNC-Greensboro with an 11-3 win under the lights of Doak field Tuesday.

The first night game of the year started with three quick runs for the pack sluggers. A single by catcher Robbie Lasater scored second baseman Mike Terhune.

First baseman Chris Combs' sacrifice fly brought in right fielder Jake Weber, and Bryan Phillips singled to bring in Lasater. All of the runs occurred in the first inning. Afterward, the Pack suffered a scoring drought — an entertainment period spent resolving coaching conflicts with the umpire, and the Spartans' best impression of "The

Three Stooges" with a collision involving the right fielder and second baseman.

The fireworks finally flew in the bottom of the sixth. Tom Sergio, who earlier this week was invited to tryout for the Olympic Team, hit a triple to score Brad Piercy, Matt Postell and Adam Everett, increasing the lead to 6-0.

Mike Terhune continued the attack in the sixth when he stole third while the Spartans' shortstop was arguing with the umpire. "I saw an opening and tried to be aggressive," Terhune said.

After a grounder to third by Lasater, Terhune got caught between home plate and third. He ran back-and-forth until the Spartans' pitcher decided to cut off the relay throw to home plate, and

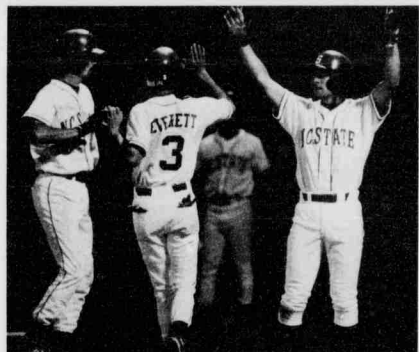
Terhune scored for an 8-0 lead.

"I had to run. I just got lucky and got a run out of it," Terhune said.

The Wolfpack were paced by senior pitcher Mike Rambusch with his first start of this season. Rambusch kept the Spartans scoreless and allowed only four hits in six innings. He had one walk and five strikeouts. Mike Cronmeyer came in to close-out the game.

"We're coming together well," Rambusch said. "We'll get tested this weekend and see what we're all about."

The test Rambusch is referring to is at No. 9 Florida State this weekend. The Wolfpack will play again tonight versus Old Dominion at 7 p.m.



Adam Everett (No. 3) scores one of State's 11 runs en route to the team's 25th victory and 10th straight, 11-3 over UNC-G.

## Soccer to the student body, Dutka's on the run



TECHNICIAN FILE PHOTO  
**Nick Dutka (No. 17), has done plenty of running on the soccer field and is looking to expand his scenery to the political arena. The 20-year-old sophomore is taking Ken Griffey, Jr. one step further and is running for student body president.**

Come August, Nick Dutka will be running. Every morning at 5 a.m., Dutka and the rest of his soccer teammates are practicing. If you can call it that.

At these practices there are no one-touch passes or bicycle kicks. There aren't even any soccer balls. Just running.

It's only April but Dutka is already running. This blond-haired, blue-eyed son of the Middle America has honed his running talents into the political arena.

In a natural shift from athletics to politics, following in the footsteps of the likes of Bill Bradley and Steve Largent, Dutka, from Mansfield, Ohio is ready for a challenge off the field.

The 20-year-old sophomore

majoring in Political Science believes competing at the Division I-A level has prepared him for battle on the campaign trail.

"Student government needs passion, not a laissez-faire attitude," Dutka said.

Playing for Coach George Tarantini has taught Dutka a thing or two about leadership. Tarantini, the only coach to lead any N.C. State team to a No. 1 ranking in the '90s, has never been confused for somebody with a "laissez-faire" attitude.

"Coach Tarantini is a father figure to the team," Dutka said. "He's a teacher of the game who's respected by every coach in America."

"Being involved in a varsity sport could be a considered a handicap to holding the highest student office, but not to Dutka."

"I wouldn't put the time and effort

into something this important that I didn't think I couldn't do," he said. "Student government has a voice that's not effectively being used. We're not even sure what they're purpose is."

With the juggling act of balancing academics and extra-curricular activities, you have to wonder why Dutka would want to deal with the hassles of politics.

"I hurt my ankle with eight games remaining. After the season was over I had an operation on it and it just made me think," Dutka said. "You can blink and this is all over. Four years of your life, right before your eyes."

"I want to leave this university and be known by all 28,000 students. My leadership abilities

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## Natural Disaster wins by 45 ... in softball!

The fat lady has sung on intramural basketball at N.C. State.

After another exciting and fun-filled season, hoops action on the Carmichael Gymnasium floor has officially drawn to a close. Congratulations are in order for the intramural basketball champions of each separate league.

They are as follows:  
Men's Open Division I Champs: **Death Row**  
Men's Open Division II Champs: **Black Student's Board**  
Women's Open Champs: **Navy**  
Residence A Champs: **Avent Ferry**

### Inside Intramurals

Earl "The Pearl" Bradford

Residence C Champs: **Owen II**  
Residence/Sorority Champs: **Chi Omega**  
Fraternity A Champs: **Delta Sigma Phi**  
Fraternity C Champs: **Delta Sigma Phi**  
Graduate/Faculty/Staff Champs: **ECE**

Basketball may be over, but much like the Energizer bunny, intramural madness just keeps going and going. A wide variety of sports are still in

season, so sit back and enjoy the hair-raising action.

Men's Open Softball: **Natural Disasters vs. Team KB**

For Team KB, this game was exactly the same as the opposing team's name — a disaster.

In quite possibly the most lopsided contest in intramural softball history, Natural Disasters defeated Team KB, 46-1.

It all started when lead-off man Thomas Keever turned Natural Disasters' first at bat into a home run.

Keever's blast was truly a sign of things to come. In fact, Natural Disasters tallied a total of 10 home runs in only five

innings of play (one hour time limit on games).

Bill Savidge (6-for-6) and Bob Rozumalski (5-for-6) led Natural Disasters' hitting clinic.

Team KB avoided the shutout in the top of the fifth on Jeremy Hillard's sacrifice fly that sent pitcher Steven Dycus home.

"They [Team KB] were short handed with only eight players but still they displayed good sportsmanship," Natural Disasters' John Anderson, a graduate student in Atmospheric Sciences, said. "We've got a lot of veterans on our team and we played well tonight."

Co-Rec Volleyball: **Wood vs. Phi Sigma Pi II (PSP)**

This matchup was the epitome of a season battle.

First Wood was in control, then PSP took charge, then ... you get the picture.

The up and down shenanigans resulted in the best-of-three series going to the limit.

In the first game, Wood relied on consistent serving and powerful spikes en route to a 15-13 win.

PSP quickly retaliated and came out slamming in the second game. Jason Bennett's six straight service points and Annie Simpson's key digs led the PSP surge.

PSP knotted the series at one game each by prevailing 15-11. With a 15-10 win in the

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### To Technician:

J.P. Giglio is the sorriest excuse for a sports writer (if you call it that) that I have ever seen.

First, he wrote about how State needed to return to the ways of the '80s with Nike athletic apparel, yet he didn't even know that Rodney Monroe was Ice, not Fire.

How can he possibly call himself a diehard State fan without knowing that? Second, I would like to ask what qualifies Giglio to complain about the level that Coach Les Robinson preforms on?

What the hell does he know about coaching? Not a lot.

Sure Robinson has lost his share of games. But how many of those should former coach Jim Valvano (pile of shit) be credited with?

Valvano was the one that got the program on probation. Not Robinson. Robinson was five plays away from being ACC coach of the year. How can you coach Al Pinkins to not run over Maryland's Rodney Elliot?

How can you coach C.C. Harrison to make his shots against Virginia that would have won the game?

How can you coach Curtis Marshall to hit his shot against Duke? To these things aren't his fault. So get off his back.

Lastly, what is up with Giglio's infatuation with Massachusetts coach John Calipari? He is not coming to State. He has a life time

contract at UMass so with his number one program.

If you wanted the coaches on-line poll to be more accurate take the corrupt Italian connection of Kentucky coach Rick Pitino and Calipari off the list.

I wish Giglio would not criticize people who are doing things he couldn't possibly do. It is much like me saying to him at the beginning of this letter that he is the sorriest excuse for a sportswriter I have ever seen.

Technician, but have been disturbed over the past few weeks by the bias exhibited by the sports editors in dealing with the current situation in the athletic department.

Over the past month, TOL has conducted polls concerning who should be the new basketball coach and written editorials blasting the athletic department's leadership.

While I felt these were acceptable given the current

abuse of power and bias displayed by Technician brings into question the integrity of its leadership. Its behavior is no different from the bias shown by the editors of The News & Observer.

The only difference between the two is the agendas that they are trying to advance.

Exploiting the media resources of NCSU is an unacceptable method. The purpose of a newspaper is to communicate the

team since 1983.

I have been reading J.P. Giglio's commentaries about N.C. State basketball and former coach Les Robinson all season long.

While everyone agrees that this season certainly was disappointing in terms of the wins and losses, I was not disappointed with the effort and grit displayed by this year's team and Robinson himself.

It is very easy to kick someone when they are down, but Giglio seemed to relish it.

He should be ashamed by his boorish behavior and commentary. Sometimes in life, good guys don't win. Unfortunately, the attitude he displayed this season just emphasizes that point.

Teebu Philip  
Class of '92  
Computer Engineering

## Readers Speak T

I can't identify with his situation as a writer and he couldn't identify with Robinson's as a coach.

situation of the basketball team, the two most recent editorials and polls were appalling.

On March 20, Technician featured numerous letters calling for the wholesale replacement of Les Robinson, Todd Turner and Chancellor Larry Monetieth. In addition, TOL opened a new poll to see which of two people, Turner or Robinson, would make a better athletic director.

It is apparent that the leadership of Technician is grossly exploiting its power in an attempt to advance its own personal agenda for the university.

activities and opinions of the university population as a whole, not just the convictions of its editors.

Campbell Lowman  
Class of '95  
via internet

To Technician:

While at N.C. State, I moonlighted as a staff reporter for Technician from 1989-1990. In addition to attending N.C. State, I have been a fan of the basketball

Editor's note: If you have any questions, comments, complaints or insults for Technician Sports, or if you would just like to see your name in print, write to us at sports@sma.sca.ncsu.edu. In addition, if you have any questions concerning the letter policy you may call 515-2411 and ask for Mike Preston or J.P. Giglio.

Finally, last week's letters were all pro-Technician Sports because that's all we received. Likewise, this week's anti-Technician Sports were the only letters we received.

# Intramural

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determining third game. Wood stood tall as the victor of the best-of-three match.

"We practiced hard last night and it really helped us down the stretch when things got kind of tight," Wood's Cory Zimmerman, a sophomore majoring in Chemistry, said.

**Residence/Sorority Badminton Tournament: Sigma Kappa vs. Delta Zeta**

This wasn't just your average badminton match.

No, this was a grueling test of physical prowess and mental toughness.

The sheer athleticism it took to play this match required months of excruciating practice and unrelenting conditioning.

OK maybe not, but in the end, it was the preparation of Delta Zeta that paid off when it defeated Sigma Kappa in both singles and doubles play.

In the one-seed singles game Delta Zeta's Amanda Hileman was a whirling dervish with the racket.

Hileman continually pushed the laws of aerodynamics to the limit

by rapidly swatting the shuttlecock past Sigma Kappa's one-seed, Michelle Manness.

Delta Zeta's doubles team of Zera Slaa and Christa Duncan followed suit and won their game, 2-0.

*Pearl's note: Bad news for the guy who suggested to the Pearl that N.C. State make midget tossing an intramural sport. Contract negotiations with the Gary Coleman of "Different Strokes" fame were discontinued due to creative differences.*

*If you have any questions or suggestions for the Pearl, he can be reached at 851-8351 or at ecbardfo@unity.ncsu.edu*

# Soccer

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don't end when I leave the playing field."

Dutka, who's message is based on positive student participation, doesn't think campus quasi-politicians who have become prostitutes of the system are acutely aware of student needs.

"Students pay the bills. They put the money in the school's pockets," Dutka said. "My job is based on what I can achieve for the student body, this is not something that I want [simply] to put on my

resume."

Dutka acknowledges his lack of experience in the campus political arena, but he does not see that as a disadvantage.

"With experience you tend to pick up bad habits, you lose the passion," he said. "You have to be careful not just to tell the people what they want to hear. I'd rather not win, than to compromise my integrity."

Dutka's athletic training has prepared him for anything the candidates could throw at him, even defeat. And if things don't work out this time around, as all good runners know, it's not how you start, but how strong you finish.

# Lail

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and he wished everyone could take part in that dream, and that is probably what was his downfall. He wanted to give everybody a chance, much like the chance this university took by hiring an unknown Italian from New York for a coach. "The Jimmy V Story" will raise some interest in the State basketball program, and some other young coach (preferably from, oh, I dunno, Massachusetts or Utah) might decide to take a chance and a pay-cut and come to Raleigh. After all, the first step is believing. So be sure to watch it. And relieve the magic.

James Madison Lail is a junior majoring in English. He can be reached for insults, comments, or questions at mattl@sma.sca.ncsu.edu



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## In Review

### Tracy Bonham ... "The Burdens of Being Upright"



How many times can we compare new female artists to Tori Amos, PJ Harvey or Liz Phair? Sure, I've been guilty of that once or twice, but enough is enough. Or is it? "The Burdens of Being Upright," a new album by Tracy Bonham, is a revision of Liz Phair's "so what" attitude.

All the poignancy and emotion of that made-in-the-bedroom-while-no-one-was-looking style of musicianship Liz virtually pulled out of the closet on her is served with a side order of pure guts.

The power and raw nerves are exposed like bad wiring scratches against the left half of your brain.

This is a great album to say the least. Running at only 35 minutes, the 12 in-and-out-just-as-fast-as-you-can songs waste no time. They don't linger like yesterday's fads. They walk up, slap you in the face, get out one good "Ha!" and walk off stage.

What separates Tracy is a confidence Liz may never have. When Tracy belts out the chorus on "The One" (a stellar track that has quickly been placed on my top-100 pop tunes list) or "Navy Bean," she doesn't hold back a thing.

But when Tracy pulls out quiet ballads and soft little ditties like "Sharks can't sleep" or "Kisses," she sounds like the "Girlsound" demos that pre-date "Exile in Guyville." Tracy is full of the kind of guts PJ Harvey has in spades.

Recorded at Fort Apache Studios in Boston (which is rapidly becoming the best recording studio; everyone from Juliana Hatfield and Belly to Dinosaur Jr. have done their best work there), this is a sweet jewel culled from stacks of female artists who sound like they were winners of a Liz Phair sound-alike contest in Dayton, Ohio.

—James Ellis

## Quirky fun in 'Fargo'

"Fargo" is the Cohen brothers' latest and best film about the stranger parts of life.

BY CLARENCE MOYE  
ASSISTANT ET CETERA EDITOR

Joel and Ethan Cohen are two of the most bizarre and oddly original filmmakers to come on the film scene in years. Their films: "Raising Arizona," "Blood Simple" and "The Hudsucker Proxy," have become cult faves and critical darlings.

But they had not achieved both immense critical and popular success until now. Their newest film, "Fargo," is without a doubt the most violent film in a long time, and some audiences will love every minute of it.



A sort of a symphony of stupidity "Fargo" begins with car salesman Jerry Lundegaard who, in a complicated stretch of logic, hires two men, one of whom is art-film staple Steve Buscemi, to kidnap



Steve Buscemi plays the villain yet again in 'Fargo.'

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his wife so that he can collect the ransom to pay a debt.

He's afraid to ask his wife and her father for the money because "they wouldn't give it to me anyway." So, he conceals this outrageous scheme which sounds like it belongs on a tabloid-TV show.

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## And the winner is ... nobody

Clarence Moyer

HUMPDAY



Every year it's the same old story. The weeks leading up to the Academy Awards ceremony are filled with breathless anticipation, waiting for someone to open the envelope and say "And the Oscar is awarded to ..." and being really shocked.

And every year I sit through all three and a half hours of the ceremony only to become angry and frustrated at the Academy. This year was no exception.

All the pre-Oscar hype had adorned the pig movie "Babe" as the shoo-in winner because all of Los Angeles loved that movie.

Did any of these people vote?

When the final award for Best Picture was announced and "Braveheart" took home the golden boy, I admit I was shocked. But it wasn't a pleasant surprise. It just capped off an extremely boring evening of Hollywood folks patting each other on the back.

The night started off with Oprah Winfrey assailing the stars with pointless questions as they marched

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## NCSU band makes its way into local scene

Raleigh-based band Iscream strays from the usual alternative rock genre.

BY ERICA HINTON  
STAFF WRITER

With all the mainstream "alternative" rock out there, it's refreshing to stumble upon a band that doesn't fit into that ever so stereotypical genre. Luckily, Raleigh has a few such bands, and among them is "Iscram."

Although the group's first priority right now is working on their CD and not performing live, it is still easy to catch them around Raleigh in such places as Player's Nightclub at Peachtree, where they played Thursday.

Vocalist Chris Wimberly, bassist/guitarist Danny Phelps, bassist/guitarist Jon Gerler and drummer Jason Clevenger classify their music as "Gothic rock" — a description introduced by Soussiee Soux and the Banshees.

By Gothic rock, one may imagine darkness, death and destruction — some of the areas Iscream deals with in its lyrics.

Wimberly elaborates, stating that the band deals with "personal loss with a twist." The twist he is referring to is the band's preference of exploring human nature through relationships you have with yourself, from childhood to romance to death.

"We're more towards the Edgar Allan Poe side of music," Wimberly said.

Currently, the band is working on a CD to be released sometime next school year entitled "Closure," with producer Thomas Mohbat at Osceola Studios. The band believes that composing a CD and perfecting their set list before they begin to perform a lot will work to their advantage.

"We're in this for the long haul," Wimberly said. "I feel like it's going to pay off."

Outside of Iscream, Wimberly and the others have a side project called Solice. Solice is a group of Triangle musicians that play interchangeably with each other at venues such as Cup-A-Joe and Skylight Exchange in Chapel Hill.

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You must be present at the meeting in order to sign up for an interview.

(Please bring a photograph of yourself to the meeting)





# Iscream

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Unlike Iscream, Solice is more on the Cure side of things. The first Solice album, "Candle Dreams," is expected to be released in mid-April.

Other than music, which obviously takes up a good deal of their time, three of the four members of Iscream are N.C. State

students. Wimberly is a sophomore majoring in English. Phelps is a sophomore majoring in Engineering and Gerler is a senior in the School of Design.

When asked about the difficulty in having a band and going to school at the same time, they agree that it is "extremely difficult." Iscream practices three to four times a week.

"It's like another job," Wimberly said. "Nobody just does it for fun and makes it."

With their unique lyrics and style, hopefully Iscream will make it. They definitely have their priorities in order.

Their direction for the future includes moving towards a more industrial style as well as encouraging other musicians to embrace technology and experiment with different genres of music.

Although Iscream will be hard to locate the next few months, they will be playing shows at the Grove, Culture Shock at Networks and Player's Nightclub.

# Humpday

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into the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion. Can you imagine walking up that red carpet with cameras flashing, people screaming and microphones every where — then Oprah comes at you with her heaving cleavage to shove her mike in your mouth? Scaaaaaary.

But then the real fun began. Whoopi Goldberg took center stage as the hostess for the evening, and she did a better job than the last time she hosted. Her jokes were funny and she spoke rapidly to try to keep the show down in time.

But then Pierce Brosnan, Claudia Schiffer and Naomi Campbell presented the Oscar for Best Costume with a high-tech fashion show.

Something seemed odd when they announced the costumes for "Sense and Sensibility." A techno-beat boomed in the

background as anorexic models floated down the runway with cameras only briefly catching the costumes. It was just an odd and pointless, time-consuming exercise.

The next hour and a half went by very slowly. Shoot, the whole show went by slowly. There were no big surprises or show-stopping moments. There were only a few moments of true sentiment that were readily negated by the entire body of shallow actors.

It was nice to see Christopher Reeve and Kirk Douglas on stage, but I couldn't help feeling they were mere spectacles used to cover up the inadequacy of the ceremony. And why didn't they give Douglas an Oscar earlier in his career before he had a stroke?

The evening was lightened twice with the comic genius of Robin Williams and Jim Carrey, who used Woody and Buzz, the stars of "Toy Story," in a parody of "Midnight Cowboy." That was an inspired

bit of light in a dark hole of a show.

They should just give Carrey and Williams the whole batch of Oscars, toss them out into the audience and let the nominees fight for them. Now that would be fun, original and exciting.

Last night's award show had no life in it, no edge. Even political-vixen Susan Sarandon, who won Best Actress for "Dead Man Walking," didn't even make the evening shocking by spouting liberal theology.

How many ceremonies must we sit through like last night's before we realize the Oscars are never going to be exciting or remotely interesting? The actual prognostication is more fun than the event itself.

It made me mad for last year's lesser fiasco with David Letterman.

But as usual the memory will fade, and I'll be pumped for next year's ceremony, none the wiser.

# Fargo

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Of course, the whole thing goes horribly wrong. The two kidnappers almost lose their prey and kill a cop and two drive-by tourists in the process. This alerts the local pregnant sheriff, beautifully portrayed by Frances McDormand, and she embarks on a multi-state quest to find the truth.

Under lesser directors, the complicated plot could have destroyed the film, but the Cohen brothers pull it off with skill.

They fluidly balance action with character development so we get a good idea of what these people are thinking, how they feel and why they do what they

do — most of the time.

The acting is all top notch with McDormand making the biggest impression on the audience with her down-home sensibility and intuitiveness. But William H. Macy gives an equally strong performance as Jerry. His eternal optimism gives this film a perky edge and without him, it would be lost in the murky darkness of pretension.

One of the oddest things in the film is the midwestern accent seamlessly pulled off by the actors. It's at first a little jarring to hear people repeatedly say "yeah" and "um" like they have a clothespin on their nose, but you'd better get used to it. This film treats the accent like background music. If "Fargo" is to be classified as a "dark

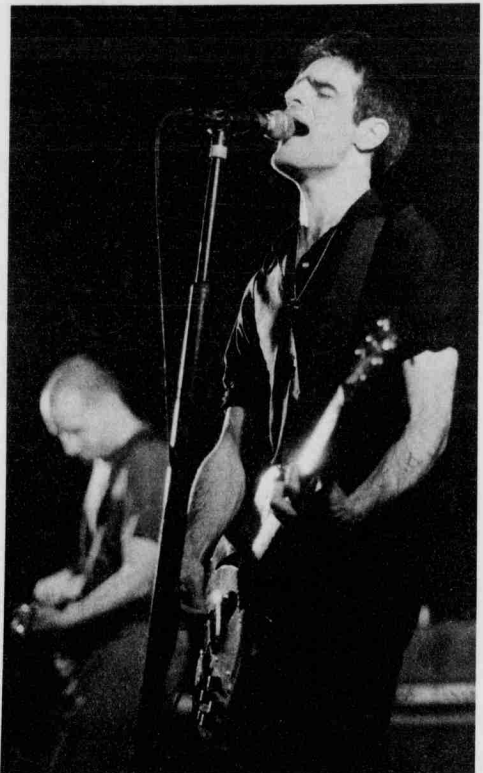
comedy," it's the bleakest of its kind. It's extremely violent and bloody with good guys and audience favorites getting killed.

To understand the Cohen brothers' style is to find all this murder and mayhem humorous, but it's often very hard to tell if you're supposed to find certain set pieces funny or horrifying.

One scene vividly pops into mind from the end of the film when someone is shoved into a tree-limb grinder, piece by piece. It's a very sick moment, but some people were laughing.

That, and your general enjoyment of the film, all depends on how you like your comedies.

This one's pitch black.  
Grade: A-



Loren Gulak/STAFF  
Guy Picciotto, lead singer of the super-independent band Fugazi, performed Friday at The Ritz.

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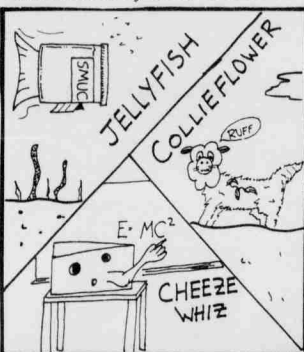
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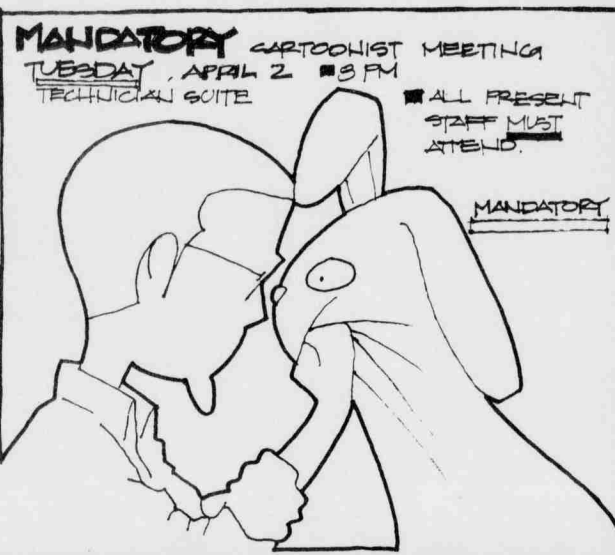
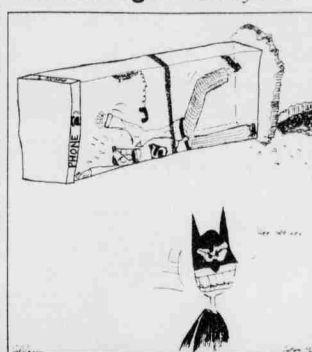
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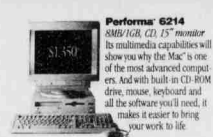
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## Elections need close watching

**■ Campaign and election abuse on campus is unacceptable; everyone is responsible for stopping it.**

AllCampus Cards allow students to survive at N.C. State. They're used to check out library books, buy food at C-Stores, gain access to Carmichael Gymnasium and reserve block seating at games. Last year, AllCampus Cards allowed students to vote — some say more than once.

Poll workers reported a card scanner in the Atrium did not register which students had voted, making it possible for students to vote twice in the student body president run-off election. Technician and the Student Government office received calls from students who claimed they had been allowed to vote more than once.

The final tallies revealed the run-off was won by a mere 4 percent. The election was appealed by the candidate who — according to the possibly skewed numbers — did not win. Eric Ness contested the election because of reports that some students had voted more than once. Though the run-off was too close to be considered valid, given the reported irregularities, a new election was not called.

This year though, the elections board chair has issued a stern promise to keep a close eye on the polls, which should prevent a repeat of last year's controversy. Senator Aaron Maurer said each polling site will be manned by trained personnel as well as supervisors who have received extra

training to deter voter fraud.

The responsibility does not fall only on the poll workers and their supervisors. Students who attempt to vote more than once deal a blow to the strength and viability of free elections. If infractions occur, the Judicial Board must deal with offenders swiftly and surely. If repeated infractions occur, a new election must be called.

In addition, candidates and their supporters must conduct responsible campaigns. Last year questionable campaigning methods undermined the elections.

During campaigning last spring, Student Body President John O'Quinn used voice mail to spread the word about his campaign and garner votes. Not only was the move illegal because it was not cleared by the elections board, but it also was annoying. Office hopefuls and their staffs should not use e-mail or voice mail to push their candidacies; doing so is an invasion of students' right to privacy.

Again, responsibility is extended to the student body. Students who are not involved with campaigns must not abuse university resources to publicize their favorite candidate. Students who are affected by illegal campaigning should inform the Student Government of infractions.

If everyone — the elections board, candidates, supporters and voters — treats the campaigns and elections responsibly, this year should go smoothly. After all, democracy cannot work if it's practiced by those who do not respect it.

## Hitting the books 24 hours

**■ The library expands its hours and sets aside space for a new Unity lab.**

Improvements are always welcome on a college campus. Recently N.C. State's computing services installed a new unity computer lab on the second floor of D.H. Hill Library. In addition, the library extended its hours so students can study all night long Monday-Friday, April 1-May 5.

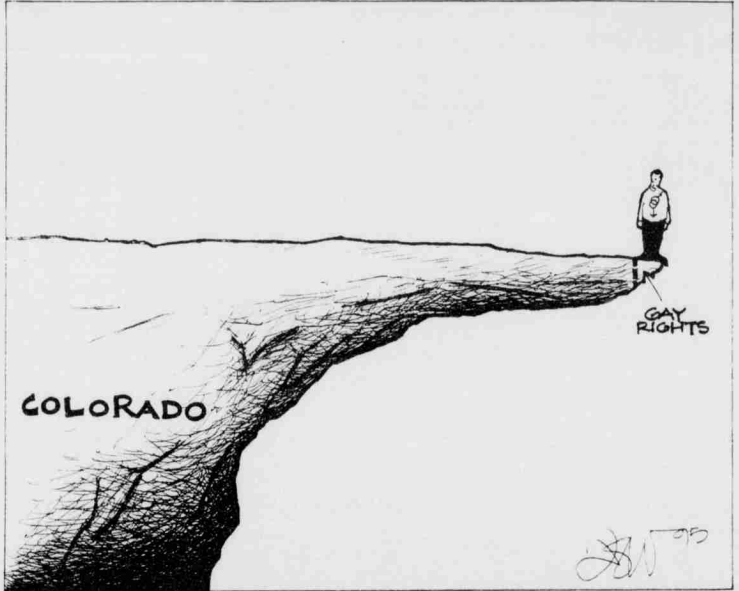
The new computer lab, located on the second floor of the bookstack tower, will help ease the pains of waiting in line at other labs across campus. It will give students another means of access to their e-mail accounts and the Internet.

Previously, what students could do at the terminals in the library was

limited. In contrast to just dabbling on-line, students now can drown themselves in a wealth of information. The new lab is comparable in size to the Sullivan Hall and Avert Ferry Complex labs.

The library extended its hours to enable students to spend more time researching, working on group projects and studying. It's a great, quiet get-away from rambunctious campus life. Students can benefit from this environment, which facilitates studying for finals.

The efforts of the library and computing services staffs to bring about these improvements, which clearly enhance the intellectual life of the university, are welcomed and appreciated.



## Commentary

### Student coalition will work for change

Patrick McHenry

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A couple of days ago, I noticed chalk on the sidewalk that said "SFC." I really had no idea what this stood for or what it meant, so I wandered through my day pondering the meaning of "SFC."

I thought that it could mean anything from "Students for Chanting" to "Some Cat Food," but neither seemed worthy of widespread use. I then asked my well-informed roommate, Cliff, what it meant. He knew right off the bat, "Students First Coalition" he said.

After a little searching, I found out that Scott Brown (a Resident Adviser in my building) and Paul Zigas were behind "SFC." I had heard of Zigas (I take note of any name with a "Z") because he is active in the Student Senate and I knew Brown from a bunch of activities we were both a part of.

With this basic information, I set out to learn more about the "Students First Coalition."

What I found out was that they were pushing one issue over all others: reforming Student Government. I liked that idea, but what I liked even more was that they were dead serious about making

Student Government more responsive to us — the students.

The issue of fixing Student Government is definitely important. SFC wants student senators elected based on where they live. "Representation by Location," they call it. That idea makes sense to me. I think almost all the students on this campus don't have a clue who their senator is, or who elected him or her. I don't have any idea who my student senator is, and that's the standard response on campus.

I truly think that Student Government as it exists is terrible. Any changes that can be made to it will be helpful. When you have a grade of F, you can't get any worse, and Student Government has an F. Student senators normally get elected with about 20 or 30 votes. That's pitiful. That's sad — but that's the way it is now. If senators were elected by district, people would be more likely to vote. If you lived in the same area (residence hall, etc.) as the person running, you would know the person that's representing you.

The idea of changing Student Government is a great one. SFC is committed to doing just that — changing

Student Government — so that it's more effective. I think SFC is a good organization. Regardless of whether or not all the SFC candidates get elected to office, I'm sure SFC will be a force in campus politics for years to come. They are already making plans, as an organization, for after the election. The people involved in SFC — Brown, Zigas and Deirdre Callett, to name a few — are undoubtedly not resume paddlers. They actually want to make a difference and help N.C. State.

SFC is focusing on changing Student Government into something that actually works. They have said that to bring up any other major issues would be silly, because the way things work now, there is no way to actually accomplish anything in Student Government (besides handing out money).

Yes, they do see that there are problems on campus, but for those things to happen, Student Government needs a major fixing.

So when you see the chalk on the sidewalk, you need to remember that SFC is running on issues and that they want to make a difference, not fill their resume.

We need a group on campus that will fight for change in Student Government, and make it truly representative of students. SFC is just that group. They are fighting for us, and we need to remember that when we vote next.

## Science and religion can coexist in society

Marcela Musgrove

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One day in astronomy class, my professor started discussing the possibility of life on other planets. He maintained, unlike the Star Trek scenario, we'll probably never contact other civilizations. But, he added, the idea of our planet being the only one with life on it somehow implies the earth was created deliberately by some creator. He left it unsaid, of course, we should know better.

Hub? I was under the impression religion is not allowed in public university classrooms. Why then are such blatantly atheistic viewpoints allowed to be expressed? Unfortunately in some circles religion is seen as the antithesis to science. In the September 1988 issue of "Discover" magazine, an article titled "Ignorance 101" detailed a survey of college students. The survey reported a large percentage of them, especially in the South and Southwest, did not believe in the theory of evolution, and 38 percent believed in the creation story as told in the Book of Genesis.

Belief in the Genesis story was equated with being on the same level of ignorance as agreeing with the statement "Cavemen occasionally had to protect their homes from marauding dinosaurs." How humans came to be is a controversial point in the evolutionary theory, but it's only one small aspect of this theory, which also includes natural selection and adaptation to environment.

Not all Christians dismiss the theory of evolution. The Catholic Church says this theory is not against Christian doctrine. However, the church also teaches that God, at some point in the evolutionary chain, intervened to create a human soul.

Another example of a case where religion sometimes clashes with science is the issue of blood transfusions. One of my friends, a Jehovah's Witness who hopes to become a doctor, was recently harassed by a medical-school admissions officer because of her beliefs on this issue. Jehovah's Witnesses base their refusal to accept blood transfusions on their interpretation of certain passages in the Bible, but they don't impose their views upon other people. My friend was quick to point this out to the admissions officer. She later bitterly stated if someone refuses blood because of religious reasons, they're thought to be crazy. But, if someone refuses for health reasons, such as the fear of getting AIDS or hepatitis, that's acceptable.

I think one of the main reasons religion has a bad reputation in the scientific community stems from the Middle Ages; the Catholic Church condemned Galileo as a heretic because of his model of the sun-centered planetary system. This must be taken within the context of the times when such an idea rocked everyone's boat about the way the solar system was created.

Now of course the tables have been turned, and it's science that tends to look at religion with scorn. One of my friends said that science, unlike religion, is based on proof and exists to further man's knowledge of himself and the universe. But the very essence of religion is to answer the question of why we are here.

Actually science itself is treated almost like a religion these days — infallible and always right. Although the emphasis is on recording and examining data, a lot is still taken on faith and speculation. After all, how many of us were there for the Big Bang, and how can we know what happened before the Big Bang?

Science conveniently forgets religion was one of the motivating factors in the lives of many famous scientists such as Isaac Newton and Albert Einstein, who once said, "When judging a physical theory, I ask myself whether I would have made the Universe in that way had I been God."

Physicist Stephen Hawking, in his book "A Brief History of Time," talks about a grand, unified theory that would be created not only by scientists but also by philosophers and ordinary people. By this ultimate triumph of human reason, we would "know the mind of God." Physicists' egos aside, we see religion doesn't in any way need to be seen as anti-science. Science and religion may ask different questions and have different ways of answering them, but they can coexist as complementary ways of learning about and exploring our great universe.

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**Joining forces  
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My letter is in response to the opinion expressed by Sam Barron in the March 25 Campus Forum ("Candidates need to be free thinkers"). This was of great interest to me because it reminds me of a conversation I had with the prominent black historian Michael K. Honey, a fellow at the National Humanities Center in Research Triangle Park.

Over our dinner, he explained to me how strange it is that all of these college students run around encouraging free and independent thought when things get accomplished by people who are willing to organize and work together. Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream was for blacks and whites to fight together in labor unions and fight as with voice.

We don't need mere "independent thinkers" as Barron suggests, we need independent thinkers with the ability to organize and band together. Thousands of thinkers sending thousands of messages may have power, but there's nothing more powerful than thousands of

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thinkers sending one message.

**Kelly Mooney**  
Junior, History Education

**Liberals can be  
religious too**

This is in response to Chris Grawburg's column "Religion helps many of society's ills" (March 25). While I agree to many of the things said about the benefits of religion, one aspect of that article enraged me: Grawburg's attacks on liberals.

In his column Grawburg implied that liberals are not religious as are conservatives. Let me correct that: liberals are not religious fanatics as are conservatives.

Liberals can be Christian too, and most are. When liberals ask people to open their minds, many are asking this on moral grounds. They

are following the Christian rule of "judge not or you shall be judged too." Their main goal is acceptance of other people unlike yourself—something that Jesus believed.

Yes, you could say in His time, Jesus could have been considered a radical liberal. He strongly loved each and every person regardless of sex, age, creed or race. He advocated understanding for all people. His use of animals and plants in his parables says to me he cared a great deal for God's creation: nature. (Yes, I'm saying Jesus is an environmentalist too!)

Many, many Christians are liberal. Homosexuality, responsible and safe premarital sex and light use of alcohol are not seen as sins to a growing number of Christians—along with other things Gary the Brickyard Preacher may denounce. There are many Christian denominations that could very well be considered pretty liberal. Therefore, before Grawburg tacks the sensitive subject of religion so loosely, he should take people like me into account: Liberal, Christian, and proud!

**Rob Rodings**  
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