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Research center changes name

N.C. State has restructured its Forest Biology Research Center into the Southern Center for Sustainable Forestry.

The new name more accurately reflects the mission of the center and the focus of its research on environmentally sound forestry practices, says Larry Tombaugh, dean of the NCSU College of Forest Resources.

Tombaugh announced the center's new name and reorganization following approval by the UNC General Administration.

Aimed at finding new approaches to establishing, managing and restoring forests, the center now encompasses the research, teaching, outreach and extension activities of about 30 NCSU faculty members, including proposed new members in the fields of ecophysiology and biometrics.

Research, teaching and extension activities at the center will focus on a variety of sustainability-related topics, including ecosystem restoration; environmental impact assessments; forest genetics and tree breeding; management of natural and planted stands; and landowner education and assistance.

Establishing the Southern Center for Sustainable Forestry was recommended in a report issued at the annual meeting of the Governor's Task Force on Forest Sustainability, held at NCSU in December 1995.

Courtesy of NCSU News Services.

Economics department holds awards ceremony

The faculty of the economics department at N.C. State hosted an Economics Awards Reception on April 18th. The purpose of the reception was to honor outstanding academic achievement in economics by undergraduates.

27 students were inducted into Omicron Delta Epsilon (ODE) — the international honor society of economics. Awards for outstanding achievement were presented. Winner of the Wall Street Journal Awards for outstanding student in economics was Joanna Shi. Winners of the Adam Smith Award for outstanding seniors were Donna Floyd and Samantha Clark. The outstanding junior was Marcus Dodd. Winner of the ODE Award for outstanding performance in economics by a non-major was Nathan Sutton, who majored in nuclear engineering and minored in economics.

Jonathan Blackwell and Marcos Ruiz were recognized for completing the Honors Program in economics. Floyd, Clark and Shi were also recognized for their induction to Phi Beta Kappa.

The complete list of new members to ODE is Joey Ashell, Jonathan Blackwell, Lonnie Bremer, Martin Brisco, David Brown, Gregory Brown, Benjamin Celinski, Marcus Dodd, Marlene Dunn, Jason Ferguson, Donna Floyd, Ernie Floyd, Brian Hucks, Monty Johnson, Chris Jones, Tony Komig, Ken Lancaster, Mike Lauricella, Mike Matson, Charles Parker, Amaris Pena, Mark Rummell, Joanna Shi, Richard Stroup, Nathan Sutton, Tommy Tucker and Ericka Whitire.

Hometown award winners are Shi of Raleigh, Floyd of Cary, Clark of Cary, Dodd, of Raleigh and Sutton of Charlotte.

Cost of Centennial Center continues to escalate

■ Reynolds Coliseum's replacement will be big and expensive, but necessary, say advocates of the arena.

BY JASON KING
NEWS EDITOR

Two and a half years from now, N.C. State will open its 1998-99 basketball season and Reynolds Coliseum will be empty.

For the first time since 1949, the season's home opener will not be in Reynolds; instead, the opening tip will take place approximately three miles away in a new Sports and Entertainment Complex.

The tentatively dubbed Centennial Center, a 21,600-seat arena which will become NCSU basketball's next home if things go as planned, has been criticized by

some who say it's too big, too expensive and generally unnecessary.

Wolfpack Club Director Charlie Bryant, who is involved in raising money from alumni to fund projects like the arena, said the Centennial Center is something that is needed.

"This is the capital city [of] the 10th largest state in the nation, and we don't have a facility anywhere in this county where we can house 3,000 people in a climate controlled atmosphere," he said. "It will do for the university and region for the next 50 years what Reynolds Coliseum has done for the past 50 years."

Jonathan Bredren, secretary of the Student Wolfpack Club at NCSU, also said Reynolds was outdated and, with the popularity

of basketball in the region, it is time for NCSU to get a new arena.

"We've sold out Reynolds with a last place team," he said. "Imagine when we start winning."

Former Student Body President John O'Quinn said he wasn't against the new arena, but he was "against students paying for it."

"Student needs are met in Reynolds Coliseum right now," he said. "In February, when Athletics Director Todd Turner was asking for a hike in student fees to pay for a portion of Carter-Finley Stadium's renovations, O'Quinn said the extra funds would only free up money to pay for the new arena, and he couldn't support that."

The athletics department got a \$3 increase in student fees instead of the original \$15 they had asked for.

Since the idea for a new arena was conceived almost a decade ago during Jim Valvano's reign, development has progressed slowly.

Last summer, the North Carolina General Assembly created the Centennial Authority — a 13-member group that will manage the construction and operation of the facility. The authority was given a \$66 million budget to work with — coming from equal pledges of \$22 million from NCSU, the state of North Carolina, Wake County and the City of Raleigh.

Authority member Perry Safran, a prominent attorney and owner of Safran Law Offices, said the center's development is running on schedule and no "visual site work" on the lot adjacent to Carter-Finley Stadium will be started until after

this summer.

Vice Chancellor George Worsley, who is in charge of finance and business, said he did not see a problem with the authority meeting its projected opening date.

"I think if they get it under construction within the next several months, [Nov. 1998] would be an obtainable goal," he said.

The architect for the arena, Odell Associates of Charlotte, has recently redesigned the center in order to add a third level containing suites and corporate boxes.

The authority was criticized for adding the amenities because of looming financial restrictions, but Safran said the authority will seek to pay for the amenities internally.

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Lt. Kristen Ohlgen gives freshman Jeremiah Jelicorse (left) and senior Scott Gonas (right) a few tips on starting up a chopper.

Top Gun

'Yellow haze' stirs up allergies

■ Pollen has packed a punch this Spring, and allergy sufferers are looking for help.

BY CASEY OVERMAN
STAFF WRITER

It's back, and it's hit with a vengeance. If you've been outside lately, you've probably seen Raleigh's personal sign. Spring is upon us — it's the "Yellow Haze," and it's everywhere.

Along with this "Yellow Haze," which in reality is pine tree pollen, has come allergies, hay fever and summer colds.

Mary Binsting of Student Health Services said the pollens from Oak, Hickory and Pecan trees are what is causing people to be sick.

"You can expect this to go on until mid-May," she said. "While the pine pollen is very abundant, it is a very large pollen molecule and isn't breathable, so most of the allergies will have nothing to do with the pine tree directly, but the 'Haze' is a sign that other things are going on."

Some treatments for allergy sufferers could be just as close as the SHS. Students can pick up free decongestant, or for extreme cases, see a doctor and get prescription

medication that will not cause drowsiness.

Binsting said the most common prescription medicines are Claritin 10 mg or Seldane. Other common prescriptions include Claritin-D and Seldane-D, which cause drowsiness, and the popular Hismanal, which

does not cause drowsiness. "While allergies cannot be cured, the [cause] can be identified, and thus avoided."

Mary Binsting,
Student Health Services

"Some people will suffer rather than stop by and get some relief," Binsting said. "I can't stress enough how much better some medication can make you feel."

Some of the symptoms of an allergy include, but are not limited to, wheezing in the lungs, itching on the skin or eyes, stopped up or runny nose, headaches, sneezing, and even asthma.

"For asthma, our most common response is to prescribe a standard steroid inhaler which costs around \$12," Binsting said. "The inhaler causes the lungs to relax and open up, giving the body more oxygen and causing an asthmatic attack to stop."

Binsting suggested that people with extreme allergies see an allergist.

"They could prescribe the same treatments as we do here, but could also prescribe allergy shots," she said.

Binsting said SHS has an excellent injection service.

Melanie Wigley and Judy Easterly of SHS frequently perform allergy tests for students.

"The students drop off their allergy serum and we give the injection," Wigley said.

"This provides a safe environment and reduces the danger that an allergic reaction to the allergy serum could happen," Easterly added.

SHS can also perform an allergy test to determine if a patient is allergic to something. Results of the test can be ready in thirty minutes. "While allergies cannot be cured, the [cause] can be identified, and thus avoided," Binsting said. She also said that anyone suffering from allergies should stop by SHS in Clark Hall or call for an appointment at 515-7107.

'The Oracle' gives students a look at evaluations

■ Teacher evaluations are going on-line with the help of students.

BY JASON KING
NEWS EDITOR

Students who wonder how their professor fared on teacher evaluations may soon have their questions answered.

Two N.C. State students have developed a site on the World-Wide Web that will allow students to submit and review teacher evaluations.

Andrew McDannold and Ricky Pearson, both seniors in computer engineering, designed the on-line site, named "the Oracle," for a senior design project course.

McDannold said the purpose of

"the Oracle" was to give students a chance to see the results of student evaluations.

"I think it's useful for students," he said. "We ought to have access to this sort of information."

To use the system, students must enter their unity account user name.

Students who wish to see others' teacher evaluations have to first fill out an evaluation. An instructor's evaluations will only appear if a student has filled out a questionnaire for them, so it's important that students complete as many evaluations as they can, McDannold said.

"If nobody submits anything, the database is never going to grow," he said.

The system does limit students to seven submissions per semester, but

"I think it's useful for students, we ought to have access to this sort of information."

Andrew McDannold,
Senior, Computer Engineering

users can view as many evaluation results as they want after submitting just one evaluation.

The seven-question survey asks students questions that are similar to those asked on the bubble-sheet evaluations that are filled out in class.

"It's meant to mimic the evaluations you fill out now," McDannold said.

McDannold said the site will be controversial because some teachers will object to having student responses about them available for everyone to see.

"Teachers are going to hate it and students are going to like it," he said.

Since there are no questions that allow students to give random responses, there is no opportunity for students to submit hostile or derogatory remarks.

"We've taken into consideration other people's feelings," McDannold said.

Students can submit evaluations for classes they had as long as two years ago, and the database will store information for up to two years

before it discards it.

Students will eventually be able to view the evaluations on a full-color bar graph, but McDannold said he hasn't been able to get all the kinks out of it yet.

Questions on the evaluations ask if grading was fair, if the teacher cared about students' success and what the instructor's overall effectiveness was, among other things.

Students can access the site at http://www.ece.ncsu.edu/design_center/teacher_eval/oracle.pl beginning Thursday.

The project will be on display along with others during Electrical and Computer Engineering Design Day in the Student Center Ballroom on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Dino skin may help solve paleopuzzle

■ Newly-found dinosaur skin could reveal how dinosaurs lived.

NEWS STAFF REPORT

An N.C. State researcher says the fossilized dinosaur skin impression he recently helped identify in New Mexico is the newest piece in an evolving paleopuzzle scientists hope will one day show how dinosaurs lived.

The fossils, pebbly textured rocks, were left behind by a duck-billed dinosaur, a hadrosaur, which lived some 70 million years ago in what now is southwest New Mexico, said Reese Barrick, a paleobiologist in the NCSU Department of Marine, Earth and Atmospheric Sciences.

Unearthed five years ago, it was mistakenly identified as fossilized tree bark until Barrick and colleague Brian Anderson correctly identified the rare find late last year.

Barrick says only a few duck-billed dinosaur skin impressions have been found in other localities around the world. This is an exciting discovery, he said, because the site contains skin impressions as well as skeletal and ossified tendon remains from a duck-bill.

He describes the extraordinary scientific treasure in "A New Discovery of Dinosaur Skin Impressions in the Cretaceous Foreland Basin, Southwest New Mexico," a paper he co-authored with Anderson, a geologist from Phoenix, and Spencer Lucas of the New Mexico Museum of Natural History.

Anderson will present the paper at the 1996 Rocky Mountain Section Meeting of the Geological Society of America (GSA), which will meet in Rapid City, S.D. April 18-19.

Only a small outcrop of the backbone is exposed, but Barrick is cautiously optimistic that future excavation will produce equally well-preserved specimens of a dinosaur that grew to weigh as much as two tons.

The specimens are preserved within calcareous siltstone, Barrick said. His preliminary isotopic laboratory tests of bone and rock samples indicate the duck-bill was preserved in a freshwater lake environment.

Earlier duck-bill skin impressions were discovered in Utah, near what scientists believe was a Late Cretaceous seaway. Barrick hopes to test samples from both fossils in order to compare the ecology and preservational environment of both.

Future efforts, he said, will focus on determining what factors might have controlled the preservation of the skin impressions. The scientists are seeking funding to explore the New Mexico locality for additional dinosaur specimens.

The fossil skin impression is displayed at the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science in Albuquerque. A

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29 years ago...

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Changes In Stadium Seating Upheld By Casey At Briefing



1967's Technician staff ran this photo on the front of their April Fool's Day edition.



TECHNICIAN FILE PHOTO

Seating at Carter-Finley a hot topic

Did you ever wonder how Carter-Finley Stadium's student seating arrangements were decided?

Student seating facilities at Carter-Finley Stadium was a pressing issue during the month of April in 1967.

Seating changes were debated in '67 and implemented in '68.

The debate stemmed from the underestimation of student seating. They were originally placed in the west stands, but it was soon discovered that there wasn't enough room.

"We had grossly underestimated the number of students attending the games. The 10,000 seats set aside for students and their dates was inadequate," said Assistant Coach Willis Casey at a discussion held regarding the issue.

Student Government proposed a referendum asking two questions: Do

you believe the entire student body should sit together as a group even if it means sitting in the east stands, or do you prefer that in 1968 the student body sits in the west stands with the overflow sitting in the east stands?

A solution to the problem placed the students in the eastern part of the stadium, where they sit today, because a Student Seating Committee "could see no other alternative," Casey said.

The change to east seating caused some controversy on campus though, because students wanted to know the full reasoning behind the changes.

"The controversy over the seating change was caused by a breakdown in communications," Casey said.

Information regarding the change was not given to Student Government in time enough for them to recommend

changes.

The concern with the change was whether the sun would be a problem at games. Casey assured students that it wouldn't be a problem because most of the games of the '68 season were going to be played at night.

In June 1988, the issue of student seating emerged once again.

Athletics Director Jim Valvano said that student seating may shift to the grassy hill to help increase revenue for the Athletics Department.

Valvano said that this was only one of many ideas, and that it would not be implemented without input from the student body.

Valvano's plan to make "the hill area into a place to gather," was the end result.

Compiled by Jennifer Sorber



TECHNICIAN FILE PHOTO

Rumors circulated around campus as to why a professor of psychology repainted his "psychedelic bus."



TECHNICIAN FILE PHOTO

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rubber mold has been made to give museum visitors a chance to "pet" the bumpy skin of a 70-million-year-old dinosaur.

Barrick will not attend the GSA meeting because he is scheduled to present another paper. "We All Dinosaurs Created as Metabolic Equals," at the 1996 DinoFest sponsored by the Paleontological Society at Arizona State University in Tempe, Ariz. from April 18-20.

He will discuss how oxygen isotopes from bone phosphates can be used to measure heat flow within modern and ancient vertebrates. His studies show that some dinosaurs may have been warm blooded, some cold blooded, and some both.

At NCSU, Barrick is part of a renowned research team whose comprehensive work seeks to increase scientific knowledge about dinosaurs. The team acquired three embryo-filled dinosaur egg last year.

Ongoing analysis of the bone and shell fragments is revealing new information about the Cretaceous climate and dinosaur physiology.

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Oklahoma City pauses in remembrance

■ Oklahoma City stood silent this past Friday in remembrance of those who died in last year's bombing.

By Heather Ratcliffe and Christina Leonard
The Oklahoma Daily
University of Oklahoma

Downtown Oklahoma City roared with panic and chaos the morning of April 19, 1995. One year later, the city stood in somber silence as Oklahomans honored the innocent victims.

Thousands of victims' families, survivors and rescue workers reunited at the Myriad Convention Center Friday morning after recognizing 168 seconds of silence at the site where the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building once stood.

Families met each other with warm hugs and painful tears.

For some, the anniversary marked terror's end. For others, it marked a new beginning. Many described the reunion as "bittersweet."

A purple curtain with large memorial ribbons draped behind the stage to remind Oklahomans of the pain and recovery the families must face.

Rows of rescue workers watched as people they had pulled out of the rubble one year before filed into the Myriad. Their search dogs lay in the aisles.

After the families and survivors proceeded into the convention center, hundreds of musicians from the Oklahoma City Philharmonic shared the sweet and somber music of "Amazing Grace."

A box of tissues sat on the end of each row for the families. A table with more boxes sat near the ground floor entrance waiting for the tears of families and survivors.

Oklahoma City Mayor Ron Norick opened the ceremony with words of hope. He said the ceremony was meant to celebrate life, not grief.

A standing ovation greeted Gov. Frank Keating, who spoke of Oklahoma's healing and how the world's prayers echoed through the halls.

"I remember watching a rescue worker one night. He was wet with the rain and muddy from his awful work, but that small, gold angel gleamed brightly from his collar," Keating said. "He reached to touch it every few minutes, and I thought, that angel is really reaching out to him."

He said some of the angels were there Friday.

"Our angels brought home 168 of our beloved friends and neighbors with grace and dignity."



Children played in the aisles, oblivious to the pain their parents faced.

The Myriad air was chilly. Families wore buttons with victims' photos. Some wore stickers with the simple phrase "We remember."

Hundreds of cameras flashed when Vice President Al Gore entered.

Gore spoke on behalf of President Bill Clinton, who was in Japan during the anniversary.

"At the dawn of spring last year, one single act of terror brought forth the long, cold winter in our hearts," Gore said. "Let there be no mistake, one year is a very short time - in the human heart it can be the blink of an eye. People of Oklahoma City are mourning still." The room grew silent and light.

somber. The only movement came from the glowing section of the media pack.

The audience agreed in a roar of applause when Gore said "In America, terror will not triumph." He repeated the phrase.

A young boy's rendition of "The Wind Beneath My Wings" gave listeners' chills — leaving not a dry eye in the center.

After several prayers and scripture readings, the event's organizers presented a video honoring the victims in which all the names, ages and photographs were shown one by one.

The children's names and photos completed the video presentation.

President Clinton's video presentation wrapped up the event.

He said the millions of trees planted in memory of the children are now beginning to bloom.

"Every American was touched by this tragedy ...," he said. "But this is not only a day mourning, it is also a day of healing and hope."

WHAT'S HAPPENING

TODAY

LECTURE — The Political Science Club invites students to come and hear David Price speak about "The Challenge of 1996" from 2:30 to 3:30 in Caldwell, Room 212. For more information call Jacqueline Hills at 512-7740.

ORIENTATION — Want major-related work experience while still in school? Attend a Cooperative Education Orientation at 4 p.m. in Caldwell Hall, Room G-106 or call 515-4427 for more information.

MOVIE — "Four Rooms" will be shown in the Campus Cinema at the Witherspoon

Student Center at 6:45 and 9 p.m. Admission is \$1.50 for students and \$2.00 for non-students.

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"We won't raise taxes or raise fees or expect more contributions," he said. "We'll charge rent for all the premium seating, and through advertising and seating revenue, we think we can finance the amenities."

Authority President Steve Stroud, chairman of Carolantic Realty, Inc., said the authority has hired a group to conduct a skybox/suite study that should be completed by May 8.

By then, Stroud said, the group should be able to determine what amount of income it can expect to

be generated by the boxes.

Safran said it is too early to tell what the total cost of the center will be, but recent estimates have placed the cost in excess of \$100 million. If the group plans to spend more than the provided \$60 million, they cannot expect any additional help from the university, Worsley said.

"N.C. State ... does not intend to put any extra money into it," he said. The added amenities "are not going to increase the university's obligation in terms of what we have committed to the center."

Worsley did say that amenities such as corporate boxes would be necessary if the region were to try to attract professional teams.

"A center that's designed to serve the entire region and try to attract professional sports groups, in particular professional hockey, is going to need those kinds of amenities," he said.

Bryant heads the Wolfpack Pride Campaign, which is committed to raising \$45.3 million from alumni and friends of the university to fund the Centennial Center and improvements to athletic facilities such as Paul Derr Track, the Weisiger-Brown Building and Carter-Finley Stadium.

Bryant said the campaign has raised \$32 million of the intended amount so far, so there will be no problem fulfilling the university's commitment.

Bryant did say, however, that the authority would have to raise some extra money to help pay for the facility.

"They're going to have to bring in some additional income," he said.

General sentiment among students is that they do not want to leave the tradition of Reynolds Coliseum or its cozy 12,400-seat atmosphere behind.

"I'll miss Reynolds and I know a lot of students will miss walking to games and ... the intimacy of Reynolds," said current Student Body President Robert Zimmer.

When it opened in 1949, Reynolds was considered one of the premiere coliseums in all of

college basketball.

Coach Everett Case used the Coliseum to get North Carolinians interested in college basketball — the "Old Barn" was home to the first 13 ACC tournaments.

Reynolds and Case attracted the best teams in the nation in the '50s and early '60s to play in the Dixie Classic, which attracted top nationally-ranked teams like the 1958 Cincinnati Bearcats with Oscar Robertson.

When Herb Sendek was announced as the new men's basketball coach on April 17, he said that although he had never been in Reynolds before, he knew of the traditions associated with the Coliseum and "had goosebumps on

[his] arms the size of golf balls" when he first toured the facility.

Proponents of the new arena agree that it will be tough to leave behind the tradition associated with Reynolds, but Bryant said the new arena will keep some of the old traditions that are synonymous with Reynolds.

"It's designed to have students surrounding the court like we do at Reynolds Coliseum, except it will be a little larger scale," he said.

If the current design holds, the center will become the largest in the ACC, surpassing UNC-Chapel Hill's Dean Dome by 28 seats.

The Centennial Center is being conceived in a similar fashion to that of Reynolds. The then 12,000-seat Reynolds was massive compared to many of the smaller gyms of the time like Frank Thompson Gym — the Wolfpack's home from 1924-48 — which seated approximately 4,000.

Donations from Reynolds started coming in during 1941 and by the time the Coliseum was finished eight years later, the cost had skyrocketed from original estimates of \$300,000 to \$2.5 million after Case had pushed for an ice-rink and other amenities to be added in order to make Reynolds a multi-purpose complex.

Worsley said Reynolds will still be used for practices and other events, such as volleyball matches.

"The availability of a new arena will give us a lot more flexibility in those activities," he said.

Bryant said the center would be great for basketball as well as multi-purpose events.

"It's going to be something that will take us well into the 21st Century," he said. "I think our alumni, fans and students are going to love this facility. It's going to be the finest in the Atlantic Coast Conference."

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Sports

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April 24, 1996

IM softball fever

Hundreds of N.C. State students have caught the fever — championship fever that is.

The intramural softball championship games have begun and the excitement is almost unbearable.

These last few games represent the end of yearly intramural life as we know it, which means everyone is pulling out all the stops.

Technician Sports would like to recognize a variety of recent intramural champions. Congratulations to the following teams and individuals:

Residence Badminton Champs: Alexander

Residence/Sorority Badminton Champs: Alpha Phi

Fraternity Badminton Champs: Pi

Inside Intramurals

Earl "The Pearl" Bradford

Kappa Alpha
Co-Rec Bowling Champs: Bagwell and Co.

Men's Open Handball Champ: Thom Hodgson

Residence A Softball Champs: Lee North

Residence C Softball Champs: Gold

Residence/Sorority Softball Champs: Alpha Delta Pi

Women's Open Softball Champs: Flukes

Fraternity A Softball Champs: Delta Sigma Phi

Fraternity C Softball Champs: Sigma Chi

Residence/Sorority Softball Championship: Chi Omega vs. Alpha Delta Pi (A.D. Pi)

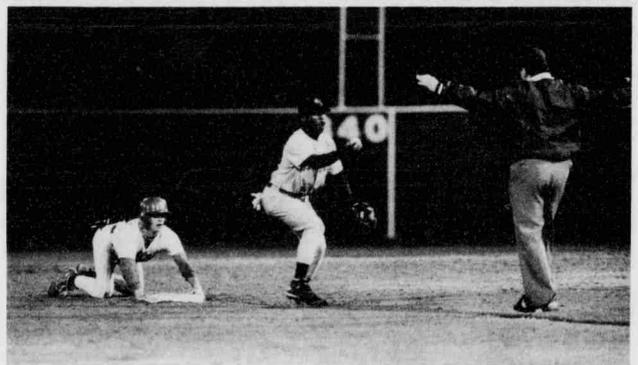
The A.D. Pi squad faced some tough tests this season but, without a doubt, last Thursday night they faced their toughest.

Going up against perennial powerhouse Chi Omega for the rights to the Residence/Sorority Championship, A.D. Pi prayed that they would be clicking on all cylinders.

Everything was clicking to perfection and A.D. Pi won the championship over previously undefeated Chi Omega, 7-6.

One of the main reasons for its narrow triumph was flawless defensive play.

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Safe or out, it didn't matter last night at Doak. Rain plagued the area, and wouldn't you know it, State was beating Campbell, 6-3 in the bottom of the fourth when the wet stuff began to fall.

TECHNICIAN FILE PHOTO

Oh, to be a Pack fan

Here it is — the highlights, the lowlights, the villains and let's not forget our heroes.

As this semester winds down and exams creep around the corner, it's time to sit back and reflect on the moments that made this year special, and not so special. Here, for you, are my most memorable moments of the 1995-96 school year (in no particular order). Keep in mind, it could get depressing.

Coach Kay Yow's 500th victory

Coach Yow has been one of the few consistencies of N.C. State athletics. Yow has done more for women's basketball in the Triangle than any other person. She deserves to be up there with such Tobacco Road hoops luminaries as Everett Case, Jim Valvano and those two

James Madison Lail

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guys down 1-40.

It's just too bad that after all she's done for this university, only 2,365 people showed up for the 68-63 win over Georgia Tech on Jan. 15 (and that was considered a good crowd). Those who did show up at Reynolds Coliseum witnessed one of the few monumental events that this school's athletics programs get

to achieve. Thanks for everything coach.

Grudge Bowl II

In my first encounter with the rivalry to end all rivalries, Technician walloped the Daily Tar Heel (DTH) 14-0 in Chapel Hill, to retain the Golden Plunger.

This battle began with a determined and bloody Michael Preston literally dragging several DTHers down the field on the first drive of the game.

Defense was the name of the game the rest of the way.

The most memorable moment of this game was probably the very last. Trying to prevent DTH from scoring (something they have yet to do), J.P. Giglio "piledriver" some helpless soul into the turf on the last play of the game and then shook him into a pulp — all the while

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1996 NORTH CAROLINA STATE BASEBALL STATISTICS

N.C. State baseball statistics through games of April 22, 1996

Record: 35-12 Home: 22-6 Road: 8-5 Neutral: 5-1 Head Coach: Ray Tanner

BATTING and FIELDING

Player	BA	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	SO	OB%	SB	SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Butler, Jeff, OF	538	13	13	1	7	1	0	0	8	8	615	4	1	647	0-0	0	0	0	0	0.000
Jacchino, Mandy 1B	428	44	145	33	62	10	0	10	53	102	703	13	25	472	1-1	0	0	0	4	0.000
Postell, Matt INF	382	42	110	19	42	8	1	1	20	55	500	12	25	448	1-2	22	41	11	851	0.875
Phillips, Bryan OF	381	31	42	6	16	0	0	0	5	16	381	4	11	447	2-2	6	1	1	875	0.875
Figueroa, Luis 1B	375	13	8	2	3	1	0	0	3	4	500	2	0	545	1-1	13	2	0	1.000	
Weber, Jake, OF	371	47	178	53	66	8	6	7	47	107	601	36	29	468	7-8	91	2	2	979	0.879
Clay, Derrick OF	356	35	59	16	21	43	0	7	33	559	3	15	387	6-6	17	1	0	1	1.000	
Serjoo, Tom, CF	326	46	184	53	60	13	4	3	30	90	489	21	16	409	21-25	113	3	3	975	0.875
Terhune, Mike, 2B	323	47	186	44	60	19	1	2	32	87	468	30	20	407	8-14	91	124	10	956	0.856
Lassaler, Robby C	317	42	126	29	40	13	0	8	31	77	611	10	2	366	0-2	241	19	5	981	0.881
Lewis, Scott 1B	313	41	112	23	35	12	3	3	31	62	554	8	28	356	0-0	222	12	4	983	0.883
Combs, Chris 1B	305	42	128	32	39	3	2	11	32	79	617	20	43	401	1-2	174	12	4	979	0.879
Everett, Adam SS	250	35	72	21	18	6	0	2	9	30	417	14	14	304	2-4	78	7	5	944	0.844
Percy, Brad, C	316	20	38	16	12	5	0	1	6	20	526	9	5	471	2-3	52	7	3	952	0.852
Bourgon, Marty C	237	31	59	10	14	7	0	2	10	27	458	7	14	304	0-0	61	10	0	1.000	
DeMakis, Todd, 3B	227	37	44	8	10	1	0	0	9	11	250	6	6	327	1-2	10	37	6	887	0.887
Wolf, Stephen, 1B	143	6	7	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	143	0	2	143	0-0	0	0	0	1.000	
Williams, Mark, OF	000	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	
Baker, Dustin, UT	000	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	
Ramos, Arturo, 3B	000	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1,000	0-0	2	2	0	1.000	
Adams, Jonathan, 3B	000	7	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	143	0-0	0	0	1	0.000	
Jackson, Tony, 1B	000	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	
N.C. State	327	47	1643	383	538	112	18	52	344	842	512	210	296	412	62-81	1234	457	72	959	0.859
Opponents	241	47	1581	213	381	78	8	27	189	556	352	148	351	315	25-40	1176	480	74	957	0.857

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- 4:00pm Interfaith Baccalaureate Service at the Cinema, Witherspoon Student Center Annex

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- 5:30-7:00pm Reception-Chancellor and Mrs. Larry K. Monteith

Receive the Graduating Students, Families and Friends at the Chancellor's Residence (parking across from Residence Hillsborough Square Lot)

In case of rain, University Student Center Ballroom - parking in Coliseum Lot

- 8:00pm College of Veterinary Medicine Hooding and Oath Ceremony at Stewart Theater, University Student Center

Saturday, May 11, 1996

- 8:30am Concert by Commencement Band at Carter Finley Stadium
- 9:00am Graduation Exercises at Carter Finley Stadium
- 11:30am Picnic Lunch at Carter Finley Stadium
- 1:30pm College and Departmental Distribution of Diplomas
- 5:00pm Joint Army-Navy-Air Force Commissioning Ceremony. University Student Center
- 3:00-5:00pm Reception for all Graduating International Students, Families and Friends at North Plaza Green, University Student Center

In case of rain, Walnut Room, University Student Center

Tennis signs 4

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Over a five inning span, A.D. Pi gave up only one.

Also, Chi Omega's top guns — Sherri Harrison and Meredith Cockman — were held hitless after the first inning.

On the offensive side of the coin, A.D. Pi rallied behind the pinpoint hitting of Shakira Hand, Marsha Johnson and Kellie Poole, who combined to go 6-for-9, including two home runs and four RBIs.

Even though A.D. Pi was in control the majority of the contest, Chi Omega had no intention to go

down without a fight.

A.D. Pi began to bite its collective nails when Chi Omega cut the lead to one in the final inning.

Susan Hall (2-for-4, 1 HR) represented the tying run for Chi Omega on second base, but her teammates were unable to bat her in.

A.D. Pi's Dana Minshew received the Pearl's MVP award due to her consistent pitching throughout the game.

"We worked together and played our hearts out," Minshew said. "We definitely deserved it."

Fraternity A Softball Championship: Pi Kappa Phi

(PKP) vs. Delta Sigma Phi

There's an old saying that goes, "It's not whether you win or lose, but how you play the game."

Yeah right. Try telling that one to PKP following Monday night's loss to Delta Sig* in the Fraternity A Championship game.

Even though PKP did "play the game" well, Delta Sig* just proved to be too much for them.

When all the dust settled, Delta Sig* grabbed their second straight softball title by defeating PKP, 14-8.

PKP played catch-up the entire game thanks to Delta Sig's early scoring onslaught.

Power hitters Kevin McMahon (2-

for-4, 1 HR) and Christian Ennis (2-for-4) helped Delta Sig* jump out to a quick 8-0 lead.

PKP was able to cut the lead in half by the fourth inning, but that was as close as they ever got.

Delta Sig* promptly put the pedal to the metal and never looked back.

Alan Fulghum put the proverbial nail in the coffin with an authoritative three-run dinger in the final inning.

Matt King (2-for-3, two RBIs) and Chad Morrow (1-for-3) smacked a pair of homers themselves during PKP's last at bat, but it was simply too little too late.

Pitcher Marcus Hall of Delta Sig* played the entire game hampered by

a severe foot injury which was enough to win him the Pearl's team-before-self award.

"In a game this important, you've got to be tough and ignore the pain," Hall said.

Hall's teammate Gregg Haviland, also a junior in business management, was daring enough to make a clairvoyant prediction.

"Now that we've won two championships back-to-back, we're gonna make it a three-peat next year," Haviland said.

Pearl's note: The intramural season is over and his Pearlness is outta here.

SPORTS STAFF REPORT

N.C. State men's tennis coach Eric Hayes hopes to lead the Wolfpack to national power status. And like all other collegiate sports, it starts with recruiting. So far, Hayes is doing all right.

Hayes, a first year head coach, announced that four netters, all ranked by the United States Tennis Association for 18-year-olds and under, will be heading to Raleigh next year.

"This is an impact signing class," Hayes said. "This group should come in and play immediately and will be very important in shaping the future of Wolfpack tennis."

Keith Salmon, of Monroeville, Pa., was ranked among the top 50 in the nation this year, although he suffered an injury a year ago.

Shaun Thomas from Matthews, N.C., is ranked 70th and attends Providence High School. His teammate, Jeffrey Smith, is ranked 79th in the nation.

Devang Desai, of Grimsley High School in Greensboro, is ranked 158th in the nation. Desai is the No. 1 singles and doubles player in the state of North Carolina this year.

"We signed three of the top four players from North Carolina, which was one of my goals this year. I wanted to sign American players and to get as many in-state people as possible.

"This is a top 15 signing class nationally, even with signing all American players. All of them were recruited by Top 25 programs. Next year will have a very strong, but young team."

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letting him know just how much he, and his school, was really worth.

A great time was had by all.

The hiring of Herb Sendek

Let's let by gones be by gones, shall we? A new era began here at State just about a week ago. And with the hiring of Sendek, a Rick Pitino prodigy, an air of optimism has swept over the campus.

Sendek's not a flashy salesman, a comedian or even a golfer (a no-no for these parts), but he's a proven winner and disciplinarian — as the team found out in the wee hours of the morning last week. He lets you know how it is and how it will be.

And his favorite TV show is "The Andy Griffith Show." That should count for something.

State football vs. Carolina

The Wolfpack had nothing tangible riding on this game, but it sure would've been nice to have sent the Heels home for good.

Instead, a ridiculous call allowed Mack's boys the grand opportunity to play in front of about 35 people at the Carquest Bowl. (The official attendance was listed at about 20,000, but we all know better than that, don't we?).

What a depressing day this was. A national audience saw a Carter-Finley field that was basically com-colored. And then leave it to who else? — the officials to screw State over. Gee, that never happens, does it? Although coach Mike O' Cain attributed the loss to Carolina's Hail Mary at the end of the first half, and the season was virtually over for the Pack, he's got to be wondering what he's got to do to get the zebras on his side.

Better luck next year, coach.

Chris Collins

That name says it all. Les Robinson can probably thank the Duke guard for his downfall. Had Collins missed that long-range bomb at Reynolds, the season maybe, just maybe, would've turned out differently for the Pack. But from that game on, it was over. Despite Robinson's ever-present optimism, it seems State never recovered and the season, in tandem with Robinson's career, was a lock.

After all is said and done, there is some hope about next year. After all, we get Alabama at home in football. Easy win.

On the court, we've got a promising young coach running the show.

And we've always got Coach Yow.

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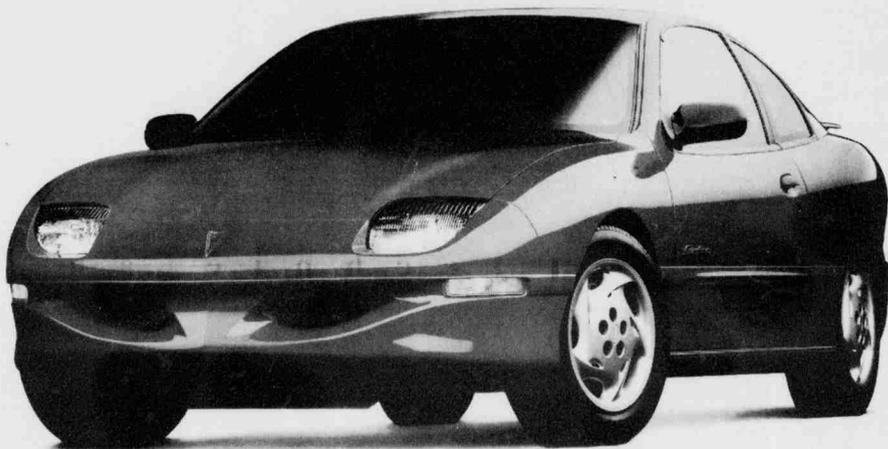
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Speakers relay terror of Chernobyl disaster

■ Ten years has passed since the nuclear reactor explosion and meltdown at Chernobyl.

By KATHRYN HERZOG AND ANDY NESTINGEN
The MINNESOTA DAILY UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Aleksandr Sirota was 9 years old when he heard the announcement. "There is an unpleasant radioactive situation that has occurred. There will be a temporary evacuation of citizens of the city..." Sirota and his family were among the 65,000 residents of Pripyat, Ukraine, who were evacuated from their homes in the wake of the nuclear reactor explosion and

meltdown at Chernobyl. Saturday is the 10-year anniversary of the accident. Sirota, now 19, was one of two Chernobyl survivors who spoke to an audience of about 50 at the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs' Cowles Theater on Monday as part of the Testimonies Tour, a Greenpeace speaking tour to remember Chernobyl.

Sirota and Dr. Sergei Paromchik spoke about how the meltdown of reactor No. 4 changed their lives. Sirota, who spoke through an interpreter, recalled how he had played with friends on the sunny Saturday after the reactor melted down. That night he learned that he and his mother would be evacuated. He said he recalls staring out of his apartment window at the burning reactor in the distance.

During the evacuation, he said, "people laughed and joked on the busses. They thought it meant an



extended weekend for them." Since being evacuated, Sirota, like virtually everyone from his town, has suffered recurring health problems. The United Nations estimates that more than 9 million people in the Ukraine, Belorussia and Russia have been affected by radiation from Chernobyl. Paromchik remembered that the day of the meltdown was "a spring day warmer than today. We worked

on some small repairs around our apartment while our 1-year-old daughter visited her grandmother," Paromchik said.

Paromchik said his country, Belorussia, received 70 percent of the nuclear fallout from the meltdown. The fallout covered 23 percent of Belorussia's landmass. Although the Belorussian Republic has no nuclear reactors of its own, Paromchik said, the cost of cleaning up the Chernobyl fallout still absorbs 20 percent to 30 percent of Belorussia's national budget.

Both speakers emphasized the "importance of making the right conclusions about Chernobyl." Paromchik said, "I think with any type of reactor you can't provide 100 percent safety." The two

speakers linked the Chernobyl disaster to the dangers posed by other nuclear reactors in the former Soviet Union and around the world.

Both speakers referred several times to Minnesota's two nuclear reactors at Monticello and Prairie Island. They insisted that their own experiences with the results of a nuclear power disaster indicate that the benefits of nuclear generated power — Chernobyl provided 7 percent of the Ukraine's electric power — can't justify the risk inherent in its use.

Audience members also expressed concern over the use of nuclear power. Donations of food and medicine for people still living in radiation-contaminated areas were collected at Cowles Theater as part of a relief

effort coordinated by the Minneapolis chapter of Greenpeace and the Progressive Student Organization (PSO).

PSO member and UM junior Peter Lenz has helped with collection on campus, and said the effort "really puts things in perspective. All it takes is one more mishap and we will be facing another Chernobyl."

Greenpeace and PSO members at the university have been working with local health food stores, community cooperatives, churches and other campus organizations to encourage donations. Collections will continue through May 5, when supplies will be shipped from the Minneapolis Greenpeace office to the Ukraine.

Technician Trivia!

It's time for

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1. Shakespeare

Question

Which character proclaimed, "Life's but a walking shadow."

2. '80s TV Sitcoms

He was helpful around the Fonz' garage and Jonie loved him, but what was his last name?

3. Presidential History

North Carolina native Andrew Johnson was Abraham Lincoln's Vice President in the election of 1864, who was his running mate four years earlier?

4. Pop Music

Name three of the top five selling albums of all-time.

5. Theatre

Which love-sick vixen opined, "If I knew that I'd never make love to you again, I'd go downstairs and find the biggest knife and just kill myself."

6. N.C. Politics

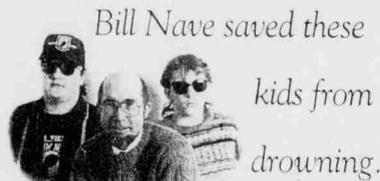
What year was Jesse Helms first elected to the United States Senate?

7. '80s TV Drama

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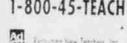
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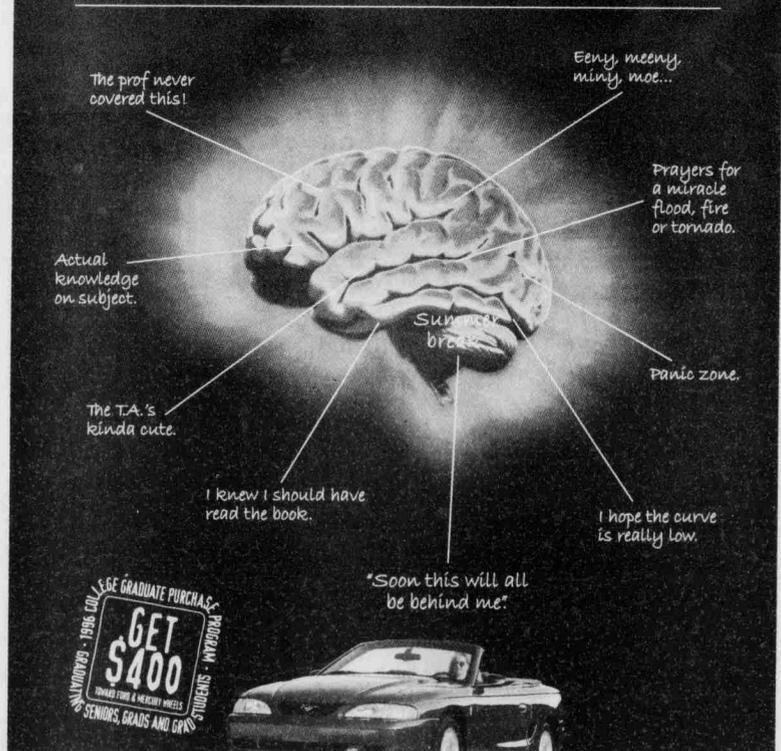
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1996 SPRING
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EXAMINATION TIMES	800-1100 a.m.	100-400 p.m.	600-900 p.m.
	Hours Class Actually Meets During Semester		
Monday, April 29	1120-1210 MWF (1150-1240 MWF)	130-220 MWF (200-250 MWF)	600-715pm M W, (545-700pm M W) 600-850pm M or W BUS 330 Common Exam EC 201 Common Exam
Tuesday, April 30	950-1105 T H (1020-1135 T H)	105-220 T H (135-250 T H)	600-715pm T H, (545-700pm T H) 600-850pm T or H ACC 210, 310, 311, 410 Common Exam PSY 200 Common Exam
Wednesday, May 1	805-855 MWF (835-925 MWF)	235-325 MWF (305-355 MWF)	730-845pm M W, (745-900pm M W) 720-1010pm W FL. GRK. LAT 101, 102, 105, 201, 202 Common Exam MAT 200, 201 Common Exam
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SPORTS STAFF REPORT

One thing Michael Preston can do, is finger roll. Sadly, for Technician fans, Preston will be taking his George Gervin-like services to the NBA next season.

That's right, Sports Editor, Michael Preston, a 6'5" junior out of Woodbury, N.J. has declared himself eligible for the 1996 NBA Draft.

"I have to do what's best for Michael Preston and Michael Preston's family," the lithe wing man said, sounding an awful lot like every other underclassmen to go pro early. "I enjoyed my years here as a Wolfpacker and now I can only pray I go in the draft."

There are no official stats on Preston, only that he was unrecruited and undersized. He has not retained the services of an agent, so unlike other sophomore wunderkinds headed for the express line at Dairy Queen, he can come back to school to finish his remaining season of eligibility.

"If I am unhappy with my draft position, then I will return to N.C. State for my senior season," Preston added. "Right now, I'm confident that won't have to happen."

No word yet from Marty Blake, but fellow Sports Editor and area NBA talent evaluator J.P. Giglio had this to say about his fellow

Jerseyite.

"Preston can move with the ball, he can shoot without ball," Giglio said. "In short I wouldn't think twice about taking Michael Preston before Stephen Marbury or Marcus Camby."

While Preston doesn't figure to go lottery, he's confident the old adage, "location, location, location," will help him make the

grade.

"The draft is in my home state and I'm going to have family and friends there cheering for me," a tearful Preston said at a closed-doors press conference officially open to Technician staffers only.

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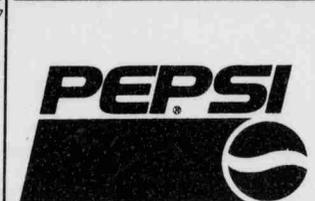
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The time has come: PE 100's last leg



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This is the last go round for PE 100, the health and physical fitness course which was formerly a requirement for all students here at N.C. State. The course, which included weight training,

a wellness component and the infamous three-mile run will be replaced by seven courses, including fitness walking and water aerobics. Like PE 100, each of the new courses will contain both

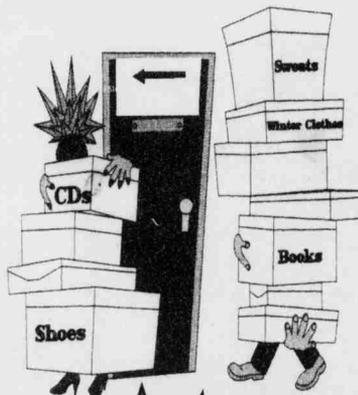
a fitness component and a wellness component. Students may take any one of those seven courses to fulfill the requirement. The other three PE courses required of all NCSU students may

be at any level. The new requirements go into effect next semester. The PE department considered changing the requirement after a survey indicated students wanted more

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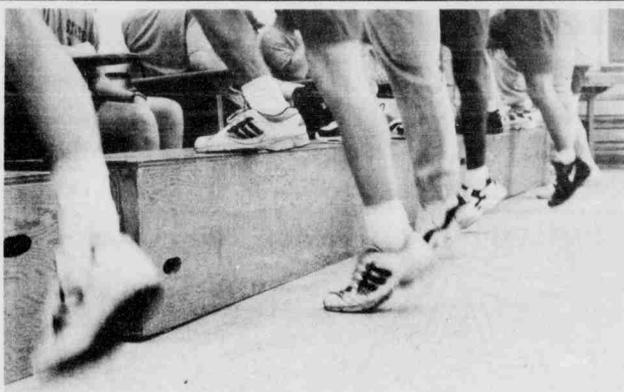


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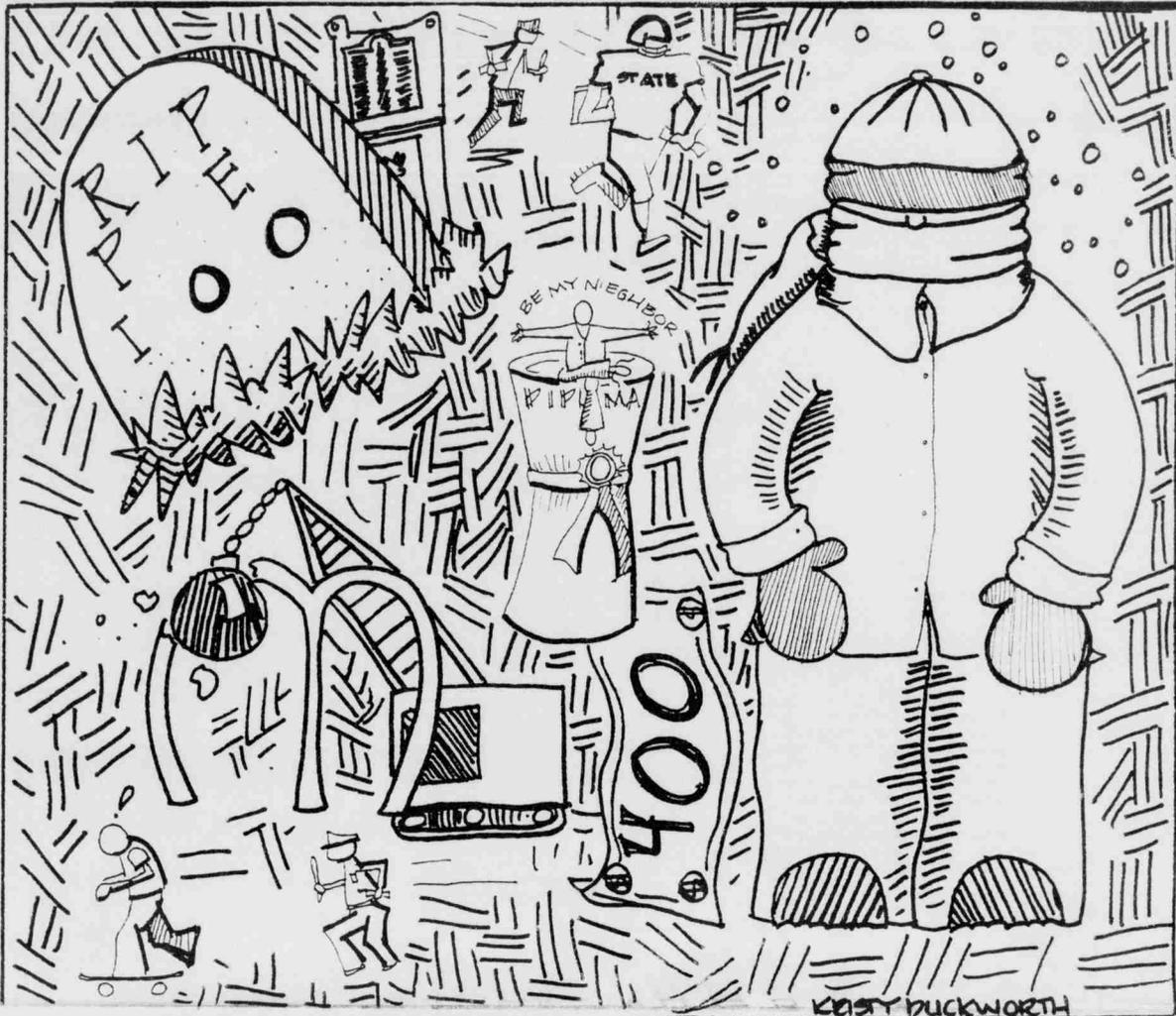
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Centennial Center is a good way to keep up with the Joneses.

The Centennial Center, as currently proposed, will be a state-of-the-art facility that will enable N.C. State students to enjoy basketball and big-name entertainment without having to travel to Chapel Hill. For the \$100 million price tag, the comfort had better be worth the cost.

The idea for building the center started with Jim Valvano, but it has slowly evolved into a mega-complex. Today only a combination of asphalt and a leveled patch of dirt mark the center's future location. Construction has been delayed due to the Centennial Authority's insistence upon adding skyboxes, which will be rented out to help pay for the center.

So far, \$66 million has been pledged toward the cost of the building, with NCSU alumni planning to give a third of this amount. Plenty of things on NCSU's campus need improvement, so why are alumni donating this money to build the Centennial Center? They want to be truly proud of having a basketball arena with 28 more seats than UNC-Chapel Hill's Dean Dome.

The authority claims that the remainder of the \$100 million cost will be raised by renting out skyboxes, selling advertising and collecting revenues from seating.

Raising the money will be tough to do, because the Triangle doesn't have the population base needed to keep a complex the size of Centennial Center financially afloat year after year.

For the Centennial Center to become profitable, it needs to be able to draw in big names in entertainment and professional sports. Right now, the only off-campus group that has shown a genuine interest in using the center is Raleigh's minor-league hockey franchise, the Icecaps.

The Charlotte Coliseum, which hosts NBA's Charlotte Hornets is the only entertainment and sports complex in the state that consistently makes a profit. Even the Dean Dome has problems breaking even. So what leads planners to believe that the Centennial Center will be the greatest thing to happen to Raleigh since it was designated the state capital?

The Centennial Center is too much extravagance for too much money. It would be nice to watch NCSU play a basketball game in a state-of-the-art facility, but not with 21,599 other people. The ambience of watching a college team play will be lost in such a huge crowd. What's the point of going to a game if you can't see it without binoculars?

The Centennial Center will be great when it's built, but can the authority justify spending \$100 million for a building that will not be heavily used year round? It has too high a price tag just to top UNC-CH.

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Throughout the night, luminaries burned in remembrance of fallen cancer victims. The tiny, flickering candles spelled "hope" — something

our community has to offer those who live with cancer and others.

The NCSU community has hosted and participated in many charitable events this year. Crop Walk was held on campus last fall to raise money for needy families. The Lawn Party raised money for several charities; Habitat for Humanity held a shack-a-thon to raise money to build houses; several student groups worked together to raise money for a NCSU student who was paralyzed by a drive-by shooting.

NCSU is a community of philanthropists and fundraisers, helpers and healers. The Relay for Life was just the latest example of students', faculty's and staff's spirit of giving. Congratulations and thank you to all who worked to make a difference.



Commentary

The last mile - a eulogy for PE 100

P.E. 100 is dead. Hallelujah. Amen.

While some may lament the loss of the course I, for one, will not miss it. It was an anachronism — a brutish torture left over from some bygone era. But before we bury this puppy for good, let's remember what it was supposed to accomplish and why it didn't work. While I certainly question the methods the Physical Education department has used for the past umpteen years, I do not question the goal. At an institution dedicated to enhancing the mind, it is easy to forget about the body.

Students do need to be exposed to physical fitness programs. It is N.C. State's job to prepare students for the life that lies ahead of them. While we often assume that means just educating students for a career, there is much more to the university's mission. Students should be exposed to a wide variety of activities and disciplines, whether we like them or not. Even if we hate a course, we usually gain something from it — if nothing other than the fact that we know that that discipline is definitely not for us. And physical education should be an integral part of the curriculum.

Let's face it, all these computer geeks, engineers and (even worse) Technician editors sitting around in front of

Chris Baysden

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computers while munching doughnuts and Jolt Colas aren't exactly the epitome of good health. What's the point of graduating with a 4.0 in thermonuclear propulsion engineering, if you drop dead from a heart attack while sitting on the pot eating a twinkie at age 28? "Live fast, die young" may sound like a cool motto, but it tends to lose its luster when your heart

explodes because it can't pump that grease ball the size of a small melon through your veins anymore.

There are a world of benefits to exercise, and college is an appropriate place to be exposed to them. P.E. 100 wasn't the right way to do it. The department finally realized that it was shooting itself in the foot. Three-mile runs, ab crunches and lifting weights just don't turn many people on — unless their name is

Schwartzegger. For an exercise class to be truly effective, it should inspire students to continue the activity long after the final grades have been turned in. That wasn't happening in P.E. 100. In fact, the department was scaring people off before they even took the class and found out how bad it was. Nightmares of vomiting in front of friends (or worse, someone you thought was cute), passing out or being exposed as an uncoordinated sloth, terrorized many before they ever set foot

in Carmichael Gym. That's definitely not the way to indoctrinate someone into the joy of exercise. Take me, for instance. I like to exercise, but it has to be some kind of sport. If I'm gonna get all hot and sweaty, it had better be for a good reason, and there are only three I can think of: (1) food (2) impressing someone of the opposite sex or (3) beating the bejebers out of some poor schmuck who's even less coordinated than I. P.E. 100 just didn't do it for me. I never found a good reason to run around that track. Heck, at least greyhounds have a bunny or something out there for them to chase. And horses have jockeys to encourage them (although I don't mean to suggest that having some dwarf riding on my back would've been a plus). I always heard that if you run for a long enough time, you will get a runners high. I'm still waiting.

But this story does have a happy ending. The good people in the P.E. department finally realized that they were doing themselves and their discipline a disservice, not helping it. And I must admit that their decision to ax the P.E. 100 requirement impresses me. How often does the administration at this university listen to the students' wants and needs? So, as an era in NCSU history ends, I salute the department for having the courage to change. The folks over there took a lot of heat for P.E. 100 for many years, and they deserved every bit of it. But now they also deserve credit for doing the right thing — even if it did take too long.



Invitation to Christianity

I am addressing this letter to those who may feel that they do not belong and wish to become involved in an organization on campus. I know that there have been times when all of us wished we could be a part of a certain group, especially here at college in the absence of our families.

In today's society, it is imperative that people have a sense of belonging or acceptance. Sometimes people may not necessarily prefer the glamour or prominence of pledging a fraternity or sorority.

If you are in this situation, and you do not know where to turn or which organization to join, United Student Fellowship-Christian Ministries (USF-CM), a Christian organization on the campus of N.C. State, may be the family for you. USF is centered around joyful love among all Christians in various types of fellowships, including: bowling, covered dish dinners, bible studies and Sunday Morning Worship.

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Melessa P. Henderson
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High taxes not liberals' fault

This is in response to Matthew Hamby's "Liberals to blame for high taxes."

I understand your dismay, the state of government is a call for scrutiny, but many of your comments are rather ignorant to the facts.

Taxes are a sad part of life, but they are as necessary as ever. One must take the whole economic condition of this country into account before making a statement of criticism. We have a \$5.5 trillion debt, and a \$200 billion deficit every year. We wouldn't even have a deficit if it weren't for the debt, and we

probably wouldn't have a debt if it weren't for Ronald Reagan, the greatest conservative to ever walk this planet. Now I am a fervent believer in placing money back into the pockets of Americans instead of in the pockets of Uncle Sam, but we still have a country to fix.

These taxes coupled with significant spending reduction will eventually pick at our debt and land a windfall into pockets of Americans. Might I remind you that Americans pay \$198 trillion just to help pay the interest accumulated by the debt. Without a doubt, this is pure government revenue. This is when we can scream for tax relief.

Now be weary of out of control tax cuts as well as spending cuts. Cuts in programs like these always have consequences as Ronald Reagan proved again. He gave tax cuts to the rich and cut programs for the poor. Our inner cities were decimated, crime was at record levels, and unemployment, homelessness and recession made front page headlines. As hard as it is to believe, our government is out to help, not hurt.

As for Bill Clinton, he may not be the most popular guy, but he is definitely the most rational. He takes a lot of heat,

but no one points out his progress. He has cut government spending and size, and taxes for those who truly need it. These are all well documented. It isn't possible without ruining this country. Bill Clinton has cut the deficit consecutively every year he has been in office, has cut federal spending \$250 billion, minimized unemployment rates, curtailed the government work force by 215 thousand positions, and has passed many measures to reform welfare on the state level. The list only goes on from there.

The damage has been done, things need to be fixed. Once that happens we can really think about tax cuts. I am tired of people preaching against liberals for their social woes. Stick to the issues.

Chris Knapp
Junior, Business

Racism grows through exclusion

I am writing to touch on a subject that has been addressed and readdressed throughout

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history. My concern is racism — more specifically, racism on N.C. State's campus. Although this problem affects all races I am going to focus on the black-white issue. It is apparent that NCSU is making efforts to hinder the problem.

However, I am a bit concerned about the way in which the issue is being approached. For example, a month or so ago, I attended a seminar called Racism 101 sponsored by NCSU's Black Symposium. The guest speaker was Nikki Giovanni, a poet known for poems addressing what it's like to grow up and live as an African American.

Call me an idealist, but what I expected to see and hear was far from what I got. I expected to hear phrases like "let's all come together," people sharing their own painful experiences with racism, even some hugging and new friendships formed. As we all know, a little empathy, understanding and open-mindedness can go a long way.

Needless to say, this was not what I observed. Instead I heard phrases like "dumb white boy," "black power" and the "beautiful black woman." I support being proud of your race and acknowledging the uniqueness of your culture, but it is language like this that separates, frustrates and hinders races from ever becoming a community of multiculturalism.

I've also heard from other students that African Americans beginning at NCSU are encouraged by counselors, authority figures and upperclassmen to stick to themselves and are told that white people at this school are prejudiced. What a way to start the wheels of racial tension rolling! It seems to me that an approach like this is only going to produce a negative attitude toward white people at NCSU which in turn would cause them to have one as equally offensive.

I believe in equality for all races — not just one race dominating another. I think that programs which encourage blacks, whites and other races to socialize should be implemented. For example, instead of having the "African-American" party that is held on Saturday nights in the Witherspoon Student Center,

why not have a multi-cultural dance party that encourages everybody to hang out and have a good time together?

Other programs could be implemented to encourage races to get together and share unique aspects of their culture, as well as experiences they may have had involving racism. Perhaps a class could be required for all majors at NCSU that focuses on negative racial language and attitudes and how detrimental they are to society.

At some point there has to be a change in the general conception that a lot of people have about races different from their own. People need to be aware that racism stems from all angles of society, not just from whites to blacks or vice versa. Somehow we all need to open our minds and break away from stereotypes. This will forever be an impossibility if people insist upon fighting fire with fire.

Jenee Roland
Sophomore, Communications

Sendek was a good choice

I am extremely pleased with the selection of Herb Sendek as the Wolfpack's new head basketball coach, as I think most people are. I am all for his discipline of the players and am excited about his future here at N.C. State. Simply the fact that Rick Pitino said that of all his assistant coaches, Sendek would be the last one he would want to coach against in a game says it all.

I think Herb should arrange a meeting with the students at Reynolds to let the student body get to know him.

Congratulations on your great choice of this important transition in Wolfpack history.

Matt Kinney
Sophomore, Textile Management

Faulty alarms cause problem

Nighttime temperatures during the fall semester were cold, especially with all the snow. Unfortunately,

for myself and others in Avent Ferry Complex, we remember those nights all too well. Because of AFC's faulty fire alarm system, and residents pulling alarms, we were sent out of our rooms at least twice in one night — three times a week for fires that never existed.

I'd rather spend my nights in bed asleep than standing outside; people caught in their rooms are fined and issued a court date.

AFC has private baths, cable TV and a kitchen on each floor. It's a great place to stay — except the annoying fire alarms. I've talked to people from other dorms, and they've had one or two fire alarms all year.

To keep residents happy, everyone can take responsibility for their own actions. Because AFC knows how sensitive the alarms are maybe they can look at getting some new ones. While they are looking at new ones, residents can change their attitudes about not setting them off and not purposely pulling them. I am sure if we all work together, better times will happen.

Chasity Monique Melvin
Sophomore, Communications

Homophobia not equal to racism

I would like to respond to the recent letter "Education about racism." (Campus Forum, April 22) "To me, it epitomizes everything I find disagreeable with the collective efforts of homosexual advocacy groups. Even down to the title there are assumptions made as to what constitutes tolerance to what I oppose.

Equating biases and stereotypes against homosexuality to "racism" is an assertion of opinion. The question of intolerance is not the question here — it's whether a person is born that way or if this type of lifestyle is a choice. That is matter of belief, while race is not. Whether an individual is white, African American, Hispanic, Asian, etc. is not the same moral question as the type of sexual lifestyle an individual lives. Yet, it is the goal of homosexual advocacy groups and many individuals to convince you that it is the same, and to label disagreeing views as intolerant. Disagreeing with homosexuality

or believing that it is morally wrong is not evidence of "intolerance" and "persecution." Instead, it is the manner in which that belief is expressed or taught that can be intolerant. It is important to establish a difference. If I were to use crude and offensive slang, and were to physically and verbally assault someone based on their sexual preferences, then that's direct persecution. To hold hatred in my heart toward another human being because of their choices or lifestyle are intolerant would belittle me. To teach my children to hate would promote bigotry and intolerance. Disagreement with homosexuality in itself is not intolerance, but a matter of moral choice.

The question was raised, "What is wrong with being gay," and answered "[s]ociety ... ridicules [homosexuals] for 'being themselves.'" Again I must ask, are we being asked to accept homosexuality or just to be more tolerant? I was in a sociology course where a local representative of the Gay and Lesbian Student Union came and told us that he envisioned an atmosphere being fostered in which homosexuality wasn't just tolerated, but nurtured and accepted. Excuse me, but asking me to accept those beliefs goes way beyond the call of duty in showing tolerance and kindness, and I resent it being presented to me as such.

This is where "educat[ing] our young" with "programs in schools initiated by parents" goes too far. As sexual choices are a moral decision, teaching homosexuality in schools as an alternate lifestyle is out of line. Tolerance is an admirable quality to promote, but if parents want to advocate homosexuality — or give their children parental guidance for or against such a lifestyle — the home is the only place for such instruction.

I agree that as a society we need to strive for greater harmony, but this harmony should come about not as a result of one relinquishing his belief to another to make peace, but as a result of loving each other in spite of differing, even opposing, beliefs.

Steve Brown
Sophomore, Chemical Engineering

Have compassion for animals

Patrick McHenry is really a lame jerk, and when I hear his name, two words come to mind: Stupid conservative. Seeing his name on a column makes me cringe in fear — fear that I know he will twist the facts, manipulate figures and present an overall incorrect account of events, all in order to lobby on the part of right-wingers.

McHenry stated, "(Animal rights activists) are sadly mistaken if they think animals are like humans." According to Webster's Dictionary, a human is "a bipedal primate mammal." That has animal written all over it.

Although People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals can be an extremist, they have accomplished some of the foremost advancements in animal rights. The group discovered and closed testing facilities in Maryland found to be guilty of abusing primates both physically and psychologically. The experiments required electrically shocking all areas of the monkeys' bodies with a cloth "mother" monkey and other tortures in an attempt to find results of "parental" mistreatment. It would have been safer, less expensive and more accurate to have studied known cases of human child abuse.

Pigs, isolated from their offspring by fences, spend weeks during the litters' development screaming until their death from a dull blade sawing at their throat, a procedure which takes many minutes before death results. Following birth, broiler chickens' beaks and claws are cut off without the use of anesthesia, and they dwell on a crowded floor covered in nothing but layer upon layer of guano.

Layer fowl live in sheds up to four stories high in a cage barely four inches larger than their bodies. When their egg production begins to drop, injections of steroids are used to attempt to increase production, only to result in the death of the animal weeks later. It should be blatantly obvious by now that animals live atrociously every day. Animals have no voice and need humans to fight for them. McHenry, this question is for you: "Who are you, or any human for that matter, to say what lives and what dies?" Who gave you the right to mistreat any living thing? You are a blind conservative (are there any Republicans who can see the truth?) with an inflated head and an ego the size of Rush Limbaugh. You had two words for the readers: "Who cares?" and "I have two words directed at you: 'Shut up!'"

Michael Bosies
Freshman, Design

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