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Conte reels in big bucks with NSF award

The National Science Foundation has selected Thomas Conte, an assistant professor of electrical and computer engineering at N.C. State, to receive a Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Award.

The award, previously known as the NSF Young Investigators Award, recognizes the accomplishments of junior faculty members and their potential to achieve research and educational goals, and supports career development.

Conte will receive \$200,000 over four years. An NCSU faculty member since 1995, Conte specializes in computer architecture, particularly instruction-level parallelism and very long instruction word (VLIW) processors.

His current research focuses on developing an advanced VLIW processor testbed (code-named "TINKER") that demonstrates the practicality of advanced compiler optimization and highly parallel, statically scheduled microarchitectures.

Courtesy of NCSU News Services.

SAS Institute, N.C. State join forces

As people depend more on their computers for information and entertainment, they increasingly encounter those infuriating moments when software requiring quirky commands stops them cold.

A unique industry/academia partnership between SAS Institute Inc. of Cary and the Computer Science Department at N.C. State could one day lead to more effective computer-human interfaces and thus less stress for computer users.

The company and the university will jointly support a tenure-track faculty position in computer-human interfaces, beginning in August.

According to Alan Tharp, head of the computer science department at NCSU, the partnership is unprecedented because SAS Institute, one of the world's 10 largest independent software companies, is doing more than simply endowing the position.

Software developers at the company will actually work with the faculty member as he pursues his research. Tharp said the arrangement is the first of its kind for NCSU.

"We hope that this joint effort will help students at N.C. State develop superior understanding of the User Interface discipline," said Keith Collins, a research and development strategist for SAS Institute.

Courtesy of NCSU News Services.

Former student remembered with scholarship

Jeff Peters, an N.C. State senior and a member of the marching band, has won the Toni Christine Masini Memorial Scholarship.

The \$1,000 award for the 1996-97 academic year was named for Toni Masini, an NCSU student who died in 1992. The award is meant to recall the importance of music and scholarship in Masini's life.

Courtesy of NCSU News Services.

Students find a little R&R on-line

Students can avoid a trip to the Registration and Records office by visiting its site on the World Wide Web.

By Jason King
News Editor

Administrators at N.C. State's Registration and Records office are working hard so students don't have to.

The department is improving its Internet site so students can accomplish many of the tasks that would usually involve a trip to its office.

In fact, the department's work

could save students from having to spend hours on the phone each semester trying to register through TRACS.

The offices' biggest project still has a few hang-ups, but could be available in a year.

According to Assistant Registrar Louis Hunt, a plan that would allow students to register for classes via the Internet is still under construction.

"We're still working on it," he said. "It's a top priority. There's still a little bit of debate over some technical issues."

Hunt said the system could be up and running in as early as six months, but it could take as long as 18 months.



"It's tough to say how long it will be," he said. "I'm hopeful that we'll have it in a year."

One issue facing the developers of the system is the number of logins that will be allowed. One possibility would be to have a set number (300 to 400) of logins allowed; or administrators could limit access by

computer access. A new addition to the site is full transcript extension. Hunt said the option has been available for about three weeks.

Students will have to use their Unity or EOS login ID to access the information. Starting in the Spring 1996 semester, instructors were no longer allowed to post grades outside their offices or classrooms.

Hunt said students can view their grades as soon as their instructor posts them on the Semester Grades extension of the site. Students can see the grades on their transcript the next day. Grades are also available over the telephone by calling TRACS.

Even though instructors have posted grades by social security number for years, Hunt said it isn't a good idea.

"We're moving away from it," he said. "It's really a privacy issue."

In only its first semester in operation, over 4,500 students logged on to the site, Hunt said. Those students used the site to check their grades 15,000 times.

Hunt said the thousands of students who visit the Registration and Records office per week at the beginning of each semester to change their address or get their class schedule can do both on-line at anytime, any day.

Program BRIDGES diversity gap

The BRIDGE Program leads students to doctoral studies at N.C. State.

News Staff Report

The eighth-grade science students Angela Ireland taught inspired her to seek a career field in which she could generate scientific knowledge. Now she is getting help reaching her goal of a career in biomedical research through N.C. State's Bioscience Research Initiative for Doctoral Graduate Education (BRIDGE).

BRIDGE, funded by the National Institutes of Health, aims to increase the number of minority and female researchers in biomedical and life sciences. Through BRIDGE, talented master's degree students are identified at partner institutions and are assisted in making the transition to research-related doctoral studies at NCSU.

A biotechnology course Ireland is taking this summer at NCSU is just one element of the total BRIDGE Program, said Ireland. She expects to complete her M.A. this year at N.C. A&T in Greensboro.

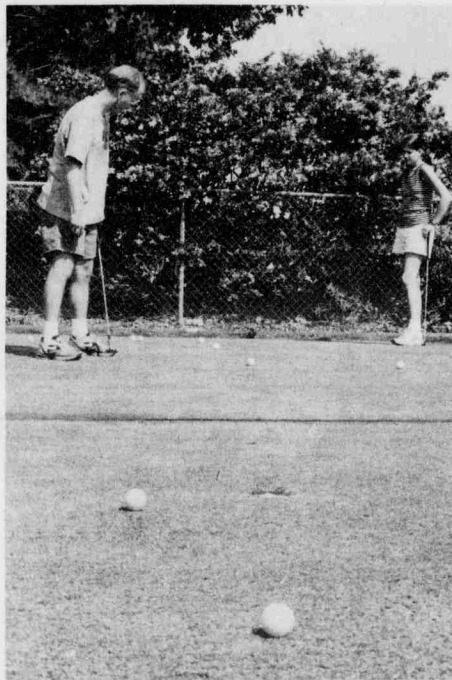
"I sought to participate in BRIDGE because it is academically demanding and it gives me an opportunity to sharpen my research skills, which will be necessary to be successful at the doctoral research level."

Along with learning techniques used by molecular biologists to clone genes and to isolate DNA, the summer course puts her in touch with many of the NCSU faculty, who can guide her toward research in reproductive immunology.

Thoyd Melton, BRIDGE director and associate dean at the NCSU Graduate School, said that BRIDGE provides students the opportunity to interact with faculty and graduate students at NCSU and to participate in off-campus research experiences during their M.A. programs at their

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Which of these balls is mine?



It's not Puff Puff, but it's not the U.S. Open, either. Students Kerry Sullivan and David Harris gear up for golf class in front of Carmichael Gymnasium.

FLORA SHABANI/STAFF

Old stadium could be demolished

Riddick Stadium is one of two sites being considered for a new building.

News Staff Report

Part of N.C. State's storied athletic past may give way soon to the university's academic future.

The remaining half of Riddick Stadium and the adjoining parking lot could be demolished to make room for an undergraduate laboratory science teaching center.

According to Thomas Frisbie-Fulton, director of campus planning, the site is one of two being considered for the new building.

The other site, near Gardner Hall, is currently occupied by greenhouses.

Frisbie-Fulton said the project is one of NCSU's top five priorities.

"It's a very high priority for the university," he said. "I think it's something we might see in the next five years."

The new building would be used to replace the chemistry labs in Withers Hall, and may include areas for engineering, agricultural and life science teaching labs.

In current plans, the building has a 300-space parking deck, Frisbie-Fulton said. The building will have to gain approval from the Board of Trustees and receive funding from the North Carolina Legislature.

Riddick Stadium was home to Wolfpack football from 1907 to 1965. Several enlargements over the years increased the stadium's capacity to 20,000 seats.

The stadium was named after W.C. Riddick. According to the NCSU Football Media Guide, Riddick was considered the "Father of Athletics" at North Carolina State College of Agricultural and Mechanical Arts, as NCSU was known in the early 1900s.

considerable growth. The number of bachelor's degrees awarded escalated and undergraduate enrollment increased by nearly 300 percent. The graduate program grew by 500 percent and research activities increased tenfold.

With more than 5,000 undergraduates, the College of Engineering is the largest of NCSU's colleges and is among the largest undergraduate engineering

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Masnari gets BOG stamp of approval

It's official: Masnari gets the nod as the new dean of the College of Engineering.

News Staff Report

Nino Masnari, the director of the Center for Advanced Electronic Materials Processing at N.C. State, has received official word that he will become the next dean of the College of Engineering.

Chancellor Larry Monteith made

the announcement after Masnari was approved by both the NCSU Board of Trustees and the UNC Board of Governors. Masnari's term begins August 1.

Masnari succeeds John Gilligan, who has served as interim dean since the resignation of Ralph Cavin III in December 1995. The appointment follows a six-month targeted search.

Paul Zia, a distinguished university professor emeritus, headed the search committee.

"He has the academic and administrative experience that is required for the position," Zia said.

"We were looking for a person with very strong leadership and academic qualities. He has those qualities."

"After receiving the Board of Trustees' approval in late May, Masnari said he wanted to continue to help build a strong engineering program at NCSU.

"We'd like to make the college competitive with some of the best

programs in the country," he said.

Masnari also said the key to success is the students.

"What you like to see at any institution is for your students to be successful," he said. "Our responsibility is to give them the basic knowledge they will need."

Masnari is a professor of electrical and computer engineering and served as head of the department from 1979 through 1988. During his tenure, Masnari guided the department through a period of

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Flea problems? Find solutions here

Flea problems often accompany the summer season, but an N.C. State entomologist says controlling fleas doesn't have to be a hassle.

News Staff Report

With hundreds of flea control products on the market, pet owners often need advice on how best to treat a summer flea infestation.

"Usually, everyone is looking for the easy ways to deal with fleas," said Mike Waldvogel, an entomologist with the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service at N.C. State. "It's not always easy. But there are steps you can take to improve success."

First, watch your pets to determine where they spend their time. "That's where most of your efforts should be focused," Waldvogel said.

Then start a flea-control program by first

pursuing nonchemical methods of treatment. Groom your pet with a special comb to remove fleas and then drown the fleas in a bowl of soapy water.

"Because fleas can carry some disease-causing organisms, you are better off flicking them into soapy water rather than crushing them in your fingers," Waldvogel said.

Vacuum floors, carpets and rugs frequently to remove flea eggs and adult fleas as well as organic matter on which fleas feed. If possible, wash the pet's bedding too.

Next, investigate chemical methods of treatment such as shampoos, dips, indoor and outdoor insecticide sprays and medication.

"Ask your veterinarian before you use any chemical product on or around your pet, because he or she is familiar with your pet's health history," Waldvogel said. "Some animals may be more sensitive to certain chemicals than others. As a rule, use pesticides in moderation,

and never buy more than you really need to use."

He cautioned against spraying insecticides into vacuum cleaner bags and recommended vacuuming prior to spraying insecticides.

Waldvogel suggested using over-the-counter chemical products that kill flea eggs or larvae (immature fleas) and contain a growth regulator such as methoprene, often sold as Precor or Vigen.

He said chemical foggers can help if used according to label directions, but they do not penetrate well under beds, sofas and other low-lying areas. Additional direct spraying with an aerosol may be necessary for the areas the foggers don't reach.

Waldvogel cautioned against using more foggers than are needed for a specific area. When using any insecticide, move all pets

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X-tra

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Jim Carrey is funny and he's making money

■ Don't pay full price. "The Cable Guy" is strictly a bargain matinee flick.

By JOSH JORDON
STAFF WRITER

From the previews, "The Cable Guy" seems destined to be one of those big summer blockbusters that everyone rushes out to watch.

It certainly has the potential in terms of stardom, with actors Jim Carrey and Matthew Broderick. But even with big names and excellent direction from Ben Stiller, this movie falls a little flat.

It's not a horrifying flop — merely an overrated movie.

Carrey plays Chip, a lunatic whose only parent and friend growing up was the television set.

He spends the entire movie talking with a lisp and acting desperate for human companionship. But the only way he can win friends is by giving them premium cable channels for free.

Enter Steven, played by Matthew Broderick.

Steven has been kicked out by his girlfriend, Robin (Leslie Mann), and is forced to move into a new apartment. He tries to slip the cable guy 50 bucks for free movie channels, but he gets more than he bargained for.

Chip becomes obsessed with being Steven's friend. Just like your typical stalker, Chip calls Steven's answering machine repeatedly, shows up where he knows Steven will be and otherwise manipulates, blackmails and bribes him.

The poor guy is pathetic. It's kind of sad, actually.

However, the movie does have its funny moments. Like when Chip and Steven fight it out "to the death" in a medieval theme restaurant.

Chip becomes obsessed with swords and armor. And when Chip, Robin, and Steven eat dinner at Steven's parents' house and Chip gets the family to play "porno password."

Steven's family loves Chip, and he manipulates the family and Steven's girlfriend to think Steven is a nut.

Matthew Broderick pulls off his role as the poor hero marvelously.

while Carrey seems torn between playing the total idiot (like in all his other films) and giving serious acting a try. He comes across as if he's in a transition phase from physical comedy to a higher, more intellectualized comedy, because surprise! Beneath all of Carrey's usual antics, this movie actually has a message.

Carrey is not great, but he performs his role as a psycho well enough. It just gets repetitive really quick.

This movie is not the blockbuster that Columbia pictures promised us. But it is definitely worth seeing for matinee price or at Blue Ridge Cinema 10.

Then you won't be concerned about wasting your money.

Grade: C+



The Cable Guy (Jim Carrey) teaches Steven (Matthew Broderick) the fine points of "porno password."

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Flowers are blooming at the Arboretum

■ Paradise found — at the N.C. State Arboretum.

X-TRA STAFF REPORT

Looking for a break from all the bricks around campus? The North Carolina State Arboretum might just be the place for you to get back to nature.

The Arboretum consists of several different gardens, each one having its own distinct style. Currently there are over 5,000 different species of plants on display. These plants come from private collections, nurseries and botanical gardens all around the world.

The idea to build the arboretum was first conceived in 1976, but the Arboretum was not formally dedicated until 1980. Its main purpose is to serve as a research

facility to evaluate and to display a large range of exotic plants.

The newest display garden, the Paradise Garden, was inspired by the Moorish water gardens of Spain and North Africa.

What flowers grow in Paradise? Oleanders, day lilies, geraniums, flowering pomegranates, pineapple lilies in raised beds around a tile-floored bamboo pergola are only a few of many. A small fountain splashes in a small pool beneath the pergola's dome, hidden from outside view by a screen of evergreen shrubs and a contorted hazelnut tree that shades a small entry plaza.

In the White Garden, currently under renovation, a stone pathway leads to a white gazebo surrounded by white verbenas, oakleaf hydrangea and whirling butterflies.

There are several benches shaded from the sun located on the grounds of the Arboretum. One such place is by a small pond surrounded by stones and a modern art sculpture.

The next large structure that will catch your eye is the "necessary." It is a public restroom facility. You would never guess this from the building's design and brightly colored exterior of pink, purple and peach.

Located in the center of the Arboretum is the Rose Garden. The garden not only boasts every color imaginable for a rose, but the trees in the garden intertwine, creating a naturally covered area ideal for taking time out to enjoy the sight and aroma of the garden.

The Japanese Garden has a very quiet, restful atmosphere. Iris cristata, dysosma pleiantha and

husta gold drop are among the plants that can be found here.

If you are interested in supporting or taking part in the work that goes on at the Arboretum, then you can become an Arboretum volunteer or join The Friends of the Arboretum.

The Friends of the Arboretum supports the Arboretum and enhances teaching and research in the horticulture department.

Maps are available at the visitor's center to assist with self-guided tours, and guided tours are offered Sunday afternoons at 2 p.m.

The Arboretum is located at 4301 Beryl Road off Hillsborough Street, and it is open to the public every day of the week from 8 a.m. until sunset. More than 100,000 people visit the Arboretum each year.

Admission is free.

Compiled By Betsy Stroud

GLENN ABBEY/STAFF

What is there to do at the N.C. State Arboretum? You can study, relax, meditate, picnic... or just immerse yourself in nature.



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Tanner bolts Pack for 'Cocks job

■ Ray Tanner's departure leaves a void in the baseball program that won't be filled easily.

By MATT LAIL
Sports Editor

When Ray Tanner took the South Carolina baseball job last Friday, it was a small step for Gamecocks baseball and one giant blow to the future of N.C. State's.

Tanner becomes the ninth coach since 1993 to leave N.C. State.

Tanner had been a fixture of Wolfpack baseball for the last 20 years. First as an All-ACC third baseman and then as its coach.

He led the team to the NCAA Regionals seven out of the last nine years. Now he is on his way to Columbia, S.C., in hopes of leading the University of South Carolina to similar glory.

"Coach Tanner comes to us with the highest of recommendations from respected baseball people across the country and his credentials are outstanding," Mike McGee, South Carolina director of athletics, said. "We welcome him and his wife, Karen, to the Carolina family and we look forward to having him lead our baseball program."

With Tanner at the reigns in Raleigh, the Wolfpack won an average of 45 games a year over the past seven years. He leaves State as the second-most victorious coach in school history with an overall record of 395-173, a .695 winning percentage.

"We took a close look and talked with some outstanding baseball coaches during this search," McGee said. "And throughout the process, Tanner's name kept rising to the top of the list."

Tanner, who is considered one of the games best young coaches, is currently an assistant coach with the U.S. Olympic Team, and is working with legendary coaches Skip Bertman of national

champion LSU, Mississippi State's Ron Polk, and Jerry Weinstein of Sacramento City Community College. Tanner served as an assistant on the Olympic Team in '93, and began a two-year stint as an Olympic assistant last summer.

Tanner led the Wolfpack to the 1992 ACC Tournament Championship and twice received Coach of the Year Honors — the 1990 ACC Coach of the Year and 1993 Atlantic Region Coach of the Year.

The 1993 Pack won a school-record 49 games. Thirty Pack players have gone on to play professional ball after Tanner's guidance, and more than 15 players have earned first-team All-Conference honors.

"Tanner is one of the most outstanding young coaching talents in this country," said Bertman, whose Tigers recently won their third National Championship. "The South Carolina fans will be very, very pleased. He has a tremendous knowledge of the game and really cares about his players. Dr. McGee and the University of South Carolina have made

a great choice."

Mike Gillespie, head coach at the other USC, Southern California, agrees with Bertman.

"Ray is highly regarded by his peers, as recognized by his selection to serve as one of our Olympic Team coaches," Gillespie said. "There's no doubt in my mind that under his direction, South Carolina will soon compete for the SEC Championship and become a nationally recognized program."

Tanner came to State from Benson, N.C. in 1976, and in his fourth year as a Pack shortstop and third baseman, he earned All-ACC recognition. He received his master's degree from State in 1983.

Tanner became the head coach at Doak Field in 1987 at the age of 29 after Sam Esposito retired, making him one of the youngest coaches in the country.

Tanner is married to Gamecocks alumna Karen Donald, a native of Charleston, S.C. His five-year contract in Columbia is worth \$70,000 annually.

It's a shame about Ray



File Photo/Staff
After a week of speculation, Coach Ray Tanner decided to head for Hootieville.

FILE PHOTO/STAFF

No fences have been able to hold George Tarantini from recruiting. State signed six new players for the upcoming season. Tarantini hopes to see them in action sans the chain-link panoramic vision.



State signs six booters for '96

■ Coach Tarantini hopes to have some balance after the roller coaster ride of the past two years. And it starts with his six new recruits.

By J.P. GIGLIO
Staff Writer

Coach George Tarantini has turned and faced the strange changes, to paraphrase David Bowie.

The men's soccer team finished last season's roller coaster ride with the worst loss in ACC Tournament history to Clemson. Only a year earlier, the upstart Wolfpack won the ACC regular season championship. But you can't keep a program

down that produces U.S. Olympians Tab Ramos and Roy Lassiter. After the disappointing 8-7-3 record, Tarantini has infused new blood into the roster.

State signed six new players for the upcoming season, five freshman and one transfer.

"I am extremely happy with this because they are really excited about playing at N.C. State," Tarantini said.

At the top of Tarantini's list is forward Chris Welling, a Parade All-American from Naples, Fla. Welling is the Sunshine State's high school 5-A player of the year and is expected to contribute offensively immediately.

"Chris Welling is an exciting player," Tarantini said. "He is quick

"We recruit the best players possible, and then let the positions take care of themselves."

—George Tarantini, Men's soccer coach

to the goal and he can finish."

Tarantini also likes Welling's international experience. He is a member of the under-18 U.S. national team.

Two of the players the Wolfpack signed led their teams to the state finals, Daniel Villarreal from Bowie High school in Texas and Jeremy Ballenger of Golden, Colo.

"We have to figure out where everybody fits. We recruit the best players possible and then let the positions take care of themselves," Tarantini said.

Transfer midfielder Cristian Cubillas of Central Florida and Raleigh native Steven Stockwell round out the class.

Steven, a keeper from Leesville Road, is the brother of Adam Stockwell who is a senior keeper for the Pack.

Tarantini expects to sign at least three more players before camp opens on August 17.

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New logotype unnecessary

■ As long as organizations are consistent with their use of logotypes, a new one isn't needed.

A group of people concerned with making a more unified identity for N.C. State started looking into developing a new logotype two years ago. The Graphic Identity Steering Committee was created to undertake the Herculean task of designing a new logo that will show the university's diversity and unity. As if the variations already in existence weren't confusing enough, the committee's new logo will show up in October, becoming the logo everyone has to use.

The new logo is supposed to identify NCSU. Currently, there are five or six different variations of the university's name and at least three different logos used by NCSU-related organizations. And even all this variety doesn't show the diversity of the university.

It's trivial to make everyone use the same symbol. They all mean the same thing — they just have different lengths and sizes. Why pick one particular logo, symbol or title from the list of those currently used (N.C. State, NCSU or North Carolina State University, just to name a few)? As long as an organization or department uses the university's name and symbols consistently in all its documents, no one should worry about the logo used by another department.

Creating a new logotype will just create more confusion. There will be

concerns of how and when to use the logotypes and when to completely stop the use of old ones.

As soon as the new graphic becomes "the" logotype for NCSU, organizations will have to trash their supplies with the old logos for new supplies. It could easily take a sizeable chunk out of a small group's budget — paper isn't as cheap as it used to be.

Different groups need to be able to display that they are part of the university, yet independent. It would be more confusing if every single organization, department or college used exactly the same symbol, because they would all run together and have no individual identity. Sometimes a strong symbol makes a group stand out without causing people to forget that the organization is a part of NCSU. Having a logotype that stands out makes a group easy to recognize. It doesn't make people automatically think that the group exists without NCSU.

It will be interesting to see what the committee releases in October as the new unifying logotype. Will it cover all aspects of the university? Most likely it won't — too much goes on at NCSU to fit into a limited space.

The goal of creating a unified identity appears to focus on change for its own sake with little or no regard for what that change would really mean.

That's how we got into this mess in the first place.

Hard work has its rewards

■ Enjoy summer while you can.

One week from today, students will start their post-exam recovery period. Five straight days of not over-stressing the brain. Some will go to the beach or home to visit family. For many, this is the end of school for the summer. Others will be back for Summer Session II.

It's almost a violation of human nature to have to carry books and study when the sun is shining and the birds are singing, even though many students do it as if they were attending another semester of school.

Summer school is attended for a variety of reasons. Some people try to catch up, others want to get ahead and a few take summer school classes to finish up their last graduation requirements. Whatever the reason, it takes a special type of person to attend school when everyone else is at the beach or working a summer job.

Summer students are a hardy bunch — they have to be. With the Dining Hall, D.H. Hill Library and Carmichael Gym closing earlier than

they did during spring, there isn't a great deal to do on campus after-hours. Attending summer school shows dedication. But, being cooped up all the time in a classroom or someplace studying is no way to spend the summer.

Summer life is remarkably different from fall and spring. Classes move faster while everything else moves slower. The entire day is kind of lazy and quiet on campus. Everyone seems friendlier, both on campus and in the surrounding community. There is plenty of time to take a nap in the sun.

Moments like those shouldn't be taken for granted. Having almost an entire week off should definitely not be taken for granted. You should enjoy yourself.

The next week will be the beginning for some people of summer, for others a chance to relax before the next summer session. Enjoy the time off — spend your time wisely. Make the summer something to remember, even if you spend most of your time going to classes.



Commentary

What will you do when you grow up?

What do you want to be when you grow up?

We have been asked that question almost from the time we began speaking our first coherent sentences. As children, we gave many answers: We wanted to be firemen, police officers, actresses, rock stars and ballerinas. As the years progressed, we began to give more serious thought to this question. The lucky ones came up with a decisive answer that fulfilled all their expected needs. They now prepare to enter careers in law, chemistry, medicine and other clearly defined areas of study which will provide them with income, respect and a place in the world they can fill.

What about the rest of us? I don't mind telling you that I am in my late thirties and have asked myself this same question almost every day. What do I want to be when I grow up? The road to reaching the answer has for me been a convoluted one. The answers I would have provided along the way are as varied as the years have been.

On what do you base this kind of question when you look for a final answer? I need to be able to support myself. I want to be able to afford nice things, a house, a car and the occasional trip to somewhere other than here. I want a career that earns me respect. I want to be able to have fun and enjoy what I'm doing.

For most of us, enjoying what we are

Terry Bennett



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doing will be the hardest to achieve. I spent almost two decades in business realizing more and more with each passing day just how much I hated my job. I wasn't alone in my feelings. Most people feel the same way. We get up every day and go to a job we hate, do work we hate and come home wondering if that is all life really is. After many years of day jobs and

night courses, I finally reached the point where I was able to go back to college. I wanted to fulfill my dream of a college education and be the first in my family to receive a four-year degree.

Sounds like a dream come true, doesn't it? It was to me. Right up to the day I realized I was about to do the same thing to myself all over again. I was starting to train for a job I would eventually come to hate. The absurd part was I was doing it for all the right reasons. I should be able to find employment. I should be able to earn a decent living. (At my age, you don't dream as much about getting rich — paying the bills is enough.) It was the right thing for me to do. The only problem was that it wasn't what I really wanted to do. I tried not to think about that part.

A couple of weeks ago, I met a new person at a party and we got to talking about careers. She has been working in a factory for the last nine years. She has a very good job there making excellent money. She told me, however, that as soon as her children graduated college she was

headed for the coast to do what she had always dreamed of doing. She wanted to own and operate a commercial fishing boat.

I made all the expected arguments to that. Fishing is terrible. You can't make a decent living at it. The work is extremely hard. She's single with no one to help her.

Her response was simple. It was what she loved, and she was going to take the risk before she died. As she put it, "I just want to be able to get up in the morning and look forward to going to work because I love what I'm doing. To me that's more important than money."

You know what? I agree completely. So now I'm preparing to change my major and to do what has always been my first love. I'm going to be a professional writer. I know the money is the pits for most writers. I know I'll probably get more rejections than sales, if I get any sales at all. But it really doesn't matter. I'll finally be able to look forward to getting up and going to work in the morning. I'll be able to live without that ever-present knot in my stomach that comes from hating what I do.

Here's my advice to those of you who haven't yet figured out what to be when you grow up. Look at everything you do, the classes you take, and all your accumulated experiences. Then decide what you love and do that. No, it may not be the most intelligent choice. It may be a choice that leads to abject poverty as mine might. But you'll be happier.

Life doesn't really last very long. There's no point in spending the time you have in misery.

Concerns being met

I appreciated reading the editorial on Fraternity Court fire safety renovations in the May 29 issue. I realize comments made were in the context of a positive editorial, but I wanted to pass along some factual information that was lacking or misinterpreted.

The renovations being completed on Fraternity Court this summer don't involve any new fire safety measures other than those originally planned three years ago. This summer's work is the culmination of a three-year, three-phase project. Although the tragic fire at UNC-Chapel Hill has impacted people, it hasn't changed or redirected our course of ensuring that the Fraternity Court buildings are as safe as possible for our residents.

It isn't accurate to state the buildings have not met fire codes for 30 years. The buildings must have passed all applicable inspections or else they wouldn't have been opened in 1964. It's true that building codes change over time and we make the necessary moves to ensure maximum safety for our

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residents. Current renovations are estimated to cost just over \$1.2 million.

The fire at Sigma Phi Epsilon May 4 could have been more dangerous had the fire detection systems in place not operated properly, and if Grant Buttram, the Chapter Resident Advisor, not acted quickly and appropriately.

Terry Bennett's column refers to a sleeping arrangement in the attic of the Delta Chi chapter house. Her information isn't correct in that no one sleeps in the attic at that house. The bedroom in question houses four men who sleep above the floor on a raised platform which is accessed from below through a three-by-three passageway.

The buildings on Fraternity Court are all constructed primarily of steel, masonry and brick except for the sorority duplex. Through original and renovations planning, each building is designed to provide

smoke or fire containment and not allow the spread of either. Residents can exit the building through fire-rated corridors which provide safe passages from any area of the chapter house.

The renovations include, but aren't limited to, the following:

- one-hour fire-rated corridors, including exterior fire escape stairways
- enclosing hallways with fire walls to the roof deck
- spraying fire-proofing material above the ceilings
- installing fire dampers which shut off air flow from differing areas of the building
- one-hour fire-rated doors and hardware
- painting with fire-retardant paint

In addition, the following state-of-the-art, fire detection/suppression measures are found in chapter houses:

- fire alarms
 - pull stations
 - emergency exit signs and lighting
 - extinguishers
 - kitchen heat detectors
 - kitchen stove/grill extinguisher units
 - evacuation plans
- In a fully renovated building, a fire alarm and evacuation route plan is in every

resident's room.

Drew Smith
Assistant Director of Student Affairs

Editor's note: The length rule was waived to allow for a more complete response.

Open letter to the chancellor

Dear Dr. Monteith: The failure of N.C. State to observe Memorial Day is an insult to the memories of those who died in service, to their families and to those who served with them. The decision to ignore Memorial Day this year is not a departure from the norm, since Memorial Day has not been observed by NCSU for several years, if memory serves. I disagree with the decision to treat Memorial Day as just another day, regardless of how many years that has been the policy.

Summer school classes began on Tuesday the week prior to the Monday on which Memorial Day was observed. It is inconceivable to me why classes could not have begun one day earlier so Memorial Day could have been observed. Ultimately, the responsibility

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for the decision not to observe Memorial Day is yours. I urge you to make a public explanation of the reasons for that decision. In addition, I sincerely hope you will take appropriate steps to make sure that Memorial Day will be observed by the university in years to come.

Andy Smith
Graduate Student, Computer Science

Alumnus praises Wolfpack notes

I welcome similar future articles on Wolfpack updates such as Wolfpack notes. We alumni surely cannot rely on the media (The News & Observer, The Charlotte Observer) for positive Wolfpack information.

Ryan Hale
Alumnus, Business Management

Practice abstinence

I watched a program that covered teens and young adults and the practice of safe sex. I was very disturbed and felt somewhat afraid for this nation as so many people are dying of AIDS due to their disregard to practice safe sex. I was shocked at some trends that have occurred among teens. Many teenage girls have chosen to engage in anal sex to avoid pregnancy and to feel as if they aren't losing their virginity. Another trend among teenagers (especially in small towns) has been to share condoms or use plastic sandwich bags.

The message has been, and still is, for everyone to practice safe sex. Yet, why are so many of our teens and young adults dying of AIDS and contracting sexually transmitted diseases? The answer is to practice abstinence until marriage.

Our society has become so removed from traditional family values that abstinence until marriage is rarely discussed with children. Our children should be raised to view themselves as

beautifully wrapped packages — untouched, unopened, unrom — and presentable to their spouses.

Because of unprotected sex, our nation is dying from AIDS and spreading disease. We must teach our children to abstain from sex until marriage.

Kendall Burgess
Sophomore, Communications

GI Bill proved to be ingenious lie

I'm writing this letter for the longevity of my own personal umbrella of security, which is constantly minimizing.

Two years ago, I enlisted in the Army because of the Montgomery GI Bill. It guaranteed me a set amount of money for each month that I enrolled as an N.C. State student. What a wonderful incentive, or so I thought. The GI Bill has proved to be the most majestic concoction of lies ever to befall my ears.

The Department of Defense

(DOD) has amazingly lost all information confirming my completion of IET training. Therefore, I receive no money and am compelled to have other jobs to make ends meet. My study time has detrimentally declined because I must now work to compensate for my money that the DOD won't give me.

In proposing a solution to this dilemma that has proven corrosive to my studies and financial standing, only one answer comes to mind ... the truth. Military personnel should stress that most "recipients" of the GI Bill accumulate more time reapplying for the GI Bill and calling the Veteran's Administration than they are receiving their entitlements. Thus, if I am to "be all that I can be" — give me my money.

Kimberly Pettaway
Freshman, First-Year College

Clarification: The June 12 editorial "Center's job over-estimated" was based on research by Rebecca Hollis.

BRIDGE

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It also develops mentoring relationships; allows faculty to serve as members of participating students' graduate advisory committees at their home institutions; provides access to research facilities at NCSU; supports attendance at national or regional scientific meetings; and provides counseling as students make the transition from M.A. programs to doctoral studies.

Melton said the need for BRIDGE became apparent when a 1993 study conducted by the National Research Council showed that only 2.9 percent of doctoral degrees awarded in life sciences by U.S. institutions went to African-Americans and only 0.3 percent went to Native Americans.

Masnari

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programs in the country. The college has almost 1,300 graduate students.

Masnari is a native of Three Rivers, Mich. He received his B.S., master's degree and doctorate from the University of Michigan. All three were in electrical engineering.

Fleas

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out of the area being treated. Do not allow them back until the chemical has dried, or wait longer if the product label specifies a time.

"The best time to treat the house is right after you get back from vacation," he said. "The fleas are not likely to be out and about while you and your pets are away, so all of that spraying is not likely to help."



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Answers

Crossword Puzzle

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 Dear Devastated,
 First of all this girl is no friend! Look for people who are going to be loyal, and be buddies with them. As for the guy, get a clue! There are so many guys out there, this one can not possibly be the "guy of your life," if he would do something so rotten. Ditch those losers and get over it.

Dear Little D,
 I'm in love with an old friend of mine. I am scared to death to tell him how I feel—I don't want to ruin the friendship by involving emotions that might not be reciprocated. What do I do?
 Dear Stuck,
 I feel your pain. You won't be happy until you tell him. How many friends do you have? Probably enough. Forget friendship—think relationship. I know you'll say the thing to make him know your feelings.

Dear Little D,
 My roommate is a complete stob! She never does anything to help keep the apartment clean. I'm sick of picking up her slack! Should I throw her out?—Tired in Raleigh
 Dear Tired,
 It sucks to be you. Tell roommate to get a life and if she doesn't, well then suck it up or else move out. Stressing won't help.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS

1	Explanation	50	Time	22	See
4	Hemp or advantage	51	Man's need	23	Nasty one
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12	Rushmore	54	Cry of dismay	27	Requisite
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16	Bronson	58	Carson's film predecessor	31	Sicilian spouter
18	TV, radio, etc.	59	Scale	35	D.C. VIP
20	Squirrel's hideaway	60	General members	38	Fill full of holes
21	They have their pride	61	Impairment	40	The height of fashion
22	Squirrel's hideaway	62	Bert	42	—your "old man"
24	Hickory nut	63	Lucarelli's for JFK	43	People do it when they see red
28	Furcula	64	Tragic	47	Hassock of a sort
32	Tragic	65	Reason for overtime	48	Joe's "Cabaret" co-star
33	Botheration	66	Stern	49	Connecticut collegians
34	Combustion coatings	67	Dimwit	50	Chop
35	Reason for overtime	68	He hit 61 in 61	51	Zsa Zsa's sis
37	Stern	69	Glazier's sheet	52	Succor
39	Dimwit	70	Microcomputer system	53	"Caught ya!"
41	He hit 61 in 61	71	More than	54	Genetics abbr.
43	Glazier's sheet	72	More than		
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