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## Bell Tower Briefs



### Watch out for tick fever

An inflation in the number of Rocky Mountain spotted fever cases this year has alarmed officials, who warn the disease is nothing to get tickled about.

More than twice as many cases of Rocky Mountain spotted fever have been reported in North Carolina than were reported all last year. Thirty-eight cases have been reported so far, opposed to 18 reported cases last year. Tick season runs roughly from May to September.

The higher incidence of Rocky Mountain spotted fever this year is likely due to an unusually high population of the American dog tick, which carries the potentially deadly disease, said Charles Apperson, a North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service entomologist at N.C. State.

"A wet winter may have caused the increase in population," Apperson said.

Courtesy of the Department of Agricultural Communications.

### School of Design outdistances the competition

A team of seven students from the School of Design at N.C. State placed first in the collegiate division of Odyssey of the Mind, an international problem-solving contest held earlier this month at Iowa State University in Ames.

Eighteen thousand students in championship teams from 17 countries and 48 states competed in four divisions: elementary school, middle school, high school and college.

The School of Design's team also received the Ranatra Fusca Creativity Award, which is housed in the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

The team was required to give an eight-minute performance that combined art and poetry. NCSU's team members developed their presentation as an independent study project during the Spring 1996 semester.

They chose a painting by Edgar Degas and a poem by Emily Dickinson on which to base their project, which included acting, dance, visual art, original poetry, musical composition and set design.

The team scored 171.75 points out of a possible 200 in this long-term segment of Odyssey of the Mind. This was the first time the School of Design has entered the competition.

There also was a spontaneous segment, in which the teams were required to solve a problem on-the-spot. NCSU's team scored 92.67 out of a possible 100 points.

Team members included: graduate Jeffrey Schroeder, seniors Patrick Long and Amanda Davis, juniors Christopher Cross, Alison Batley and Jonathan Hoyer and sophomore Eileen Chevalier.

The School of Design team's opponents included teams from Cornell University, the University of Missouri-Columbia and Georgia Southern University.

Courtesy of NCSU News Services.

## Updated placement center trying to serve students

**■ Career Planning and Placement can help students alleviate job-searching pains.**

By JASON KING  
News Editor

Finding a job after graduation is a job in itself for most students. Many find the search to be an intimidating and disheartening experience, but there are things students can do while they are still in school to make finding jobs a little bit easier on themselves, say officials from N.C. State's Career Planning and Placement Center.

Unfortunately a lot of students don't take advantage of the services the center provides, said Pam Floryanzia, the CP&PC's counselor for Humanities and Social Sciences and Physical and Mathematical

Sciences majors.

"We have a lot of updated procedures in our office," Floryanzia said. "But a lot of students aren't aware of this because they don't come over to the center to see what it's all about."

Some of those services include SIGI PLUS, a computer interactive career guidance program which is used to help students establish a profile; JobTrak, a computerized service that employers who wish to receive resumes from students use to post jobs; and numerous information sessions and workshops designed to help students perform tasks from writing their own resumes to learning interviewing techniques.

According to CP&PC Associate Director Carol Schroeder, students need to start preparing themselves for the job search now.

"Students need to ask themselves

"What have I done to prepare myself for today's job market? It's a competitive one," she said.

Schroeder said she encourages students to visit the center early in their college career in order to identify their particular skills and interests and match them with potential careers. SIGI PLUS is one of the tools used to help students complete self assessments.

Schroeder said there are several factors to take into consideration when conducting a job search, including a student's experience and preparation.

Students can begin preparing for the job search by following the "Suggested Career Planning Steps" program, which is a four-year, step-by-step list of actions CP&PC suggests students take. Steps include attending workshops presented by the center and campus career fairs.

Although it is best for students to visit the center earlier in their college careers, upperclassmen can get help from the center, Schroeder said. CP&PC helps students do self-directed searches, which include searching for potential employment and working on personality traits.

"Our function is to help make a match between the employer and the student," she said. "It's the students' responsibility to inform companies about themselves."

A useful tool center officials would like to start in the spring, Floryanzia said, is "Pack Professionals Assisting College Kids." The program will allow students to network with alumni.

"These are actual alumni who are working in the job field now and are willing to talk to students and give them advice," Floryanzia said.

Schroeder said alumni can tell students how to get their feet in the



Carol Schroeder offers career advice for NCSU students.

door and get companies to pay attention to them.

Floryanzia said the center not only teaches students how to search for jobs out of college, but also how to plan for entire professional careers.

"Those skills are life skills," she

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## Olympic Fever



A member of the New Zealand Olympic team practices throwing the javelin at the Paul Derr Track. The New Zealand squad is just one team that is warming up for the XXVI Olympics.

## Media board looks for a GM

**■ The yearbook's long wait for a general manager may be over soon.**

By ALEX STOREY  
Managing Editor

After several months of waiting, the Student Media Authority will finally take steps to pick a general manager for Agromeck, N.C. State's student yearbook.

Unlike the other student media, which had heads selected last semester, Agromeck has been without an editor in chief since work on next year's book began. Charlie Baird has been serving as interim editor in chief until the board could pick a permanent successor to Andy Tucker, the 1995-96 EIC.

In a summer meeting on June 20, the SMA decided that another meeting would be held on July 18,

at which time the board would decide who would be the new boss.

Agromeck has been without an editor due to an administrative and financial review of the medium conducted by the SMA last semester. The SMA called for the action when it discovered financial irregularities within the medium.

The SMA wants to bring in a new leader, officially a "general manager," to straighten up the books and turn Agromeck around.

SMA board member Keith Crawford said that the panel was concerned about plummeting sales.

"The staff has stagnated and no new blood is coming in," Crawford said. "This small and very talented bunch was keeping the book [Agromeck] alive, but they were not marketing it as they should."

Crawford said that Agromeck sold approximately 150 copies last year. That figure pales in comparison to

the number of yearbooks sold by colleges the size of NCSU.

Kansas State University sold books to nearly 30 percent of its student body, and Clemson University sold 4,500 books to its 18,000 students. It is estimated that from the yearbook's \$70,000 annual budget, it cost nearly \$500 (mostly from student fees) to produce each of the 150 copies sold, which were then sold for \$25 each — a net loss of \$475 per



Charlie Baird

Interim editor of Agromeck

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## Cost of Lot 86 cleanup questioned

**■ The EPA held a public meeting last night to discuss cleanup plans for a former toxic waste burial site.**

By JASON KING  
News Editor

From 1969 to 1980, N.C. State used a 1.5 acre area near Carter-Finley Stadium known as Lot 86 to deposit the university's worst by-products: pesticides, solvents, acids, heavy metals and low-level radioactive waste.

After 15 years of studies, the EPA and the university have agreed that it is finally time to begin cleanup of the site. They do not, however, agree on one of the methods to be used in the cleanup.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency held a public meeting last night at Carter-Finley Stadium's Field House in order to get the public's reaction to their suggested cleanup procedures.

The EPA, NCSU and the NC Division of Waste Management all agree on how to treat the contaminated soil: an in-situ mixing and encapsulation of the subsurface soil. But the EPA and everyone else do not see eye-to-eye on how to clean up the contaminated groundwater in the area.

The university stopped dumping chemical waste at the site in 1980 to comply with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and ended burial of low-level radioactive waste in 1981.

Since studies of the site began in 1981, the EPA and NCSU have been monitoring the spread of the pollutants in the soil at the site and the surrounding area. While the pollutants are still within the boundaries of the fenced-in area, the site is leaking chemicals into groundwater, said EPA Remedial Project Manager Michael Townsend.

"The soil itself did not pose a real risk to the public," he said. "The problem lies in the ingestion of the groundwater."

The EPA wants to pump out the groundwater, then treat and dispose

of it. The process is expensive (university contractors estimated the procedure to cost taxpayers \$2.1 million a year and a half ago) and long (decontamination would take approximately 30 years).

The university and the Division of Waste Management agree that the

**"If the plume hasn't moved in 25 years, chances are it's not going to move now."**

—Duane Knudson,  
NCSU Environmental Affairs

best action would be to allow the contaminants to naturally attenuate, or allow the chemicals entrenched at the site to combine and transform into a harmless state. The alternative is considerably less expensive (estimate: \$600,000) and could take only a few years longer.

Since the in-situ mixing and encapsulation of the soil would control and prevent further spread of the contamination, university and state waste management officials agree that allowing the groundwater to naturally attenuate could be the best route to go.

"If the plume hasn't moved in 25 years, chances are it's not going to move now," said Duane Knudson, manager of Environmental Affairs at N.C. State's Environmental Health and Safety Center.

Residents of the surrounding area say they are ready to see the cleanup process begin.

"It seems like this work has been going on a long time," said Paul Bauer, who lives off nearby Trinity Road. "I don't see any progress being made."

The EPA assured concerned citizens that once a single treatment is deemed acceptable, the cleanup process will begin.

"A decision will be made as to what will be done in the very near future," Townsend said.

## Research aids oil and gas industry

**■ An NCSU professor says microorganisms called extremophiles could help extract oil and gas.**

News Staff Report

Extremophiles, microorganisms that thrive in brutally harsh environments such as volcanoes, arctic pools or the Dead Sea, soon may be put to work in oil and gas wells.

Since the early 1980's, Robert Kelly, a professor of chemical engineering at N.C. State, has investigated the potential of enzymes from thermophilic (heat-loving) bacteria, which live at temperatures up to and exceeding 100 degrees Celsius.

His recent work has yielded an extremozyme, a name that he and Michael Adams of the University of Georgia

coined for enzymes from extremophiles, that could facilitate extraction of oil from the earth. Enzymes, proteins produced by living cells, can act as catalysts in biochemical processes.

In recent years, an array of industries has sought to replace costly and hazardous chemical catalysts with enzymes; however, enzymes from microorganisms that live in moderate environments cannot stand up to the extreme conditions of some industrial processes — such as oil and gas production.

Coating oil and gas from a well often involves injecting a viscous solution of enzymes, guar gum, sand and water into the bore, then setting off an explosion and forcing the solution into resulting cracks in the surrounding rock.

These cracks are propped open by the sand to permit the flow of oil and gas. Activated by the heat in the well, the

enzymes break down the guar gum and thin the solution so that oil and gas can flow freely around the grains of sand.

Although gas and oil companies now use enzymes for these operations, they function well only to about 70°C and can even begin to break down the guar gum before the solution is pumped.

Temperatures in the wells often reach 100°C and higher, so producers need an enzyme that can withstand the extreme heat but that doesn't become active at lower temperatures.

Saad Khan of NCSU and Robert Prud'homme of Princeton University, both specialists in the flow of viscous polymer solutions, worked with Kelly on the problem, and both universities were recently awarded a patent for this technique.

Courtesy of NCSU News Services.

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# Sports

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## Glass half full heading into '96

■ Coach Mike O'Cain and the boys look to put the horror of last season behind them.

By MATT LAIL  
Sports Editor

After being invited to seven straight post-season bowl games, the N.C. State football team suffered a setback last season, finishing a disappointing 3-8 overall, and only 2-6 in ACC action.

But according to head coach Mike O'Cain, don't expect any losing trends to develop. O'Cain is confident that the 1996 team can make amends.

"I feel this group of guys has shown this spring the signs of being a good football team," O'Cain said. "Their work ethic has been outstanding, and they've worked really hard in spring practice. Their attitude is where you'd like for it to be."

It may take more than just hard work and a good attitude if the Wolfpack wants to get back to its winning ways. The 1995 Peach Bowl Champions learned to balance determination and hard work, to go along with sheer talent.

And they didn't even have to play Alabama or East Carolina.

But O'Cain sees the tough '96 schedule (which includes Big 10 school Purdue) as more of an opportunity than a challenge — one that he welcomes.

"With that challenge comes a great opportunity," O'Cain said. "We realized (when scheduling Alabama, Syracuse, Ohio State, etc.) that the demands and the challenges would be great, but we need to play a schedule of this sort. To get ... national exposure, you

have to play Alabama and Purdue."

Much of the team's success will depend on the quarterback position. The record-setting Terry Harvey is gone, and it will be up to younger players to step in. As of right now, just who will start at quarterback is still up in the air.

That's probably the biggest question mark, O'Cain said. "Jose Laureano and Jamie Barnette are two men who improved dramatically from where they were in the fall. But both have little experience. Colin Harris (a junior college transfer) will be given a chance at earning the starting job. Those three have potential to get the job done."

Offensively, O'Cain says that he feels comfortable overall with what he has seen.

"Our backfield is the best it's ever been," O'Cain said. "I feel we've got guys on the line like Seamus Murphy and Alex Santos who can help us win the ACC championship. Behind them is a concern, because we don't have proven backups. Hopefully, they'll be ready by Sept. 7 [for Georgia Tech]."

Defensively, the major concern is up front, not so much with starters, but backups. We're going to have to count on some freshmen to play a lot of minutes."

In some critics' eyes, the off-field problems that have plagued State's football team this past year, players being arrested for breaking and entering, suspensions, etc. have calculated into poor chemistry on the field. But O'Cain disagrees.

"I think [those problems] will make us a better football team," O'Cain said. "You just can't afford to have players not do what they are



Tremayne Stephens runs for daylight last season. The team hopes to improve its 3-8 record.

## Spikers digging for more

By MICHAEL TODD  
Staff Writer

The future is now.

N.C. State's volleyball team is coming off its best record in seven seasons. And they are looking to go higher.

After six consecutive losing seasons, the Wolfpack posted a record of 20-15 last year — its best since 1988 when State was 21-11.

The Pack also posted its best conference record since 1988 when it finished in a tie for fifth at 6-8. The six conference wins were more than State had in the previous three years combined.

Now the sky is the limit for the Wolfpack and State is looking forward to it.

"Next year could not come fast enough," coach Kim Hall said. "The girls and I are so excited. We absolutely can finish in the top three next year."

Returning to lead the Pack is junior Nicole Peterson. The setter from Crest Hill, Ill. set a new single season assist record with 1,363 assists last year and was named to the All-ACC second team. After only two years, Peterson is already third on State's all-time assist list with 1,949.

What makes her stats even more amazing is the fact that Peterson missed most of her freshman year

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## Housing Available Stroud Center

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# Opinion

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## NCSU must clean up waste

■ N.C. State will have to find \$3 million to clean up after itself.

Fifteen years after studies began, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) presents the public with its \$3 million recommendation to clean up N.C. State's Lot 86, a toxic waste site. We can't help to wonder what took so long and how much longer it's going to be before work actually begins.

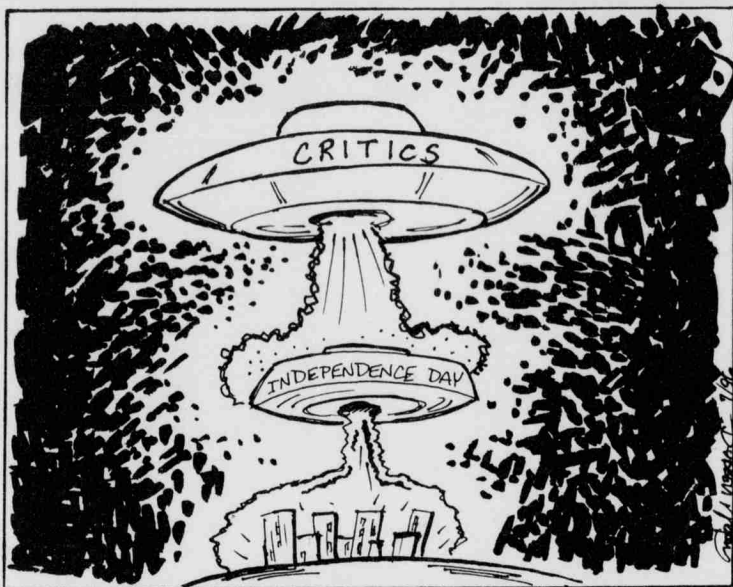
The three-quarter acre fenced-in site, between Carter-Finley Stadium and the Wade Avenue extension, contains pesticides, solvents and animal carcasses that were exposed to low levels of radiation during experiments. In 1969, NCSU converted Research Farm No. 1 to a burial site for the waste and stopped using it entirely in 1981. Designated by the EPA as Lot 86, the area scored 48.35 on the EPA's 100-point contamination scale and received a Superfund site designation in 1986. The EPA believes, however, that the radiation levels are too low to be a threat to the environment or human health. But, you still can't help to wonder why it has taken so long for a cleanup proposal to come.

Most of that time was spent on paperwork and research. It has taken

six years for state administrators and the EPA to come to an agreement about who will be responsible for the cleanup and an additional three years for the EPA to settle on recommendations for the cleanup. They decided that NCSU will have to pay for the cleanup.

The recommendations presented to the public in June 1996 will cost the university more than \$3 million. The EPA proposed a multi-component cleanup plan which includes in-site mixing/encapsulation and groundwater extraction, treatment and discharge. There will be a 30-day public comment period from June 26 to July 26.

NCSU will be responsible though the university administration will probably have to go to the General Assembly for some or all of the money. With the General Assembly recently having adjourned without first passing a 1996/97 budget, serious questions will be raised as to whether or not cleanup activities will begin next year as the EPA projects. With issues such as tax cuts and school funding up in the air, will the General Assembly ever be able to agree on funding for a toxic waste cleanup that has already waited 15 years? Unfortunately, only time will tell.



## Commentary

## Owning a home brings many challenges

We are at this glorious institution of higher learning to obtain one or more degrees. Why? So we can get jobs and eventually buy houses. Why? Because most of us know nothing about owning a house. Oh sure, we watched our parents own a house. It didn't seem too difficult when they did it, but let me assure you that what you saw was an optical illusion. Owning a house is the most exquisite form of torture ever devised. I know. I own one.

There are two types of houses — a fixer-upper and an old fixer-upper. That's right — new houses need work too. Let's say you're going to build a new house. Unless you come from a long line of carpenters, someone else is going to build that house for you. That means a lot of mistakes will be made, so it will be in your best interest to inspect the construction daily. Why, you ask? Don't let me tell you a story. I have a friend who we'll call Sue. Sue and her husband had a new house built. They checked on the construction every day but there are still mistakes in their house. While a closet is missing upstairs, a new one appeared downstairs. Two light switches don't turn on any lights. The switches are just there.

A Type A personality I know took a sledgehammer to the back porch steps that were being built on his new house. It took four demolitions to get those steps built correctly. A concrete entryway was poured twice and it still has strange orange stains in it. Maybe it was orange-tinted concrete.

And how about the builder who finished

Terry Bennett

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one house and had the land next-door graded for construction on another house. Water drained away from the newly graded lot and pooled in the basement of the first house. Not only do you need to keep up with the construction of your new house as it is built, but you need to go over every inch before you sign the final papers. Find every little problem

and make the builders fix it before you sign. Don't let them talk you into signing the papers now and letting them repair later. You could wait a year or more or end up in court before anything happens. Once you sign and the builders have their money, they won't be in any hurry to fix your little problems.

A lot of people buy older houses, or fixer-uppers. This is the equivalent of what your new house will be five to 10 years down the road. With a fixer-upper, you have two alternatives — you can hire someone to do the repairs, or you can do them yourself. My advice is to hire someone else to do as much as possible. But if you're like me, there will never be quite enough money to repair the house and take vacations, too. This is when you learn the fine art of do-it-yourselfing.

My house is a 30-year-old house, and I have lived in it for nine years. In the course of those nine years, I have learned to do the following:

- I can completely take out and reinstall a toilet or any of its parts.
- I can replace broken window panes.
- I can paint anything, anywhere, anytime.
- I can refinish hardwood floors. (From now on, I'll hire these out.)

- I can take out and reinstall sinks, drains and garbage disposals.
- I can build, roof and wire my own workshop.

- I can plant anything, and if I leave it alone, it will live.

- I can repair holes in drywall.
- I can replace outlets, switches, light fixtures and doorbells.
- I can build a fence, a deck and a screened porch.

In short, I can do anything, anywhere, anytime. Even better, I know exactly when to head for the yellow pages and which companies not to call. I will never do anything on the roof. I never do anything that can't sit for three months unfinished without totally disrupting the household. I never do anything that requires operating heavy machinery. I don't do gas appliances, refrigerators, furnaces or air conditioners. These are my ground rules.

Eventually you will acquire valuable skills like these. Don't panic. You'll probably start easy — changing light bulbs and tightening cabinet doors. From there, it's just a short step to doing major repairs. Along the way, you will form your own set of ground rules based on the things you hate doing and the ones that are too complicated to be believed. You will also acquire more tools than you ever knew existed. That's when you'll learn how to build your own workshop.

After a number of years, you will find that a strange metamorphosis has taken place. You'll actually start to enjoy certain aspects of this do-it-yourself life. A bizarre sort of pride develops in seeing something you have done yourself turn out right. Then you can sit back and laugh wickedly as you watch your friends buying their first houses. Just put them on the back, smile knowingly and prepare to be idolized for all your skills and knowledge.

## Corporate downsizing is a part of life

As an employee of a national insurance company, I've learned a little about layoffs and corporate downsizing. Due to a few years of low profits, part of the office I work at will be moved to the corporate headquarters in Ohio. That will leave about 25 people out of jobs. What will happen to my department, I can't say.

Big corporations aren't the only businesses that are downsizing. Small businesses that move with demand hire and fire just as easily — except it's more personal. And no matter where you go, you can't avoid the possibility.

Once we leave N.C. State, we might soon be in the same situation as my co-workers upstairs. Unless we're fortunate enough to land jobs that will last us until we retire or to own our own businesses, we'll probably lose a job at least once. If we don't, we'll know someone who has.

But there are some ways to make the transition smoother. If there will be some time between the announcement of layoffs and the actual layoff, put out some feelers at other companies. You might want to send out some resumes and make contacts to help get your foot in the door. Even if a place doesn't have an opening, they'll

think about you when one opens up.

If you can't find a job right away, there are temporary agencies. Basically, once they sign you on as a temp, they'll

send you out to businesses that need your expertise. There are temp agencies for just about any type of job. A friend of mine who was a carpenter worked as a temp at a generator plant before finding permanent employment. Sometimes, businesses that use temps hire them on a permanent basis. All the temp needs to do is show that he or she is dedicated and hard working.

A college degree doesn't guarantee getting a steady job or even a well-paying one. It is the person who uses the degree that does that. In the cubicle beside me is an NCSU alumna who received an English degree. She does what I do — punch numbers into the computer and talk to agents. But she gets paid as a permanent employee with health benefits.

You see, when you have a family or have to live without money from parents, you take almost any job you can to pay the bills. Even if it's one you don't enjoy. And many of us college students know exactly what that's like.

We work at entry level hoping for a

chance at real jobs. And so do many graduates. My co-worker's dream is to become a chef, but until the kids move out, she'll be with the company for a while — unless she gets laid off.

For someone like me, who hasn't been with a company for a while or doesn't like their job, losing a job is no big deal. But once the unemployment benefits run out and you still don't have a job, you're up the creek.

Downsizing is even harder for those who have been working for 20 years. They've performed certain jobs for a majority of their lives. It might be all they know how to do. Going into the job market is even scarier for them.

If you keep your options open and take steps to make sure you'll have another job, everything will work out. Don't be afraid to do things you consider "beneath you." Those jobs can often be the most rewarding and most challenging.

Corporate downsizing is a fact. The reality is business works on an ebb-and-flow basis. As profits ebb, so do jobs — only to come back with an increase in flow. The time between can be months or even years. The reality is you must be prepared.

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# Football

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asked to do. I think this team will come together because of that. It will have a positive effect on our team."

One thing fans get to look forward to is the resuming of the series with in-state rival East Carolina. State was pushed into a corner by the legislature to play the Pirates, and the Pack was forced to give up a home game for the meeting which will take place in Charlotte at the Ericsson Stadium on Nov. 30.

"We didn't really have a choice with that one," O'Cain said. "It's

one of those things where it's the next best thing (playing in Charlotte), because we didn't want to go there (Greenville). I think the players are looking forward to playing in the Panthers' stadium."

One thing is certain: O'Cain is looking forward to the '96 season. He sees it as one filled with opportunities.

"I believe we will be a better team. There are so many variables," O'Cain said. "A few injuries here and there and we could be battling to stay above .500. But if the quarterbacks fulfill expectations and we stay healthy, we could be the team to knock Florida State off and win the ACC Championship."

# Spikers

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after being hit by a car, which resulted in knee surgery.

To build on last year's successes, though, State needs to fill the void left by a pair of graduating seniors.

Shelley Partridge led the Pack last year with 432 kills and 488 digs. Named to the All-ACC second team, she leaves State first in career digs with 1388 and third in kills with 960. Partridge started every match last year with State.

Melissa Mau played an important role, coming in for serving and passing purposes. Mau finished her career at State fourth in career assists at 1,839.

State has a small recruiting class with one name familiar to State fans. Sandi Miller played four years with the Pack's women's soccer

team before joining the volleyball squad for next year. Miller is an excellent athlete who can immediately step in and make a difference for the Pack.

One plus of the recruiting class is that State has an advantage over the rest of the ACC in that it had most of its team in spring practices. Other teams need to wait for their high school recruits to enter college before they can truly begin drills and play construction.

The Wolfpack however, had 11 of next year's 13 team members in practice — allowing the members to become familiar with each other and their new positions.

"We've had a good opportunity to play together," Hall said. "We are very prepared for next year. They have such good chemistry on the floor."

"I really think that, with how well this group plays together, we're going to be really hard to beat."

# ID4

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Once you get to the end and look back on the film, you'll realize that it just wasn't that big of a deal. But reaching that point is all the fun, as usual in most summer movies.

"ID4" is divided into three sections: July 2, July 3 and July 4. The first section, July 2, mainly consists of a bunch of shots of slack-jawed people staring up at the sky in bewilderment. Of course, what is the proper etiquette for receiving alien spacecraft? Ask Emily Post.

Anyway, this first section of the film contains the most compelling footage I've seen all year.

The destruction of major cities is a breathtaking event. The audience with whom I saw the film was enthralled as the Empire State Building blew up and 740 million people died in its fiery blast.

Needless to say, the special effects are fantastic. Someone said that if anyone ever wondered what 1950s sci-fi movie would look like with a big budget, this is it. And that's the truth.

But beyond all the flashy explosions and the ridiculous speeches about recycling, you'll find a hidden message.

"ID4" provides a sly commentary on the role of pop culture in Americans' lives. The film itself is a mesh of '50s monster movies with '70s disaster flicks. It also borrows from "Aliens," "Return of the Jedi" and other science fiction films. There are also countless references to Elvis, the Los Angeles Police Department and hippies. The aliens even blow up two pop culture symbols: the White House and the Empire State Building.

When things look bad in the film, there are few pop culture references. But when the situation starts looking up, here comes a Coke can to save the day. It's as if the German director of the film, Roland Emmerich, wants to say that the binding force in America is pop culture. Now that's food for thought.

Call it an homage to trashy movies, but "Independence Day" never lets on that it has an agenda. It just wants to entertain, and that it does.

"Independence Day": B+

# Magnapop

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Doesn't Help." The disc is stocked with powerful and well-crafted songs.

Live, Ruthie Morris is one messy guitarist. When she plays, she gets on her tiptoes and hangs her head. Her shoulder-length, auburn hair covering her eyes, making her look just like Juliana Hatfield. Her body is completely into it. She rides some bizarre, harmonic wave of noise. But only when she's good and ready does she let it take over.

Bassist Mulvaney is relentless. He trots through complex bass-lines like a race horse, and even when equipment fails, Mulvaney never shows signs of wear. Slung low on his shoulder, Mulvaney pulls his bass through beautiful harmonies and teamed with wind drummer Posgay, supports Morris and Hopper through the coolest loud pop this side of Radiohead.

Linda Hopper is the main event. She runs through Magnapop's catalogue, standing slightly away from the chaos that rages behind

her and connects better with the crowd, searching for something more.

More than what? There's no telling, but Hopper is a gorgeous lost soul on the stage.

After performing for over an hour, Magnapop played two encores and a request from someone in the crowd. Even though the temperature outside was merciful, Magnapop turned the heat up. And it was great.

Opening for Magnapop were The Figgs and Triple Fast Action. The Figgs were fabulous. While their style is neither flamboyant nor technically complex, they knew how to play. And they had the greatest ingredient for every band in the world — they enjoyed themselves. The crowd noticed and applauded enthusiastically for them.

Triple Fast Action, on the other hand, took no one by storm.

At first, they looked like a band that learned to play from a series of still pictures of Nirvana and Soundgarden. But once they invited Figgs' guitarist/singer Mike onstage, they loosened up and flew right. They aren't bad, they just need to learn the Figgs' lesson and have some fun.

# UV

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"You should buy sunscreen which blocks out both UV-A and UV-B rays and apply it a couple of hours before you go out," Bengtson said.

"Some sunscreens need time to penetrate the skin in order to work," Bengtson recommends a sunscreen with sun protection factor of 30, and said that sunblock higher than SPF 30 is not necessary because it doesn't offer much more protection.

"Whether you need to wear sunscreen on a daily basis depends on your skin type," Bengtson said.

Other skin types that rarely burn are those of Middle Easterners and Indians. But Hispanics, Asians, Caucasians and fair-skinned individuals would do well to apply sunblock regularly, she said.

"If you have a medical problem that would be aggravated by the sun or if you are on medication that the sun would provoke, I would

recommend that you wear sunscreen on a daily basis," Bengtson said.

If you do get sunburned, Bengtson suggests applying cool compresses to the burnt areas, or just taking a cool shower. A couple of aspirin or Advil may also provide some relief. She advises seeing a doctor if the burn is severe.

The sun's rays aren't just harmful to skin, but they can also damage the eyes. What is commonly referred to as snow-blindness can also occur during the summer, she said.

"Don't neglect eye protection," Bengtson said. "The cornea can become injured, eyes turn red, feel gritty and tear up. What is taking place is sunburning of the eye."

The most dangerous time to be outside is between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., when 80 percent of the total UV rays from the sun reach the earth, Bengtson said.

Sixty-five percent of those rays are present between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

# Agromeck

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book.

"The funds are being spent for something the students aren't seeing," Crawford said.

The SMA established a sales goal of 500 books for this school year's edition, with incremental sales increases to 2,700 books in four years. The panel also instituted tighter financial controls for the yearbook, trimming the photo supplies budget and requiring invoices to be reviewed monthly by the general manager.

According to SMA Adviser Tim Ellington, the board was originally looking for a general manager to

come from outside Agromeck. But the SMA might change its mind and vote to interview internal candidates at the July 18 meeting.

But Ellington said the pool of applicants was so small that the SMA considered leaving internal candidates in as well.

But in order to interview internal candidates, the board must vote to overturn that aspect of the original recommendation.

The general manager would assume complete control of the yearbook, which includes recruiting and supervising staff, implementing a training program and creating a marketing plan to increase sales.

Interested candidates should contact Stan North Martin at 515-1515, or Andy Tucker at 515-2409.

# CP&PC

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said. "They are skills that you can take with you when you leave NCSU."

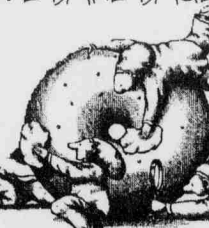
Schroeder said even though non-

technical majors often have a tougher time finding employment, they can help themselves by making use of the services the center provides.

"The market for people with good skills is always good," she said.

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# Ask Little D

Dear Little D,

I'm not gay, but men seem to be attracted to me. I work in a photo studio and the gay men I work with constantly flirt with and harass me. It makes me very uncomfortable, because I don't know how to hit with a gay hitting on me. Signed, Phobic.

Dear Phobic,

So, are we voting Republican any time soon? Consider buying a fake wedding band and wear it to work. Seriously, let them know you're straight. Consider a T-shirt like "Straight but not narrow."

Dear Little D,

Help. I have a problem. I am very much in love with my girlfriend, but a neighbor has caught my attention. The two are such opposites, that I simply could not make up my mind. One is brazen, funny, and outspoken. The other is poetic, romantic and shy. Both totally dig me and I am stuck! Don't tell me to pick one because I can't—One two many girls.

Dear One two many,

Who do you think you are, Casanova? You better make up your mind fast, or you will lose both. I don't want to see your girlfriend hurt, but you can't resist your feelings. Your best bet is to tell them both about either, because I doubt you have. Honesty is the best, and safest, policy.

Dear D,

Lately, I don't know what it is, but I can't get enough sex.. My fiance and I make love daily—but I still find myself longing for other women. I do love her and don't want to hurt her, but how can I control my desires? Help me be satisfied?!! w/love and bursting

Dear Bursting,

Oh, how I don't pity your sorry, horny little butt. Deal with it and get a Playboy.

Dear Little D,

My boyfriend used to be so sweet, but lately he's been such a jerk. Where is the nice guy that I once loved? There are so many guys out there. I feel like I deserve so much more. However, "Curt" doesn't deserve just to be tossed, does he?—feeling tied by his "Pretty Noose."

Dear Tied,

Talk to him and let him know how you feel. If he doesn't change, I lose him. If he doesn't treat you good, when will it improve? Probably never. Do better for yourself.

Dear Little D,

I am having a hard time in college. I just do not want to be there and I study just enough to get by. I have two years left, but what's the point? Should I stay or leave?—Hatin' Brick U.

Dear Hatin' Brick U,

Well, drop out and I hear the Golden Arches needs someone to salt fries. Seriously, there are jobs out there, just realize that a degree is very important these days, and it is not going to get any easier. You're half way there, can you just make it two more years?

Yol D,

Last night my man just up and dissed me, then he lied about it. He said his mama was in the hospital and he had to go visit her. Well, come to find out that he was out with one of my sistahs and they weren't playing Chutes and Ladders, if you get my drift. What's up with that?—The Dissed Honey.

Dear Honey,

He is just a straight loser, as is your friend. Obviously he doesn't respect you enough to give you the truth. Kick his sorry butt to the curb and you'll be the true winner in the situation.

Dear Little D,

Being a transfer student from another part of the country, where do you go to find the decent women? Definitely not in the bars—So where? Curious at State

Dear Curious,

There are so many places? Are you religious? Try church. Do you like coffee? You know how many coffee houses Hillsborough has. Work at the paper, radio station, or do some community service. Nice girls don't have a specific hangout, they are normal just like you and me.

Dear Little D,

How'd you get so smart about stuff? Needing Answers

Dear Needing,

Don't really know all the answers, I just take educated guesses and they sometimes turn out right. Just ask JP what a savant I truly am.

I am not a professional, so don't go on my word alone. This column is just for fun and the letters are not made up. Email your answers to daun@ma.sca.ncsu.edu or mail them to Ask Little D 523 Witherspoon Student Center. Box 8688 NCSU Raleigh, NC 27695.

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