



Renowned independent filmmaker to visit

Beth Harrington, an independent filmmaker, producer and director of two Emmy-nominated documentaries, will visit the N.C. State campus on Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 18 and 19, to present and discuss the making of her most recent films.

"The Blinking Madonna & Other Miracles" and "In the Path of a Killer Volcano" will be shown, free of charge, at the Student Center Annex Cinema at 3 p.m. on both days.

The event is sponsored by the NCSU Scholars Programs and the UAB Lectures Committee.

Beware silent household dangers

Anyone using kerosene heaters, gas logs or gas stoves to heat their homes this winter needs to take precautions against carbon monoxide poisoning, according to experts at N.C. State's Department of Agriculture.

Proper ventilation is the key preventative to the potentially deadly gas.

"Many people think carbon monoxide is only a problem with car exhaust, but keep in mind that any device which operates on gasoline, diesel fuel or kerosene will produce carbon monoxide — one of the deadliest gases known," said Cassandra Wiggins, a housing specialist at N.C. State.

The gas is both colorless and odorless, and if even a small amount is released into an unventilated area, it can sicken or even kill the occupants of a household.

Symptoms of low level carbon monoxide poisoning include dizziness, headache, watery eyes and nausea. Without proper medical intervention, the ultimate symptom can be death.

Wiggins added that kerosene and propane lanterns are usually safe when used properly — if they don't use enough fuel to create a potential carbon monoxide problem.

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NCAA considers payment plan for athletes

The NCAA is trying to figure out a way to help student athletes meet their financial needs.

BY JENNIFER SORBER
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Most students would probably say athletes have it pretty good — most get their tuition, room and board, books and meal plan paid for. But many athletes coming from financially-burdened homes have problems scraping up spending money.

Athletes can hold jobs in the summer, but not in their sports off-season.

The NCAA wants to help these athletes out financially, but doing so

might hurt athletes academically or tremendously burden athletic departments.

"There are pressures from many different sources to do something about this problem," said Art Cooper, an N.C. State forestry professor and an NCAA representative for the ACC.

The NCAA is considering allowing athletes to work during their off season — but Cooper said the plan won't help student athletes whose season lasts nearly year-round.

"Twenty years ago, we received a \$15 a week laundry check," Cooper said. The money was used for personal expenses, he said.

School representatives will be asked to vote on either giving

athletes a monthly "laundry check" or allowing them to work during their off season at the NCAA's January meeting.

Cooper said it's only fair that athletes get a piece of the pie since coaches make so much money for what athletes are doing.

"Simple equity says they should get paid," he said. "[But] I don't think it has a ghost of a chance of passing."

Athletics Director Les Robinson said athletes are, in effect, getting paid now.

"Essentially athletes do get paid — not in cash, but indirectly in the form of scholarships," he said.

Most athletes receive a stipend [scholarship] that covers the basics: tuition, room and board and books.

But, as Cooper put it, the stipend doesn't allow athletes any "walking around money."

The "laundry check" system poses a problem for many colleges and universities — an extra financial burden. Cooper estimated that a laundry check for today's student athletes would be in the range of \$50 to \$75 a month.

"It would be adding a couple hundred thousand dollar expenditure to the Athletics Department overnight," Cooper said.

Robinson said that the laundry check idea would pass "if the money was available." The plan would allow student athletes to focus on their studies during their off-season, rather than work.

Robinson said he would support the work allowance with some conditions though.

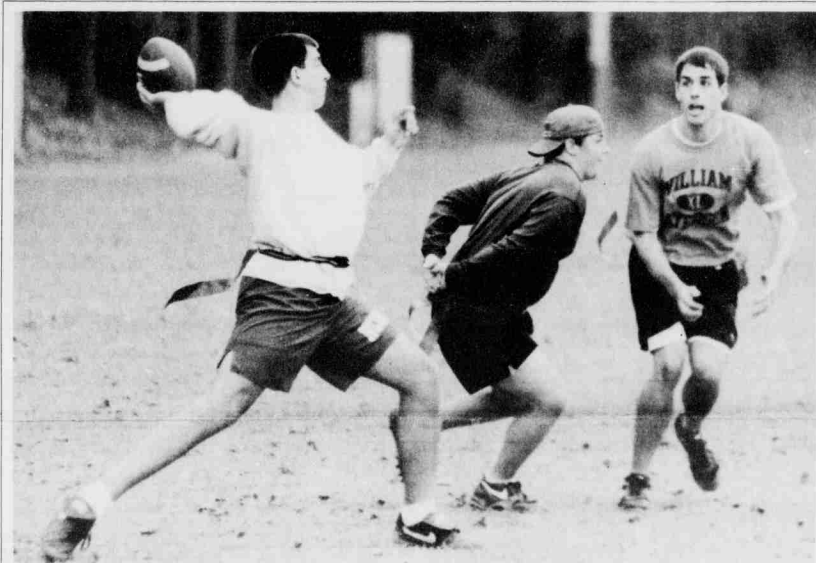
"It needs to be fine tuned," he said. Student athletes will have to "still keep up with their classes."

Cooper and Robinson shared one concern with the job allowance — that of validity.

"There's no way to control or make certain that the jobs are legitimate," Cooper said.

Cooper said the idea of paying student athletes stems from the growing number of runners in the business. Runners are people who illegally offer money to student athletes and, in turn, sell athletes' rights to an agent.

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TECHNICIAN FILE PHOTO

Unless they're with an intramural or university athletic team, students are having a problem finding fields to play on.

Space shortage stymies student recreation

The lack of athletic field space has some students calling for a change in policy.

BY SHANNON UMBERGER
STAFF WRITER

Despite the presence of several athletic fields, some students are having trouble finding a place to play on N.C. State's campus.

Unless students belong to an organized athletic group, such as a varsity, club or intramural team, it's hard to locate fields to use for free play, said Kaplan Harris, a senior double majoring in English and chemistry.

For example, student Chaffee Viets was told to leave the fields three consecutive times — in one day — while trying to find a place to play a couple of games of

ultimate frisbee.

"We started out at Lee Field, but were forced to leave by the [varsity men's] soccer team, which was coming out to practice," said Viets, a senior in history and social studies education.

Viets and his friends then found they could not use the intramural fields because intramural flag football games were in progress and the club lacrosse team was practicing. Upon returning to Lee Field, Viets discovered that the soccer team had finished practice. But Viets said he was apologetically told by a team official who was locking the gate that he could not use the field.

These common occurrences anger students like Viets and Harris, who both say their friends at UNC-Charlotte Hill and Duke never have problems with a lack of space on playing fields.

"At certain peak times, there is a shortage of fields on this campus," Harris said.

According to David Rice, facility manager in the Physical Education Department, priority of the intramural fields goes to intramural team practices and games, club team practices and PE classes.

Joe Campbell, assistant director of University Housing for West Campus, explained the policy for Lee Field. The field is for the Athletics Department's use, especially the varsity men's and women's soccer team practices. It is also an alternate location for home soccer games.

Other than that, Campbell said, the field is available for free play, but only if the gates are unlocked. Viets said finding an unlocked gate is a rare occurrence, though.

Because the Athletics

Department pays for all of the field's upkeep, its use for free play "is contingent on the Athletics Department's assessment of the field," Campbell said.

There are, however, two exceptions grandfathered into this policy. Lee Field is open for the Scholar's Field Day and Orientation I and II.

Phil Flynn, assistant director of University Housing, is in charge of the use of the "Big Acre Field" located on Method Road near E.S. King Village.

"The 'Big Acre Field' is for use by all of the university," and the varsity soccer teams for their home games, Flynn said.

Flynn said any NCSU student, faculty or staff member may schedule use of the field through

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NHL franchise possibility prompts concerns over details

Although the planned arena hasn't been completely funded, the parties involved are already discussing minor details.

BY JULIE P. MURPHY
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Like any conscientious new home buyer, N.C. State is paying attention to details. And like any good realtor, the Centennial Authority is doing its best to assure the university everything's going to be fine with the new house.

Several interested parties at NCSU have recently expressed concern that scheduling preferences will be given to a professional hockey team at the planned Entertainment and Sports Arena if Raleigh receives an

NHL expansion bid. The university is also worried about the arena's color scheme and naming rights, among other things.

But Authority Chairman Steve Stroud assured all parties that the ownership group would work closely with the university on the color scheme of the arena in a meeting Friday. Stroud dispelled any rumors that the colors in the arena would not coincide with the Wolfpack theme.

Stroud also said he thinks the Authority should worry about such matters as financing the arena and argue about the color of the seats later.

Authority members repeatedly expressed their confidence that the arena would have a great deal of influence on the quality of the basketball program at NCSU. "[This arena] will develop a

national reputation that will help Herb Sendek in his recruiting," said Ray Rouse, chairman of the Design and Construction Committee. "This arena will be a place we are all proud to be a part of."

Rouse said he doesn't think the arena will cause any problems for the interested partners. He also said he did not think the ownership group would have any hang-ups about working with Les Robinson and Herb Sendek on the terms of the arena.

He explained that, basically, the set-up of the arena would put NCSU on one end and the hockey team on the other.

Another big agenda item was the announcement of the bid-date for contractors.

Rouse said the pre-bid-day conference will take place on Dec. 18 and the actual bid-day is set for

Jan. 15, 1997. If this schedule is maintained, Rouse said construction could be underway as early as March 1997.

Rouse said he doesn't count on arena occupation until the summer or fall of 1999.

Rouse said the Wolfpack Club is expecting a February 1999 completion and has already planned to play some N.C. State basketball games in the arena for the 1998-99 season. Rouse said the likelihood of that happening is slim.

"Unless things go absolutely perfectly, we probably won't be able to play in the arena that soon," he said. "We have to remember there's a difference between the completion date and when we can occupy the building."

He said the arena should be ready in time for the Special Olympics World Summer Games in 1999,

which Raleigh is hosting.

Rouse brought the Authority up-to-speed on the status of the NHL bid. He said that 30 \$50,000 skyboxes had been sold since the last meeting, with deposits of \$25,000 paid for each.

Rouse also said that, due to the daily-increasing number of rented skyboxes, the ownership team should have a substantial showing when they make a presentation to the NHL. The skybox rentals are made for a minimum of three years.

"The standing legal agreement that the Authority has with the skybox renters is that if there is no bid from the NHL by the end of December, the renters get their \$25,000 deposit back. Rouse made it clear, though, that the Authority will keep the money it makes in interest from the deposits.

Outside

Weather forecast for Today and Tomorrow. Today: Chance of light rain. Tomorrow: Showers diminishing. HI 60 LO 38 HI 64 LO 48

Chancellor vows to hear student concerns

Chancellor Monteith said he will meet with student leaders more frequently in the future.

BY PHILLIP REESE
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

For years, student leaders have consistently campaigned for a more active voice in university decisions. It appears administrators are finally listening.

N.C. State Chancellor Larry Monteith told the Board of Trustees that a better system of communication between students and administration must be developed.

"I'm going to meet with student leaders," Monteith said. "I view this as a top priority of my attention."

Monteith said the current system of interaction between students and the administration is unacceptable.

"We have not developed a systematic way for students to provide leadership on matters over an extended amount of time," he said.

Student Body President Robert Zimmer said the chancellor's comments were long overdue.

"The administration always seeks out faculty advice," Zimmer said. "I've never heard of the administration coming to the Student Senate to say 'what do you think about this?'"

Zimmer said the chancellor appears committed to advancing communication between students and the administration.

"The chancellor and I talked after the [BOT] meeting and decided that he and I would sit down and brainstorm on ways to provide students with more input on major campus decisions," Zimmer said.

The trustees also discussed the proposed Entertainment and Sports Arena. They passed a motion that outlines what NCSU's role in the planning of the arena should be.

The motion stated that NCSU should have some control over

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Unabomber trial date still not set

■ The Unabomber trial could begin by next May, although the large amount of evidence in the trial may cause delays.

By Mark Gladstone
LOS ANGELES TIMES

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Prosecutors said they could begin the federal murder-by-bombing trial of Unabomber suspect Theodore J. Kaczynski as early as next May 27, but defense attorneys say it is too soon to set a trial date, according to court documents filed Friday.

bombing attacks that killed a lobbyist and a computer store owner and maimed two university professors. He was arrested last spring after a nationwide manhunt for the elusive Unabomber believed responsible for killing three people and injuring 23 over a 17-year period.

Texaco settles discrimination

■ Plaintiffs feel that justice was served with the largest settlement ever rewarded in a racial-discrimination lawsuit.

By Thomas S. Mulligan
LOS ANGELES TIMES

NEW YORK — In the glare of scandal, Texaco Inc. on Friday signed what may be the largest settlement of a racial-discrimination lawsuit, agreeing to pay an immediate \$115 million in damages plus pay raises of at least 10 percent to some 1,400 black employees.

secret tape recordings of senior Texaco executives denigrating black workers and plotting to destroy incriminating evidence in the lawsuit.

Fields

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Flynn's office. In exchange for their valid campus ID card, users are issued a yellow pass and a key to unlock the gates.

He said the soccer teams ought to use that field for their practices, since most of the players drive to practice anyway. That would open Lee Field up to other students.

Trustees

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arena event scheduling, the naming of the arena and the arena's interior color scheme, as well as an acceptable lease arrangement and some retention of food beverage and parking rights.

hockey team that the Centennial Authority is trying to bring to Raleigh.

Athletes

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"It has become a problem that cannot be ignored anymore," Cooper said.

Carolyn Lange, a senior in business management, said she opposes the idea of giving athletes a stipend, but would support a work provision plan.

U.S. troops still needed in Bosnia

■ U.S. troops fear that Clinton's proposal to reduce the number of soldiers in Bosnia will result in more chaos and possibly war.

By John Pomfret
THE WASHINGTON POST

BROD, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Last weekend, a company of U.S. Army soldiers was caught in the middle of one of the most dangerous operations since U.S. troops came to Bosnia last year.

blowing up houses owned by Muslims who are starting to repair them so they can go home.

military engagement in Bosnia. Almost a year since the signing of the Dayton peace agreement to end Bosnia's 3-year war, Bosnia's factions are still using violence — and are threatening American lives — as they seek to oppose, detail or influence implementation of the Dayton deal.

unanimous agreement that the United States is making a mistake by decreasing the number of troops in Bosnia as part of a "follow-on" force to guarantee the country remains at peace.



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 •The 40 points Clemson put up Saturday was the most in a year by the Tigers — since the 43 put up vs. State in '95.

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Wolfpack women top the Mountaineers in the NIT

■ The Pack, led by freshman Katie Smrka-Duffy, were too much for Appalachian State.

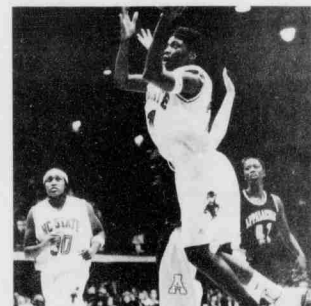
By K. GAFFNEY
 STAFF WRITER

Katie Who? That's what the N.C. State women's basketball team hopes their opposition will be saying this season. Katie Smrka-Duffy came on strong in State's season opener. The freshman lit up the court for the Pack Friday night, scoring 28 points and

collecting 13 rebounds. Junior Chasity Melvin added 11 points, including the 1,000th point of her career, as the Pack downed Appalachian State, 79-50 in the first round of the Women's National Invitational Tournament. State started the game with a 23-6 run in the first 10 minutes. Smrka-Duffy showed her versatility from the start, following up a three-pointer with a length-of-the-court drive which ended with a layup over an Appalachian defender. State senior co-captain Jennifer Howard and Mountaineer point guard Cara Simms battled for control of the backcourt the entire game. Howard was held to only six

points, and committed four turnovers, but held Sims to just one shot from the field. The Appalachian sophomore dished out four assists and pulled down four rebounds, but scored just one point. "I was pleased with the way the players came out tonight," State coach Kay Yow said. "I thought the effort and the intensity was much more what I had in mind." Smrka-Duffy started off the second half for the Pack as well, scoring twice in the first two minutes of the half. Melvin closed out the game for State, scoring seven points and dominating the paint in the last ten minutes. "Chasity was posting up in the last ten minute like we really need her

to," Yow said. Peace Shepard came off the bench to provide some interior offense for Coach Yow and the Wolfpack. Shepard scored nine points. "Probably the most disappointing thing tonight was the turnovers," Yow said. "We can't have this many turnovers and expect to play some of the competition that we are set to play." The Pack committed 26 turnovers, 16 of which came in the second half. Sophomore Erica Mathies and senior Meredith Thompson combined for 23 points to lead the Mountaineers.



Umeka Webb (in air) and the N.C. State women's basketball team had little problem with Appalachian State Friday, winning in the first round of the Women's National Invitational Tournament. T.D. YOUNG/STAFF

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Gators end State's season

■ It was a bad weekend for the Pack, who saw its season end.

SPORTS STAFF REPORTS

The season ended earlier than hoped for the N.C. State women's soccer team. The Wolfpack faced a tougher task in the first round of the N.C.A.A. A N.C. State 3 Florida 7 Tournament by facing No. 1 seed Florida in Gainesville. Over 2,000 people saw a tale of two halves. The first was a seesaw battle, full of drives. The second, a display of dominance. Unfortunately, both halves were won by the Gators, who advanced to the second round after trouncing the Wolfpack, 7-3. Florida opened the scoring less than six minutes into the game when Erin Baxter drilled the back of the net from about 16 yards out. State answered though in the form of a Monica Hall goal almost 10 minutes later. Stephanie Sanders sent a cross to Hall, who drilled the shot from 12 yards out. State's Jane Walton got into the act as well. She also was assisted by Sanders four minutes after Hall's goal. Once again, Sanders crossed the ball from the right before Walton scored from 13 yards out against Florida goalie Lynn Patisall. Florida ended the half with two Danielle Fotopoulos goals. She scored on a breakaway on the left side of the field to beat Kat Mertz. She also found nylon on a free kick just before the end of the half. Fotopoulos continued to be hot for the Gators and opened the second half with a quick goal off a penalty kick.

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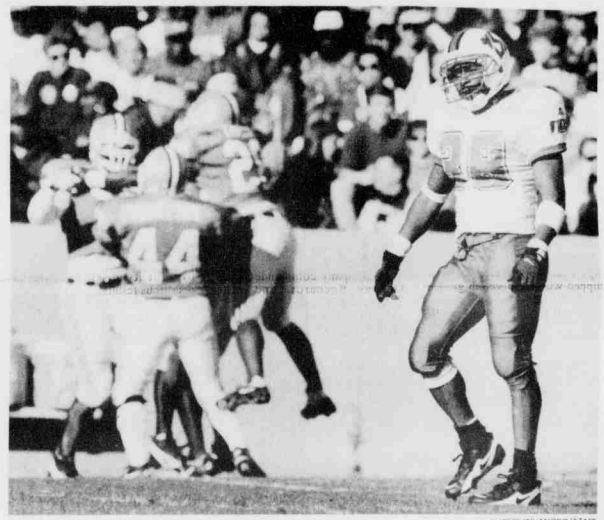
Typical Tigers run all over Pack

■ The Pack's bid for two-in-a-row was thwarted by the powerful Clemson offense.

By CHRIS RHODES
 STAFF WRITER

CLEMSON'S C. — The N.C. State football team arrived with all of the intangibles for an upset in place. First, the Wolfpack was coming off a huge 22-point victory against Duke last week. Second, the Pack would face Clemson after an emotionally draining victory at Virginia and before the Tigers square off with arch-rival South Carolina. Unfortunately, Clemson refused to cooperate with State's upset bid as the Tigers marched to their fifth consecutive victory, topping the Pack 40-17. True to form, the Tiger game plan was spearheaded by a straight forward, smash-mouth running attack. Clemson's rushers were led by Raymond Priestler's 146 yards and the entire Tiger backfield was able to gain 291 yards. "If you can't stop people from running the football in this league, you can't win, bottom line," State coach Mike O'Cain said.

Ironically, the Tigers took the lead early in the second quarter with an 18-yard pass from quarterback Nealon Green to split-end Kenya Crooks. On the next possession the Pack was forced to punt after three plays and the Tigers quickly made the score 10-0 on a Matt Padgett 48-yard field goal. At this point the Pack's offense referred to were fumbles by punt returner Tony Scott, one being picked up for a touchdown by Clemson's Rahim Abdullah. All four State turnovers occurred in the second half, with all fou. Clemson coach Tommy West was happy for the win, no matter how he got it. "It certainly wasn't pretty at times," West said. "I knew N.C. State had played well. All you had



Morocco Brown (38) was busy Saturday trying to handle a tough Tiger running game. ALBERT WHANGSO/STAFF

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Turnovers spell disaster for lackluster State

■ It's hard to score when you don't have the ball.

By JAMES M. LAIR
 SPORTS EDITOR

CLEMSON, S.C. — Believe it or not, Clemson's 40-17 win over N.C. State Saturday had all the elements present for a good game: a solid Tiger running game and an explosive Wolfpack offense, one team vying for a top bowl and another playing for pride, and even a trophy to play for. And with 5:08 left in the third quarter and the Tigers up 17-9 with State driving deep into Clemson territory, it looked as if this one was going

right down to the wire. But then Trevor Pryce stripped State tailback Tremayne Stephens of the ball at the Tiger 30-yard-line, and it was as if the wind had been knocked out of the Pack. Clemson marched down the field and kicked a field goal. A bruised and beaten State quarterback Jamie Barnette led the Pack down the field again immediately, and overcame a third-and-18 by nailing Jimmy Grissett on a 22-yard pass play. But the very next play Barnette was intercepted in Tiger territory. State never recovered. "I can sum the game up with four turnovers," State coach Mike

O'Cain said. "We gave them fourteen points and that's the difference in the game. We laid the ball down on the ground three times and threw an interception." The other two turnovers O'Cain referred to were fumbles by punt returner Tony Scott, one being picked up for a touchdown by Clemson's Rahim Abdullah. All four State turnovers occurred in the second half, with all fou. Clemson coach Tommy West was happy for the win, no matter how he got it. "It certainly wasn't pretty at times," West said. "I knew N.C. State had played well. All you had

to do was put the Alabama game on and you see how well they played. "There's not any margin for error. You can't mess up." The four times State "messed up" were crucial. Up until Stephens' fumble, the Pack had an answer for the Tigers. "That sequence right there was critical," O'Cain said. Yet even after the fumble and the interception, State still found itself only 20-9 going into the fourth quarter and had forced the Tigers to punt. "It could not hang onto the ball, and the ball bounced right into the hands of Abdullah. Just like that

it's Clemson by 18. "When you fumble the ball you don't win," O'Cain said. "Particularly when you turn it over twice, one for a touchdown." Scott fumbled the punt again with 4:36 left in the game. Thankfully, Clemson didn't score right away and waited a minute and a half before tailback Kelton Dunicum walked into the endzone for the final score, 40-17. State cornerback Hassan Shamsi-Deen had practiced last week returning punts, and was on the prep game replacing Scott.

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Wolfpack cross country teams continue their dominance

■ The men's and women's harriers extended their ACC championship forms into the District Regionals.

By DAVID HONEA
 STAFF WRITER

GREENVILLE, S.C. — With trips to the NCAA championships on the line and over 50 teams in the race, the N.C. State men and women both won at the District III cross country meet at Furman University on Saturday. Paced by freshman Christy Nichols' second place finish, the ninth-ranked Wolfpack women placed five in the top 40 to hold off No. 14 North Carolina, 87-93. It was a repeat of the order at the

ACC meet, and both teams advanced to the NCAA finals. Nichols finished the 5,000-meter course in 17:10, nine seconds behind North Carolina's Karen Godlock. The trio of Laura Rhoads (11th, 17:39), Jackie Coscia (16th, 17:51) and Meredith Faircloth (19th, 17:57) gave State four in the top 20 of the 300 runner race. Sara Rhoads (40th, 18:17) completed the Wolfpack scoring. State ran without defending district champion Kristen Hall, who suffered a season-ending knee injury two days before the meet when she was knocked down by a dog during a training run. Hall had come back from an early season injury to place fifth at the ACC championships two weeks ago.

State Cross Country

ACC & Distric Champs

"This is a terrible thing to happen to Kristen in her senior year, but it was also a blow to our whole women's team," State coach Rollie Geiger said. "We waited all season to get her back and then lose her again after one meet. But we responded well, and in particular Sara Rhoads had an outstanding race under the circumstances." Rhoads, who was added to the Wolfpack lineup after the ACC meet, was running only her second race in two years. She joined the State team this fall after twin sister Laura transferred from UNC-

Wilmington, but had only run one race this season. The seventh-ranked State men were locked in a tight three team battle for most of the 10,000-meter race before pulling away in the last two miles to win with 66 points. Wake Forest was second with 76 and Alabama third with 88, with all three teams qualifying for the NCAA meet. Sophomore Chan Pons led the Wolfpack, breaking away from a big pack in the last mile to place third in 30:04. His twin brother Corby was close behind, taking sixth in 30:12. Junior Joe Wirguz rebounded from a poor ACC meet to place 14th in 30:39. Freshman Brendan Rodgers (21st, 30:56) and Mike Fitzula (22nd, 30:57) gained several places

in the last mile to complete the State scoring and seal the win. Rodgers and Fitzula were the top two freshmen in the race. "We faced two teams that had great races today, probably top 10 in the nation caliber races, but our guys ran a strong, smart race," Geiger said. "We were in good position to qualify the whole time, but we wanted to win, and we did what we needed to late in the race. "Joe Wirguz and Mike Fitzula both ran their best races of the season," Geiger added. "That's a sign of our depth, because neither of them even scored for us at the ACC meet." The two wins marked the first time a school has won both races since State did it in 1985.



The State women's cross country team won the District III match along with the men. SPECIAL TO TECHNICIAN

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Making cheap brew is easy to do

■ Making your own brew is neither hard nor expensive.

Ron Hunter
IN DIGESTION

Your eyes pop open and for a few minutes you experience a feeling of bliss; that is until you try to move. Then the throbbing pain of another massive hangover pounds you back into bed for a couple more hours. To compound the misery, as you finally stagger out of bed and check your wallet only to find the miserly sum of \$1.79, slightly less than you needed to go one more round with your favorite opponent — a frosty beer.

Sure, you go out to socialize but you feel kind of funny cruising through a bar empty-handed and occupying those hands with bottles or mugs can get very expensive. If you're buying for two then the finances of the situation can grow exponentially. There have been many times when I've said, "Man, I would sure like to own a bar someday."

Surely there is an alternative that will let you enjoy alcoholic beverages on a budget without getting caught, "they did not quite wash the cleaning chemicals out the vat taste" in your're mouth. Well, there is. You can brew your're own.

This is what is known as home brewing. For people like you and me, it is about \$11 worth of ingredients, a modified five-gallon bucket and bottling equipment that can be as simple as 2-liter soft drink bottles, which brings the total to around \$20. That can put about 3.5 gallons of almost any type beer known to man in your hot little hand within a little more than month. The actual brewing process takes about one hour, fermentation about a week and carbonation about three more weeks.

This process is so stunningly simple that

anyone that has ever slaved away in any N.C. State chemistry lab is already more than one rung up the ladder to becoming a "master microbrewer." It relies on one of the most common biochemical reactions, fermentation, which converts natural sugars into alcohol with carbon dioxide as a by-product, producing what we all know as beer.

The basic ingredients of beer are water, fermentable sugars, hops and yeast. All the variations within commercial brewing are the result of different types of fermentables, fine tuning of the chemical reactions during the brewing process and the type of yeast used, each imparting a different overall taste.

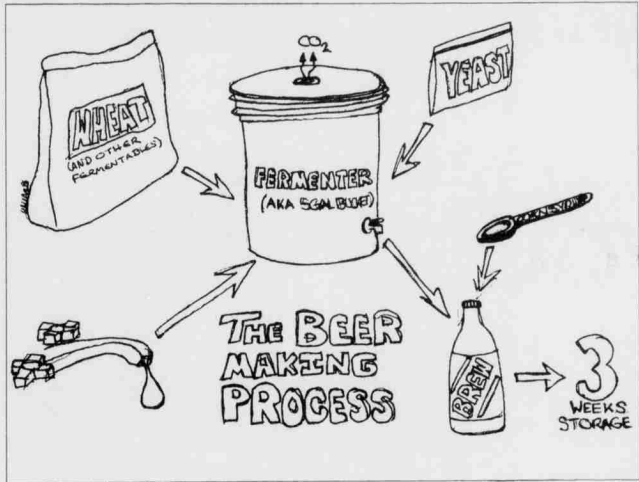
The fermentables are grains which can be roasted, such as barley, to give that red color or rice to lighten the body of the beer. Even honey can be brewed which produces one of the oldest kinds of alcohol drink known to man, mead.

Tweaking of the chemical signature of the brew by the addition of natural ingredients like hops to various stages of the boiling process produces the raw material that fermentation will make into beer. This is called a wort.

The unusual and differing types of yeast can impart the characteristic taste of beer, as they make the final transformation from fields of flowing grain to the bottle, astounding. There was even the case of an English company reviving a strain of yeast (which are, after all, only bacteria) from a glass beer bottle found in a 100 year-old shipwreck in the English Channel!

This simplicity has become obscured by all the commercialism that convinces the ignorant masses with fancy bottles and taps concealed behind the bar that beer is not made by people, but gushes out of a cleft in the sky to bless afternoons or evenings with a little atmosphere of relaxation.

This leads us to the question that has



WOODY WALLACE/STAFF

Do-it-yourself brewing kits are simple to use and cut the cost of consuming beer considerably.

ricocheted off many a dazed cranium as they turn up that vessel to drain out the last few drops: "What is this stuff I am drinking and how has it come to be?"

The facts are that you, with very little initial cost (around \$30), can unravel the secret of the "microbrew" in your're own kitchen, in about an hour.

I recall the delight as a friend of mine majoring in civil engineering and I prepared to, as he so aptly put it, "actually make beer." All the years of staring at and finally consuming beer had left us ill prepared to actually create what had so often seemed beyond the grasp of the mortal man.

Having secured the basic equipment and ingredients, we implemented the procedure (literally two paragraphs of instructions) with scientific care. It went something like this: Boil one gallon of water. Add the malt

extract from the sealed foil pouches. Add 1/3 of the hops packet when it begins to boil, one third in the last five minutes of boiling and one third to the two gallons of chilled distilled water in the five-gallon bucket or, as the pros call it, the fermenter. Mix the dried yeast with some warm water and add it to the mixture when the whole thing has cooled to room temperature.

Fermentation stops after about a week. Add beer and corn sugar to bottles. Let stand on shelf, allowing the fermentation process to carbonate the beverage.

Three weeks later came the reward. As we sipped our beer, making careful notes, we knew that on the first try we had done well. We had a lightly carbonated classic American brew with no chemical contamination and a clean buzz. We broke the spell. We had brewed!

In Frontiers continuing struggle to bring you the story behind the things you take for granted, we have prepared a short list of home brewing sites to further your insight into what you imbibe.

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Revamping old ways

■ The administration should revamp how it receives students' input.

When student leaders bargained the N.C. State administration complaining of not having a say in what goes on, someone appears to have been listening. At last week's Board of Trustees meeting, Chancellor Larry Monteith said that a better communication system between students and administration must be developed. We couldn't agree more.

The current student and administration interaction system is unacceptable. Input comes only through student leaders who meet with the chancellor at monthly Chancellor's Liaison meetings. The issues discussed are generally referred to an administrator. Students hardly see how their input impacts administrative decisions.

Due to this lack of response an animosity towards the administration has been created. Students feel the administration has little regard for what students consider important. Discussing student concerns is seen as a wasted effort, and many would be happy to forget the administration was here. But then, it's hard to forget a group that makes decisions that impact your life.

The administration insists it listens to student input, and considers it. Maybe so, but lack of communication has convinced students otherwise. For NCSU's good, this situation must be rectified.

Monteith doesn't view the liaison meeting as a place where student concerns can be resolved. Instead, he sees it as a forum to discuss those concerns. Fine. But that means the university needs another institution or mechanism where student input can be considered and where problems can be resolved. Or maybe the influence of an existing institution, like the Student Senate, can be increased.

In addition, there are several auditoriums on this campus. How about if Monteith comes to one of them to meet with students on a regular basis. This would give the average student an opportunity to talk to the chancellor.

After all, the student leaders on Chancellor's Liaison don't begin to represent all of NCSU's students.

Whatever the solution, NCSU must take measures to resolve the problem as soon as possible. The current setup is beneficial neither to students nor administrators. It has bred mistrust and animosity between students and administrators — which are two things that no university should lack.

Extra money for athletes

■ N.C. State and the NCAA face a tough decision on money for athletes.

College athletics always make the news. While many of us would prefer it to be for game-winning plays, N.C. State's Athletic Department always seems to be at the center of some cash controversy. Now the NCAA and some campus officials are looking at allowing athletes to work in the off-season or giving them a little extra cash to put into their pockets.

Allowing student athletes to work in the off-season is a good idea. Everyone should be allowed to make their lives comfortable financially. However, handing out monthly checks of \$50 to \$75 is taking it too far.

The reasoning behind this "laundry check," as it's referred to, is that athletes should be given money so they'll be financially secure enough to resist illegal offers of money from "runners" who sell athletes' rights to agents. It appears that some people don't feel that all of our athletes are honorable and ethical adults.

Athletes may suffer a barrage of stereotypes at NCSU, but insinuations that they aren't trustworthy or honest is out of line. Athletics Director Les Robinson and his staff worked long and hard to rebuild an image of integrity and academic excellence in our sports teams. We shouldn't repay them with the notion that we have to pay off our athletes to keep that image.

Athletes should be allowed to work whenever possible. To consider paying athletes, after coming to the Student Senate to request extra funds to assist in paying for tutors for athletes, will stretch the department's credibility and budget to the breaking point.

In the past, the NCAA has been very clear in saying that athletes shouldn't receive special treatment, which is the primary reason non-athletes are eating in Case Dining Hall and living in the Stroud Center. So unless the university is planning on handing out \$50 checks to every student on campus, they'd better step carefully on this issue. To allow colleges to give out checks to athletes violates everything the NCAA has stood for in the past.



Fee increase is a necessary evil

How many times have you stood in line for five, 10 or even 30 minutes waiting for a computer terminal to open up or walked halfway across campus to find a computer lab without a line going out the door? Sound familiar? Many students experience this on a daily basis. So, while your first reaction might be anger at the thought of another rise in the cost of attending school, think again.

These fee increases are necessary, and in reality another \$28 is just a drop in the bucket compared to the money we are already spending to attend school.

I've already touched on one reason for the \$28 fee increase. Twenty dollars more for the Educational and Technology fee is not too much to ask for access to a \$2,000 piece of equipment.

Students who can't afford their own computer in their room need access to these computers for various reasons — communicating with friends, e-mailing professors, searching the World Wide Web for information, typing papers, etc. These few reasons are just the tip of the iceberg. (There are people who are using the computer lab

Christine Oldham

COMMENTARY



to look at Playgirl, but that's another column.)

I for one did not even have Internet access while living at home. I may have a dim understanding of computers now, but this lack of knowledge was much more pronounced before I came to NCSU. Also, the most high-tech word-processing program I had access to outside of school was a typewriter.

Coming to N.C. State and having computer access in my residence hall was like a revelation — a cheap one, too, considering how much access can cost.

A local provider can charge up to \$20 a month or more, totalling a possible \$240 a year. If you have a provider like America

Online, you are charged for each minute just as if you're making a long-distance call. Ten cents a minute isn't so cheap when you're barraged with information or are looking up information. I'd rather pay another \$20 to use a very sophisticated and easy-to-use computer (sort of) than \$2,000 for my own computer any day.

Another fee increase — \$5 for athletics — is also a necessary evil. Just like any government, money allotted for various programs may not always be allotted for programs you personally approve of or are interested in. However, I don't begrudge the athletics program their extra \$5 just because I'm not an avid sports fan. Many potential students, as Technician's article pointed out, choose their future university based on the athletics department — not just the right athletics program for them, but the one that gets publicity. Publicity for good athletics equals more money for NCSU. Remember, it takes money to make money.

In addition, the safety of students is in question — asbestos needs to be removed in Case Athletic Center. While I've

never even been inside the center, I feel that asbestos removal and wiring for Internet access is for the good of the general public. Not everything done will benefit everyone — that's just the way it has been and the way it will continue to be.

The last fee increase, \$3 for Student Government, sounds suspiciously and eerily like Congress voting themselves a pay raise. But they too have their reasons — secretaries who handle adjustment processes for new members and documents student secretaries may not be allowed to see. My first thought was that, yes, they should have students take over the jobs of the secretaries. Then I thought of the people who are in these positions and their families, and how just an extra \$3 a year could keep them from being dismissed, and I didn't mind quite as much.

So, while all these additional fees may seem unjust after the tuition was already raised this year — think again. Twenty eight dollars, \$400 — it's still nowhere near what students are paying at private schools. All in all, the fee increase is comparable to two compact discs we'll have to live without.

The Campus FORUM

Roop confines himself

Oh, I just wish I could be as cool as Roop Mundi! All I have to do is follow his step-by-step cool guy plan. Whatever. People listen to different styles of music according to their mood of the moment. I cannot head-bang to "Friends in Low Places" or be melancholic to "MC's Act Like They Don't Know." Thank God you noticed so many people listening to such a diverse selection of artists. You must be a really rigid person, confining yourself to such limits. I'm sure you are annoyed by bands that aren't perfectly classifiable, because they probably cause you confusion — "Should I listen, should I not? Will it fit into my cool category?" Listen to what you like and don't worry about what everyone else is doing — and please do not ever be so audacious as to list your preferences again. We really do not care.

Rene Bolten
Senior, Psychology

Event part of life's compromise

I'm writing in response to Andy Hall's letter (Nov. 13) about the halftime testimonial in the Athletics in Action game. While, as a Christian, I was pleasantly surprised to see such a rare occurrence take place. I do realize that there were probably others who felt differently. N.C. State is a place full of things that some would rather not have on campus. For example, homosexuals would rather not have hate. Racial minorities could do without bigotry. Females would like more bathrooms in Harrelson Hall. I myself, have a personal complaint. I'm left-handed. Most of the desks on campus are too small anyway. Can you imagine having to take notes and tests with a desk on the wrong side?

My point is that everyone at NCSU can find something that offends them. However, we have to accept the fact that this is a large university with many people. Each person's every way and need cannot be catered to. Andy Hall could have easily walked to concessions or elsewhere if he really thought that hearing something he didn't agree with would seriously harm him.

I had to sit through freshman English classes last year listening to liberal professors that I didn't agree with, but I toughed it out. It wasn't

that hard. You have to find the best way to deal with the situations you are given.

Letties do it every day with the desks. Homosexuals put up with hate. Minorities deal with racism. Females "just have to hold it" sometimes in Harrelson. We just have to look past some things and get on with our lives. It's a part of life called compromise.

Nathan Gibson
Sophomore, Textile Engineering

Ushers disrespectful of student tradition

My name is Bill Herr, and I am president of the Student Wolfpack Club. I would like to comment about the lack of respect shown to students in Reynolds Coliseum at the preseason NATI women's basketball game against Appalachian State on Friday night (Nov. 15). I was very disturbed by the actions and attitudes of the event staff and ushers toward the students in attendance. Students began arriving to the game about an hour before tip-off and took an empty section at half-court as they have done for many years now. They stood, cheered, clapped and chanted up until and after tip-off. Then shortly after tip-off, a head usher came over to this student section and hatefully demanded that

the students sit down so other people could see the game and discouraged us from moving elsewhere so problems would not occur there.

Before you prejudice this complaint, let me take a step back and say that I am aware that everybody had to pay to get in and they deserved to see the game as much as everybody else. But let me also state that there were 9,000 empty seats in the coliseum (all general admission), we were discouraged from moving, and we had not been complained to earlier. The only complaint came from a couple from Appalachian State.

This university needs to respect the students' part in the support of its athletic programs and their role in Reynolds Coliseum. Reynolds is our house and it rocks because of the craziness of students that are on the floor leading the rest of the crowd. It is a Reynolds tradition that the students stand and make as much noise as they possibly can. It is the best home-court advantage in the entire country. I am disappointed that, in our house, two people from Appalachian State were given precedence over 30,000 N.C. State students in a sparsely-filled coliseum.

I believe that the students deserve an apology for the hatefulness and rudeness shown by the ushers and that the university set aside a designated student section for the

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 women's basketball games, and warn fans sitting around them that they may stand for the entire game. The students deserve respect for their traditions and their support for NCSU athletics.

Bill Herr
 Senior, Natural Resources

WNIT

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 "I told my players after the game, and I think Coach Yow will be able to say this in the future," Appalachian coach Linda Robinson said, "I think this is one of the most complete teams I've seen."

State saw offensive production from all eleven players who saw action, nine of whom scored. State out rebounded the Mountaineers 35-5, and held them to just 29 percent from the floor.

State tips off against George Mason in their next home matchup, at 7 p.m. on November 23rd.

Soccer

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 State's Monica Holliday made it a game for the time being when she scored from 22 yards out, making the score Florida, 5-3. But the Gators' Sarah Yohe squashed the Pack comeback, nailing a shot past Mertz after the cross from Baxter.

Baxter and Fotopoulos did more damage at the 82:20 mark, connecting on one more Gator goal. The Gators outshot the Pack, 21-5. State's Stacey Hampton was ejected from the game after receiving two yellow cards. Mertz also received a yellow card during the contest.

The Pack winds up 11-9-1 on the season.

Corneal appointed to US Soccer Federation

N.C. State women's soccer coach Alvin Corneal has been selected to serve on the U.S. Soccer Federation's coaching committee. The U.S. Soccer's national board of directors approved the appointment at its Oct. 21 meeting in Framingham, Mass. The task of Corneal's nine-member committee is to guide the destiny of soccer in the United States. He will be responsible for conducting seminars and clinics for coaches at all levels in the U.S.

"I am hoping to join with other top coaches to improve the quality of soccer all around," Corneal said. "I have served on similar committees in the Caribbean for CONCACAF and FIFA, but now am looking forward to serving here in the United States."



Clemson's Raymond Priestler (27) had a normal day against the Pack, rushing for 147 yards and one touchdown.

Turnovers

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 But O' Cain justified why he went with Scott.

"He's been back there all year and he's done a good job." It's been said time and time again that State seems to catch teams when they're hot. Clemson had won four straight games going into Saturday's matchup. This week the Pack faces Wake Forest, a team that won its first home ACC game in two seasons Saturday in a thriller against Duke. The Pack must hold onto the ball against Wake, just to hold onto some pride.

Tigers

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 Dunican's 12-yard touchdown run.

Only trailing 17-9 with 5:37 left to play in the third quarter, the game's outcome was clearly still in question. However, in roughly the next 15 minutes, any hope for a State win in the Textile Bowl were dashed by a series of turnovers.

Clemson was able to intercept Barnette once. However, two fumbles by punt returner Tony Scott and one by tailback Tremayne Stephens, ultimately produced the most damage in the form of two Tiger touchdowns and one field goal.

"If you turn the football over, you don't win," O' Cain said. "Plain and simple." Despite the loss, there were various positive notes for the Pack. Stephens moved into sixth place on the Wolfpack career rushing list. In addition, split end Jimmy Grissett's career day of 143 yards on seven receptions moved him into sixth place for receiving yardage during an N.C. State career.

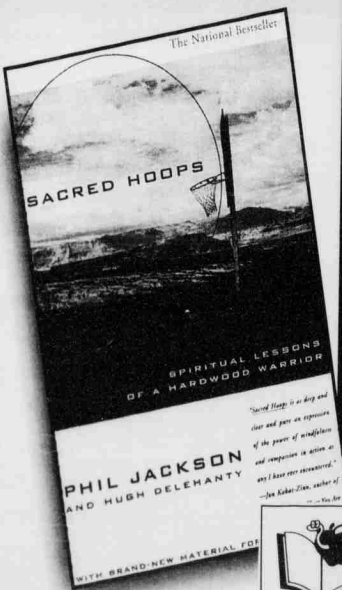
Not to be outdone, place kicker Marc Primanti's three field goals extended his ACC consecutive field-goals-made record to 21. Primanti was also named the 1996 N.C. State Textile Bowl MVP and is one of five finalists for the Lou Groza award. The honor annually bestowed upon the nation's top place kicker.

Go Collard Greens!!

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