



Diet Coke sponsors film festival

Diet Coke sponsored an uncapped film festival last night in the Witherspoon Student Center Cinema. The festival was a promotional event for the upcoming Grammy Awards.

The festival consisted of the screening of two films: "Grease" and "That Thing You Do." During the intermission between films, viewers participated in a lip-synce contest, hand jive contest and random trivia questions about "Grease." The winners were presented with free CDs.

The UAB Films Committee, in conjunction with the sponsorship from Diet Coke, held a raffle for a CD player.

UAB Films Committee Chair Carla Cathey hopes to get a sponsorship to host a similar Oscar party event in March.

New tomato developed

Tomato growers should be able to produce large, smooth, high-quality fruit during the late summer and early fall in Eastern and Piedmont North Carolina with a new tomato variety developed by an N.C. State plant breeder.

Most tomato varieties do not set fruit well when night temperatures are consistently 70 degrees Fahrenheit or higher, a typical condition in Piedmont and Eastern North Carolina from July through August.

The few varieties that do well when exposed to warm nights tend to be susceptible to catfacing, the development of a large, rough area at the blossom end of the fruit that reduces its value or makes it unmarketable. Until now, that is.

The new variety, called Sun Leaper, grows well when nights are warm while also producing high yields of large, smooth fruit. Sun Leaper was developed by Randy Gardner, a plant breeder stationed at NCSU's Mountain Horticulture Research and Extension Center in Fletcher, a town in Western North Carolina.

In the field, marketable yields of Sun Leaper exceeded those of Solar Set and Equinox, two other heat-tolerant varieties. Ripe Sun Leaper tomatoes are firm and have a thick fruit wall, characteristics that make the tomatoes easier to handle without damage.

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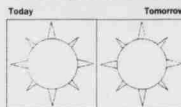
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NCSU targets international recruits

N.C. State plans to recruit more international students in an effort to increase global cultural awareness among its students.

By TRISHA ROSS
Staff Writer

Expect cultural diversity to be on the rise at N.C. State during the next few years.

The University International Programs' new goal is to increase the number of undergraduate international students by 50 percent within the next three years.

According to Leonard Bull, assistant vice provost for

International Programs, NCSU has developed several new avenues to attract more international students.

Bull's plan promotes interaction between NCSU faculty and colleges outside the United States. These faculty members will have their contacts encourage undergraduate students to come to NCSU.

The International Programs office has chosen to focus on increasing the number of undergraduate international students. Of the approximately 1000 international students at NCSU, most are graduate students, Bull said.

Graduate students are important members of the university community, but are focused on their work. It is undergraduate students

who tend to interact more with the student body, Bull said.

There are many reasons why the international program wants to increase the number of international students on campus. Bull said NCSU needs to encourage students' multicultural interests for practical reasons.

"If we are going to provide our students with the experience and background they need to function in a global economy when they leave here, we've got to increase the opportunities for that multicultural experience while they're here," Bull said.

One way to do that is to enroll NCSU students in exchange programs.

NCSU also has hundreds of programs to send students abroad. Ingrid Schmidt, director of the Study Abroad Office, said, "New exchange programs are also in the works, with countries like Spain, China and the Netherlands being considered. A new exchange program will operate between NCSU and Ghana this year."

But not all students choose to study abroad, so it's important to bring international students here to NCSU.

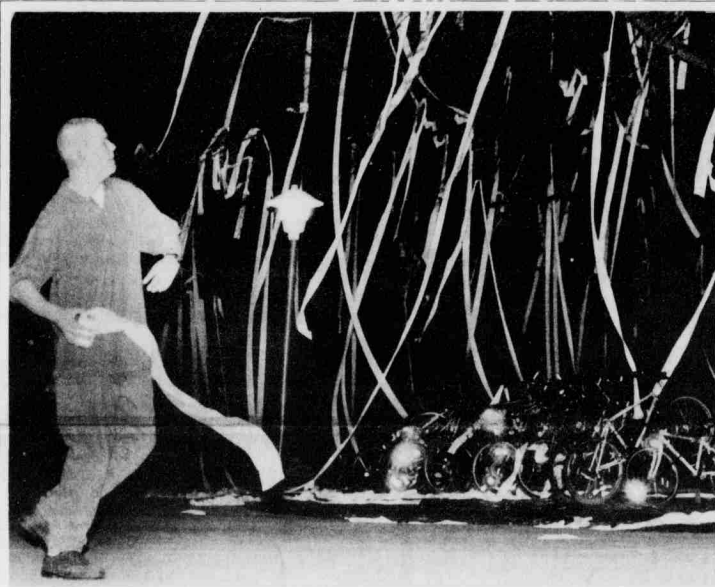
"For those who do not go abroad, having contact with international students on this campus is vital," Schmidt said. "Individual, person-to-person contact in classrooms, residence halls and social situations

helps our students understand other cultures, break down stereotypes and ultimately understand their own cultures better."

When compared to peer land grant institutions such as Purdue, Iowa State, and Penn State, NCSU is shown to be as much as 50 percent behind in international student activity for the size of the university, Bull said.

Financial concerns have also been an issue in the office's goal of increasing the number of international students. Many exchange agreements fail because the agreement becomes unbalanced in money matters and one

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Students blanketed campus with toilet paper (above), while police waited for trouble on Hillsborough Street.

GLENN ABBEY/STAFF

Committee concerned over assault

A Faculty Senate Committee discussed possible safety measures spurred by a recent attack.

By KRISTEN SPRULL
Staff Writer

There's no question what topic was in the minds of most administrators last week — safety.

In the wake of the Feb. 7 attack on a female faculty member in Winston Hall, Thursday's meeting of the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate quickly turned into a discussion of how to improve campus security.

Chief Ralph Harper, director of Public Safety, brought the assembled senate members and visitors up to date on the investigation of the crime.

"An officer from the State Bureau of Investigations came in to review and examine what we're doing," he said. "He determined we're doing all we can, and he encouraged us to continue."

The recent attack is similar to one that occurred in 1995, in which another female faculty member was accosted as she left a women's bathroom in Winston Hall after hours. Security and police have compared this 1995 incident to the Feb. 7 attack.

"There have been three occasions since 1994 where the focal point [of a crime] was a female bathroom," Harper said.

Both incidents in Winston involved a perpetrator described as a black male in his twenties, who ran away when his victim fought back.

Harper said there were few clues at the scene of the recent incident, but clues picked up from the 1995 incident may be useful in solving both crimes.

"The evidence we collected in 1995 is the best bet we have in identifying this person, if indeed it is the same person," Harper said.

"We don't close a case until the perpetrator is found," he added.

Public Safety is checking out all leads to find the attacker.

Chancellor Larry Monteith said increased crime is one of the problems N.C. State faces in the coming years.

"We're becoming an urban campus," he said. "In 20 to 30 years, we may become more of an urban campus than we'd like, but that's the reality."

Monteith asked the Faculty Senate to consider initiatives to counter the pitfalls of urban existence, beginning with a study of NCSU's North Campus to determine its evolution over the next 20 years.

Monteith said NCSU is not as involved as it could be with nearby businesses. He suggested the university become involved in the business development of its neighbors, but "in a reasonable way."

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Win awakens fans' spirit

Campus celebrates the Wolfpack's win over the Wake Forest Demon Deacons.

By JENNIFER THOMPSON
Staff Writer

Almost before the final horn sounded around 6 p.m. in Winston Salem, N.C. State students had already started to go wild.

The Wolfpack's one point victory over the number two team in the nation prompted shouts of delight from excited students from Lee to Wood residence halls. The campus quickly began to look like a Charmin factory, as toilet paper became tree decorations.

"It looked like it was snowing when we came out here," said Chris Rainey, who lives in Lee Residence Hall.

His whole suite went crazy and joined in the festivities, he said.

"There are no words to express it," Lee resident Steve Noell said, before

erupting into a triumphant howl.

Dan Matthews, another Lee resident, walked up to a group gathered on the breezeway bearing a roll of toilet paper in each hand.

"I searched hard for them, they were hidden," he said before he went to add the rolls to the several that already hung like streamers from the trees in front of Lee.

For win-starved fans, the victory was a chance to celebrate in a manner which surprised some students.

"I thought terrorists invaded campus," Sullivan resident Stewart Adams said of the noise that arose when the game ended. "It was exciting, to say the least."

"I feel sorry for the people who have to clean it up," Adams said as he surveyed the two-ply banners waving in the wind.

Julia Rayne, along with friends Kim Gruman and Wimberley Hasty, were in Lee Hall when the game ended. "We ran



out on the breezeway and screamed with everyone else," she said.

West Campus wasn't the only noisy place. East Campus had its share of revelry too. The noise level was so high it woke Wood resident Shani James.

Dan Wells was one Lee resident who missed the excitement.

"What happened here?" he asked as he walked onto the breezeway with grocery bags in hand.

"We beat somebody?" he asked in amazement when told by his friends that the Wolfpack had indeed beaten the Demon Deacons.

NCSU to be incorporated into 911 emergency system

Public Safety officials hope the new system will expedite the department's responses to campus crime.

By JOSH JUSTIN
Staff Writer

Fans of the FOX sitcom "Married With Children," might remember the vacuous Kelly Bundy asking the ludicrous question "What's the number for 911?"

But at N.C. State, that is actually a good question, since the university currently lacks a 911 system.

According to NCSU officials, that

will change next fall when NCSU will be incorporated into Wake County's emergency communications system.

As of now, the emergency number for NCSU is 515-3333, the number for Public Safety. When the new 911 system is in place, students will still be able to call the Public Safety number for non-emergencies.

"If you need police services, you can still use 5-3333," said Crime Prevention Officer Larry Ellis. "Public Safety will still respond."

In order for the 911 system to be implemented, 16 street names at NCSU will have to be changed. Jack Rose, program development

coordinator of NCSU's facilities division, is one of the leading figures carrying out the changes.

"My job is the implementation of changing the signs," Rose said. "We were disappointed in changing the street names."

Rose's concern about the street names being changed stems from the fact that the names are of honored individuals of NCSU's rich history.

"The Institutional History and Commemoration Committee is mindful of the importance of perpetuating these names on our campus, and will determine another appropriate naming opportunity in the near future to assure the

permanent honor they deserve,"

spoke.

Despite these necessary changes, Larry Ellis is excited about the implementation of the 911 system at NCSU.

"It's been planned for several years," Ellis said. "Students will have a quicker response."

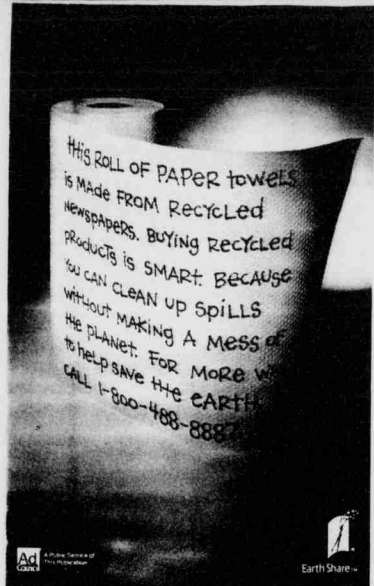
Chief Ralph Harper, director of Public Safety, said that converting the campus to the 911 system will be a big benefit to the community. The 911 system will advance current methods of procedure. Dispatchers will be able to determine the caller's location on campus, even if the caller does not

Also, the database will be capable of storing information such as a resident's medical condition. Calls will continue to be routed to campus dispatchers, but outside emergency workers should find it easier to locate addresses with the name changes.

One of the biggest advantages of the 911 system is the new path an emergency call will take.

With the system currently in place, calls from residents go to Public Safety, and then to the Emergency Communications Center

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institution feels they are being treated unfairly, Bull said. Ideally, a student pays the same amount of tuition as they would at their home institution when they go abroad, Bull said. For some nations, funds are extremely limited and other methods are being investigated to make it possible for those students to attend NCSU. Nonprofit organizations often help international students enter exchange programs. Students from Bolivia are being assisted by an organization called Partners of the Americas. Students who go to Ghana will pay slightly more than it will cost to send them, and the excess funds will help make it possible for Ghana students to take part in the exchange.

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(ECC). Under the 911 system, the call will go straight to the ECC, and emergency personnel will be able to respond quicker. However, Public

Institutions in India and other countries are working with the larger triangle companies to set up a work cooperation program. International students will work for the companies, and the pay will help supply students with funds to take classes at NCSU.

According to Schmidt, academic programs also benefit from the presence of international students. The presence of these students adds enrollment numbers to programs which would otherwise be too small to be offered.

In the ultimate job search, international experience of one kind or another has become a plus. "We have been hearing from and reading about more and more people like CEO's of Citibank, medical school admissions directors, etc., who are saying that international experience is the key," Schmidt said.

Safety will be informed shortly after, in order for an officer to be at the scene to assess the situation before emergency authorities arrive.

Time is of the essence in emergency situations, and Public Safety hopes this will improve response time.

"The new system is just far more efficient," Ellis said.

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"I want a vehicle by which ownership is perpetuated beyond the next generation," Monteith said.

Another issue raised during the meeting was the impending change of the 5-3333 on-campus emergency telephone number to the 911 emergency system next fall.

Margaret Zahn, dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, noted that even with 911, emergency service is frequently hampered when people move telephones within a building.

"911 only works if the phone is connected to the place where [Public Safety] knows where the phone is," she said. "They need to be stationary."

George Worsley, vice chancellor of Business and Finance, said his office is working to rectify the problem.

"I want to announce an inventory of phone instruments," he said. "We are going to lock down the phone rooms so that [telephones] can't be moved. If somebody decides to move a phone, emergency personnel can't get to them because they don't know where they are."

Other suggestions to improve security on campus include installing windows in bathroom and office doors and pruning hedges and natural areas on campus for improved visibility. "There is a beautiful and eerie feeling in the courtyard behind [Winston]. I'm not sure how secure I would be," Monteith said. Harper said his officers are aware of exterior conditions. "When we do a security survey of a building, we do the outside too," he said.

Monteith also asked the Faculty Senate to consider restructuring parking priorities so that female faculty members are able to park as close as possible to the buildings in which they work.

A task force, chaired by Zahn and Bob Entman, a professor in the communications department, will meet Wednesday to discuss recommendations for improved safety measures for the Winston-Caldwell-Tompkins complex.

The task force will offer two sets of recommendations: one for immediate implementation, and the other for long-term safety goals.

Jim Reinke, student senate president pro tempore, said the incident in Winston is a wake-up call for students. He said students need to have a higher awareness of their surroundings.

Answers

Crossword Puzzle



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Harrison's prayer answered, 60-59

■ C.C. Harrison hits a three-pointer at the buzzer to give State an improbable 60-59 win in OT.

By LAWRENCE J. WOBKER
STAFF WRITER

Time and time again, the N.C. State basketball team has brought the best teams in the country to the wire, and time and time again they let them slip away.

Not this time. The David that is State (10-12, 2-11 ACC) slew No. 2 Wake Forest and the Goliath of the ACC, 60-59 in overtime.

With 3.2 seconds left in overtime and down 57-59, C.C. Harrison squared up from the left wing and let fly a three-pointer that caromed off the glass to sink the Demon Deacons (20-3, 9-3).

The television replay showed that Harrison's foot was on the line, but referee Mike Wood ruled it a three-pointer. It was the second ACC game decided by a referee's error in five days and second at Wake Forest this season.

Harrison wasn't worried about his feet, but the feat he accomplished. "The refs called it a three," Harrison, who finished with a team-high 21 points, said. "I thought it

was another overtime, but then I saw the guys running over at me and I knew it was over."

It looked like it was over after Tony Rutland drained a 14-footer from the wing to give Wake a 59-57 lead with only 3.7 seconds remaining.

A long inbound pass to midcourt was followed by a quick timeout, and Jeremy Hyatt was forced to use the Pack's final timeout when he couldn't get the inbound pass in.

On the next try, Hyatt found Harrison at mid court, who took several dribbles and went up for the 21-footer over Ricky Peral and gave the Pack its first victory at Wake Forest in six years. "It's not just what we did today, but what this team has done each step along the way," Coach Herb Sendek said after his first career road ACC-win.

With 5:34 left, State started to come back from a second-half deficit which reached as much as nine points.

Center Damon Thornton drove the lane and dished to a waiting Harrison, who cut the lead to two with a short jumper. Seventy seconds later, Harrison drilled one of his four three-pointers, and State took a one-point lead.

The teams battled back and forth over the final three minutes, until freshman Justin Gainey's steal and

breakaway layup tied the game at 50 with 30 seconds left.

Wake played for the last shot, and put the ball in the hands of All-American Tim Duncan.

Guarded by reserve forward Luke Bufium, Duncan worked from the top of the key, and in the last 10 seconds, drove the right side of the lane and missed an eight-foot leaver.

"They hit a shot. They just beat us," Duncan, who finished with 25 points and 18 rebounds, said. "They wanted it more than us."

Overtime started slowly, with State controlling the tip and the tempo. A minute into the extra frame, Thornton hit a runner in the lane to go up by two, but Bufium fouled Ricky Peral away from the play.

Peral missed the front end of the one-and-one, but Duncan grabbed the rebound and in the process of converting the layup and was fouled by Thornton, his fifth.

Duncan converted the three-point play to take the lead 53-52. Then Jeremy Hyatt then stepped up and hit a six-foot runner, reverting the lead to the Pack. A minute later, Bufium dropped the inbound pass, and fouled out trying to get it back from Rutland.

Rutland hit both of the free



With wife Melanie Sendek and daughter Kristin Sendek looking on, C.C. Harrison and Damon Thornton begin the celebration over Harrison's off-balance, bank shot to stun the No. 2 Wake Forest Demon Deacons in Winston-Salem.

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Out of 'Les Invite?'

■ State could be on its way to postseason glory.

The toilet paper all over campus said it all. N.C. State had won. Again. Against a top ten team.

It's too easy to get excited after a Wolfpack hoops win (hey, we don't get to celebrate too often), so of course many people started saying things like, "The Pack's back, baby!" or "Nothing's gonna stop us now!" Hell, I found myself letting go of all that build-up excitement that I was all ready to let loose from Wednesday night.

Yesterday, my appreciation for State basketball went from one of complete disappointment to sheer

delight. The Pack should've defeated Carolina at home, but not Wake Forest in Winston-Salem in front of the "Joel Juveniles," "Jokers," "Gigolos" or whatever the heck they call themselves. There should've been no way for Wake, with everybody's favorite player in Tim Duncan, to lose at home to a 1-11 Wolfpack team.



Suffice it to say, C.C. Harrison, with one incredible shot, more than made up for his team's debacle against the Heels.

But that doesn't have to be it for the Pack. State could still be looking at postseason play.

Seriously.

Coach Herb Sendek's team closes out the season with four straight home games, three of them ACC matchups.

Those three ACC foes, Virginia, Georgia Tech and Florida State, are a combined 12 and 26 in conference play.

The Wahoons come to town Wednesday night with a 15-and-10 overall record. UVA is 5-8 in ACC play and may be disheartened after getting screwed last week against Duke and losing to Clemson this past weekend. Virginia eked out a win in Charlottesville the first time around.

Georgia Tech is just a game and a half ahead of State in eighth place in the conference standings at 3-9. Bobby Cremins has had inconsistency with his lineup so far this season, yet Matt Harpring is still fourth in the ACC in scoring. Of the three remaining ACC teams coming to Reynolds Coliseum, Florida State did the most damage to the Pack the first time around in Tallahassee. State lost by 20.

State's record stands at 10-12 (2-

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A most memorable 3.2

■ Three great seconds in the history of State hoops.

By STEVEN HODGES
STAFF WRITER

The second time was the charm for N.C. State in their matchup with the Wake Forest Demon Deacons in Winston-Salem.

The crowd of 14,000 stared in disbelief at C.C. Harrison, who was on the floor with the rest of the team, shocked at what had just taken place.

With 3.2 seconds left, Harrison drained an off-balance, miracle three-pointer to give the Wolfpack the win 60-59 in overtime over the No. 2 ranked team in the country.

For much of the second half, the action was tight between State and Wake. The Wolfpack battled back from their halftime deficit to bring themselves within two with 3:12 left to play.

Both teams' defenses stepped up their play a notch and neither team

could score. Then, with 35 seconds left in the game, one Pack freshman rudely introduced himself to the Wake Forest backcourt.

Justin Gainey, who played 28 minutes and had three steals, picked Tony Rutland's pocket as he brought the ball up the court and converted a lay-up to tie the score.

Wake Forest's one chance to win the game was in the hands of All-American Tim Duncan, but his shot misses, and, for the first time in a very long time, State looked like destiny's darlings.

When Rutland came down with four seconds left in the game and hit a 15 footer, it looked at first like another shot seemingly tailored to hand the Wolfpack yet another gut wrenching defeat.

The Pack kept its poise and inbounded the ball to call another timeout, to get it at midcourt.

With only three seconds left, the Pack had to come up with a quick



Freshman Justin Gainey gets hammered by Tim Duncan after making one of his team-high three steals against the No. 2 team in the nation. Gainey hit both free throws.

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Women beat Terps

■ The Wolfpack Women pulled out a close one to Maryland.

By K. GAFFNEY
STAFF WRITER

As the clock ran out, a huge sigh of relief was let go. In front of the second largest home crowd of the season, the N.C. State women's basketball team defeated Maryland, 65-62, finally pulling out a win down the stretch of a close game, and breaking a two game in-conference losing streak.

State has five close games so far this season, four of which have come at the hands of conference opponents.

"Each individual game can be somewhat like our season, when we have highs, they're really high, when we have lows, they're really low," State coach Kay Yow said. "For us it is a matter of surviving our bad days."

State's inside game and a three-pointer from Jennifer Howard pushed the Pack out to a 11-1 lead in the first three minutes.

Maryland freshman Tiffany Brown battled to bring the Terrapins back, hitting for 11 points, including a trio of three-pointers in a period of four minutes.

The Pack, anchored by a 15-point, seven-rebound first half performance from Chasity Melvin, was just too strong for the one-woman attack, and took a 44-35 lead into the locker room.

"She pretty much did whatever she wanted on the



State's Umeki Webb (21) hits a floater over two Maryland Terrapins on her way to one of her best all-around games of the year. She finished with 10 points, nine assists, five rebounds and two blocks.

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Gymnasts place second at Hearts

■ The Pack gymnasts fought with all their "Hearts" Friday against Alabama.

By JAMES CURLE
STAFF WRITER

The Pack gave one of their finest performances of the year at the Hearts Invitational Gymnastic Meet in Reynolds Coliseum on Friday - except for one event.

For the second straight meet, the Wolfpack gymnasts self-destructed on the uneven bars. Five of the six State gymnasts fell during their routines except for tri-captain Heather Cicero, who posted a personal best 9.525 on the event.

"I think we did pretty well," sophomore Lauren Mazzurco said. "It was pretty rough, though, on uneven bars. Once one fell, we all fell."

"We just couldn't get it together. We couldn't focus."

After the disappointing showing on bars, the Pack regrouped and recorded one of their strongest finishes of the year on balance beam.

Tri-captain Stephanie Wall, ranked eighth nationally on beam, finished first on the event for the fifth straight meet this year. The junior's score of 9.875 was a new personal best.

In addition to Wall's strong performance, the rest of the Wolfpack came through on beam. Four of the remaining five Pack gymnasts recorded personal bests, with

Stephanie Flanagan tying for fourth place overall.

The Pack followed up the success on beam by finishing strong on floor exercise.

Three gymnasts posted new personal bests in the event, including Wall's score 9.75. Flanagan also notched a personal best on floor with a score of 9.775.

"I think the team did a great job of getting it back together and having two of probably the best performances on beam and floor that we've had all year," Wall said.

At the meet along with the Pack were teams from Kent State, Rhode Island, New Hampshire and defending national champion Alabama.

The Crimson Tide put on a gymnastics clinic, posting a team score of 196.25. They outpaced the second-placed Wolfpack's score of 192.575 by nearly four points. The Alabama gymnasts never scored below 49.000 in one event, the uneven bars. "They do gymnastics so that gymnastics looks reasonably easy," State coach Mark Stevenson said. "And when it looks easy, you get good scores. That's where they excel so much."

Alabama's dominance was evident as they laid claim to two of the top three all-around positions.

State travels to Athens next weekend for a head-to-head matchup with national No. 1 Georgia on Feb. 21st.

"If we watch them, we'll compete poorly."

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Airline price wars produce low fares

Clinton is the first president since 1966 to use his powers to prevent a strike, setting a precedent that will likely be followed more often in the future.

By DON LEE AND JENNIFER OLDHAM
LOS ANGELES TIMES

American Airlines' effort to lure strike-wary passengers with discounts and upgrades triggered a fare war Saturday and appeared to attract some travelers back to the United States' largest domestic carrier.

But uncertainty hung over the airline as to whether the long-running labor dispute would be resolved during the 60-day cooling-off period ordered by President Clinton minutes after the 9 p.m. strike deadline Friday, a seldom used emergency measure.

"We could go through this again in 60 days," said American Airlines pilot Dave Powell in a Miami airport before heading for the cockpit

and a run back to his Boston base.

Clinton's intervention late Friday forced American's pilots to continue working while a special three-member emergency board tries to help bring about a settlement.

That brought relief to travelers nationwide and to many of the 90,000 American employees who were to be furloughed during the strike. American officials said 95 percent of its 2,200 flights Saturday were operating and that it expected virtually all of the 100 flights that were previously canceled to be restored by Sunday.

Compelling airlines had expected to benefit from an extended walkout at American, which carries one of every five domestic air travelers.

Instead they were faced with American's promotional discounts of up to 50 percent, double frequent-flyer miles and upgrades for business travelers. Several rival carriers immediately came out with matching discounts of their own.

Until Clinton, a president had not invoked this provision under the

Railway Labor Act since 1966. While Clinton viewed the action necessary because of the economic consequences of a strike grounding American, which carries nearly one-fifth of the nation's daily passengers, some predicted the president's action could have far-reaching implications for future airline labor negotiations.

"What is the policy going to be in future situations," asked David Walsh, a management professor at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, who specializes in airline labor relations. If another airline strikes, he said, "does this mean we're going to see presidential intervention?"

Clinton's advisers said that question weighed heavily in the president's mind, but so did an administration report that a strike could cost the national economy up to \$200 million a day and leave 40,000 passengers stranded daily. A strike would have dealt an especially big blow to cities such as Miami and the Dallas-Fort Worth

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U.S. troops welcomed in Hungary

Hungary is recovering slowly, restructuring its command system and building a volunteer military in hopes of joining NATO.

By WILLIAM DROZDIAK
THE WASHINGTON POST

TASZAR, Hungary — When the first American troops arrived here 14 months ago to set up a forward staging post for NATO peacekeeping operations in Bosnia, the 2,500 residents of this tiny village in southwestern Hungary prepared for the worst.

The last of 65,000 Soviet troops "temporarily stationed" on their territory for more than four decades had departed in 1991. Then, barely four years later, the world's only remaining superpower — demonized as the enemy during the Cold War — was dispatching thousands of its own forces to take

control of the sprawling local air base and its 12,000-foot runway.

Having been bullied by the Russians and abandoned by the West during the 1950 uprising, the sense of trepidation that many Hungarians felt in leasing the base to the Americans was understandable.

"All we knew about you guys came from 'Rambo' and those other violent action movies," said Lt. Col Imre Mesztergyesi, a Hungarian officer and liaison with the Americans. Indeed, even the old Warsaw Pact gunnery targets here depict U.S. soldiers as ominous silhouettes 10-feet tall.

But to expressions of delight and surprise on both sides, relations between the Americans and their Hungarian hosts have blossomed into a friendly partnership that may foreshadow the new era anticipated by NATO as it looks east for new members.

Even as the United States and its allies strive to reassure Moscow

that NATO expansion poses no threat to its interests, they are pressing ahead with an expanding web of military relationships to the east.

Through bilateral contacts and NATO's Partnership for Peace program, Western countries are seeking not just to prepare former communist states for eventual alliance membership, but to calm fears about a security vacuum developing in parts of the continent that have long been prone to instability.

For Mayor Jozsef Kovacs, the arrival of the Americans has meant economic salvation in the form of 1,500 new jobs and an infusion of millions of dollars in construction projects.

The United States has spent more than \$100 million, much of it to upgrade local military infrastructure, and the U.S. Army now conducts 60 programs to improve the quality of Hungary's troops.

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NEWS More repair on Hubble needed

Astronauts performing upgrades on the telescope will make another space-walk today, making repairs to a damaged insulation layer.

By WILLIAM HARWOOD
SPECIAL TO THE WASHINGTON POST

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — NASA managers Sunday ordered the Discovery astronauts to mount a fifth, unplanned spacewalk Monday to shore up cracked and peeling insulation on the Hubble Space Telescope.

The observatory, one of the premier instruments of 20th-century science, is not in any immediate danger of overheating or suffering any other ill effects from the surprisingly tattered insulation.

But with Discovery's crew already on hand for a \$350 million overhaul, managers decided to order additional repairs to help keep the observatory cool and healthy until the next shuttle servicing mission in 1999.

More extensive repairs likely will be carried out then. "We're doing the prudent thing," said program scientist Edward Weiler. "We have the extra spacewalk's time available. We're not going to take chances. We've got a \$2 billion investment here. Why take chances?"

And that's just for the telescope and its instruments. There is mission operations and other costs,

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throws, and the Wake lead was cut to one. On the next possession, Harrison was fouled driving the lane, and hit the first of two to tie the game.

The second free throw missed, and among the three 6-foot-10 players scrambling for the rebound, six-foot Gainey grabbed the ball and reset the offense with a minute

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11 ACC) with these games and a home finale against Wofford left. State could be headed to the NIT if the rest of the league helps the Pack out.

The two teams ahead of State, FSU and Tech, have a much tougher road to hoe. Besides coming to Raleigh, the Seminoles must go to Clemson to face the No. 7 Tigers on Feb. 23. After a trip here, the "Notes host No. 2 Wake Forest."

As for Tech, the Yellow Jackets face No. 10 Maryland on

Maryland

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block." Maryland coach Chris Weller said of the State center.

Down the stretch, poor shooting from State opened the door for Maryland, and the Terrapins welcomed the situation. Late in the game, the Terps outscored the Pack 12-2.

"We had a real dry spell towards the end of the game for about eight minutes," Yow said. "It seemed like every shot we put up would not fall."

With a minute and a half left, and the score hanging at 63-62, Howard fouled out of the game. Yow inserted Peace Sheppard into the lineup, but after a foul and a Wolfpack timeout, Yow brought in sophomore transfer guard Kristen Gillespie. Gillespie had been averaging 11.4 minutes per game, working her way into the point guard position, but hadn't seen time off of the bench since a poor

and 40 seconds left.

State again ran the shot clock all the way, when Benjamin drove around Duncan for a layup to take a two-point lead. Benjamin finished with 10 points on 4-of-4 shooting from the field and 2-of-2 from the free throw line.

State will take on the Virginia Cavaliers at home on Wednesday night at 7:30. Admission is free with a valid All-Campus card and are available this morning at the Reynolds Coliseum ticket office.

Wednesday, come to Raleigh, and then play at Wake Forest. Tech closes out the season by hosting Clemson.

It's not inconceivable to see State playing in the ACC Tournament in something other than the play-in game. Tech and FSU could lose all of their remaining games and bring the Pack up to the seventh spot in the ACC.

Even a sixth-place conference finish is not out of the question. Virginia, currently 5-8, faces Wake and Maryland after playing State.

No matter how you cut it, State now controls its own destiny. Whether it wants to finish its season in Greensboro or not is up to them.

performance against Virginia last weekend.

Gillespie found senior Umeki Webb on the baseline for a jumper with less than two seconds left on the shot clock, putting the Wolfpack up by three, 65-62.

With 19.1 seconds left, the State perimeter defense kept the Terrapins from scoring, and sophomore Lyschale Jones stole the ball, sealing the Pack's victory.

Webb played 40 minutes for the Pack, scoring 10 points, dishing out a season-high nine assists, collecting five rebounds, and blocking two Terrapin shots.

Melvin posted her ninth double-double of the season, with 21 points and 10 rebounds. Melvin has been the Pack's top scorer and top rebounder in seven of the Pack's last nine games, and is second in the ACC in scoring, averaging 20 points per conference contest.

Howard and freshman Katie Smrcka-Duffy each hit three shots from beyond the arc, finishing with nine and 15 points, respectively.



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Trek sites on red alert as Viacom sends fleet of lawyers

■ Viacom lawyers are seeking to end infringement of nebulous copyright laws on the web.

By MARCELA MUSGROVE
STAFF WRITER

"Paramount Locks Phasers on Trek Fan Sites," "No Free Enterprise," "Wrath of Viacom," "Viacom to Trekkers: You Will Be Assimilated."

These are just a few of the headlines throughout the country describing a recent crack-down by Paramount and Viacom (Paramount's parent company) on Star Trek websites. Paramount claims it is merely trying to enforce its copyright, but this has not stopped some determined fans from mounting protests against what they call "greedy Ferengi mentality" and "Borg-like" attempts to "assimilate the Internet."

In an open letter to fans, Paramount President David Wertheimer expressed his support for fan-created Web sites and emphasized that Paramount has no plans to write to the thousands of individual sites which are not abusing the Star Trek copyrights.

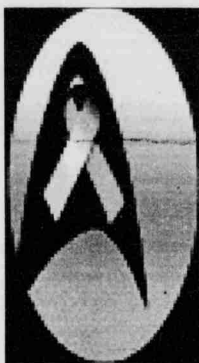
"Paramount has not asked any site to 'shut down,'" he wrote. "It has asked Star Trek Webmasters who are either selling ads, collecting fees, selling illegal merchandise, or posting copyrighted materials on

their sites to refrain from these specific activities."

According to various sources including the official Anti-Viacom Headquarters website, Paramount/Viacom has sent letters to at least nine sites requesting that they stop using images, script excerpts and other materials on their websites which have been copyrighted by Paramount. The letters requested, in legal terms, that the sites "cease and desist" from using the copyrighted materials without permission, in keeping with both U.S. and international copyright laws.

However, from the point-of-view of certain Star Trek fans, the recent crackdown suspiciously coincides with the opening of the official Star Trek site on the Microsoft Network, a subscriber-only service along the lines of America Online. Microsoft Network is only accessible by people using IBM-compatible computers and Microsoft Internet Explorer, Microsoft's web browser. The most popular web browser, Netscape, cannot be used. Some fear that Paramount will try to shut down all other Star Trek sites so that fans will be forced to pay for access to the official Star Trek site. Viacom spokespeople deny the charges, stating "It's part of a general enforcement program that's been in place for three years."

Rick Rottman, a lifelong Trek fan, is quick to point out, "Trek has not always been the cash cow that it is



COURTESY OF ANTI-VIACOM HEADQUARTERS

now. The only people that liked Star Trek were assorted fans who kept it going long after it has been canceled. Fandom helped bring Star Trek back from the ashes."

Gene Roddenbury, the now deceased founder of Star Trek, credited Star Trek fans for keeping Trek alive and said in "Star Trek — The New Voyages": "... we realized that there is no more profound way in which people could express what Star Trek has meant to them than by creating their very own Star Trek

"I might think it's inappropriate, but a company can decide to exercise their copyright for whatever reason. If they don't take legal steps to protect it, they lose it."

— Bill Willis,
Provost of Information Technology

things." Several web maintainers protest that their sites only help promote Star Trek.

One of them, Mark Williams, said "Fan-run websites do not make profit for the webmasters that run them. Ergo... no damages to Paramount. They do generate free publicity and revenue for Paramount Pictures/Viacom and encourage the success of the Star Trek franchise as a whole by keeping interest high."

But Bill Willis, Vice Provost of Information Technology, said motivation did not make a difference in a company's decision to crack down on copyright violations. "I might think it's inappropriate, but a company can decide to exercise their copyright for whatever reason. If they don't take legal steps to protect it, they lose it." However, the copyright issue becomes hazy when the use of material falls under the Fair Usage Act.

According to the homepage of Terry Carroll, an attorney specializing in copyright law in cyberspace, there are four factors used to decide whether a particular use of a copyrighted work is covered by the Fair Usage Act: (1) The purpose and character of the use, including whether such use is of a commercial nature or is for nonprofit educational purposes; (2) The nature of the copyrighted work; (3) The amount and substantiality of the portion used in relation to the copyrighted work as a whole; and (4) The effect of the use upon the potential market for or value of the copyrighted work.

Mike Caudill, a systems programmer at N.C. State, said that cases like this generally aren't worth the legal battle and if someone is accused of copyright violation, they should just take the material down. He says confusion occurs when people don't realize that "just because you can download images for free doesn't

mean you have the permission to display them."

Caudill can only remember one incident where NCSU students were required to change their websites because of copyright infringement. Student maintainers of a Winnie the Pooh site were asked by a lawyer for E.H. Dutton, publisher of the Pooh books, to take copyrighted pictures of Pooh off their page. The students were quick to comply, so no further problems occurred.

According to "Entertainment Weekly," the crackdown by Paramount/Viacom has been the latest of recent attempts by entertainment corporations to curtail the use of scripts, photos, sound and video clips that are easily distributed to a global audience via the Internet. Disney has been closing down unauthorized Disneyland tribute pages while the Fox network has gone after sites dedicated to the "X-Files" and "The Simpsons," asking for materials to be removed. When Lucasfilm made a threatening phone call to a popular Star Wars site last April, it received a deluge of calls, faxes and e-mails, which eventually persuaded the company to back down.

John Michael Straczynski, creator of "Babylon Five," another television science fiction program, posted a letter to a newsgroup explaining how the Babylon 5 team

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Where on the Web

For more information on copyright law:

<http://lweb.loc.gov/copyright/>

Terry Carroll's homepage:

<http://www.aimnet.com/~carroll/copyright/faq-home.html>

To see the official Star Trek Anti-Viacom Headquarters page:

<http://www.stwww.com/viacom.html>

To see Paramount's response:

<http://www.paramount.com/openletter/>

For more information on copyright/trademark wars on the web:

<http://www.muchmusic.com/muchmusic/cyberfax/trademark.html>

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Policy removes loopholes

Consent policy needs to be considered by N.C. State officials.

With the growing number of rapes and other sexual assaults on campuses across the nation, it seems many students no longer understand rules concerning what is acceptable sexual conduct and what is not. Some universities are attempting to change this by introducing a sexual consent policy that defines exactly what sexual assault and consent are.

In past cases, there has been room for alleged attackers to say that they did not know that certain words or actions were meant to mean "no." Theoretically, a consent policy removes this loophole by teaching that consent needs to be verbal. It would also require that consent be freely given, not coerced, since a person might comply to someone's sexual demands

out of fear — and that's not consent.

These kinds of policies are not meant to inhibit sexual conduct among students. Rather, they respond to rape incidents and the need for students to know the difference between compliance and consent.

NCSU administrators should consider adopting a policy similar to those used at other universities. Not enough is being done to prevent rape and sexual assault on campus. A consent policy would send a clear message that this type of violence will not be tolerated at NCSU.

A rapist shouldn't get off on a technicality, and someone who doesn't realize another person's sexual limits must be made aware of them. If you are a responsible adult having sex, you should feel able to say "no" if you want to. And whether you say "yes" or "no," your answer should be recognized by your partner.

Support the Wolfpack

Not even the cold nor a mediocre record could keep the Wolfpack faithful away Wednesday night.

It's hard to imagine why anyone would want to come out on a cold February night to support a men's basketball team that had only one conference win, and had been so close in so many others only to break its fans' hearts and let the game slip away.

But last week, N.C. State's fans came out anyway. With a vengeance.

That 1-11 team, your team, was welcomed onto the court Wednesday night by practically rabid fans, bloodthirsty at the sight of those baby-blue faces, UNC-Chapel Hill. The heat and noise in Reynolds Coliseum was appropriate for a battle between a couple of top 10 teams, certainly not for a team that was looking at last place in the ACC — again; or for a team that, by its own standards, is having a "poor" season.

But to the fans in Reynolds, it didn't matter that State was headed to the ACC

Tournament's play-in game again. It only mattered that the Pack was playing. Period.

The excitement of the game was built up for almost a month. It was Jan. 15 when the Heels basically stole a win from the Pack in Chapel Hill. Fans, alumni and, especially students, were ready for the game. Officials couldn't remember the last time so many students camped out for Carolina tickets. When Coach Herb Sendek made an appeal to the students Saturday night to continue supporting the Pack, little did he know just how sincerely the fans took him. Reynolds is a hostile place for opponents anyway; it just happened that Wednesday's game was even more so. Ice and debris was hurled at Carolina players and at the referees, causing Sendek to take the microphone and ask it to stop.

It didn't. Sendek saw firsthand the intense hate and disgust that State fans have for their Triangle brethren. The red-clad fans were there to cheer the Pack and to jeer the Heels. That is what makes the rivalry so special. And remember, there's always next year.



Celebrate and educate during awareness week

Is everybody happy? Does gay still mean happy? If it does, then I'm not gay. Can anyone who is homosexual honestly say that they are happy?

For those of you who may have some preconceived notions, let me clarify a few terms that you may think you are familiar with. The word "fag" is a verb which means to tire by work. Yes, I am fagged. "Fag" as a noun is British slang for a cigarette. I'm not a cigarette. A "fagot" is a bundle of sticks or things tied together for use as fuel. It is to fasten together in bundles. We should all be fagots and come together in unity.

"Dyke" comes from "dike" which is a bank of earth or dam built as a defense against flooding by a river or the sea. Yes, I am a dike, trying to be a defense against the flooding of rivers and seas of hatred and misconception.

Think about how you perceive the gay community. This week is Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week at N.C. State, a week set aside by the Bisexuals, Gays, Lesbians and Allies (BGLA). The purpose of this week is to make people aware and more educated about the issues of homosexuality. I encourage you to



Nancy Hight

take this opportunity to step outside the classroom and further your ongoing education.

Another purpose of the week is to try to change the apathy among those faculty members and students who may benefit from BGLA. One reason for this apathy is because showing any support for the BGLA may be perceived by others as making a statement.

You don't have to be out to come to the meetings. You do not even have to be gay. The BGLA is a diverse group. The diversity not only comes from the bisexuals, gays and lesbians, but also with the allies, who are not afraid to support ideas that may be different than

their own, or to gain some insight to an alternative way of life because they may know someone who is gay.

The strength of any organization is in numbers. The BGLA has an opportunity to grow and should be allowed to continue with their mission of changing campus attitudes and supporting those with common interests who need the organization. The BGLA is just as important as organizations such as the College Republicans, Campus Christian Fellowship, Collegiate 4-H Club, and the Outing Club.

The gay community tries to be a family. We all have families we are born into, but many homosexuals are discriminated against within their own biological families. When our families change, we have to build our own. Within this family, many of us are still strangers to one another.

We need to come together and support our fellow members. Of all the social issues we are faced with, homosexuality seems to be the most controversial. Politically, there are conservatives who will never change. Religiously, there are the fundamentalists who will never change. Socially, the gay

community is considered a minority. Wouldn't it be nice if the narrow-minded were the only minority?

Within a society, change begins with its youth. As young adults we are in a unique position to help facilitate some of those changes, not just on our campus, but state and nation wide. We need to educate ourselves. We need to educate our families, educators and politicians.

Many think that to live the gay lifestyle is a choice. Yes, we do have our choices. In the end, the only choice anyone can make is acceptance. It amazes me that a country that prides itself with its diversity can still pick and choose issues of tolerance. If this is truly the land of the free and the home of the brave, then can we truly be brave enough to accept and celebrate diversity and to see all people as equal, if not in our minds, then at least equal in the eyes of the law? We need more brave citizens and politicians who will not cower in the shadows of illiteracy.

Our nation is still very young. We must not lose sight of what America can still become.

Dukes offer respite from trash television

Whatever happened to our classic television shows of the '80s? Where'd the "A-Team" go? What ever happened to the "Incredible Hulk"? And what about the "Knight Rider" and "He-Man"? These were some of the shows I grew up with.

I feel sorry for those whose lives were void of such quality television. To paraphrase the wisdom of Mr. T, "I pity the fool!" It's sad that there are so many trashy television shows out there today that they almost outnumber the number of Clinton scandals. Today's American kids are subjected to "Full House" and "Saved by the Bell" and other such sickening trash. They are growing up to become vulgar shows that are unfit for television.

With all the garbage out there now, it's no wonder there's been such a powerful demand for "socially constructive" television. Many mature parents even find the new V-chip and rating system unacceptable and are demanding a "clean-up" job that would eliminate sorry shows, rather than subject them to being rated PG-13, R, etc. Back in the '80s such a negative attitude towards television programming didn't exist. The shows were decent then.

Though it's unfortunate that television's greats from the '80s

Hill Yarborough COMMENTARY

have long since died, we can rejoice that the "Dukes of Hazzard" has been resurrected and is alive and kicking. It originally aired from 1979 to 1985 and managed to produce 143 awe-inspiring episodes.

Who didn't grow up to the "Dukes of Hazzard"? When I was growing up, there were some friends of mine that lived off the show. I can remember in elementary school hearing everybody talk about it. I even carried a "Dukes of Hazzard" lunch box to school. The show made such an impact on popular culture that there's hardly anyone who has never seen or heard about it.

The "Dukes of Hazzard" was in many ways to Southerners what "Welcome Back Kotter" may have been to our friends up North. The South had always been inaccurately portrayed on television and in the theaters as a region of mistrust, hostility and "oppression." If you didn't find Southerners portrayed on the screen as oppressive plantation owners, then they'd likely be shown as greasy imbeciles who lived in run-down trailers. The "Dukes of Hazzard," on the other hand, has done a fine job of

providing a much more accurate portrayal of these people.

Those unfamiliar with both the show and the region are likely to ignorantly label the Duke boys as "rednecks" or "white trash." From those more familiar, the Dukes would be referred to as "good ol' boys." Even the show's theme song states that they were "good ol' boys, never meanin' no harm."

That's what they were. They were good country folk who always did the right thing. There have been sick rumors that Bill Cosby bought the rights to the show and deliberately kept it off television in an effort to keep the Confederate flag, often depicted on the show, from being aired.

Whatever the reason, we don't need to worry any longer — it's back on television. For almost a year now, TNN has been airing dozens of "Dukes of Hazzard" episodes on weekdays while the network has watched its ratings soar. Even the Internet has seen a rise in web pages dedicated to the Dukes. Search the World-Wide

Web and you'll find out where you can buy a replica of their car General Lee. If you look hard enough, you'll even find out where to get a Dixie horn installed in your vehicle like the one that used to be on the General.

Not only has television seen a comeback of the old series, but now there's a new "Dukes of Hazzard" television movie coming out this month. It'll be roughly two hours and will air on CBS. The reunion movie's plot focuses on some outsider who wants to build a theme park in Hazzard, much to the disgust of Uncle Jesse and the Dukes. Daisy gets married in the movie and the Dukes end up racing cars in an effort to save Hazzard.

All the original cast members will be back except Sorrell Booke, the actor who played Boss Hogg. He died a few years ago but is replaced in the reunion movie by Roscoe P. Coltrane, the new Boss of Hazzard.

Why has there been such a recent rise in Dukes of Hazzard popularity? The show's rise represents a rejection of the values Hollywood spoon feeds us through trashy television. I'm looking forward to seeing this new television movie. Turns out, it will be just like the old television series, with some car chases in the countryside and with Daisy Duke looking as fine as ever.

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Finding love on the Internet

As Valentine's Day approached and I joined the masses in the rush to buy a gift for my sweetie, I reflected on how many people are in relationships either on-line or that began on the Internet. Everyday, thousands of people, even millions, go on-line to "surf the net." Maybe they're on Netscape. Or maybe they use a Bulletin Board System (BBS) or the Internet Relay Chat (IRC) to talk to people all over the world. They make friends. Bonds are formed and you find yourself caring about the person behind the other screen.

On-line romances happen almost daily. They start out in a chatroom and move beyond it. First there is the exchange of e-mail. The letters are filled with personal information. After these long chatty e-mails, phone numbers are exchanged. Then comes the first phone call.

After the phone call, addresses are exchanged. You write each other "snail mail." Then one day, you open the mailbox and see a thick envelope. Pictures are exchanged and you study the photo, noting every detail.

You want to take the huge step, the first meeting. Tickets are bought, road trip plans are finalized. You don your Sunday best and wait for that late bus. When it finally pulls up you wait to see... and there (s)he is, walking towards you. Then (s)he's hugging you and you know it's going to be alright. You take him or her back to your place for a soda and have a wonderful visit.

After the visit, you make plans for your future together. You make plans for other visits. The big day comes and you are finally together. The hugs and kisses make you feel like it was worth the waiting, the pain, the loneliness, the sexual frustration, the huge phone bills and everything else. You have no regrets.

That is the theory of a relationship that developed on-line. To apply it, we'll look at two friends of mine in such a relationship. I'll call them Tigger and Pooh, which aren't their on-line nicknames. Tigger is the

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male and Pooh the female. They met on IRC almost two years ago. About five months ago, they got together on-line as a couple. They met in real life three months ago. Tigger'll tell you they've been together three months. Pooh would say five.

They are currently apart; he's in New Hampshire, she's in New Jersey. They see each other once a month. In between visits, they call and write. They also talk on IRC. To avoid high phone bills, they only call a few times a week. They are both focusing on August, when they plan to move to Arizona together so they can both finish school.

Neither one of them is in their first 'net relationship; both say that they were in a few before meeting each other. Pooh told me that the spark that drew them together came out through "mental attraction, the fact that we could never run out of things to say — how we could seem to talk forever and never want to part." She also said that they really started talking when both were going through really bad break-ups, and they helped one another through them. Their bond was formed by sharing their pain.

Tigger and Pooh's relationship is a typical one these days. Many couples meet on-line and move beyond the computer screen. The relationships develop the same way Tigger and Pooh's did. Tigger said that "if you can get together and the spark happens, it'll last forever because a 'net relationship is not based on physical attraction, it is initially based on an attraction to someone's personality."

There are some major negatives involved. You can't really know who the other person is — which is not unlike meeting people in a bar, but being in person feels safer, and it guards against being lied to about basic information. There is a certain level of risk in a relationship over the Internet. You don't know for

sure if you're being lied to or not. You could be sitting there, talking to the (w)oman of your dreams and later find out (s)he is only 14. Or she says "I'm not too tall, my height is average," and you, think "cool, that's not too bad," cause I'm only average height myself." Then you find out she's 6 feet 1 inch to your 5 feet 8 inches.

Some people point out the distance involved, which can kill a relationship before it starts. Some people who get together on the 'net are in the same geographical location. This factor can influence them to date, even if they're skeptical about going out with someone they met on-line. Distance isn't always a problem.

There are physical dangers involved with on-line dating, but there are dangerous people everywhere. The best way to guard yourself is to be careful. Talk to people on-line and get to know each other before addresses and phone numbers are exchanged.

Internet relationships are, for lack of a better word, cool. Like everything in life there is both good and bad. For the most part, I have been very lucky. On-line dating isn't for everyone, but wonderful things can and do develop. I found the man I am going to marry on-line. Our relationship started in a chatroom and has developed to the fullest — we now share an apartment. It took a while for us to find each other, and we've both been in relationships before. But I found him when I really wasn't looking.

Take it slow, don't jump into anything — remember, patience is a virtue. Also, don't go on-line looking for romance. Go on and talk, be yourself and get to know people. See what friendships you form and see if any of them develop into anything. If you do get into a relationship and it goes sour, remember that not all relationships will be like that. You've got to get back in the saddle. So have fun surfing the 'net!

Trek

PROVIDED that the proper copyright information was appended to the material utilized." Several fans have set up Anti-Viacom web sites, designed to rally other fans to action. They document the sites that have been taken down and have addresses of executives at Paramount to write or e-mail to. They also call for a boycott of Microsoft Network, advertisers on Star Trek programs and Star Trek merchandise.

On the newsgroup rec.arts.startrek.current, Lee Smallwood questioned the effectiveness of this, saying "In all honesty, most Trek fans that I know will continue watching it even if Paramount personally sends out lawyers to physically serve anybody who has said 'Star Trek' in the last six years. In this case, the only way to make a

statement is to illustrate that Paramount is, on the whole, better with a fan web-presence than it is without it." Nonetheless, a segment of the Trek fan contingent continues to battle on in their quest to negotiate with Paramount/Viacom. A plea by the "Klingon Imperial Diplomatic Corps Resistance Movement" "We must make a concerted effort to make Viacom realize that what they are doing is comparable to shooting themselves in the foot; fan-run Trek sites only help promote the franchise and are not meant as the copyright infringements as Viacom interprets them to be." Invoking a phrase commonly used by the Borg aliens on Star Trek, they conclude, "Remember, this time resistance will not be futile!"

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Airlines

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size, whose airports are dominated by American, but also in many other regions.

The president's action was applauded by passengers, the airline industry as well as the top management at American, which had said a strike would cost it up to \$50 million in loss of cash daily and had urged Clinton to get involved. But it was generally frowned upon by American's union, the Allied Pilots Association.

Though the union contended that its pilots could still strike in two months, most analysts don't see that happening. In the worst case, they said, if there is no agreement in 60 days, Congress can impose a settlement.

"We feel the issues we were discussing are going to be the same issues today, the same issues next week, and the same issues 60 days from now," said Chuck Spence of Camarillo, Calif.

Hubble

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and the nation's investment to date exceeds \$3 billion.

During three previous spacewalks, Harbaugh, Tanner, Mark Lee and Steven Smith installed two new science instruments, two data recorders, a new guidance system, a data-relay computer and other equipment to give the telescope a new lease on life.

But shortly after Hubble was hauled aboard Discovery last week, engineers discovered extensive cracking in the insulation protecting the telescope's upper tube assembly, and several equipment bays where sensitive electronic systems are housed.

The damage was limited to one side of the telescope, the "hot side" that always faces the ultraviolet glare of the sun and is bombarded with atomic oxygen as it travels. This combination of UV radiation and erosion by atomic oxygen in the extreme upper atmosphere is believed to have caused the unexpected insulation cracks and widespread peeling.

Finish

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play to at least force the game into another overtime. Instead, Harrison got a screen and throws up a prayer over Ricky Peral at the top of the key. For the win.

The shot hit the backboard and drops in. For what seemed like an eternity, there was confusion as to whether it was a three-point shot.

When the scoreboard showed the final score, the Wolfpack bench, and the fans behind them, erupted in celebration.

The Deacon fans could only look in disbelief as the game that looked like it had been its for the taking was instead in the hands of the Pack. Finally.

Bama

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Stevenson said. "Our job is to take care of us. If we hit every one of our routines and Georgia beats us, that's O.K. Our goal is to be as good as we can be."

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