



Clues sought in armed robbery

On February 17, at approximately 1:05 a.m., an armed robbery was committed against a male student outside Bragaw Residence Hall. The suspect used a handgun to commit the crime and was last seen heading toward Dan Allen Drive.

The suspect is described as a black male of medium build, about 26-years-old. He is 5 feet, 11 inches tall and weighs about 160 pounds. He has black hair cut short above the ears.

The suspect was wearing a dark green t-shirt, dark pants and a black knit cap.

If anyone observed a person matching this description during this time, please call 515-2498.

Publishing forum to be held

On February 20, three N.C. State professors will address members of the university community on the academic aspects of publishing scholarly articles in scientific journals. They will discuss problems and pitfalls, advances in electronic publishing and discipline-specific distinctions.

David Aspes, of physics, Jim Moyer of biochemistry and plant pathology, and Rich Spontak of materials engineering will give their presentations at the Faculty Senate Chambers in the Erdahl-Cloyd wing of D.H. Hill Library.

Students spot safety hazards

In order to more effectively address the safety concerns of the university community, the Student Senate's University Affairs Committee, in conjunction with R.E.A.L. Men/H.E.A.R. Women, has implemented monthly regional walks this semester.

The goal is to walk through sections of campus and pinpoint safety hazards, such as missing or burned-out lights, and report findings to Public Safety.

On Jan. 20 the first walk covered North Campus and the Court of Carolina.

Among the problems cited by the committee were blown lights around Caldwell, Tompkins, Page, Rick and Primrose Halls. The committee recommended that lights be installed near Peele, Kampfoefner and Ricks.

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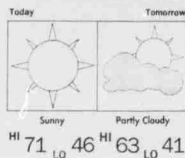
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Outside



Women's Center misses relocation deadline

■ The proposed relocation date of NCSU's Women's Center has been pushed back once again.

By APRIL HARRISON
Staff Writer

Some people argue that when it comes to equal rights for women, our society is still living in the past. Ironically, NCSU's Women's Center is still stuck in its old home, Nelson Hall.

Last year, the N.C. State Space Committee decided to move the College of Business Management to Nelson after shifting the Women's

Center to another building. Original plans for the relocation of the Women's Center included a moving date of January 1997. However, the Women's Center still has not moved out.

"I think the main reason we haven't left yet is because of funding in terms of the College of Management. They have to find the money for the second phase of renovations, and I don't think that money is there yet," Rhonda Mann, coordinator of the Women's Center, said.

The Women's Center is supposed to be relocated before the next phase of renovations are completed. Since the General Assembly

turned down the appropriation of \$7 million for the renovation project, the renovations were postponed. NCSU itself has allocated \$2 million to begin the next phase of renovations. However, this is not enough money to cover the total cost of the renovations.

Richard Lewis, dean of the College of Management and chairman of the building committee, for Nelson Hall, has estimated the earliest date of continuing renovations to be May of this year.

Mann has been told that the renovation project is tentatively set to be completed by March 1998.

However, the Women's Center has no place to go.

"There is still no final word yet on where we are going to move. There are a lot of ideas circulating, but nothing has been finalized," Mann said.

Mann would like the Center to be moved to a centralized location. She hopes the center will be at a location where people can feel safe and comfortable.

"The space is important so that we can continue to grow and serve the needs of the students at N.C. State," Mann said.

The Women's Center was created in 1991 to help students and faculty of NCSU with problems ranging from relationships to sexual assault or rape. It serves as the meeting

ground for campus organizations like the Panhellenic Sorority Association, Students for Choice, and R.A.E.L. Men HEAR Women. The Women's Center is also a main contributor to the annual "Take Back the Night" rally.

While the funding is gathered and renovations are finalized, the Women's Center remains uncertain of what the future has in store. However, Mann has a hopeful outlook on the situation.

"I wish we knew where we were going. But Campus Planning has worked with us to try and establish what we need, so I think everything will come out positively in the end," Mann said.

Specialist helps students erase debt

■ Debt is becoming a serious problem for many students, but financial management help is available.

By KRISTEN SASS
Staff Writer

The price of 2-liter Cokes and T-shirts has skyrocketed to \$800 for college students. If you've ever applied for a credit card on campus, this should ring a bell.

Credit cards are only one of the factors that contribute to the ongoing problem of student debt. According to Janice Holm Lloyd, an extension specialist in family resource management, there is hope for students in debt — if they educate themselves.

Lloyd offers knowledge on the subject and has a plan for handling low, middle and high debt.

Many times, students learn from the experiences of their friends and think that being in debt is the norm. The problem then becomes so commonplace that it seems okay to have credit problems.

"Most of my friends are having money problems," sophomore Ashley Davis said.

Students are often baffled when it comes to their finances. Education is needed to prevent this problem, Lloyd said.

"No one has explained how important it is to accept that the amount of money you have is limited. Credit is not additional income; it's a new obligation to repay what you bought plus interest," Lloyd said.

For students who are barely in debt and have enough income to pay what they owe in a reasonable time period (Level I debt), there are steps that can be followed. Lloyd suggests listing all sources of take-home pay and other cash income for the coming months. Then, list all debts and loan payments and calculate the total amount due monthly.

Next, list all other expenses such as food, housing, insurance, etc. Now, to determine how much discretionary income you have, subtract your monthly expenses from after-tax income. The resulting figure is the most you can pay on loans or credit card debts each month.

If your debt is higher and you do not have enough income to cover it (Level II debt), you will have to take some extra steps. First, come up with a total of all your assets (things you own). Then, come up with a total of your liabilities (things you owe) and subtract this from your total of assets. This number is your net worth.

After net worth has been determined, you can fill out a net worth statement that will allow you to negotiate a loan. You should also call your creditors and explain the situation in order to try to work out a new payment schedule.

If your debt has become serious and you can not afford the monthly interest amount, then you have reached Level III debt. In this situation, you should determine your net worth and call the Consumer Credit Counseling Services located on 401 Hillsborough St. at (919) 821-1770. They can assist you by reviewing your situation and suggesting various options.

While Lloyd's strategies are useful for getting out of debt, she does suggest ways to prevent debt altogether. For example, students should divide their money in monthly sums and determine how much can be used for bills, needs and wants.

Students also need to avoid the low monthly payment temptation. Many times, students are aware of how the whole system works, yet fail to look at the total finance charges. Credit cards work very appealing when there is a \$10 minimum monthly payment.

Credit cards should not be used as a convenience. "Do not use credit cards for everyday living expenses unless you can pay in full every month," Lloyd said.

Instead of having an excess number of credit cards, students need to learn about the responsibility of tending to one or two, Lloyd said. This is a serious problem considering the average household has eight to nine credit cards.

"He who denies you credit is not necessarily your enemy. He who gives you credit is not necessarily your friend," Lloyd said.



Members and supporters of the BGLA paint the Free Expression Tunnel Sunday night.

Blue Jeans Day incites annual controversy

■ Blue Jeans Day, and the mixed opinions that surround it, is here again.

By SHANNON UMBERGER
Staff Writer

To jean or not to jean? That is the question.

Today is Blue Jeans Day here at N.C. State, a day which draws mixed emotions from the entire university population.

The Bisexuals, Gays, Lesbians, and

Allies club has been working hard to make this week. Gay Awareness Week, visible on NCSU's campus. Events include painting the Free Expression Tunnel and having three guest speakers, a bowling night, a dance night, and information booths across campus.

But "Blue Jeans Day is the climax of the week," said Rob Ridings, publicity secretary of BGLA.

The purpose of Gay Awareness Week is to let people know "what we're [BGLA] about and why NCSU has such a great need for a group like us," Ridings said.

According to Ridings, BGLA has 40-50 members. But he estimates that there are 2-3,000 members of the gay community on campus, which constitutes approximately 10% of NCSU's population.

Ridings added that the week is "not only about uniting the BGLA community on campus, but also educating the campus as a whole."

The concept of Blue Jeans Day is confusing to a lot of students, though. Most

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New course offers unique perspective on science and technology

■ The new course will examine gender roles scientific fields.

By PRESTON MOON
Staff Writer

The goal of research is to be unbiased and objective, but for years

that has not been the case when it came to gender equality in science and technology, many experts say.

A new course at N.C. State claims that there is an imbalance in the numbers of women and men who pursue higher degrees in research and engineering, and this imbalance has caused an impact on our cul-

ture.

The new course examines this possible imbalance and ways to eliminate it. The course, titled "Women and Gender in Science and Technology," is being co-sponsored by the Women and Gender Studies Program, a group of faculty members concerned with how gen-

der influences technical and professional training at NCSU.

"We have five professors from very different areas teaching the class," Donna Cookmeyer, assistant professor of plant pathology, said. The professors take turns teaching the class in pairs, she said, but all five are present every day.

Cookmeyer said the five women got together about a year ago and decided to create the course, now listed as MDS 295. "We've been working steadily over the last year to put the class together," she said.

"It's been out of an interest in why

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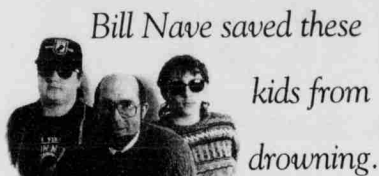
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Jeans

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do not understand what the BGLA means when they ask everyone on campus to wear blue jeans to show their support.

"I'm not sure what they mean by 'support,'" said Beth Lassiter, a junior in mathematics education. "I believe in their rights but not their lifestyle. Which does wearing blue jeans mean?"

Other students feel the whole idea is unnecessary.

"I don't go around telling women to wear t-shirts if they like me," said Scott Overton, a junior in mathematics education.

Daniel Baynes, a junior in history education, said, "Jeans are an American tradition. People are going to wear jeans whether they support gay rights or not."

Still other students believe using jeans to signify support is not a good choice.

"I don't think it's appropriate to signify gays and lesbians by a typical everyday activity," said Lee Jernigan, a senior in civil engineering. "Support should be defined by a more appropriate means."

Jernigan suggested wearing the

rainbow or pink triangle symbols.

Greg Hamilton, a senior in civil engineering, said, "I'm going to wear blue jeans and if someone says something, I'll knock their teeth out. I don't want to be considered gay."

Ridings said the purpose of Blue Jeans Day is "to make people wake up and think about what they are going to wear."

According to Ridings, blue jeans were chosen as a sign of support because most people do not hesitate to throw on a pair of jeans on a cold day in the middle of February. But today, when people are getting dressed, they actually have to decide why they may or may not wear blue jeans.

Plus, Ridings said to suppose BGLA had asked people to support them by wearing red shirts. "Not everyone has a red shirt, and not too many people would go out and buy one just for us. But everybody has jeans."

Ridings said we have to think about the fight for civil rights, which is understood to encompass factors like race, ethnicity and gender.

"Equal rights based on sexual orientation is the next frontier," Ridings said.

Therefore, wearing blue jeans on Blue Jeans Day shows "support for equal rights for all people — period," Ridings said.

According to Ridings, BGLA's measurement of success on Blue Jeans Day lies not in the numbers, but in the impact.

The people who wear blue jeans "are saying more to themselves than to us," Ridings said.

According to Ridings, Gay Awareness Week may be more effective this year. The campus has shown more sympathy for the BGLA after one of its members was harassed in October while painting the Free Expression Tunnel.

Ridings also said the administration is becoming more sensitive. He pointed to Chancellor Monteith's open forum letters to Technician, which asked for open minds after the harassment incident.

Tom Stafford, vice chancellor of student affairs, said he appreciates "what BGLA does to make the campus aware of these issues. We need a campus environment where every person feels comfortable and welcome."

Stafford added, "I'll have my blue jeans on Wednesday, you can count on that."

Course

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men and women trained in the sciences come out differently," Cookmeyer said. "We began asking questions about what influences which topics we cover in science and research."

Because the class is team-taught, it can utilize a multidisciplinary approach to the gender subject, Cookmeyer said.

"These kinds of gender stereo-

types broadly apply to all fields of science and engineering," she said.

The rest of the class' teaching team are: Mary Barbercheck, associate professor of entomology; Marta Wayne, a postdoctoral research fellow; Hatice Ozturk, assistant professor in engineering; and Mary Weyer, a National Science Foundation fellow in the sociology department.

"Science is not done without bias," Cookmeyer said. "Our culture does create a bias."

This bias prompts the need for a

class that looks at "how culture influences the way science is done and how science impacts our culture," she said.

According to Cookmeyer, the next time the five professors plan to offer the class is Spring 1998, but it may become a fixture every semester if there is a student demand for it. In the meantime, students are welcome to look at a copy of this semester's syllabus at the Division of Multidisciplinary Studies at 2806 Hillsborough St.

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Unbeaten no more

■ The Wolfpack Women
did what the men could
not—upset the nationally-
ranked Tar Heels.

By K. GAFFNEY
STAFF WRITER

If there was any doubt among
the 7,239 fans in Reynolds
Coliseum on Monday night that
the Wolfpack
Women was
out of its
slump and
ready to play, they were erased
early.

The Wolfpack opened the game
by blanking No. 4 North Carolina,
9-0 in the first two and a half
minutes. The Tar Heels, previ-
ously unbeaten in ACC play,

never recovered, losing 84-77.

State stunned the Tar Heels
increasing the lead eventually to
12. Carolina pulled the game back
to within four points at the 14:11
mark of the half, but that is as
close as they would get all night.

"They're certainly the best 16-
10 team I've ever seen," UNC
coach Sylvia Hatchell said. "It is
hard to believe that that team lost
10 games."

State's standout center Chasity
Melvin scored 10 points in three
minutes to push the lead to 18
before halftime.

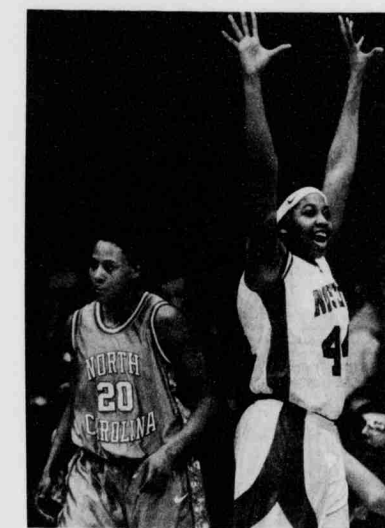
"Chasity just continues to
improve for us, on both ends of
the court," Coach Kay Yow said.
"She has just been giving us great
contributions."

Despite two three-pointers from
Tar Heel guard Jessica Gaspar,
Carolina trailed, 47-33 at the half.
Earlier this year, State had
jumped out to a 10-0 run on the
Heels, only to be defeated by 11.
Trying to ensure that there would
not be a repeat performance, State
came out of the lockerroom firing.

Jennifer Howard nailed a three,
one of four on the night for the
senior guard, to open the scoring
for the Pack, and four quick
points inside the paint found State
up by 19.

State entered the last two

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Chasity Melvin celebrates State's 84-77 upset of No. 4 UNC.

HOCK TORADA (BOW) STAFF

Tourney time?

■ The door may be open
for postseason play.

By K. GAFFNEY
STAFF WRITER

It was true anyway, but the fact
that Umeki Webb said it made it
that much more believable.

"Anybody who comes in here,
we are going to be ready to play,"
Webb said.

When N.C. State defeated UNC-
Chapel Hill, 84-77, on Monday
night, it wasn't about North
Carolina.

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Pack nine take Bucs, Niners

■ State turned things
around on the diamond this
weekend in Charleston.

SPORTS STAFF REPORT

The N.C. State baseball team
rebounded from a slow start last
weekend to
win two games
in a row in
Charleston,
S.C.

Senior right-
hander Brett
Black flirted
with a perfect game in the seven-
inning contest with Charleston
Southern. Black pitched six and

one-third innings of perfect ball
before settling for a one-hitter to
lead the Wolfpack (1-3) over
Charleston Southern (1-1) at
Buccaneer Field.

CSU shortstop John Rocco
doubled in front of a diving Jimmy
Slaughter, who had gone into the
game in the seventh inning for
defensive purposes, to spoil Black's
attempt at a no-hitter. State's last
no-hitter was by Terry Harvey
against Florida State in 1993.

State second baseman Tom Sergio
went 4-for-4 to lead a 10-hit
Wolfpack attack against CSU's
Peyton Warren (0-1). Sergio also

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Michael Preston



■ Preston gets medieval on
the ESA.

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Well, one dream is dead and
another is on the verge.

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minutes of the game with a 13-point advantage, a lead at which the Heels chipped away, scoring 15 points to close the game.

Those offensive opportunities came from rebounds off the nine fouls which Carolina committed in the two-minute span.

State countered with an impressive showing from the free throw line, though, nailing 12-of-16.

"I felt like the team tonight played with a lot of heart and a lot of head for 40 minutes, on both ends of the court," Yow said.

UNC's trio of Marion Jones, Tracy Reid and Chanel Wright saw a combined four minutes of rest, and scored 57 of the Tar Heels' points.

Reid led all scorers with 22, and added nine rebounds, while Jones, a candidate for ACC Player of the

"They're certainly the best 16-10 team I've ever seen."

— Sylvia Hatchell, UNC coach

Year, pulled down seven rebounds and dished out five assists.

Gaspard, who poured in a career-high 26 points in the previous matchup, scored 12 points in 34 minutes off of the bench.

Melvin and Umeki Webb each scored 18 points to lead the Wolfpack, which had five players in double figures.

Melvin added 10 rebounds and a season-high five assists, posting her tenth double-double of the season.

Webb, who hasn't seen a minute on the bench in the past three contests, pulled down a game-high

12 rebounds and handed out seven assists.

State sank six threes, with freshman Katie Smrcka-Duffy accounting for two.

Smrcka-Duffy finished with 13 points, four steals and three assists, while Howard scored 14 points.

"I think we had the fire in our eyes as a team," Howard said. "I don't think that anyone believed that we couldn't win it."

LySchale Jones scored 10 points for the Pack, despite seeing just 18 minutes of playing time due to foul trouble.

Freshman forward Nailah Wallace gave a strong showing off of the State bench. In 22 minutes, Wallace scored six points while taking on the tough role of guarding Reid, one of the ACC's top performers the past two seasons.

State looks to continue its roll with a game against Wake Forest in Winston-Salem on Thursday night. At Reynolds in January, the Pack had no trouble with the Demon Deacons, posting an 88-58 win.

game Monday night, and hopes that the lessons learned will carry over until the end of the Pack's season, whenever that may be.

"This is a great confidence booster for us," Umeki Webb said. "We know that we can play with the top ten teams in the nation, and that will only help us."

The Pack faces two more conference opponents, and then heads to Charlotte for the ACC tournament.

For a secure place in the NCAA Tournament next month they know that it will take is a strong showing in the finale.

"I don't know how many wins it is going to take to get into the tournament," Yow said. "But you have a win like this, and it counts as two. At this point in time in the season, a big win like this will be a big help for us."

Yow used the analogy of a door opening a little wider for the Wolfpack's post-season chances, but the Pack and their fans know that it's not about someone else letting State in. They can do that themselves.

minutes it came down to State's performance on the foul line. Calm and cool, sank 12-of-16 free throws, and pulled out the win.

"I think everyone is getting more focused, and trying to be more consistent," State junior Chastity Melvin said. "We had a bad loss to start the conference off, and I think that has messed with our minds a bit, and has hurt us a little throughout the season, but I think that we are all just trying to get it back."

State has fallen in the polls since the break, when they were ranked No. 7. Its "decline" has been rooted not within the Wolfpack program, but within its opponents.

Since the break, has compiled a 6-8 record. Four of those losses were by three points or less and came from ACC opponents.

"We never meet a team that plays us down," Coach Kay Yow said after last week's 96-95 overtime loss to Duke. "Most teams are up for N.C. State, and so we know that we have to be at the top of our game."

State was certainly on top of their

State

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It wasn't about revenge.

It wasn't about a rivalry.

And it wasn't about Jessica Gaspard.

Despite all of the hype and press and media attention about State's loss in the first matchup and the ongoing rivalry, and a Tar Heel player whose on-court antics has placed her in the middle of a media frenzy, what it was about was N.C. State basketball, pure and simple.

It was about what the Pack has been trying to do all season, but just couldn't get done.

State's 9-0 start to the game was a message sent, to the Tar Heels and to the entire conference — The Pack is ready to play, they have been all year. Now they have something more on the line, and have more reason to prove it.

State very easily could have let the game slip away late in the second half. In the final two

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stole his second base of the season and 57th of his career to tie a State record in that category.

State exploded off a wild Warren for five runs in the first two innings. After Sergio and Luis Figuero led off the first with singles and Jake Weber walked, Chris Combs hit a grounder to third and Sergio was forced at the plate. The throw bounced off catcher Jeremy Weber's glove, enabling Figuero to score.

The Pack scored three runs in the second. Dustin Baker drew the fourth walk of the game for Warren, and Sergio and Figuero both singled. Sergio scored on a failed attempt to throw Figuero out at second. Craig Lee capped the scoring in the second with an RBI single.

Black was dominating, allowing only two hits out of the infield the entire game. He finished with eight strikeouts while inducing nine groundouts.

Preston

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IceCaps?).

So, story over, right? Whoah, there Speedy. This doesn't mean that there won't be an Entertainment and Sports Arena. As a matter of fact, all the new place is looking for is a builder. And probably more money. So, within a few years, no longer will the N.C. State Wolfpack play in fabled Reynolds Coliseum.

The only question I have about the whole "Castrol Motor Oil Entertainment And Sports and Recreational Multi-purpose Fun Dome," is why? Why on earth are we still talking about building this goofy thing?

Just how many truck and tractor pulls (off course featuring Car-zilla, the fire-breathing monster made of cars) can you watch before you start pulling your hair out?

Apparently, quite a few. Because the administration here is absolutely ready to up and move our games over into the new, 21,000 seat dome. By the way, this

State third baseman David Trexler gave the Pack the lead for good with a two-run single in the top of the fourth, and Craig Lee had three hits and three RBIs to lead the Pack (2-3) to a victory over UNC Charlotte (3-2) on Sunday.

Bubba Scarce worked the first seven innings for the Wolfpack, allowing seven hits while fanning seven, to win his first decision of the season. Dustin Baker pitched the last two innings for his first save of the season.

Trailing 3-2 after three innings, State put its first two men on base in the fourth when Combs walked and Lee singled. Figuero sacrificed the two runners on base. One out later, Trexler doubled to left to drive in the tying and lead runs. The Pack scored single runs in each of the next two innings to build a 6-3 advantage, before the 49ers rallied for two runs in the bottom of the sixth.

But State responded right away with two more runs in the seventh when Lee drew two runs with a single to left for an 8-5 lead. State finished the scoring on an RBI single by Weber in the ninth.

is roughly 1,000 seats for every ACC win we've had in the five years. Think about that.

This is all for a team that last won three straight ACC games during the 1988-89 season. Chances are, we won most of those because we had 12,400 loopy students and alumni cheering and pelting our opponents with souvenir cups.

Let me run this by you fast. For all the hub-bub about the Cameron Crazies and how creative their chants are, I'd much rather have the Reynolds Rowdies, whose creativity encompasses the following: Hey Dean, F*** you!

It's even better because you know Dean can hear us.

Overall, don't misunderstand me. This isn't a piece ripping the Wolfpack, because if it was, I would've ripped Mike O'Cain already. Since I haven't, there must be something more to it.

All I'm saying is take the money we have and invest it in refurbishing Reynolds somehow. Make it wider, taller, bigger, anything. Then refurbish Doak Field and build them a clubhouse. Put some windows in the 1911 Building. Make Harrellson not

AP Top 25

Week of Feb. 16		
1. Kansas (68)	25-1	1,748 1
2. Minnesota(2)	22-2	1,649 3
3. Kentucky	24-3	1,622 4
4. Wake Forest	20-3	1,612 2
5. Utah	19-3	1,447 5
6. Duke	21-5	1,438 6
7. Iowa St.	18-4	1,244 9
8. Clemson	20-5	1,247 7
9. S. Carolina	18-6	1,129 12
10. New Mexico	20-4	1,091 13
11. Cincinnati	19-5	996 8
12. N. Carolina	17-6	906 16
13. Arizona	16-6	882 11
14. Maryland	19-6	874 10
15. Louisville	19-5	707 17
16. Xavier (Ohio)	18-4	646 19
17. UCLA	15-7	565 24
18. Michigan	17-7	558 14
19. Villanova	18-7	320 18
20. Stanford	15-6	319 22
21. Colorado	17-7	268 5
22. Col. at Char.	23-2	252 25
23. Illinois	18-7	249 20
24. Indiana	20-7	186 --
25. California	18-6	171 --

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Week of Feb. 16		
1. Kansas (28)	25-1	748 1
2. Minnesota (2)	22-2	701 3
3. Kentucky	24-3	684 4
4. Wake Forest	20-3	681 2
5. Utah	19-3	612 5
6. Duke	21-5	593 7
7. Clemson	20-5	561 6
8. Iowa State	18-4	503 9
9. S. Carolina	18-6	499 13
10. New Mexico	20-4	459 12
11. Cincinnati	19-5	417 8
12. Arizona	16-6	412 11
13. Maryland	19-6	386 10
14. N. Carolina	17-6	355 17
15. Louisville	19-5	310 15
16. Michigan	17-7	302 14
17. Xavier (Ohio)	18-4	231 19
18. Villanova	18-7	195 18
19. UCLA	15-7	192 25
20. Colorado	17-7	165 16
21. Illinois	18-7	134 21
22. Stanford	15-6	117 22
23. Texas Tech	15-7	74 20
24. Col. at Char.	23-2	69 --
25. Indiana	20-7	59 --

seem like you've been committed to an asylum.

Anything will be better than sitting in an arena the size of an airport hanger with what will seem like 14 people.

What the ESA answers to is this area (Steve Stroud, you know who you are) thinking that if we can't beat Carolina in anything, we'll at least have bigger stadiums to get beaten in. I don't get it.

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Japanese art unveiled at the Ackland

■ You don't have to travel the globe to see the sights of the Orient.

By KELLY MARKS
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

This past Sunday marked the debut of two exciting exhibitions at the Ackland Art Museum in Chapel Hill. Taking inspiration from the Orient, the museum unveiled two new Japanese art exhibits, "Screens and Scrolls" and "Two Centuries of Japanese Printmaking," drawing from local collections and the museum's own stock. Together, the two exhibits span over 700 years of history and feature paintings, woodcuts, lithographs, mezzotints, etchings and screenprints.

Established under the guidance of Sherman E. Lee, one of the world's leading authorities on Asian art, the exhibits are the culmination of over a decade of work. Since 1982, Lee has advised the Ackland on its acquisitions and made numerous trips overseas to purchase notable pieces.

"Screens and Scrolls" is a testament to Lee's ability to build a powerful and extensive Japanese painting collection at the Ackland. Although typically thought of as museum objects, the screens give visitors a look at everyday life in Japan. They were often used for household decoration or during such special occasions as parties and weddings. The scenes they portray tell a lot about the culture

of the period. With screens dating back to the 1200s, it is interesting to observe the slight shift in lifestyles over the centuries.

"Two Centuries of Japanese Printmaking" offers further insight into Japanese customs, beginning with the 19th century. Early woodcuts portray the "floating world," or the ukiyo, an entertainment industry that focused on life in the licensed prostitution districts of major cities. These prints made the rich world of courtesans and concubines readily available to those who could not afford to participate in it directly.

Other popular subjects included the Kabuki theater, which featured men in fantastic costumes and face-paints. Many prints deal with actors' portraits and scenes from famous Kabuki plays.

Landscapes, which are probably the most widely known form of Japanese prints in America, are another featured genre. With these are later prints that carry the exhibit up to the present. Modernist abstractions rest alongside the works of famous Japanese artists living abroad, such as Leonard Foujita.

In conjunction with the two exhibits, the Ackland will be hosting a series of free educational programs. The events include demonstrations on the art of Ikebana flower arrangements, a lecture on Zen painting and calligraphy, a Japanese family day, and a demonstration on the



The Kabuki Actor Utaemon III, in the role of the Outlaw Ishikawa Goemon, a color woodcut by Ryusai Shigebaru, 1803-1853.

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'West Side Story' opens in Raleigh

■ "West Side Story" brings the classical tale of "Romeo and Juliet" to the Triangle.

By LISA IRBY
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The classic tale of "Romeo and Juliet" has astonished audiences for centuries. One of the most famous adaptations of this timeless romance story is one of rivaling inner-city gangs and love that can blossom in a time of uncertainty. "West Side Story" is a favorite film for the romantics at heart, and for a limited time you can see this story come alive on stage.

"West Side Story" opens at Raleigh Memorial Auditorium on Friday, Feb. 14 and runs through Feb. 23. Ticket prices range from \$15-\$47, but if you're looking for something out of the ordinary to do, this is it.

The cast of "West Side Story" features 25 members from a New York dance company and five local artists. Their experience and talent is sure to create a magical and romantic environment for all of you sweethearts out there.

The box office is sponsoring a special offer for students. Come to the box office 30 minutes before the show, and if you present your student ID you can buy balcony tickets for only \$5.00. If you're looking for a thrifty gift for someone special tickets to "West Side Story" may be your answer.

Symposium tackles rising crime rates

■ The 1997 Erika Fairchild Symposium will look at ways to stem the rising crime rate in North Carolina.

By LISA IRBY
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Violence in our country is reaching new heights everyday. It is no longer just a problem in larger cities like Los Angeles and New York, but people in smaller towns are now growing uneasy about their own safety. However, the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at N.C. State is doing something about it. The college is sponsoring The 1997 Erika Fairchild Symposium titled "Crime and Community: Balancing Prevention and Punishment."

The Symposium is named after a former associate dean for research and graduate studies. She died unexpectedly in 1992, and in 1995 the college began to dedicate part of the National Endowment for Humanities challenge grant to help support the Erika Fairchild Symposium in memory of her accomplishments and unflinching spirit. The symposium is scheduled on a two-year cycle, and it addresses concerns of the campus as well as in the community, bringing the entire state of North Carolina together. This year's topic fits in perfectly with Fairchild's concerns for the state.

This year's symposium will be held on Feb. 27 and 28, in Stewart Theatre. There will be two different programs which all of the students and community are invited to attend. And, there is a special reception after the program on Friday night, where you can meet and talk with the panelists, as well as, 75 to 100 State Representatives.

"When you have that many legislators together, it's a good time to let them know how you feel. It's their job to listen to you," said Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies, Mike Reynolds.

Matt Zingraff, a sociology and anthropology professor said, "We hope that students will attend because of the education, but also because they are the future taxpayers, and will have to foot the bill."

On Thursday, Feb. 27, at 7 p.m. Tom Whicker, from the New York Times will address the issues of crime and the community.

The Friday program, however, takes a different approach to reaching a solution to our growing crime problems. From 3 to 5 p.m. there will be a panel discussion, and Senator Terry Sanford will be the moderator.

"The panelists come from an array of different backgrounds, so it will be interesting to see what they have to say," Reynolds said.

The goal of the symposium is to educate people on different ways of facing crime, not just by building bigger prisons, but by trying to prevent crime before it happens.

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Your Horoscope

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Get out and visit those friends you haven't seen in a while. You're at your best presenting new ideas. However, some find themselves dealing with evasive types who are less than open. Toward the end of the week, you're ready for some much-needed rest and relaxation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — It's a great week for meetings with bankers and with real estate professionals if you're looking for a change in residence. Career interests go well generally. This weekend, avoid spending too much money on frivolous pursuits.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Couples should try to spend some quality time together this week, even if you need to take a day off to do so. Some soul-searching is in order. You've been a bit inflexible with certain people and overly critical of others.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You make an early start this week to get a jump on the competition which has been breathing down your neck. Keep your eyes open for new opportunities. Use discretion if discussing financial matters with an overly talkative friend.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 23) — You need some time alone this week to mull over personal concerns. This downtime leads to new insights and conclusions. Later in the week is a good time for shopping and gadding about.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Parents should seek out teachers and set up meetings this week. Partners are in sync, but you're bogged down with details at work. Don't get caught up with inconsequential matters this week.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Early in the week, career developments are positive. Later in the week, you're running into a few obstacles to your progress. Special attention should be paid to details, especially when tending to domestic chores this weekend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — You're intrigued by a fascinating cultural interest this week. Higher-ups are feeling slighted, so be sure to show proper respect. This weekend, a compromise is in order on the special scene.

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Soap opera update

All My Children: Just as Skye was about to reveal everything, Erica suffered another painful attack and the wedding was halted. She was rushed to the hospital and learned she had miscarried. Edmund was moved when he heard Maria say what happened to her. Janet was accidentally buried by debris as Jake pulled Amanda out of the well, but Trevor rescued her. Naomi (Rosie O'Donnell) made all of the St. Valentine's Day floral deliveries to the Pine Valley sweethearts. **Wait to See:** Erica comes close to learning Skye's secrets.

Another World: Jake was stunned to learn evidence was piling up about his involvement in Vicky's disappearance. Meanwhile, Bobby found an unconscious Vicky and brought her to the cabin of a friend, Daniel, who then went to get Carl. As Vicky came to, her memory returned. Cindy told Cate Grant was after her. **Wait to See:**

Rachel makes an important decision. **The Bold and the Beautiful:** Grant worried about how Brooke would react if she knew they weren't legally wed. After seeing Thorne and Taylor in an embrace, Stephanie chastised him for being disloyal to his brother, Ridge, only to have Thorne retort that Ridge had slept with Caroline when she was Thorne's wife. Later, Stephanie tried to persuade Claudia to get closer to Thorne. **Wait to See:** Thorne makes Taylor a surprising offer.

Days of Our Lives: Sami insisted Carrie be her maid-of-honor at the re-creation of her wedding to Austin. After meeting with Stefano in his chambers, the judge pronounced Jack's verdict: Life imprisonment without parole for killing Peter. Franco arranged for Bo's boat, the "Fancy Face," to be burned beyond repair. Laura saw Stefano and Lynn together.

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Turkish Night shows off culture and cuisine

■ Turkish night offered students the chance to get close to belly dancers and Sac Kebabi.

By NICOLE BOWMAN
ASSISTANT TECH TOO EDITOR

This past Saturday, N.C. State was host to the annual Turkish Night in the University Student Center Ballroom.

The evening began with a variety of Turkish food. The meal included Sac Kebabi (lamb with vegetables), Bursa (a Turkish desert) and Ispanaku Borek (spinach pastry).

Afterwards, the celebration started. Caroline Steinbuckel, a junior in print media at Campbell University, was the emcee for the event. Steinbuckel said that the night is a celebration of her heritage and

she brought her friends so they could learn about her culture.

Her friends were only a small part of a very large audience that overflowed into the neighboring galleries of the Student Center.

Seyma Bennett, a senior in business management, said that Turkish Night is an event which informs everyone about Turkish culture. And from the relaxed audience who mingled and talked during the performances, Bennett's thoughts were quite true.

Turgay Erturk, a Turkish singer, kicked off the evening with traditional songs. The audience, which consisted mostly of Turkish families and students, sang along. During his second performance of the

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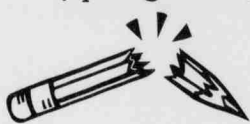


Triangle Children's Folk Dancing performed at Turkish Night.

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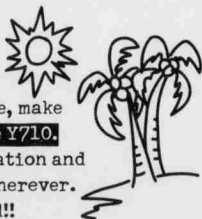


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Turkish

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evening, approximately 30 audience members from all ages got up on stage and danced while he performed.

Triangle Children's Folk Dancing featured nine elementary and middle school children in folk clothing. Group O.K.M., a quartet, performed a variety of Turkish music.

Other performances during the program were Triangle Folk Dancing, belly dancing, Collage (an international music group) and Turkish pop music.

Mehmet Ataman, vice-president of the Turkish Student Association, was pleased with the event.

"This is one of the best experiences in my life," he said. "The turnout was great."

Bennett said that over 75 students helped make preparations for the event. Ataman said that ATA-NC, an association for Turkish parents, also helped with the preparation.

When all was said and done, Turkish night was a huge success.

"It's incredible how many Turkish families there are here," Steinbuckel said. "I'm really honored to represent my people here."

The event was sponsored by the NCSU International Activities Committee and the Turkish Student Association.



A belly dancer shakes her hips for tips at Turkish Night.

SALVADOR FAIRAN III/STAFF

Soap

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But later, when Laura seemed about to tell Marlena pleased that, Kristen broke the hypnotic trance and slipped Laura a pill to keep her from remembering. Unaware that Marlena had Kristen's cell phone, Susan called to tell Kristen that her baby was being born. Bo picked up a wad of cash dropped by the Mystery Man. Wait to See: Kristen faces another crisis.

General Hospital: The Spencers returned to Port Charles, but Stefan, Bobbie and Nikolai were upset they allowed everyone to believe Laura was dead. Bobbie later rejected the suggestion that Stefan sue Katherine. Lois and the baby returned in the middle of Monica's trial. Later, Monica's past was revealed when Ned was called to the stand as a hostile witness. Taggart enlisted Keesha's help under the guise of undercover police work. Wait to See: Luke

and Laura have another surprise for their friends.

Guiding Light: Buzz pulled strings to get Jenna out of jail, but Jeffery continued to thwart her efforts to get her son. Alan and Annie were pleased that Reva fell hook, line and sinker for the "clues" they set out in her search for her missing sister. Blake decided to tell Ross the truth about the twins, but ran into an obstacle before she could talk to him. Wait to See: Josh wonders about Fran's part in the Annie drama.

The Young And The Restless: Cole lashed into Tony after seeing him dance with Victoria. Ryan later told Victoria he hoped he and Nina could save their marriage. Keith got Jack and Jill to agree to move ahead on their deal with him. Victor learned Nick was sending resumes to other companies. Kay invited Kurt to stay at her place as he rebuilt his life, and agreed to take him on as bookkeeper. Neil was upset with Dru's insistence on having a career. Wait to See: Nick gets shocking news.

Art

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art of the Bonsai. These events will be held throughout the next two months and both exhibits will be on display until April 13.

The Ackland is on South Columbia Street near the Franklin Street intersection. Hours run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday through Saturday, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. For information on the exhibit or any of the programs, call (919) 966-5736.

Crime

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"We spend so much money on putting criminals away, but it hasn't helped lower the crime rate. It costs up to \$25-30,000 to house an inmate for one year," Reynolds said. "There's got to be a more efficient way of preventing crime."

Zingraff said that prisons are holding tanks for criminals. "We need to invest time and money on both ends of the spectrum. If we invested more money for public safety then we may not have 22,000 North Carolinians in prison," he said.

This symposium is important and also timely. Crime rates continue to soar and people feel that something needs to be done to stop it.

"We deal with the crime problem after the criminal events have happened," said Zingraff. "I think the symposium will allow people to realize that imprisonment is a fatal and naive belief. It [imprisonment] just can't do it, and we have years of data to prove it."

A lot of time and effort has been put into this symposium to make it a reality. The college and committee has been working on it for almost a year. Zingraff and Reynolds both agree that the symposium is worthwhile.

"We had a number of people we had working on this from different disciplines. We all had sincere interests in the topics of Crime and Justice," said Zingraff. "There is a lot that we can learn from each other, because when we are rooted in ourselves, we are blind to others' thoughts. No one discipline has all of the answers."

For more information about the symposium call Sarah Means Smith at 515-2467.

Horoscope

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Leisure interests are highlighted this week. Some take up a new hobby while others meet with an exciting romantic possibility. Over the weekend, avoid spending too much money.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You make acceptable progress at work. However, a family member feels you're not being attentive enough and makes more demands for your time. Make an effort to reach out to this person.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — The research you do on an investment concern leads you to correct conclusions. Behind-the-scenes moves are best. Business as you execute a low profile. Guard your tongue over the weekend.

PISCES (Jan. 20-Feb. 20) — You and your significant other are in sync. On the social scene this week, it's a mixture of highs and lows. Friends disagree over where to go and what to do.

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By LAURIE GARRETT
Newsday

SEATTLE — At least three different apparently genetic mechanisms of resistance to HIV have been discovered recently, and were described in detail at this week's annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Though research is still in its early stages, it seems clear that people of different races possess unique genetic capacities to resist the human immunodeficiency virus, and that some forms of resistance are specific to particular strains of the highly mutable virus.

"In all infectious diseases, it's usually the case that several genes are associated with resistance," said Dr. Arno Motulsky of the University of Washington. "When epidemiologists ask, 'What causes an infectious disease?' they look at the organism. A geneticist, however, asks, 'Why does that person get sick and not that other person?'"

Doctors can see that there is a huge range of human response to exposure to HIV. Some people get infected easily and die rapidly. Less than 5 percent seem to tolerate the virus without ever getting sick.

Dr. Francis Plummer of the University of Manitoba in Canada has been studying a group of 424 female prostitutes in Nairobi, Kenya, for more than 15 years. Most succumbed to complications from AIDS long ago, but 43 have remained uninfected despite each having had sex without condoms

with an estimated 500 HIV-positive men since 1984.

"It's going to be very interesting to understand what's protecting them," Plummer told scientists at the meeting. The astonishing thing, he said, is that the women who seem least likely to get infected have the most HIV-positive customers. Plummer hasn't found any single genetic factor that seems to play a role. But he has discovered that the protected women are more likely to have a particular set of genes that control their immune responses.

All human beings have a unique set of immune system markers, some of which they share with siblings, parents and children. These markers, called HLA determinants, guide every aspect of the body's fight against infection.

Plummer has found a distinct pattern of determinants in the surviving Nairobi prostitutes. Groups of sisters and mother-daughter pairs who share these particular HLA determinants are alive and well, while their prostitute relatives lacking the particular HLA types are infected.

Dr. Richard Kaslow of the University of Alabama has made similar HLA findings in gay men who have been repeatedly exposed to HIV in the United States. He hasn't found HLA markers that seem to prevent infection entirely, but he has discovered that HIV-positive men who live longest tend to share a specific constellation of HLA markers.

"It fits for protection and for delay to disease," said Kaslow, noting that some of the HLA markers that appear to be beneficial are the same in American men as in Plummer's Nairobi prostitutes. But not all. The effect clearly differs by race.

NATIONAL



NEWS Primary Colors targeted in libel suit

■ Many fiction novels have recently landed authors and publishers in lawsuits, even with the fiction label and disclaimers.

By DAVID STREITFELD
The Washington Post

Paula Jones sued President Clinton, claiming he tried to have sex with her. Now comes Daria Carter-Clark, whose lawsuit hinges on the fact that he didn't.

Carter-Clark asserts she has been libeled in one of the most popular novels of recent times, "Primary Colors" by "Anonymous," aka Joe Klein. She says the librarian in the book's very first scene — "middle-aged, pushing 50, hair dyed auburn to block the gray, unexceptional except for her legs, which were shocking, a gift from God" — is her, and that then-Gov. Clinton visited her adult literacy program in Harlem in 1991, just like Gov. Jack Stanton does in the novel.

In the second scene, Stanton goes back to his campaign suite and has

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States crack down on paroled sex offenders

■ Some say that the public notification of the paroled offenders in an area serves more as revenge and actually hinders recovery.

By ERIC HARRISON
Los Angeles Times

ATLANTA — By all accounts, T. Kevin Dotson had begun to turn his life around. Paroled from prison four years ago after serving time for molesting his daughter, Dotson had remarried, started attending church and moved into a nice apartment in an Atlanta suburb. But when the 37-year-old housing subcontractor reported to work one afternoon last month, his boss told him he was fired.

A radio talk-show host had read Dotson's name and address over the air, along with those of 21 other men on parole in Fulton County for sex crimes. Dotson's life changed in that instant. He insists that he is reformed, but he had been revealed to unsuspecting friends and neighbors.

Similar unveilings are going on across the country, as all 50 states move to adopt laws requiring that communities be notified when convicted sex offenders move in. The disclosures have led to firings, assaults and other forms of harassment against the parolees and ex-cons.

Fueled by fear and frustration with the rising tide of sex crimes committed against children, a fed-up nation is lashing out with laws and punitive measures. But are children any safer as a result? Or do the new laws merely create the illusion of greater safety while satisfying the public's appetite for revenge?

"I think people have a right to

know" when sex offenders move into their neighborhood, said Ida Ballasiotis, a Washington state lawmaker whose daughter was slain in 1988 by a work-release inmate who previously had assaulted two women.

But sex-abuse experts say that the wave of legislation and unrestrained scorn may be doing more harm than good, driving sex offenders underground, away from treatment, and creating psychological pressures that make relapses more likely.

"We're putting more kids at risk," charged Pamela D. Schultz, a communication professor at Alfred University in New York who is conducting a prison study on child molesters.

She and other researchers also point out that while the laws are designed to protect society from predators who seek out children in the community, research shows that 90 percent of child abusers are family members and friends of their victims. Even proponents of the tougher measures acknowledge they don't begin to address the more widespread problem.

The new laws have been motivated by the heinous nature of a number of highly publicized crimes against children — such as the 1993 murder of Polly Klaas — some of which were committed by repeat offenders. Faced with growing pressure to do something, politicians are enacting tougher laws, establishing longer prison sentences and setting up procedures to inform the public when sex offenders, especially child molesters, are released from prison.

The national law requiring states to adopt community-notification measures was dubbed Megan's Law, the name New Jersey gave its

statute in 1994 after Megan Kanka, a 7-year-old, was raped and murdered, allegedly by a paroled child molester who was living across the street.

Eighteen states now require law enforcement officials to notify neighbors when a released sex offender settles in their community, and a number of other states require limited notification, according to the National Victim Center, an organization that promotes victims' rights.

In compliance with a federal law passed in 1994, all 50 states now require sexually violent predators and people convicted of certain crimes against minors to register with law enforcement authorities where they live. All but 17 states allow some public access to registration information.

"I don't want these people living in my state or my community," said Mitch Skandalakis of Atlanta, the chairman of the Fulton County Commission.

Even critics of the get-tough stance toward sex offenders say the public has every reason to be concerned. America is in the throes of an epidemic of sex crimes against children, experts say. Some studies suggest that as many as one in five children risk being sexually abused before their 18th birthday, said Robert Freeman-Longo, director of the Safer Society Press in Vermont and founder of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers.

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sex with the librarian. Carter-Clark says she and Clinton didn't, but that everyone now thinks they did. She's suffered "extreme mental anguish, embarrassment and humiliation," to quote her court papers.

For her troubles she wants \$120 million, which is practically a bargain compared to the \$200 million the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers wants from Walt Disney Pictures. In a very similar case, the union says it was maligned by the movie "Ransom," which depicts a corrupt "machinists union" official.

As fictional works draw ever more closely on real-life events and people, the courts are increasingly being asked to punish those who take too many liberties.

"I was hysterical. I was out of control," the 51-year-old librarian told the weekly New York Observer in the issue being published Wednesday. "I was literally crying and screaming on the telephone with a friend. It was beyond painful."

Klein, from his new office at the New York, declined to comment. His lawyers didn't want to take much either. "We're not saying there is no inspiration whatever from real-life events, but the scene is fictional and the character is fictional," Random House lawyer Leslie Oelsner said.

In fact, the first scene is rather closely based on reality. In an interview last summer, when Klein was freshly revealed as the author and the dispute about how-much-is-real was still raging, he freely acknowledged he was with Clinton at the library, and based the first scene on it. The rest of the book was created out of his imagination, he said.

What makes Carter-Clark's suit different from other libel suits involving fiction is that "Primary Colors" was publicized as something more than a novel. Sure, it says upfront via the usual author's note that it's all made-up, but the dust jacket also repeatedly brags about "insider knowledge" and the book's "savvy insider's look" as well as its "gossip and expose" — words that undermine that claim.

WORLD NEWS

N. Korean defector strains U.S. relations

North Korea accepts it's loss of a high-ranking official and will continue to receive aid from the U.S. and South Korea.

By KEVIN SULLIVAN

THE WASHINGTON POST

SEOUL, Feb. 17 — The United States and South Korea announced Monday that they will resume emergency food aid to North Korea, an apparent sign that tensions may be easing in a five-day standoff over the defection of a high-level North Korean official.

The announcements followed what seemed to be a softening of North Korea's position on the defection of Hwang Jang Yop, a senior North Korean Communist Party ideologue who sought asylum last week at the South Korean Embassy in Beijing. The new North Korean position suggested that Pyongyang may be willing to let the matter drop if Hwang is shown to have defected of his own free will.

North Korea previously had insisted that Hwang was kidnapped and declared it would respond with force if he were not returned. But the state radio network, relaying a statement attributed to the Foreign Ministry, said Monday:

"Our stand is simple and clear. If he was kidnapped, we cannot tolerate it, and we will take decisive countermeasures. If he sought asylum, it means that he is a renegade and he is dismissed." The crack in North Korea's hard-line stance on Hwang's defection seemed to alleviate anxiety from Beijing to Washington, where officials have been closely monitoring a situation that threatens the fragile calm on the Korean Peninsula.

"Sometimes you have to write off

a loss, and that's what they appear to be doing; they know they can't win this one," said a U.S. official of the North Korean statement. "I'm heartened a little bit."

Bruce Cumings, a leading American scholar on Korea and author of a new history of modern Korea, characterized the Pyongyang statement as "a huge concession" apparently prompted by "recognition that they should not ratchet up the tension in a situation where they don't have enough food to feed their people."

Meanwhile, State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said the United States will contribute food aid to a new U.N. campaign to head off famine in North Korea, which has been beset by a crumbling state-run economy and two years of floods that have devastated crops.

"We are keeping out of it," Officials in Seoul said too that they will provide more food aid to their arch-rival, but they noted that it might be delayed until Hwang's case is resolved. But despite the signs of slackening tensions, some South Korean officials say that North Korea's threats over the Hwang case have slowed the progress toward better relations between the two states that had been building in recent months.

Ecuador plagued with corruption

Ecuador counts it's losses after the last administration brought considerable fraud to the government, and removing it will be difficult.

By GABRIEL ESCOBAR
THE WASHINGTON POST

QUITO, Ecuador — Every day the busy port at Guayaquil unloads about \$15.3 million in imports, such a tempting target for tax evasion and other organized hustling that the government assumes it loses 30 percent of the \$2.8 million it should be collecting in revenue by day's end.

Under the disgraced and short-lived administration of Abdala Bucaram — "the most corrupt government in history," former presidential candidate Freddy Ehlers calls it — the \$5.5 billion-a-year port became an enormous cash cow for corrupt officials and others suspected of milking the state of tens of millions of dollars.

With Bucaram chased from office, driven by allegations of massive corruption in his government, Ecuadorans are tentatively discussing the legacy of his six months as president.

What emerges in interviews with businessmen and others are allegations of an apparent systematic fleecing of the country, a cost estimated by U.S. Ambassador Leslie Alexander at \$100 million.

Most of the known corruption occurred in customs at Guayaquil.

Bucaram and his sister were mayors of the coastal city — both were forced out of office for mismanaging funds. They are prominent members of the port's community of people with Lebanese origins — and their long-running "machine" has always included a political party.

With Bucaram in the presidency, according to various businessmen and others, the port was soon turned over to friends and allies, including a handful who had criminal records or pending cases when they were appointed.

The chambers of commerce here in Guayaquil have amassed folders detailing the corruption charges, including accounts from the private companies who ran customs inspections and were targets of the Bucaram government within days after it took office last August.

What is not known is how much may have been siphoned from Ecuador's real gold mine, the petroleum sector. Some estimate that the level of corruption known to have existed in customs was matched in the energy sector, which was run by a close friend of Bucaram's, Alfredo Adam.

Concern increased Wednesday when the state-owned oil company's office in Houston called the interim president and said checks were being cashed by officials in the Bucaram administration six days after he left office.

Alarmed at the level of corruption they have been able to document, albeit sketchily, Ecuadorans now

fear what the promised investigation into the Bucaram administration will uncover.

"If they took so much in customs, what happened in petroleum? With the mines? With construction?" asked Roberto Calderon Viteri, who served as undersecretary for customs in the administration before Bucaram's and now heads the customs committee for the Guayaquil chamber of commerce. "That is what frightens Ecuadorans."

Bucaram, who is now traveling in South America, has denied allegations of corruption, and no charges have been filed. But the new administration of Fabian Alarcon, echoing calls in Congress and responding to a massive rally against corruption two weeks ago, has accused his predecessor of widespread mismanagement and has canceled all contracts signed over the last six months pending an investigation.

Calderon and his counterparts at the Chamber of Commerce in Quito say that from the moment the Bucaram administration assumed office, the port at Guayaquil began generating complaints from hundreds of importers who were assessed suspect charges.

Armando Tomaselli, the executive director of the Quito chamber, said that just days into the Bucaram administration, several people who had "ties to the black market" were named as customs officials.

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■ **N.C. State Public Safety needs to step up security everywhere on campus.**

Two attacks have occurred this month on the N.C. State campus — one in Winston Hall outside of a bathroom, and now one outside Bragaw Residence Hall in the early morning.

Public Safety has diligently stepped up security in Winston, Caldwell and Tompkins Halls. Several Public Safety employees can be seen during the day patrolling the grounds. However, is this a question of too little, too late? The first attack occurred in the late afternoon, when nearly 500 students were walking around. If the attacker is a student, he can see the increased security measures. Also, where are they getting these new Public Safety employees? Were they pulled off of some other assignment in order to meander aimlessly through Caldwell Hall?

The second attack occurred Monday at 1:05 a.m. This time, it was an armed

robbery against a male. The question is, where was Public Safety then? Obviously, no one is in Caldwell Hall at 1:05 a.m. They aren't having classes then. Students are, however, out walking around residence halls at all hours of the day and night. They are often most vulnerable there because they consider it their home and let their guard down.

This is also where the students come into play — we need to realize that the college campus is not some form of Utopia and that each person, man or woman, is at a risk. No one should take the risk of being out walking by themselves when it is dark outside. Public Safety can provide escorts for students who call 515-3000. If you see a crime take place, you should call Public Safety at 515-3333. Also, keep alert and pay attention to any suspicious activity that is occurring around you.

Until Public Safety realizes that it needs more patrol officers at night, students need to play it safe. By using common sense, students can make themselves less of a target.

Speeding up response

■ **The new 911 emergency system will be a welcome addition to NCSU.**

N.C. State could soon have "Rescue 911" come to its campus. In response to students' safety concerns, the university will implement 911 access to students living on campus starting next fall. And with the implementation of the new system, you know William Shatner won't be very far behind.

To get emergency help on campus, students currently have to call 5-3333. This number will still permit students to reach Public Safety, however, the new 911 system will allow faster emergency response. This will be a substantial improvement over the current system.

But as with all improvements that take place at NCSU, changes on campus will have to be made before the new system can be implemented. Several street names will have to be

changed on campus. The names that are replaced will be used on other areas of campus in the future to ensure their perpetuity.

The implementation of the new 911 system is long overdue, but appreciated nonetheless. The new system will allow for a faster response time for Public Safety officers. When ever there is an emergency situation, the faster an officer can come to the scene the better the chance of the situation being resolved in a positive manner.

Students, faculty and staff will benefit from the faster response time that the 911 access will allow. And everyone knows 911. It's easy to dial and can be seen all over the place, from rap songs to television and police cars. Implementing a simpler system will help shorten the time between an incident happening and it being called in.

The new 911 system is a step in the right direction to making this campus an ever safer place to learn and grow.



N.C. State frowns on unified student culture

The Civil Rights movement stands as one of the most important episodes of social reform in U.S. history. Due to the efforts of an untold number of people, American culture was forever changed as African Americans were legally bestowed all the rights that accompany citizenship. The "separate but equal" doctrine was rendered unconstitutional and forced segregation became an unfortunate concept of the past. Black and white America, which had been two essentially individual nations, were at long last combined.

Three decades have passed since these sweeping reforms, but has anything really changed? It would seem that evidence of this attempt at cultural assimilation could easily be found on the collegiate scene. An institution of higher learning such as N.C. State, a place to which starving intellectuals are consistently drawn, should have long ago accepted the fact that African-Americans are equal to and deserving of the same opportunities as their Caucasian counterparts. This is a perfectly logical assumption to make, yet it finds little support on NCSU's campus.

The desire for the formation of



one common culture at NCSU is frowned upon as early as freshman orientation. African-American students are cordially invited to attend activities which precede all other college orientations. Participants in this special event in turn attend the orientations that coincide with their respective majors. This seems to insinuate that the university feels its black students need some extra help to fit into a setting where all others are simply expected to. I believe this is a far cry from the equality Martin Luther King, Jr. and other visionaries like him fought for in the '60s.

The presence of an African

American Cultural Center on campus also perpetuates racial discord. If the university felt that the history of its African-American students was important enough to justify a publicly funded project, why didn't it simply introduce an African-American studies major? Instead of incorporating African-American culture into an academic curriculum, NCSU imitated many other colleges by electing to separate the two. If one evaluates this division, keeping in mind the much-hated "separate but equal" ideology, a shocking conclusion can quickly be deduced (this argument can also be applied to Asian-American cultural centers as well).

However, the university is not directly responsible for all examples of segregation at NCSU. An alarming number of racial divisions on campus can be attributed to an anti-American, self-imposed segregation. Anyone can easily view these rifts in society. Walk into any dining hall and take notice of where and with whom people are sitting. Most tables reveal a rigid racial division. Next, compare the residence halls in the Quad with dormitories such as North Residence Hall. The Quad

houses an alarming white majority while North is home to an equally surprising black majority. Fraternities and sororities (a different column altogether) have also managed to keep their long-standing traditions of racial solitude almost completely intact. Even classifications such as African-American seem to infer that someone is less than American. The blame for these examples of self-imposed segregation rests on society as a whole and cannot be pinned on any one group of people.

The ideal American university would address the needs of its student body without having to provide special treatment to any one group. Of course, this perfect collegiate atmosphere could only exist in an equally perfect American society. For this to happen, people need to realize and emphasize their similarities instead of focusing on the few unimportant differences.

However, although laws can be altered many times within a single generation, what people choose to believe and hold dear can survive for many generations. Hopefully another 30 years will not be needed for Americans to recognize the importance of racial equality.

Liberalist history changes the facts

Mathew P. Hamby
COMMENTARY

rich.

Fact: The percentage distribution of the tax burden for lower income groups decreased while the percentage distribution for the upper income groups increased. For example, the percentage distribution of tax burden for the \$20-\$30,000 income group decreased from 19.6 percent to 13.2 percent while the tax burden of the \$500 thousand plus income group increased from 3.1 percent to 8.2 percent. In fact, the poorest 20 percent saw their taxes go down 540 percent while the richest 20 percent saw a decrease in their taxes by 9.9 percent between 1980-1992.

However, the Reagan years were merely history repeating itself. Under the Calvin Coolidge administration, taxes were cut from 73 percent to 25 percent and the lower rate fell from 4 percent to 1.5 percent under the urging of treasury secretary Andrew Mellon. The results of this tax cut were similar to the Reagan tax cut.

Myth: Reagan cut vital social programs in the '80s.

Fact: Government spending increased 70 percent from 1980-1987. All the major safety net programs grew during these years. Social security grew 2.9 percent per year. Medicare grew 6.9 percent per year. AFDC (welfare) grew 1.2 percent per year. Yes, spend happy democrats could not help themselves but to spend into oblivion. They are the ones to blame for those explosive budget deficits.

Myth: Cutting Capital Gains taxes is a tax break for the rich.

Fact: About 70 percent of taxpayers who reported capital gains on their tax return generally made less than \$50,000 per year. I will admit that this figure is from 1987, but it generally holds true every tax year. Capital gains and taxes on bank interest is, in effect, double taxation.

Myth: Reagan-era "growth" consisted of dead end jobs.

Fact: Contrary to popular opinion, 82 percent of the jobs created were in the higher paid and higher skilled occupations. Many studies which say otherwise often find teenagers working part-time instead

of average workers.

Myth: The 1980's were worse for minorities.

Fact: Between 1982 and 1989, the number of blacks in poverty fell by 400,000. In fact, from 1982-1989, black unemployment fell 9 percentage points and Hispanic unemployment fell 7.3 percentage points. During the '80s, black-owned businesses flourished. The number of black owned businesses increased from 308,000 in 1982 to 424,000 in 1987 — a 72 percent increase.

Ronald Reagan's tax cuts were the beginning of the unleashing of opportunity. When liberals talk about how the rich are getting their wealth at the expense of the poor, they are showing how envious they are of the rich. These liberals are either ignorant of the economic opportunities out there for them, or they are too lazy to study and emulate those rich they hold so much disdain.

The '80s was an illustration of how an ordinary American can do extraordinary things if the shackles are removed. This is something they need to remember in Washington.

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To wear, or not to wear?

We are skeptical. Why are blue jeans, something everybody wears already, chosen to be worn in support of the gay, lesbian and bisexual students? The commonality of blue jeans, however, is the key — everybody wears them.

Everybody has to make the decision "to wear, or not to wear". The success of Blue Jeans Day is not achieved on campus, in the number of students who are wearing blue jeans, but in the bedrooms of each student who makes the decision of whether or not to wear his or her blue jeans. I believe Blue Jeans Day is more than just showing support for the gay and lesbian students on our campus. Blue Jeans Day is about being a critical, intelligent individual who holds opinions based on reason, not on emotional reactions to controversial, hot-button issues. These educated opinions are beliefs conducive to an academic environment.

As a result of the time we spend thinking about whether or not we support gay, lesbian and bisexual students — whatever way you feel is appropriate — progress is being made. We are on our way to forming an educated and rational belief system appropriate for members of this academic community and this world.

Today will be my sixth Blue Jeans Day since I have been at N.C. State. With the recollections of each day, I can chronicle my feelings about gay, lesbian, and bisexual issues. I feel that the time I spent thinking about these topics was the most important outcome of Blue Jeans Day. My first Blue Jeans Day, I didn't wear them. Being a first year student from a small town, I didn't know what I thought about homosexuality. The next year, I wanted to wear them, but I was afraid of what people would think. I wasn't sure I could take the pressure. The third year, I wore them, somewhat self-consciously. My fourth year, I wore blue jeans confidently on that day, knowing I had critically thought about my own feelings toward homosexuality. After sorting through all my beliefs formed by parents, friends, pastors and society, I had sifted out my own beliefs of which I could be proud.

So, on this, your first, second, or — dare I say — fifth or sixth Blue Jeans Day, remember: "It's the thought that counts." Spend some time developing thoughts that you can be proud to call your own.

Leigh Anne Yow
Senior, Communication

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Bench Benjamin

How many games does Isha Benjamin have to blow before coach Herb Sendek realizes that we should not put the ball in his hands with an important game on the line? This guy has been playing basketball for most of his life, and yet he continues to make fundamental mistakes that high school players wouldn't make. The best game of his career was against Northwest Rhode Island Seminary College whose religious beliefs forbade them to block shots or steal the ball. I understand that Sendek is rebuilding, but rebuilding sometimes involves getting rid of those elements which caused your downfall in the first place.

Scott Hodgdon
Alumnus, Business Management

Support of Ebionics ridiculous

Ebionics? I cannot believe Nicole Bowman was serious in her "Pro" column (Feb. 10) speaking of supporting the teaching of Ebionics.

A mandatory Opinion staff meeting will be held today at 5 p.m. in Suite 323 of the Witherspoon Student Center. If you will be unable to attend, contact Nicole at 515-2411 or nicoleb@sma.sca.ncsu.edu.

When, oh when, will the ridiculous problems of racism vanish?

I refuse to see Ebionics as a separate language when it is nothing more than poor grammar and the misuse of a language. When I was in first grade, saying "Ms. Connor, I be hungry," was considered quite incorrect and I was promptly told that "be" is the incorrect verb for this statement. If Ebionics is to be recognized as a totally different language, then why can't the slang of Southern folk be recognized as one also? I have always been told that "ain't" is slang and doesn't exist as far as Webster is concerned. But has anyone ever considered teaching "Southern" as a language?

No. Do you know why? Because southern people are the only "race" people are still allowed to make fun of under the stupid morals of political correctness. If you so much as make a snide remark about blacks, Hispanics, yankees or what have you, you are promptly labeled as an ignorant Bubba who probably doesn't wear clean underwear. But you can make fun of Southerners for as long as your heart desires. Ebionics is no more than another attempt to divide the races.

If you declare it another language, you merely divide the gap of acceptance of other races, which seems to go against any and all attempts to eliminate racial differences, a crusade that continues to span over a two centuries. I was born and raised in Harnett County, an under-developed, rural place where I have heard my grandparents say things like "Why don't you go on an tote that bucket over yonder?" Not once have I questioned the fact that it was merely a dialect since I have been taught English. Ebionics is the exact same thing, only Rev. Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson have run around making speeches about how blacks (I refuse to say "African-American" simply because few "blacks" were born in Africa. I don't insist on being called a "Scottish-American" even though I wasn't born in Scotland.) are being denied their culture by not allowing young blacks to learn Ebionics. It's ridiculously stupid and anyone who feels it should be considered a second language obviously didn't pay very much attention to their first grade English teacher. Thank you and good day.

Trent Hamilton
Freshman, Computer Engineering

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Blue jeans don't distinguish

I'm really sick of hearing about the Biseals, Gays, Lesbians and Allies (BGLA) having their awareness week. I read in the Free Expression Tunnel that families don't teach hatred, they teach love. This is very true. If you were in my family, you were taught by the Bible and to live as Jesus taught you to.

One of the main things Jesus taught was to love one another, which I do, but I don't ever recall him saying anything about exploring your sexuality. If you ever find it in the Bible, please let me know. Does the BGLA not worry about their eternity? God's word does not take to kindly to homosexuality. Just read Leviticus 20:13 and Romans 1:26-27.

Nancy Hight said in her recent column that there are religious

fundamentalists that will never change. I don't think you can honestly say that God is at peace with what you are doing and, if I were you, I would not feel comfortable knowing that. That statement is backed up by His Word, partially from the Old Testament. God doesn't change his mind. I know that this has been said before, but God created Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve or Eve and Julie or Rupaul and Rodman or any other combination you can come up with.

This brings me to my next point. You say that you are coming out and admitting your homosexuality, but you decide to show it by wearing blue jeans — like that is going to distinguish you from the heterosexuals. We wear blue jeans too and I don't appreciate having to wear khaki's in fear that someone will think that I'm gay — excuse me — homosexual. Not that half the campus is going to be wearing blue jeans anyway. If you are sincere about your efforts, at least make it obvious. The BGLA should sell stickers that read "I'm gay and I'm proud." I mean, blue jeans. Get real.

Andy Johnson
Freshman, Mechanical Engineering

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Game loss is referee's fault

As I walked to my various classes Thursday, Feb. 13, I could only hear one statement coming from most of the students: "It's Isha's fault!" Many of you know you said it more than once. And if you didn't say it, you probably thought it! And if you didn't say or think it, then you probably heard it many times like I did.

Am I in a minority here? Am I the only one who doesn't think that number five cost us Wednesday night's game? Isha did his job. When in that situation, I have been taught that you want to take as much time off the clock before the other team fouls you. That is precisely what Isha Benjamin did. He dribbled out the ball to take time off the clock. There's nothing wrong with that strategy.

The real thieves Wednesday were the ACC zebras, or referees as some might like to call them. Yes, Dick Paparo and crew were in Raleigh last night to call yet another horrible game. And when it came down to that last possession, they gave the game to Carolina. Everyone go watch your tape from Wednesday night and count how many fouls were committed on Benjamin as he dribbled around the court, cutting precious seconds off the clock. Personally, I counted five (1-Carter with a hack on the arm, 2-Cota with a jersey pull, 3-Williams with a hack to the elbow, 4-Cota with another hack to the arm, and 5-Jamison with a hack to the arm). All those fouls that would, could and should be called were not. And then the improbable happened. I say again, Benjamin did the right thing — he did his job. Too bad three "perfectly qualified" ACC referees couldn't do theirs. So thanks Benjamin, you did what you were supposed to. And to Paparo and the crew, no thanks to you, another one slipped away.

Joshua Northington
Junior, Psychology

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