



Glenn E. Futrell endows merit scholarship at NCSU

Glenn E. Futrell of Manteo, president of Coastal Contractors of the Outer Banks, has pledged a total of \$200,000 to endow the Glenn Elliott Futrell Scholarship for studies in the College of Engineering at N.C. State.

An alumnus of NCSU, Futrell earned his bachelor's degree in 1963 and his master's degree in 1965, both in civil engineering. The scholarship, valued at \$10,000 per year, will be awarded to students on the basis of merit. Recipients must be residents of North Carolina pursuing a degree in civil engineering.

The endowment is a part of the Campaign for N.C. State Students, a volunteer-led campaign to raise \$80 million in endowments for merit and need-based scholarships and fellowships at NCSU. To date, more than \$48 million has been pledged to the campaign by donors from across the country.

Futrell is currently serving as the president of the North Carolina Engineering Foundation at NCSU. He is a registered professional engineer and a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and the American Consulting Engineers Council.

Windover to be released

The 1996-97 Windover will be released today at a reception from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Crafts Center.

The reception will also open the Windover exhibition at the Crafts Center, which will feature literary and visual art from the 1996-97 edition. The reception will feature music, and poetry readings and refreshments. The Windover staff asks that you join them in welcoming this year's journal and meeting the artists whose work helped make it possible.

Copies of the 1996-97 Windover will be available during exam week and afterward at the following locations: D.H. Hill Library entrance, near the Buy Back counter at NCSU Bookstores, Caldwell Lounge, School of Design Library, the Crafts Center and the Windover Office in 314 Witherspoon Student Center.

Compiled by Windover Editor Jason Cooke

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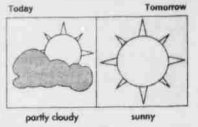
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N.C. State closes in on monorail system deal

NCSU is close to testing the proposed monorail linking main campus to Centennial Campus.

By JOSH JUSTIN
STAFF WRITER

In the next century, Wolfpackers will be getting a nice view of the campus as they commute to and from class — from a "fixed guideway" monorail.

N.C. State is close to negotiating a deal to construct a test track that would give officials a better idea of what it will take to bring this "Walt Disney World-style" concept of

mass transit to the campus.

One of the prime purposes of the fixed guideway is to connect main campus to the ever-emerging Centennial Campus.

"This campus would need a transportation plan other than cars and buses because of the high amounts of students over there," said Kathy Reeve, associate director for planning at NCSU Transportation.

The technology NCSU would employ is far more advanced than the typical rail-style systems used in monorails. The fixed guideway will run via magnetic levitation, or MAGLEV, as it is commonly called.

One of the firms working with NCSU is American Maglev, based

out of Florida.

"We have talked to a number of partners at this point, like American Maglev," said Bob Geolas, Partnership Development Specialist at Centennial Campus.

"We would love to get Siemens involved as well."

The guideway would literally split the campus. It would run from Centennial Campus past Mission Valley Shopping Center. After crossing Western Boulevard, the monorail would sever main campus, taking a path right between the Student Center and Reynolds Coliseum toward D.H. Hill Library.

"One of the transportation hubs for the guideway would be on South

Yarborough Street behind Mann and Riddick," Reeve said.

This central loading point, one of many that could serve the guideway, would be similar to an environment existent in a train depot or an airport terminal. Shops, restaurants, and other "commuter-friendly" establishments would lace the hub.

Monorails are not uncommon in the United States. Las Vegas has a number of monorails connecting the many resorts and casinos.

The University of West Virginia in Morgantown has had a monorail serving its campus for over 15 years. Yet the MAGLEV technology for the fixed guideway is far more advanced than the "old school"

monorail at WVA.

"If we could get this system operational, it would blow the markets," Geolas said.

"The whole world would come to see it."

Students, faculty and staff could not only benefit from the transportation advantages of the guideway, but also from the research and development of the rail.

"Our engineering school could work with the company involved to help perfect this technology. We could use the college of textiles as well," Geolas said.

"This could be an applied research

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Stress reliever



Brian Hucks, a sophomore in aerospace engineering, takes it all out on a beat-up Volkswagen Rabbit during Friday's "Car Smashing for a Dollar" event, hosted by the brothers of Pi Lambda Phi. Cash raised during the event went to help victims of Multiple Sclerosis.

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NCSU remembers drowning victim

A memorial service for a recently departed student brought an aura of sad remembrance to NCSU Thursday.

By JENNIFER THOMPSON
STAFF WRITER

A memorial service was held yesterday afternoon to honor Steven J. Velazquez, the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity member who drowned two weeks ago in Lake Johnson.

A picture of Velazquez and an arrangement of carnations adorned the podium set up for the service in the Witherspoon Student Center Cinema.

About 40 people attended, including Stephen Velazquez, the father of the deceased student; Chancellor Larry K. Monteith; Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Tom Stafford and students from Tau Kappa Epsilon.

"Today we celebrate the gift God gave us in the person of Steven Velazquez," Father Al Dash of the Catholic Campus Ministry said.

"It's difficult to comprehend," Monteith said. "There are absolutely no words I can express that relate to the loss of a son."

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New weather policy announced

Recent incidents of nature's wrath facilitate the need to rethink the adverse weather policy.

By TRISHA ROSS
STAFF WRITER

If the weather outside is frightful, N.C. State's administration has worked to make the school's adverse weather policy a little less so.

The first major changes made to NCSU's weather policy in the last 10 years were approved by NCSU's Board of Trustees on February 21st.

According to Loretta Harper, associate vice chancellor for Human Resources, the main purpose in rewriting the policy was to clarify guidelines already present.

For instance, the policy has stated for the past two years that students who cannot make it to a class due to weather conditions when the university is officially open are not penalized, Harper said. The rewritten policy makes statements such as this clearer, reducing the number of questions students might have about such statements.

"I think that what we have now is a policy that is easily understood by everyone on the campus as well as those employees who are not located on the main campus," Harper said.

Under the new policy, employees who occupy positions of critical importance to the university will face disciplinary action if they do not report to work. Other employees will either make up missed time within the year or claim their time as vacation hours.

University officials realized after the two adverse weather occurrences during the winter of 95-96 that the policy was in need of clarification. When Hurricane Fran struck, they recognized that the policy needed to include information about NCSU facilities not on campus

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A student stores at a sign announcing the closing of the Atrium due to the power outage.

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Power outage hits library

A power outage at D.H. Hill Library put a temporary halt to student research and studying.

By PHILLIP REESE
NEWS EDITOR

Every procrastinator's worst nightmare came true Wednesday night as N.C. State's D.H. Hill Library was forced to shut down for about 15 hours because of a power

outage. Generators restored power to the library at around midnight, seven hours after the power went out. The library was reopened at 8 a.m. Thursday morning.

Five other NCSU buildings near the library were also without power for a considerable amount of time Wednesday evening, causing many classes to be canceled.

The Atrium, a popular student eatery, was still shut down because of the power

outage at Technician's press time Thursday. Officials at University Dining said the Atrium should be re-opened by 7 a.m. today.

The outage was caused by a short in the library's main electrical panel, Director of Facilities Operations James Vespi said. The damage caused by the electrical malfunction still has not been completely repaired, leaving the library to partially rely on

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Senate softens tough anti-arena stance

A resolution with a lot less bite than many expected made it through the Student Senate Wednesday.

By PRESTON MOON
STAFF WRITER

To build or not to build is no longer the question.

The N.C. State Student Senate has backed down from its earlier stance against the proposed Centennial Arena, the probable future site for NCSU men's and women's basketball programs.

The senate came to the realization Wednesday that they will not be able to stop the construction of the arena, even if that is what the majority of the student body wants.

The senate does feel, however, that they can have a say in the future of the beloved Reynolds Coliseum. They passed a new resolution by acclamation during their last meeting concerning Reynolds.

"This resolution calls for Reynolds not to be neglected," said Temporary Senate Pro Tempore Susan Kohlhausen, one of the resolution's authors. "This is a resolution saying that we would like to use Reynolds to its maximum ability."

Other senators agreed that a hardline stance against the arena's construction would be futile.

"The arena is being built whether we like it or not," said Senator Joe Kleinman, another author of the resolution. "but, I don't want to see Reynolds suffer because of it."

The authors felt that the previous version of the resolution, passed at the senate's last meeting and subsequently vetoed as

the last act of the outgoing Student Body President Robert Zimmer, was too glorified in its desire and was passed in haste. They thought a more carefully worked resolution would have a greater effect and more realistic achievements.

"This [resolution] is substantially different because of more information," said Senator Amy Cummins, the third author of the resolution. "The tone and the content have both changed."

George Worsley, Vice Chancellor of Business and Finance, was present at the senate meeting to answer questions regarding the administration's position on the Centennial Arena and the future use of Reynolds Coliseum.

"I believe that the University is going to treat Reynolds in a sensitive way."

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Monorail

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project for students."

The cost of the fixed guideway depends on the length it will travel. The guideway will cover at least two miles. American Maglev believes they can build it for around \$15 million a mile. This is a bargain compared to other monorail systems in place world-wide, Geolas said.

Maglev technology is in place in high-speed trains in Japan and Germany, but at a higher price.

"The MAGLEV technology the Germans look at is around \$60 million a

mile, but Europe in general is used to paying that cost for infrastructure," Geolas said.

The NCSU guideway would not be a high-speed train. "We want a low-speed system that runs 15 to 25 miles per hour and offers a comfortable and safe ride," Reeve said.

The NCSU fixed guideway will run a blazing trail to bigger things in the region. It could be an artery linking with the proposed Triangle Regional Rail.

"You could get on the guideway, get off at the hub on South Yarbrough, and get on the Triangle Regional Rail," Geolas said. "Our technology could be a base for other people-movers in the Triangle."

For now though, the growth of Centennial Campus is one of the central

prerequisites for the fixed guideway. When Centennial Campus fills out, over 30,000 people will come and go there every day, plus the 30,000-plus coming and going to main campus daily.

"One of the reasons we haven't purchased it yet is due to the fact that we don't need it yet," Geolas said. "But it will be critical when Centennial Campus is complete."

And don't forget about the 33,000 who already commute to main campus. The fixed guideway is on the road ahead, but right now, negotiations and talks for trial runs are taking place. But when the ground is broken, all eyes will be on NCSU.

"We're reopening up infinite possibilities here," Geolas said.

Big-name author speaks at University Club

■ **Renowned writer Christopher Buckley spoke at NCSU Wednesday night.**

BY KRISTEN SPRUILL
STAFF WRITER

Author Christopher Buckley graced the halls of the N.C. State's University Club with his presence at the Friends of the Library annual spring dinner Wednesday night.

Buckley, who has written six novels and is a former speech writer for

President Bush, held the assembled guests spellbound as he spoke about Washington, Peter Jennings and his new book, *Wry Martinis*.

The topic Buckley chose to expand upon was the difficulty a writer faces when filling a new book. He said his publishers would have been content to omit the title, preferring to run a banner across the top of the book reading "All new material from the author of *Primary Colors*."

One of the titles Buckley discussed came from a humor piece he

had written in *Forbes FYI*. He said he wrote about the poverty of the former Soviet Union and how they might solve their cash flow problems by selling Lenin's corpse.

He never expected his humor to be taken seriously, but in much the same way Orson Welles' *War of the Worlds* caused panic in the streets in the 1950's, his satire was blown out of proportion by the media and the public.

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The service, which lasted from 4 to 4:30 p.m., featured words of remembrance from two of Velazquez' friends, Tom Frantz and Chris Brown.

"We know he's in a better place and we are all better people for having known him," Frantz said.

"He was a good leader, a good brother and a good friend," Brown said. "He will be missed."

Tau Kappa Epsilon members played the Eric Clapton song "Tears in Heaven" in dedication of Velazquez's memory and presented his father with a flag.

Valezquez was 19 at the time of his death.

Clarification:

The article "Student arrested for assault," which ran on April 18, concerned an assault which took place in front of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity house.

The alleged assailant Brian Niemczyk, is not a member of the fraternity nor did the incident involve any of the Lambda Chi Alpha brothers.

A brief scan of the closet that houses every Technician printed in the last 50 years or so is sure to reveal a consistency—just about every front page (the News page) from years past contains a wire story or press release that ran word-for-word: an article written by someone working PR for the university or by someone who isn't even affiliated with NCSU has been on just about every front page in years past. That hasn't happened this year.

Every story that has appeared on the 84 front pages Technician News produced in 1996-1997 was written for students by students. Kudos to the following writers who made this happen; who wrote the 367 News stories that have appeared on this year's front page:

- Jason King
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News Editor, Technician

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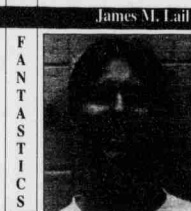
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James M. Lail

One Last Call

■ So long, farewell...

Well, this is it. Without getting too melodramatic and silly, this is my last column for Technician (as if you care). So, without further ado, here's my last chance to reflect on the most memorable sports moments and most unforgettable people I've had the honor to experience in my four years at Brick U.

Of magic and minutes...

It's hard to think of Reynolds Coliseum, David Thompson and Jimmy V. No matter how much success any other sports here have, State will always be a so-called "basketball school." Those of us who have been here three, four or five and even six years have suffered the worst of the storm. But through it all, we have had some great moments. Beating No. 1 North Carolina at Reynolds on ESPN two seasons ago has to rank way up there. But then again, the madness surrounding the second round NIT game this past season against West Virginia also comes to mind.

The best basketball memory for me though would have to go to this season's ACC Tourney. There's just no match for the excitement and anxiety that swallows the tournament anyway, but this year's tournament transcended tournaments of years past simply because of the sheer Cinderella story that was the "Bionic Five." The Pack didn't win, but what they did do was restore pride and fanaticism to State basketball. For this, I will eternally be thankful to Herb Sendek, Jeremy Hyatt, Justin Gainey, C.C. Harrison and the rest. I must say I honestly envy all of you freshmen and sophomores - the best is yet to come. Enjoy it.

...and missing the magic
On the contrary, I feel for you underclassmen. The last couple of years at Carter-Finley Stadium have been well, less than glorious, and I'm sad to report that I don't see much change in the near future. I sincerely hope I'm wrong about this, but...

At least I was able to witness the amazing comeback that Terry Harvey and the Pack made in the Peach Bowl two seasons ago. And more importantly, the total disappointment on the faces of Virginia fans in Charlottesville a month earlier after Tremayne Stephens almost single-handedly ripped the Wahoo's hearts from their chest and sent them packing to Shreveport is far and away the best football moment I have witnessed.

I don't think the park can hold it!

I've had the pleasure to watch a lot of games at Doak Field the past four years. The highlight would have to be Andy Barkett's two-out home run against Carolina two years ago that insured the sweep of the Heels.

Just like the basketball program, the baseball team is in the capable hands of Coach Elliott Avent. The Pack is right now probably the hottest team in America, and just recently did what is usually considered impossible - swept the Clemson Tigers.

And, Avent has got to be the only coach in history to come up to Technician's offices for a reason other than rearranging our faces.

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State signs six, waits on one



TECHNICIAN FILE PHOTO
N.C. State men's basketball coach Herb Sendek has signed six new players for his second season with the Wolfpack.

■ The six-man basketball recruiting class could have the Wolfpack rising back to national prominence.

By JOE GIGLIO

STAFF WRITER

Over the last nine games of the season, N.C. State's five starters averaged 37 minutes per game. Point guard Justin Gainey played all 40 minutes in each of the last six games. He set an ACC Tournament record for minutes played (160 in four games).

Next year Gainey and the three-returning starters won't have to worry about anymore 40-minute marathons. Coach Herb Sendek and his staff signed five recruits this fall and added 6-foot-7 Roultra (pronounced ROW-dray) Thomas from Natchez, Miss. this spring.

Forwards Kenny Inge (6-8, Virginia Beach, Va.) and Ron Kelly (6-10, Emery, Texas) signed during the fall period. Guards Ryan "Arch" Miller (5-9, Beaver Falls, Pa.), Ron Anderson (6-6, Fayetteville) and

center Cornelius Williams (6-11, Jacksonville, Ala.) rounded out Sendek's first recruiting class at State.

The class adds height and depth to next year's squad. State did not start a player taller than 6-foot-5 over the last 10 games.

"You never hear a coach say he isn't happy with the players he's signed," Sendek said in November. "I think the guys we've signed address our needs."

The class has been ranked in several national publications among the best in the country. Miller and Kelly are ranked in the Top 10 of their respective positions by Hoop Scoop.

State has one scholarship remaining due to the transfer of freshman forward Andre McCullum. State has pursued Top 30 prep prospect Byron Mouton from Rayne, La., who is expected to choose between Kentucky, Tulane and State sometime before the May 15 deadline.

Mouton, 6-foot-5, averaged 32.7 points and eight rebounds this past season. Recruiting scout Bob

Gibbons of All-Star publications has Mouton ranked No. 29 on his list of the Top 100 seniors.

Mouton has delayed his announcement several times in the last three weeks. The (Lexington) Herald-Leader quoted Mouton's AAU coach Melvin Lawrence this week as saying that Mouton has chosen Kentucky.

Sendek's assistant coaches, led by Blackhawk High to back-to-back Pennsylvania state titles. He averaged 22 points and eight assists during his senior season. Earlier this month he played at the prestigious Capitol Classic in Landover, Md. He is ranked among the Top 50 in a number of national recruiting publications.

Kelly averaged 26.1 points, 18 rebounds and 5.2 blocks per game his senior year at Raines High. He chose State over Kentucky, Cincinnati, Arkansas, Arizona, UNLV and Minnesota.

Gibbons called Sendek's

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Swimmers awarded, players trade hands

■ N.C. State's swimmers and divers were honored last weekend.

SPORTS STAFF REPORT

Last weekend head coaches Scott Hammond and John Candler, along with the rest of the N.C. State swimming and diving coaches, announced the end-of-the-year awards at the annual season-ending banquet.

Graham Wright and Besty Baker were awarded the Willis Casey Coaches Award, which recognizes the swimmers who demonstrate an excellent work ethic, dedication and team spirit.

The Don Easterling Chime Award, which is given to the Most Outstanding Performer of the Year, was given to Magnus Ohlsson and Gina Galligan.

Diver Todd Smith and swimmer Will Coenen were awarded the Dan Harragan Most Valuable Athlete award.

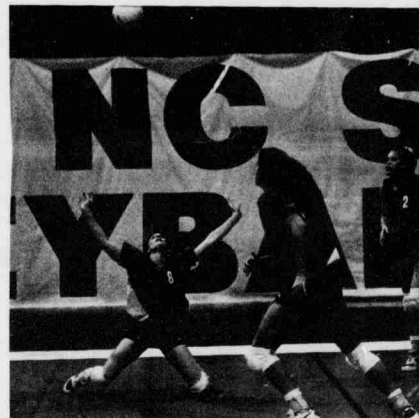
ACC champion Shelly Cavaliere was named as the diver who had achieved at an exceptional level throughout the year. The award is named after Candler. State's diving coach of 28 years.

Kevin Cutts was given the Peter Fogarassy award in recognition of his strong focus and dedication, while Jessica Kelly earned the Beth Emery Most Improved Athlete award for her work throughout the season.

Awarded to the woman who has given the most outstanding performances throughout the year, Beth Maguire was given the Beth Harrell Most Valuable

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N.C. State Volleyball		
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Labor Day Wolfpack Challenge		
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30th	Akron	12 pm
	Northwestern	7:30 pm
September		
1st	UCinn	5 pm
6th	@W. Michigan	12 pm
	@U. of South Carolina	7 pm
Colorado State Invitational		
12th	U. of Arkansas	TBA
13th	U. of Washington	TBA
	Colorado State	TBA
NC State Invitational		
19th	Syracuse	7:30 pm
20th	Marquette	12 pm
	U. of Alabama	7:30 pm
21st	Rutgers	2 pm
	NCA&T	5 pm
26th	U. of Virginia	7:30 pm
27th	Florida State	6 pm
28th	U. of Maryland	5 pm
October		
3rd	@Wake Forest	7 pm
4th	@Duke	7:30 pm
10th	Georgia Tech	7:30 pm
11th	Clemson	6 pm
14th	North Carolina	7:30 pm
17th	@East Carolina	6 pm
24th	@Clemson	7 pm
26th	@Georgia Tech	4 pm
28th	@North Carolina	7 pm
November		
1st	@ Florida State	7 pm
2nd	@ Florida A&M	1 pm
7th	Duke	7:30 pm
8th	Wake Forest	6 pm
11th	UNC-Greensboro	7:30 pm
14th	@U. of Maryland	7 pm
15th	@U. of Virginia	7 pm
21-23rd	ACC Volleyball Tournament at N.C. State University	



TECHNICIAN FILE PHOTO
N.C. State's volleyball team looks to battle against a tough schedule in the upcoming season. The Pack will have to combat the loss of graduating senior Pam Summer. Key returners for State, under coach Kim Hall for the fourth season, will be Jennifer and Nicole Peterson, who are entering their fourth season with State and junior Laura Kimbrell. The Pack's schedule includes three in-season tournaments, two of which will be played at home, as will the ACC Tournament.

Wolfpack readies for Wake

■ State looks to extend streak against Wake.

By K. GAFFENEY

STAFF WRITER

For the first weekend in almost a month the Wolfpack baseball team takes its show on the road.

Facing off against Wake Forest University in Winston Salem this weekend, N.C. State looks to extend its current ACC win streak to 14.

The Pack's current 11-game streak is a new school record, and the way that the Pack Nine has been playing recently, the next three look to be in hand.

This week State moved up to No.16 in the Baseball America polls, and grabbed a victory over UNC-Wilmington Tuesday night, revengeing last week's loss on the road that broke the Pack's 14-game win streak. State's 13-5 record in the ACC has left them in sole possession of second place. The three wins over Clemson this past weekend broke the Pack out of a tie for the position with Florida State.

Over the past 18 games, State has been on a tear. The Pack has just one loss, and have rocked opposing pitchers for 36 home runs.

The Wolfpack currently has nine players hitting over .300, with senior Tom Sergio and junior Jake Weber leading the way with averages of .419 and .418, respectively.

The duo of Sergio and Weber is also leading a strong defensive attack; both have fielding percentages of over .958.

The Demon Deacons are likely to see the rotation of Kurt Blackmon, Brett Black and Bubba Scare on the mound this weekend. The three are a combined 16-7 for the year.

The Pack will most likely look to reliever Clay Eason for help should trouble come on the mound. Eason hasn't started a game this season for the Pack, but in 18 appearances he has amassed a record of 8-1 and currently holds and ERA of 1.00.

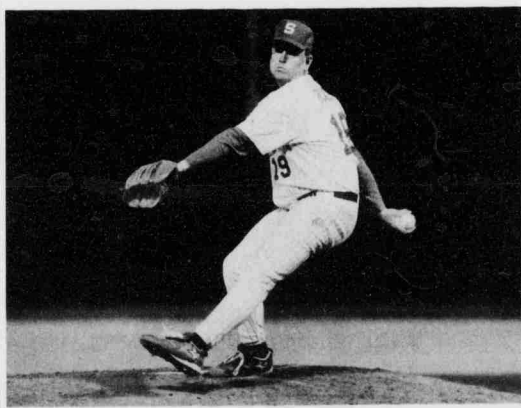
The Deacons' attack features eight returning starters from last season's squad.

The Deacs finished just one notch out of the cellar last season, but have worked their way up to the No.5 spot so far this season.

In its tenth season under Coach George Greer, Wake has played to a conference record of 10-11.

Outfielders Josh Itzoe and Dave Lardieri had strong seasons last year, both finishing out the season above .300, and have helped lead the experience staff back.

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TECHNICIAN FILE PHOTO

Wolfpack pitcher Brett Black will lead State from the mound when the team takes on Wake Forest this weekend in Winston Salem. Black leads the Wolfpack starters with 14 appearances, and has amassed an ERA of 4.70 in over 82 innings pitched. Also set to pitch for the Pack this weekend are Bubba Scare and Kurt Blackmon. State goes into the series, the Pack's second to last in the conference this season, looking to protect an 11 game ACC win streak and its position at second place in the conference. State's previous win streak, set in 1955, was broken with last weekend's 9-7 win over the Clemson Tigers. Last weekend's sweep of the Tigers allowed State to jump to No.16 in the national poll. State has just two home games left this season. The Pack will go into action at Doak Field on May 6th and 7th against Radford.



Tom Sergio, N.C. State's lead-off hitter, heads up the Pack's offensive attack. The senior is currently hitting .419 in 172 at bats. Sergio has also smashed 14 home runs this season.

Baseball

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Seven of the 12 pitchers who faced ACC opponents return for Wake Forest this season, but the Deacons also have nine freshmen on their roster.

The Pack won't underestimate any of the conference's newcomers, as Craig Lee has quickly found his niche in the Wolfpack line-up.

Lee has picked up the fielding duties in center for much of the year, and has contributed seven home runs to the Pack offense in the past 18 games alone.

The trip west will be the Pack's second to last ACC series of the season, with State closing out their schedule against Georgia Tech. State travels to Atlanta to take on league-leading Yellow Jackets the weekend of May 9-11.

Notes

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Athlete award.

Christina Corro and Stephen Harrison were given the Amy Lepping and Pat Gavagan awards for their demonstrated toughness and improvement.

The women's team earned Academic All-America honors by posting a collective GPA of 3.028, while the men received honorable mention honors from the College Swimming Coaches Association of America. The men posted a team

GPA of 2.975.

Hyatt Traded to Raleigh
N.C. State senior forward Jeremy Hyatt has been traded to the Raleigh Cougars from Jacksonville. Hyatt will join recent teammates Danny Strong and Al Pinkins on the United States Basketball League team.

Also on the team are former Pack players Lorenzo Charles and Chuck Korengay.

Smrcka-Duffy to leave State
N.C. State women's basketball coach Kay Yow has confirmed that 1996-97 ACC Rookie of the Year Katie Smrcka-Duffy will transfer

from State for her sophomore year. Smrcka-Duffy started 29 of 31 games this season for the Wolfpack in her first season.

She started off her career with a 28 point night against Appalachian State.

The 5-foot-9 guard from Sterling, Va., averaged 12.9 points per game and 5.0 rebounds per game last season.

Softball comes to Triangle
It has been announced that a fast-pitch softball team is coming to the triangle. Starting in late May, the Durham Dragons will be playing at the Durham Athletic park.

Lail

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Thank you, good night!

Finally, what would a last column be without the Cuba Gooding-esque thank you's? So, with that, here it goes.

Thanks to Ted Newman, Aaron Morrison, Kevin Brewer, Joe Giglio and Bob Langford for helping to become a somewhat competent writer (I didn't say good, just competent). Thanks to Michael Preston for teaching me all the words to "Don't Go Breakin' My Heart" in Mandarin Chinese. To Brant, Eric and Martin and Mike Olson - thanks for putting up with me for all these years. To Chris Rhodes - thanks for sharing all the ups and downs (mostly downs) of Pack athletics over the past three years. And of course, thanks to Chris Baysden, Jason King, Kim, Curlyfry and the Collard Greens and Filthy McNasties. You've all made college fun.

And of course, thanks to mom and dad.

Recruits

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recruiting class remarkable in the News & Observer.

"Dean Smith and Mike Krzyzewski have reputations as being among the best recruiters in the country," Gibbons is quoted as saying. "I think Sendek will join them soon."

Guard James Griffin of Greenville, S.C. is expected to be offered the remaining scholarship this weekend. Griffin, 6-foot-2, averaged 32.4 points this year and is also considering Wake Forest.

Inge played last season at the prep-school Hargrave Military Academy in Virginia. He played high school basketball two seasons ago at Atlantic Shores Christian with State center Damon Thornton. They were coached by current Wolfpack Director of Basketball Operations Mark Phelps. Inge averaged 18 points and 11 rebounds last year at Hargrave. He is

considered to be a more polished player than Thornton, a first-team member of the All-ACC freshman team last year.

Anderson was Inge's teammate this year at Hargrave. State found him when the staff was recruiting Inge. Anderson scored 14 points and six rebounds per game in leading Hargrave to a 22-5 record. He attended high school at Fayetteville Seventy-First and played on a team that had six Division I-A prospects.

Williams is rated in the Top 150 in the Recruiters Handbook. He fared well against McDonald's All-American Brendan Haywood of Greensboro Dudley, who is headed to North Carolina.

Thomas, the last of the signees, averaged 20.1 points and 10 rebounds per game. Thomas was named the region's player of the year by the Natchez Democrat for both his junior and senior seasons.

The class is the biggest to sign at State this decade. It is the highest rated class since Rodney Monroe and Chris Corchiani signed in 1987.

Matt, Mike and Joe:

Thanks Guys. We know that there is more that should be said. But here's to soccer games, 21, trips to Krispy Kreme, arguments about women's basketball, parties, house ads, 80's music and all of the other stuff that goes unnoticed, or at least unmentioned. Good Luck.

-Kimberly A. Gaffney and James J. Curle

Spring 1997 Exam Schedule

EXAM TIMES	8:00-11:00 a.m.	1:00-4:00 p.m.	6:00-9:00 p.m.
EXAM DAYS	HOURS CLASS ACTUALLY MEETS DURING SEMESTER		
Monday, April 28	9:10-10:00 MWF (9:40-10:30 MWF)	12:25-1:15 MWF (12:55-1:45 MWF)	6:00-7:15 M W (5:45-7:00pm M W) 6:00-8:50pm M or W ACC 210, 310, 311, 410 Common Exam PSY 200 Common Exam
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Thursday, May 1	8:05-9:20 T H (8:35-9:50 T H)	2:35-3:50 T H 3:05-4:20 T H	7:30-8:45pm T H (7:45-9:00pm T H) 7:20-10:10pm H PY 205, 208 Common Exam
Friday, May 2	10:15-11:05 MWF (10:45-11:35 MWF)	3:40-4:30 MWF (4:10-5:00 MWF)	
Saturday, May 3	CH 101, 107 Common Exam	CSC 114 Common Exam	
Monday, May 5	11:20-12:10 MWF (11:50-12:40 MWF)	1:30-2:20 MWF (2:00-2:50 MWF)	7:20-10:10pm M
Tuesday, May 6	9:50-11:05 T H (10:20-11:35 T H)	1:05-2:20 T H (1:35-2:50 T H)	7:20-10:10pm T

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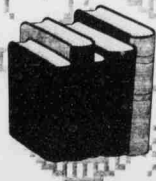
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"Volcano" explodes in theaters this weekend

■ "Volcano" is by no means a disaster.

BY STEPHANIE BULLOCK
STAFF WRITER

Just another disaster movie? Hardly. "Volcano" starring Tommy Lee Jones as Mike Roark, chief of Los Angeles' Office of Emergency Management, more than lives up to the standard set by disaster movies of late.

It is no secret the City of Angels sits atop a major fault line and that earthquakes are almost everyday occurrences. But a volcano?

According to experts the idea is not that far fetched. And it certainly looks real. The lava flow was designed using a myriad of special effects techniques. As a villain, the lava is terrifyingly beautiful yet horrifyingly realistic.

If anything it looks too real. The lava liquefies cars, entire streets, even people. One scene reminded me of that famous quote from the "Wizard of Oz." You know the one, "I'm melting, I'm melting."

The hot stuff first erupts from the La Brea Tar Pits, a popular tourist attraction, shooting lava balls at bystanders. It then flows through the streets of Los Angeles, melting and burning everything in its path.

An even larger eruption is destined for the famous intersection that is home to Cedars-Sinai Hospital, the Hard-Rock Cafe, and the Beverly Center.

What can you do to stop a force of nature hot enough to melt steel? If your first thought is that all anyone can do is get out of the way, you are in for a surprise. Roark builds barricades, overturns buses and semi trucks, digs trenches and creates a few fireworks in an

attempt to manipulate the flow. He is supported by seismologist Amy Barnes, played by former soap star Anne Heche, and his assistant Emmitt Reese (Don Cheadle of "Picket Fences" fame).

Roark is a hands-on guy who can't just sit in the office and let things happen. In fact, his boss keeps reminding him that he has a desk and should use it. Roark is on vacation and driving with his daughter by the tar pits during the earthquake and subsequent eruption, but from then on he is hard at work.

Jones is spectacular, as always. He has just the right mix of take charge attitude and human compassion to make the character believable.

Barnes predicts the eruption and is there to assist when the need arises. She is smart, beautiful, and with her seismologic knowledge, she is a perfect foil to Jones' character.

Heche plays the part with style, and coming off her recent role in "Donnie Brasco" she has reason. This is one actress we should be seeing more of. Reese makes no secret of the fact that he wants Roark's job, but he is helpful and humorous in his role as second in command.

"Volcano" has a real message too. It is a movie about a city full of people who fight constantly over their diversity, but those same people have to pull together to salvage at least part of their city and save millions of lives.

In one scene, a white police officer stands shoulder to shoulder with an African-American man he just arrested. Together they build a barricade in an effort to stop the lava flow.

To sum it up, "Volcano," is a must see at the theater. With its special effects, it is definitely worth it.



Tommy Lee Jones and Anne Heche hang on for their lives as Los Angeles is covered in lava in Volcano.

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WEEKEND STRESS RELIEVERS

Music

The Caboose
Friday, April 25 The Vaukras, The Casualties, and The Louts are set to play.

The Carolina Theatre
Saturday, April 26 Drill 187, Mo Saner and Loser James are in the lineup.

Cat's Cradle
Friday, April 25 The Backsliders with \$2 Pistols and Trailer Bride
Saturday, April 26 Doxy's Kitchen with To The Moon Alice
Wednesday, April 30 Duncan Sheik with Jill Sobule

The Ritz
Friday, April 25 and Saturday, April 26 "The Musical Box" will perform its recreation of the 1973 Genesis "Selling England By the Pound" tour. Cloud Nine is scheduled to open both nights. The show starts at 8 p.m. and tickets are \$15, available at Schoolkids, Monster, and Poindexter Records. Special student discount: Friday night only, \$9, at Ritz ticket window, day of show.

Arts Center
Friday, April 25 blues dance concert: "Jimmy Thackery and the Drivers" The show begins at 8 p.m., and tickets are \$12.
Saturday, April 26 jazz concert: "Marlena Shaw" The show begins at 8 p.m., and tickets are \$12. Marlena Shaw will conduct a free vocal clinic at the ArtsCenter at 1 p.m. Call 929-2787 to reserve space.

Stewart Theatre
Friday, April 25 "Spring Concert" NCSU Chamber Singers perform at 8 p.m.
Sunday, April 27 "Spring Concert" NCSU Women's Choir and Varsity Men's Glee Club will perform at 8 p.m.
All tickets are \$5, general admission, \$4, NCSU faculty and staff, and \$2 for NCSU students. Call Ticket Central at 515-1100.

Cinema

Campus Cinema
Shows are \$1.50 for students and \$2.00 for guests
Friday, April 25 and Saturday, April 26 "The English Patient" at 7 & 10 p.m.
Sunday, April 27 "Pennies From Heaven" at 7 p.m. FREE
Monday, April 28 and Tuesday, April 29 "Beavis and Butthead Do America" at 7 & 9 p.m.
Wednesday, April 30 and Thursday, May 1 "Mars Attacks!" at 7 & 9 p.m.
Friday, May 2 and Saturday, May 3 "101 Dalmatians" at 7, 9, & 11 p.m.

Events

Craft Center
Friday, April 25 Windhover release party. The new 1997 Windhover literary magazines are in. There will be a reception and exhibition from 5 to 7 p.m.
Stewart Theatre
Saturday, April 26 "Night of Percussion" The NCSU Jazz Percussion Group, the NCSU Percussion Ensemble, and the NCSU Percussion class will present an evening of mesmerizing rhythms. The show begins at 8 p.m.
Saturday, May 3 "1940's Night Out!" The NCSU Big Band will host a buffet dinner with the best of the 1940's big band sound. There will be dancing, singers, and variety acts. The event begins at 6 p.m. and tickets are \$15 per person, \$29 per couple. Call 515-2981 for more information.

Performances

Meredith College
April 25 at 8 p.m. and April 26, 3 p.m. National Opera Company: "The Barber of Seville" at Jones Auditorium

Opportunities

Scholarship
Theatre in the Park will award a \$1,000 scholarship to an area student for higher education. Applicants must be a recent graduate of a Triangle accredited high school, must be planning a degree in Theatre or Performing Arts, and must be accepted into an accredited institution. Deadline for entries is June 1, contact Theatre in the Park at 831-8058 for information.
CenterFest
Applications are now available for visual artists and craftspeople wishing to have both space at CenterFest '97. The street festival takes place September 19-21 in downtown Durham. Artists wishing to apply will need to submit an application and six slides of their work by June 1, 1997. For information, call 919/560-2722.

Lectures

Monday, April 28 Dr. Amy Needham from the department of psychology at Duke University will present "Infants' Use of Featural Experimental Information in Object Perception" at 636 Poe Hall. Refreshments will be served at 3:30 p.m. and the introduction will start at 3:45 p.m.

Exhibits

Artomatic
Judy Keene's "Landscape into Abstraction" and

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New study abroad program set for fall of '97

■ College of Textiles announces new opportunity to study abroad.

BY KELLY MARKS
FEATURES EDITOR

The College of Textiles recently announced a new study abroad program. Made possible through an FIPSE grant from the Department of Education, the program will bring four American universities together in an exchange program with business schools throughout England, Finland, France, Germany, and Portugal.

The grant will allow students from N.C. State, the University of West Florida, the University of Central Arkansas, and North Michigan University to spend a semester or year taking classes that are transferable and within their degree program. While overseas, they will be expected to conduct an independent study market research for a company in the U.S. in their host country. A stipend of \$1,500 will be made available to

participants to cover the cost of transportation and living.

This new fall semester will mark the first year the program has been implemented. Open to second and third year students interested in international management studies, it provides an opportunity to study overseas while obtaining valuable management experience.

The grant has been in the developing stages since last November. Preliminary travel and catalog comparisons were needed to establish friendly contacts within each host school. Next year, five grants will be made available for the fall and spring semesters. The program hopes to expand that number in the future. The market research that will be performed by the students is intended to provide an incentive for American companies to offer support also.

Students who are interested in the study abroad program should contact Helmut Hergenth with the College of Textiles at

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"Chasing Amy" sells Sponge

■ New film bolsters support for Sponge's latest release.

SPECIAL TO TECH TOO

The newest movie from director Kevin Smith, lately of "Clerks" and "Mall Rats" fame, is quickly proving to be a hit with college students across the country. Entitled "Chasing Amy," the movie's success is spreading.

Since its premiere in national markets on Friday, April 18, "Chasing Amy" has been noteworthy because of its content, but its theme song is also drawing attention as well.

"Rotting Pinata," but that could be about to change.

"Wax Ecstatic" features the same heavy, grunge-laden Sponge sound that made "Pinata" a hit, but there are a few departures whicharken back to their 1995 hit, "Molly"—the song that originally earned the group its fame.

It's these less aggressive songs that make "Wax Ecstatic" a good album. The hardcore growling guitar riffs can get monotonous after the first three songs; it's where Sponge departs from its original formula that the disc is somewhat salvaged. A quirky number called "The Drag Queens of Memphis" and a song entitled "I Am Anastasia" save the CD from grunge rock purgatory. "Have You Seen Mary" is just the icing on the cake.

"Wax Ecstatic" is available at all record stores and "Chasing Amy" is playing at most major movie theaters.



Ellen Morgan (Ellen DeGeneres) makes a rather personal revelation to a new acquaintance, Susan (Laura Dern) in a special episode this Wednesday.

PHOTO COURTESY OF TOUCHSTONE TELEVISION

Ellen finally reveals her other side this Wednesday

■ The new "Ellen" leaves nothing in the closet.

DANIELLE STANFIELD
STAFF WRITER

The episode that everyone has been waiting for is finally here. On Wednesday, April 30, at 9 p.m. on ABC, what is being called "The Puppy Episode" of "Ellen" will debut. This episode will be a historic event because Ellen Morgan (Ellen DeGeneres) will be the first lead character in a prime time series to announce her homosexuality. To accompany Ellen in this event, guest stars will make an appearance.

Debi Moore, Billy Bob Thornton, Dwight Yoakam, Gina Gershon, Oprah Winfrey, k.d. lang, and Melissa Etheridge will all make cameo appearances in the special hour-long episode.

In the episode, Ellen meets an old college friend, Richard (Steve Eckhold), who is in town for a couple of days. A rather attractive woman, Susan (Laura Dern), interrupts their dinner engagement and they invite her to join them.

Quickly, Ellen and Susan get acquainted. Escorting each other to their hotel rooms, they say good night to each other and Ellen returns to Richard's room to finish a conversation. Richard comes on to Ellen and she immediately dashes for the door.

Conveniently, Susan and Ellen run into each other and Susan invites Ellen in for a drink. Ellen and Susan begin to connect. Ellen admits her problems with Richard's

advancement. Aloud, she wonders why she is not attracted to his intelligence and great looks.

The conversation turns and Ellen asks Susan if she and Richard have ever dated. Susan replies that she is gay and that she assumed Ellen was as well.

Ellen is unerved and retreats from Susan's room to return to Richard's. Here, Ellen makes a last-ditch effort to seduce him.

The following day, Ellen reveals to her new therapist (Oprah Winfrey) that nothing happened between Richard and her. She eventually admits to the therapist as well as herself for the first time that she is attracted to Susan.

When Ellen returns to her apartment, she has a message from Richard explaining that he must depart for Pittsburgh early to cover a news-breaking story there. Jumping at the chance to see Susan again, Ellen rushes to the airport.

Accidentally over the airport's public address system, Ellen admits to Susan that her perception of Ellen was correct. Susan suggests that Ellen and her get together for coffee and talk since she will be staying in Los Angeles for a few more days.

Ellen must now handle some tough questions. How will she fit into a society that is intolerant of gay men and women? What will her friends think? What about her parents? Yipes! These are all questions that will be dealt with in future episodes of the series. But for now, everything is out in the open.

Ebony Harlem winners announced

■ Ebony Harlem Awards honor outstanding members of the N.C. State community.

BY KELLY MARKS
FEATURES EDITOR

Tuesday night, the multipurpose room of the African American Culture Center was home to the Annual Ebony Harlem Awards of Excellence. Honoring African American students who have achieved excellence in the areas of art, drama, vocal/instrumental music, literature, dance, humanities, leadership and service, it was as the program promised: "An Evening to Remember."

The event began at 7 p.m. with a welcome from Contisha Barnes and a rendition of "Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing." The event was emceed by Shandra Alston and Herman Jones. Recipients of the awards were as

follows: Joseph Darkoh and Meleesha Henderson in Vocal Music; Todd Waldo and Tamika Lee for Instrumental Music; Sean "Casper" Sessoms and the tied Nicole Bowman and Pauline Jeffers for Dance; Antonio Hicks and the tied Monifa Chamble and Detria Stowe for Drama; Tim Allen and Koren Atwater for Art; Sean "Casper" Sessoms and Kimberly Pettaway for Exceptional All-Around Talent; Derrick Coley, Ricky Livingston, Danyale Davis and LaTonya Dunn for Leadership; Obioma Chukwu and Conitsha Barnes for Appreciation for Humanity; tied Shawn Burks and Donnell Ivy and LeAngel "Renee" McHair for Service; tied Derrick Coley and Ricky Livingston and Carolyn Holloway for Distinguished Person; Joseph Hall and Tracey Joi Turner for Design; and Omar Dixon and Constance Poteat for Athletics.

Also, Brandon Andrew Johnson

and Rochelle Hiawatha Carlton won the Nash N. Winstead Academic Achievement Award. This award is for students who have achieved academic excellence throughout their term at N.C. State.

Highlights of the evening included a special honor presented to Jerry Blackmon by Dr. Moses, in appreciation for his dedication to the African American Cultural Center. The He'p He'p raffle was a big success with prizes including a Margaret Burroughs print, dinner for two at Rock-n-Reggae, and a television.

The event closed with a speech by Ricky Livingston, President of the Society of African American Culture, in which he thanked all of the individuals who made the ceremony possible. This year's Ebony Harlem Awards were sponsored by the African American Cultural Center and the Society of African American Culture.

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Science program not just for kids

■ Bill and Ted had nothing on Issac and Albert.

TECH TOO STAFF REPORT

This weekend, the Department of Physics and The Science House at N.C. State are preparing the public for a journey through science. Together, the groups will present a 60-minute physics demonstration program entitled "Isaac & Albert's Excellent Adventure." Set for Friday, April 25, at 7 p.m. and

Saturday, April 26, at 4 p.m., the program promises to be fun for all ages.

This year's presentation is subtitled "Did you hear that?" and will attempt to unlock the mysteries of sound. The shows are open to any interested persons and are free of charge. The event will be held in Dabney 222, where seating is limited to 350. Interested persons should arrive early for the best seats.

This is the fifth annual "Isaac & Albert's Excellent Adventure," and

attendance in the past has been in the hundreds. The demonstrations are attended by NCSU faculty, students, staff, high school teachers and students, and the general public. The shows are appropriate for almost any age.

Traditionally the event has enjoyed a healthy dose of public attention. Last year's show was covered by channels 17 and 22. If past presentations are any indication of this weekend's event, the program should be spectacular.

4-H takes road trip to Pennsylvania

■ NCSU club returns from National Conference.

TECH TOO STAFF REPORT

The N.C. State Collegiate 4-H Club recently returned from the 25th Annual National Collegiate 4-H Conference held in Hershey Park, Pa. There the members attended workshops on improving community service relations and media strategies, and competed for National Collegiate 4-H Club of the year.

NCSU Collegiate 4-H Club was chosen for this honor based on its participation in many service projects, campus involvement, fundraising and commitment to the program for the past year. Members have been very busy with their projects, some of which include a clothes drive for the Salvation Army, adopt-a-family for Christmas, Dorthea Dix Hill Run, Global Leadership Conference, bag lunches for the homeless, assistance with the State 4-H Volunteer Leaders Annual Conference, Awareness Week participation, Fall

Color Explosion for campus beautification, Hurricane Fran relief and many other charitable events.

Led by Larry Hancock, the group's advisor, these dedicated and enthusiastic members achieved much success this past year by helping others and growing individually through their own participation.

The club has been in existence on the NCSU campus since the early 1900's. The organization is open to anyone who wishes to contribute to the community and the campus and make lifetime friends.

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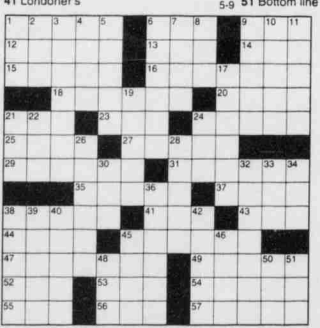
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ANSWERS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES ARE FOUND ELSEWHERE IN TODAY'S TECHNICIAN



Clinton to push for gay anti-bias bill



■ Although Clinton has made written statements regarding the issue, he has yet to discuss it in person.

By Peter Baker
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Clinton Thursday vowed to wage a vigorous lobbying campaign to persuade Congress to pass legislation prohibiting job discrimination against gay workers, describing it as part of his "ongoing fight against bigotry and intolerance."

The president issued a statement reaffirming his "strong support" for the Employment Non-Discrimination Act after meeting in the Oval Office with gay-rights activists and a bipartisan congressional delegation that plans to re-introduce the measure soon.

Yet even as he pledged "to work hard for its passage," Clinton did

little to raise the profile of the issue Thursday. His meeting had not been listed on his public schedule and was held behind closed doors. His statement on behalf of the bill was made in writing rather than in person in front of television cameras.

The gingerly handling of the matter follows Clinton's roller-coaster history with gay-rights issues. Burned by the political backlash from past advocacy, such as his contentious effort to end the military ban on homosexuality, Clinton has tried to walk a more-cautious line. He pushed for the jobs bill last year, for example, but also waited until the middle of the night to sign another measure denying federal recognition of same-sex marriages.

Even if he did not do so Thursday, aides said Clinton will demonstrate his commitment to the discrimination bill more publicly later.

The proposal would provide civil-rights protections in the workplace

based on sexual orientation much as nine states already do, while providing exemptions for small businesses, the armed forces and religious organizations including parochial schools.

Sens. James M. Jeffords, R-Vt., Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., and Joseph I. Lieberman, D-Conn., and Reps. Christopher Shays, R-Conn., and Barney Frank, D-Mass., have signed on to lead the effort on Capitol Hill and attended Thursday's meeting.

David M. Smith of the Human Rights Campaign, a leading gay-rights organization, said Clinton pledged during the meeting "that he was going to put the power of the White House fully behind the bill. ... That sends a very strong message ... and we believe strengthens its chance of passing in this Congress."

Kristi S. Hamrick of the Family Research Council, a conservative group advocating traditional values, countered that "the president always mistakes the issue when it comes to homosexuality. This is not about workplace fairness. This is about taking a sexual behavior and giving it special status and special privileges."

Savings programs target poor

■ A new program aims to expand savings in lower-income areas by providing incentives.

By Barbara Vobejda
The Washington Post

For years, a small group of academics and community activists has been searching for solutions to one of the most vexing problems facing the nation's poor: a lack of savings that would help them escape poverty by buying homes, starting businesses or paying for college.

Now, a relatively simple idea known as "individual development accounts," in which a community organization deposits a dollar or more for every dollar saved by an eligible family, is quickly gaining popularity across the country.

Congress endorsed the concept in the welfare law enacted last year. Nearly two dozen states are setting up such programs or seriously considering them. And Thursday, the idea got a significant boost when the Ford Foundation pledged \$15 million to expand and study savings account programs in America's poor communities.

"Most people get ahead by having assets to help them out in times of trouble, or when they plan for their children's education, or when they try to achieve some social mobility," said Melvin Oliver, a Ford Foundation vice president and former director of the UCLA Center for the Study of Urban Poverty. "One thing poor people don't have is that kind of asset."

Proponents of the individual development accounts, or IDAs, argue that they not only help families pay for otherwise unattainable dreams, but serve to revitalize low-income communities by promoting local businesses and home ownership.

Perhaps most important, supporters contend, these savings accounts change the way struggling families view the future, making them more purposeful about working toward goals.

"When people have the chance to set a dream in front of themselves and move towards it, they show they can do extraordinary things," said Dennis West, president of Eastside Community Investments, an Indianapolis organization that has set up more than 175 IDAs over the past three years.

In most communities that are experimenting with the idea, the accounts are made available to low-income people by local organizations, including churches, credit unions or nonprofits. The organization usually deposits \$1 or \$2 for every dollar deposited by the account holder, although some go as high as a 9-to-1 match. Families can then withdraw funds only to purchase a home, start or expand a business, or pay for college.

Arinez Gilyard, a single mother of three in Chicago, said having such an account "has turned on that area of my brain that was not in tune to savings. ... I was never a disciplined savings person. I made money, I spent money. When rainy days came, I was crying buckets."

Gilyard learned about the program through a Chicago program that has helped women on welfare establish businesses.

Gilyard, who opened a day-care business in her home with the help of the organization six years ago, signed up for the savings account and found she was able to put away about \$50 a month. That has earned her a \$100 monthly match from the Women's Self-Employment Project, and now Gilyard has a \$2,000 savings account, something she could not have fathomed a few years ago.

The account already has helped: She withdrew \$600 last year to pay for a summer tutoring program for her 17-year-old daughter. Next, Gilyard hopes to buy a copy machine for her business, and eventually buy her own home.

IDAs were proposed in the late 1980s by Michael Sherraden, director of the Center for Social Development at Washington University in St. Louis. He was among those who received support from the Ford Foundation on Thursday to conduct a rigorous study of how well IDAs work in lifting people out of poverty.

In the welfare bill, Congress specified that states could use part of their federal payment to set up such accounts. At least 14 states have said they will do so, with many others debating legislation that would create IDAs with state-only money. The welfare law also allows states to set aside long-standing regulations preventing welfare recipients from accumulating savings or assets without losing some benefits.

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Sgt.'s lawyer says charges hurt discipline

■ Deliberation of the principal case in the Army's sexual-misconduct scandal has begun.

By Paul Richter
Los Angeles Times

ABERDEEN, Md. — As a court-martial jury began deliberating the principal case in the Army's sexual-misconduct scandal, an attorney for the accused drill sergeant warned Thursday that a rape conviction would invite a flood of unfounded sex-harassment charges from women and destroy Army discipline.

An attorney for Staff Sgt. Delmar G. Simpson, who is charged with 19 rapes, said if Simpson was found guilty "on facts like these, then you're going to be sending a message" to the Army that "any woman can come forward and say she was raped without corroborating evidence."

Discipline would then collapse, because if a drill sergeant says, "Run up that hill, I'm going to say, 'You harassed me,'" argued attorney Frank J. Spinner.

His warning came in closing arguments of a two-week-old court martial that has become the main event in the sex-misconduct investigation that began at

Maryland's Aberdeen Proving Ground and has since spread throughout much of the service.

Simpson, 32, is charged with 54 crimes that stemmed from his supervision, along with other drill sergeants, of hundreds of young women in an Army mechanic-training school in 1995 and 1996.

He already has pleaded guilty to consensual sex with five of the six women who have accused him of rape, and he faces a long prison term for that.

In the prosecution's closing arguments, Capt. Theresa J. Gallagher portrayed Simpson as a "criminal in a green uniform" who created an environment of fear,

intimidation and control in the 143rd Ordnance Battalion.

She outlined how, over 20 months, Simpson dug to find the women trainees' physical and psychological weaknesses, then played on them to exert sex from them, in various sites around the base.

But in its final summary, the defense systematically challenged the credibility of the six women, stressing that most of them had come forward late and without corroborating evidence, and suggesting they had motives to try to undo their powerful superior.

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A paper that is entirely the product of the student body becomes at once the official organ through which the thoughts, the activity and in fact the very life of the campus are registered... College life without its journal is a blank.
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Monorail is needed

■ The proposed monorail system represents the bigger and better things that will come to N.C. State in the next century.

N.C. State, in the next five-10 years, will be adding a monorail system. This addition to the campus will cut down on traffic, pollution and the general hardships that come with trying to get to class on time in sometimes unreliable buses and bad weather.

The system will cost about \$15 million per mile, compared to \$60 million in some European countries, according to Bob Geolas, Partnership Development Specialist at Centennial Campus. This will make it an affordable package for advanced technology. The monorail will run about 15-25 miles per an hour, offering a comfortable and safe ride to and from class.

Some might think that a monorail is radical new technology for a college campus and a needless expense. As NCSU moves into the 21st century, it is obvious that the monorail is a part of what is needed to move forward, in addition to the parking spaces of the new parking deck that is already in

the process of becoming reality. Because, let's face it — some people still won't give up their cars or are on campus infrequently enough that they won't be familiar with the use and routes of the system.

Right now, the main campus sees over 27,000 students, faculty and staff traveling in and out daily. When the Centennial Campus has completely evolved, it also will see approximately 30,000 people a day. And these are just estimates — it could be even more people. It's obvious that a mass transit system other than busing is needed.

The monorail system will not only benefit NCSU transportation. The College of Engineering will be able to work with the company involved in designing the monorail to help perfect the technology. The monorail could draw people from across the globe to simply look at it.

The system would be a magnetic levitation system simply known as MAGLEV. This will also lure potential new students, serving as a recruiting tool.

The monorail will, figuratively speaking, put NCSU on the map, making us widely known for our forward thinking and advanced attitudes.

Policy change fair

■ Adverse weather policy has been changed for the better.

Hurricane Fran and the circumstances surrounding her made quite a few Raleigh residents angry with N.C. State. While they were suffering for weeks without necessities such as water, sewer and electricity, the campus was back on track the next day. There was a football game, complete with enough ice to throw at the other team, and no school on Monday or Friday.

Under the new adverse weather policy, though, events like this won't happen again. Only under exceptional circumstances will events be held if the rest of the university is closed. It was wrong for the football game to be held in the wake of such tragedy, and this assures that it will not happen again.

The new policy will also clear things up for students who commute from locations great distances from Wake

County. They will not be penalized for being unable to attend class if the area they live in is having extremely bad weather. It would be unfair for them to be punished for circumstances that are beyond their control, another reason why this policy change was so greatly needed.

Also, employees who cannot make it to campus now know their position in the event of adverse weather — if school is closed, they don't have to come either, unless their position is of crucial importance to the school. This is in favor of the well-being of the employees, who might be concerned with losing pay.

Last but not least, those voice mail messages telling you that class has been canceled are a thing of the past. A new, 24-hour automated phone system has been introduced to clear up any misleading newscasts.



Exams: fair testing or unfair torture?

Exams are a necessary part of coursework that test what we have truly learned

There is an old expression, "The only things certain in life are death and taxes." Well, they forgot one other thing — exams. Throughout history mankind has been physically, mentally, morally and scholastically put to the test. Exams are the framework and the backbone of scholastics. If there were no exams, then what would be the basis of a grade? I cannot say that exams objectively show how much you have learned. I am one who does not believe that grades reflect how much you have learned.

To some degree, though, exams are a measure of how much you have applied yourself. If grades were based solely on class participation or the turning in of assignments, then the door would be left wide open for anyone to get any kind of degree he or she wishes to have. You may come to class everyday, work hard and actually get something out of it, but the guy next to you just breezes through. You both complete the required assignments, but who is to say how much either of you have learned? When it comes time for graduations do you both deserve the same degree and the same opportunities that come next? In college, a student teaches himself much of what he learns. If the system is to go solely by the opinion that you have grasped the concepts, then we could all just get degrees in the mail.

The first cousin to the exam is the quiz. Quizzes are able to pop up at any time; at least exams aren't sprung on you by surprise like that. Then there is the paper. Exams are more reliable than papers, because at least you know where to get the information you need for an exam. Class participation is a good thing, but there exists a breed of students who only come to class on exam days. If we were to do away with exams, those students would be lost.

We all have our own tactics for studying and taking exams. The actual preparation for an exam does not come with the cramming the night before. Preparing for an exam begins the first day of class. It encompasses class

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participation, actual reading of the text, scrutinizing what you have read, taking notes, memorization and recall and the application of all of these in some way. Exams measure what you can do with what has gotten inside of your head.

Exams are the ultimate challenge for the student. You can look at exams as a challenge or just something to get stressed out over. Without trying to sound like the mad professor, I will go so far as to say that exams can be fun. You can look at taking exams as a game. In many ways an exam is like a game. You follow certain rules under a certain time limit and your goal is to get the highest score possible.

One argument for abolishing exams is that you learn through experience. Well, my theory for that is to take exams twice. How many times have you found out that you knew the correct answer after the test was over but you didn't put it down? I bet you won't forget it again. Take the exam, go over it, then take it again for a grade. What-ia you have instant experience. How often do you get second chances like that in life?

Just as life is unpredictable, so are exams. Of course my life would be a lot easier if I didn't have to take exams. Then again, my life would be easier if I could just skip the entire process. So, whether you are prepared or not, it is now once again time to put yourself to the test. As students we must take the good with the bad. A week for spring break, and a week for exams. Then it starts all over again.

Kristen Spruill
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I'm graduating this semester. I hope.

It all depends on how I do on my exams. Exams are an age-old tradition of torture used to keep students from feeling totally confident about their chances of success.

In high school, I spent the whole week before exams studying my brain out. My mother would have to force me away from my books to eat dinner. I would go to bed exhausted and wake up on exam day scared to death.

I would get to class and find out that all my studying was pretty much in vain, because the exams were either too easy or too hard. If I had studied for a course I already had an A in, the exam was easy. If I had crammed for an exam in a class I was struggling to pass, the exam blew my head off.

In the six years between high school and college, I somehow lost that urge to study my head off for exams. I figured if I don't know it by now, I won't learn it in 18 hours of memorization.

Exams are about the most useless part of the college

curriculum. They test you on what you know about a subject, but if you have been in class and done your assignments on time, an exam won't give you any new insights on the material.

I happen to be the type of person who can write papers almost at the drop of a hat, but put a test in front of me and my mind turns to mush.

Unless it's a multiple-choice exam, where you at least know where the mind of the teacher is to some extent, taking a test or an exam is, for me, like trying to read someone's mind. I am not stupid by any stretch of the imagination; I got an 1150 on my SAT's and I got a 1740 on my GRE's. But the stress of taking those tests nearly put me over the edge.

Final exams are an unfair and stressful way of testing students

When I sat down to take the GRE I was all right. By the time I got to the math portion, I was nearly in tears. And I know I'm not alone.

There are many reasons not to require exams and tests of students.

There are people who have learning disabilities, like dyslexia or attention deficit disorder who need extra considerations when taking tests.

There are people who have psychological problems, like test anxiety, who blow a gasket when a test is put in front of them.

And there are people like me, who learn better when constructing an argument in a paper, using the text, than reading that same text and trying to telekinetically anticipate the professor's idea of what is important enough to put on the test.

Exams are supposed to measure what we have learned all semester.

How are test-sty people supposed to excel when they know the exam grade is worth anywhere from 25 to 50 percent of their grade? How are we supposed to study when we know that everything we have done the whole semester can be wiped out in a mere three-hour period if we choke on our exam?

I have had many professors at N.C. State who understand and agree with me and who don't give comprehensive exams at the end of the semester. But there are many hold-outs who still believe that a comprehensive exam is the only way to know if the students are really well-versed enough in the subject to pass the course.

I still go by the assumption that if I don't know it by now, I never will. I wish the professors who insist on giving comprehensive, semester-review exams would understand that concept as well, and stop making us kill ourselves just to pass their classes.

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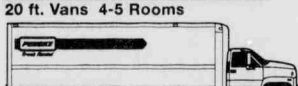
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Extending benefits offends many staff and faculty members

The most curious aspect of the recent debate over domestic partners' benefits is the effort devoted to it. The chairman of the task force acknowledged that the benefits under consideration were minimal: eligibility for major benefits like health insurance and retirement plans are determined by state law, not by N.C. State. At universities that have domestic partners' plans, employees have not stood in line to register; a 1994 University of Michigan survey showed that the average enrollment rate was only .0029 of eligible employees. The prospect of extending minimal benefits to a handful of people can hardly justify the effort expended in advancing this plan — Faculty and Staff Senate votes, a Provost's task force. No other proposed benefits plan has received such high-level attention.

So what is the agenda of those who want benefits for domestic partners? Clearly, it seems to be more social than economic. A rather small group of activists has been trying for years to achieve some sort of recognition for same-sex partners. The university community has reacted with profound uneasiness. How else does one explain the fact that, after being lobbied by a reported 10 to 20 co-workers, nearly half of the 43 staff senators skipped the meeting? Last year when the Faculty Senate voted

to establish the task force, every faculty senator who had surveyed colleagues reported that a majority of them were opposed to extending benefits.

Last week, a Technician editorial claimed that the failure to extend benefits undermines the university's nondiscrimination policy. This is nonsense. The nondiscrimination policy does not mention sexual orientation or alternative lifestyles. Four years ago, an attempt to add sexual orientation to the policy failed when it became clear that the Chancellor and Board of Trustees would not endorse the change. Indeed, the trend seems to be in the opposite direction: Last year the N.C. legislature voted by nearly a 10-1 margin not to recognize same-sex marriages performed in other states. Granted, this is not exactly the same issue, but it is powerful evidence that state lawmakers would not look favorably upon a plan to extend benefits to such partners.

However, this plan was not just about same-sex partnerships. The task-force report "strongly recommends extending benefits" to unmarried heterosexual partners as well. This offends the moral sensibilities of a large number of faculty and staff. When sexually transmitted diseases and unwanted pregnancies are among the most frequent complaints by students seen at the Student Health Service, and when 40 percent of marriages end in divorce, is no time for the university to offer benefits to people who are involved in extramarital sexual relationships. Intentionally or not, that would send a signal that the university considers such relationships proper.

State law does not recognize cohabitation or homosexual unions. In fact, they are against the law in North Carolina. As a state agency, it's not proper for the university to openly flout public policy. Nor is it political, just a month before the legislature considers our biennial budget.

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Confederates honored due to personal ties

On Friday April 18, Joe Giglio stated that he did not understand why the Sons and Daughters of Confederate Veterans cannot forget the War Between the States since General Lee surrendered and the South lost. I wonder if Giglio also has trouble understanding the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., and why the people touched by that war still remember their loss.

I did not join the SCV because I could not forget General's surrender. I joined because I will not forget Neill Campbell, who died within the miserable confines of Elmira Prison, N.Y. I joined because I will not forget James Bernard who died in a field hospital in Charlottesville, Va., far from his young wife and two-year-old son in Georgia. I joined because I will not forget my countless other ancestors who joined the Confederate Army to fight for their families, their homes and their rights.

While Giglio may like us to forget, I can assure him that as long as honor, loyalty and devotion to duty are revered and respected in this nation, the memory of the

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Growth of Vancouver has dark side

Vancouver's boom has also brought a thriving drug business.

By HOWARD SCHNEIDER
THE WASHINGTON POST

VANCOUVER, B.C. — In many ways, Canada's trading boom with the United States and the rest of the world has been a boon to this coastal city, as business expanded and immigrants from within and outside the country flocked to its comparatively temperate climate.

But when social service workers like John Turvey walk the streets of the city's lower east side, they see another aspect of what the increasing flow of goods and people has meant. Along the sidewalks of Hastings Street, drug dealers cluster in groups in front of their favorite hangouts, trading cash for the small plastic packets they slip into the hands of customers.

Those on the fringes of the trade — the junkies, the runners and others — mill around the alleys and storefronts of pawnshops that have become prominent in the neighborhood's economy. Before recent neighborhood patrol efforts, addicts openly fixated on the street.

With a major port, a relatively unpatrolled border with the United States and now established criminal gangs of every stripe, the city often portrayed as Canada's Pacific paradise also has become the country's drug and crime capital.

"The availability is phenomenal," said Turvey, executive director of the Downtown Eastside Youth Activities Society, which offers addiction services, counseling and a needle exchange in one of Canada's poorest neighborhoods. "We are in real trouble."

Russia signs border pact with neighbors

Russia, China, and three Central Asian neighbors have agreed to limit their military presence along borders.

By DAVID HOFFMAN
THE WASHINGTON POST

MOSCOW — Russia, China and three Central Asian neighbors signed an agreement Thursday hailed as a breakthrough in reducing military forces along their shared 4,340-mile border, but the extent of the actual pullback of forces remained unclear.

In a Kremlin ceremony, Russian President Boris Yeltsin, Chinese President Jiang Zemin and the leaders of Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan and Tajikistan signed what Yeltsin called an "unprecedented" agreement climaxed seven years of negotiation. Jiang hailed the agreement as a

"model of security differing from the Cold War mentality."

But Russian news media said the precise troop levels — and the nature of the reductions — will be kept secret until parliaments ratify the agreement. The former Chinese-Soviet border was heavily guarded during years of tension between Moscow and Beijing, but both countries have been thinning troops in recent years.

The treaty would set 62-mile-wide zones on each side of the border in which limits are placed on armaments and personnel, according to the Russian news agency Interfax. The limits are 3,900 tanks for Russia and the three Central Asian states, of which 3,810 would be Russian, and 3,900 for China, Interfax reported.

The agreement also allows up to 4,500 other armored vehicles, but Interfax said China would not reach

the limits because it stopped stationing large forces along its borders with the former USSR.

Russian officials had been quoted earlier as saying that the agreement also called for a 15 percent reduction in troops over two years. But, sensitive to the suggestion that Russia would be leaving its border vulnerable, Russian officials Thursday issued conflicting statements about possible troop cuts.

"No withdrawal of armed forces from the border region, either complete or partial, is on the agenda," an unidentified official told Interfax. "The agreement merely sets limits for the personnel, armaments and military equipment of the land and air forces, and air defense aircraft."

The official insisted that the Russian forces would be "fully capable of protecting the national security interests of Russia."

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An accuser from Alabama, Spinner said, had gone absent without leave twice before the Army called her at home to ask if Simpson had raped her.

"Why lie? Maybe because she's glad not to be court-martialed for desertion," Spinner said. By cooperating with the Army, "He's her ticket out."

Spinner contended that another accuser, who contends Simpson raped her eight times over a period of weeks, was essentially a girlfriend in a relationship that soured. But he told the six-member court-martial panel that even so, the woman had told a friend after the eight rape incidents that Simpson was "the best drill sergeant to have."

Spinner called attention to testimony that identified two other

accusers as liars, and that another had told a friend she was interested in Simpson.

And he brought a heavy upholstered chair from the counsel's table to the front of the jury in an attempt to show that it would be difficult to force a woman to have sex in a chair, as one of the accusers said Simpson had twice done to her.

A pivotal element in the case is whether the jury considered some of the cases to fall under the military's definition of "constructive rape." In this kind of assault, a woman is considered to be raped though she hasn't fought back, because she believes that resistance would be futile, or would invite grievous bodily injury.

The prosecution maintains that many of the cases fit this definition. But Spinner argued that in many of the cases, the women gave no hint at all of their displeasure.

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Gingrich cautioned against taking tax deduction

Gingrich is under attack because of the possibility he may deduct his fine as a business expense.

By JOHN E. YANG
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — Rep. Benjamin L. Cardin, Md., the top Democrat on the House ethics committee that suggested the \$300,000 financial penalty against House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., cautioned the speaker Thursday against trying to take a tax deduction for the sum.

"Creative use of the tax code created the problem in the first place," said Cardin, who has since left the ethics panel. "I just hope he doesn't put himself in a position once again to cause embarrassment."

Gingrich admitted breaking House rules by not ensuring that financing projects, including a college course, with charitable contributions would

not run afoul of tax law. Gingrich's attorney is exploring whether the resulting penalty could be deducted

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from his taxable income as a business expense.

Thursday, the speaker sought to put that in the context of his decision not to use contributions to pay the sum. "I am personally paying \$300,000 and I think that is, in and of itself, a fairly remarkable commitment," he told reporters. "We're looking at all of the legal and ethical implications from every angle."

Taxpayers may deduct expenses related to their professions so long as

the money is not designated to pay a fine or a penalty. Gingrich has consistently referred to the sum as a reimbursement to the ethics committee for part of the costs of its investigation of him. House Democrats call the payment a fine and even Rep. Nancy L. Johnson, R-Conn., who was chairman of the ethics panel, has called it a fine.

The ethics committee's report on the speaker's case offers support to each, calling "a payment reimbursing the House for some of the costs of the investigation in the amount of \$300,000" part of "the appropriate sanction."

Meanwhile, Democrats are trying to use this latest matter to profit — literally. The party's House campaign committee set up a telephone line where people, for 99 cents a call, may express their views about whether Gingrich should take a tax deduction. Proceeds go to fund Democratic House candidates.

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Outage

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generators for another week or so, Vespi said.
But, according to Vice Chancellor for Facilities Charles Leffler, there is no real danger of another power outage.

"We'll have people manning those generators around the clock and making sure the power stays on," Leffler said. "There is no reason to expect this to happen again."
Leffler said the cause of the short in the library's main power grid is still unknown.

"This is one of those things that just happens. You cannot anticipate this. It may be one of those things where you can never identify the precise cause," Leffler said.

Vespi said the outage was dealt with in a fairly efficient manner. He said NCSU employees quickly isolated the problem and worked around it in a fashion that made a big problem a little smaller.

"I think the fellows did a really good job with this," Vespi said.

According to Vespi, Wednesday's power outage was the worst such outage NCSU has experienced since Hurricane Fran passed over the campus last September.

Weather

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or even in Wake county, Harper said. The issue of whether to hold major events under these circumstances also needed to be addressed.

Now, the appropriate actions for employees outside of Wake county are clear. Those who work for the N.C. Cooperative Extension Service will follow county government guidelines. Other employees around the state will ask for guidance from the dean or vice chancellor who is responsible for them.

Major events, such as athletics and McKimmon Center events should be considered canceled when the adverse weather policy is in effect. Each area is to develop its own procedures on how to handle special events if adverse weather should occur, Harper said. Only under exceptional circumstances will events be held when the university is closed.

The new policy supplies a 24-hour automated telephone number to call in the event of a weather emergency. Confusing messages released by radio and television stations during Hurricane Fran made the number necessary.

"I think the number is a really good idea. From Fran we learned that because of calls to the radio and television stations, what was broadcasted was not always very clear," Harper said.

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Marcus Pearson
Senior, Political Science
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**Speak up to stop
radical right**

Again, Matthew Hamby feels it's
his duty to preach to us about
morality. In his April 23
commentary, he goes on to claim
that immorality is amongst us all in
a big way. Yeah, whatever. Funny
how right-wingers have been saying
that for centuries and yet things
really haven't gotten any worse.

**Students getting
good education**

It was with utter amazement that I
read the "Mr. Spectator" column in
the April 17 edition of "The
Spectator" on the subject of the
quality of college curricula and
courses.

Since retirement, I have attended
institutes of higher learning in
Arizona and North Carolina and am
totally impressed, not only with the
quality and variety of the courses
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intellectual and ethical standards of
both the professors and students.

concept of how a man could love a
man or a woman love a woman. It
is a thing that happens to a person
without their choosing. I never
wanted to be gay. It is just one of
those things that makes up who I
am, just like my brown eyes.

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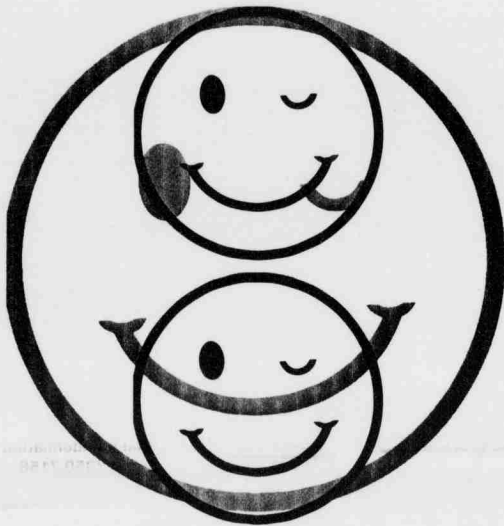
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Senate

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Worsley said. "The revenue that we expect to get out of the new arena will go toward Reynolds."
NCSU is not responsible for any debts the arena might suffer, he said.
Worsley also assured the senate that a professional hockey team in the new arena would not jeopardize NCSU's profit sharing. Those in charge of the original Raleigh National Hockey League push "asked for a lot," and are no longer players in the arena matter, he said.
The senate debated an amendment to the resolution, which would have called for the basketball teams to continue playing in Reynolds Coliseum. The issue of the teams moving off-campus to the new arena to play was the biggest reason for most of the senators to be against the construction of the new facility.
However, the senators could not agree on an amendment that clearly stated what they wanted to see hap-

pen with the teams. The senate wanted to get the resolution in its presented form passed so as not to let the issue fade out during the summer.
"While the iron is hot, we should strike now," Kleinman said.
Worsley commented on a list of improvements that he feels would be realized after the basketball games begin in Centennial Arena.
According to Worsley, about 2,000 more seats will be offered each game to students as compared to what is currently available at games in Reynolds and "the traffic movement will be drastically improved."
"The atmosphere at courtside will not be compromised in the new facility Worsley said.
"The [new] building has been designed to have 2,000 seats right at the floor to be provided for students to do what they are doing now at Reynolds," he said.
Worsley also guaranteed the Senate that NCSU's banners will be hung at all games at no cost to the university and the arena's seats will definitely be State Red.

Author

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The night the article came out, Buckley said he saw a picture of the dead dictator flash across his television screen as Peter Jennings reported on the imminent sale of Lenin's bones to the highest bidder.
"The next morning, early the next morning," Buckley said, "I got a phone call from Steve Forbes, my boss."
Forbes had called to tell Buckley his joke was not appreciated by the Soviets.
"I spent the whole day being denounced all across Russia," Buckley said.
Buckley said satirists have a unique problem in today's society in that it is difficult to write humor in a world where anything goes.
"It's very hard to be humorous today," he said. "The things you think are funny are totally believable."
Buckley is the son of political conservative William F. Buckley Jr., who hosts TV's *Firing Line*, publishes the magazine *National Review* and writes the *Blackford Oakes* series of thrillers.
Christopher Buckley broke into

the writing and publishing business at *Esquire* and currently edits *Forbes* *NY* and writes for the *New Yorker*.
Buckley said growing up Catholic gave him a context through which to write his satire.
"Writing is born of unhappiness," he said. "I spent four years in a Benedictine boarding school as a kid."
He said he is not surprised that many writers and humorists are Catholic because of the incredible beliefs they have been taught all their lives.
"It's an ethos and gives an anvil to your hammer," he said.
The life of a satirist is neither easy nor overly profitable, according to Buckley.
"My book royalties are sort of a Tom Clancy rounding error," he said.
Speaking of a scene in one of his books, *Thank You for Smoking*, where terrorists kidnap the hero and try to kill him by plastering his body with nicotine patches, Buckley offered some advice to the assembled guests that could apply to the idea of becoming a satire writer in the 1990's.
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Number 29q:

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Preacher speaks the word

Well, just thought it would be nice to speak for myself in print for a change. To Mr. Brown, to Ms. Susie Conly, Jeremiah thanks for working hard for a good cause. For all the things that went sour, I'm sorry for the unkind acts, words. Forgive me please. I forgive you from my heart, release to each to the Holy Lord to settle all else.

If I speak with the eloquence of men and of angles, but have no love, I become no more than blaring brass or crashing cymbal. If I have the gift of foretelling the future and hold in my mind not only all human knowledge but the

very secrets of God, and if I also have that absolute faith which can move mountains, but have no love, I amount to nothing at all. If I dispose of all that I possess, yes, even if I give my own body to be burned, but have no love, I achieved precisely nothing.

This love of which I speak is slow to lose patience it looks for a way of being constructive. It is not possessive; it is neither anxious to impress nor does it cherish inflated ideas of its own importance.

Love has good manners and does not pursue selfish advantage. It is not touchy. It does not keep account of evil or gloat over the wickedness of other people. On the contrary, it is glad with all good men when truth prevails. Love knows no limit to its endurance, no end to its trust, no fading of its hope; it can outlast anything. It is, in fact, the one thing that still stands when all else has fallen. In this life we have three great lasting qualities — faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of them is love.

Corinthians 13:1-8,13.

Now faith means putting our full confidence in the things

we hope for, it means being certain of things we cannot see. It was this kind of faith that won their reputation for the saints of old. And it is after all only by faith that our minds accept as fact the whole scheme of time and space was created by God's command — that the world which we can see has come into being through principles which are invisible. And without faith it is impossible to please him. The man who approaches God must have faith in two things, first that God exists and secondly that it is worth a man's while to try to find God.

Hebrews:1-3,6

Have a wonderful summer, read the Gospel of John. Talk to God. Call on Him, He is close by. If we confess our sins, He's there! Remove the stones, admit your needs, He will forgive and show you His love.

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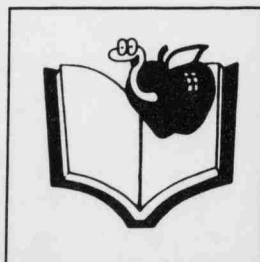
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