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Candid teacher retires

Following a controversial ruling reversal by the NCSU Board of Trustees, a long-time professor decides to retire.

JOSEPH JUSTIN
Assistant News Editor

Amidst the controversies surrounding the successful appeal of a student accused of cheating, Jerome Perry, a microbiology professor, will be retiring at the end of 1997.

"I am going to retire in December," Perry said in a phone interview.

Perry said he will be able to fulfill his obligations by that time.

"I agreed to write a review and have it finished by December," Perry said.

The last few years have been rocky for Perry, mainly due to a successful appeal to the Board of Trustees by a student who allegedly cheated in one of his classes. Another student was accused of cheating, accepted a penalty and did not appeal further.

The cheating incident allegedly occurred in the spring of 1996, in Perry's Microbiology 351 class.

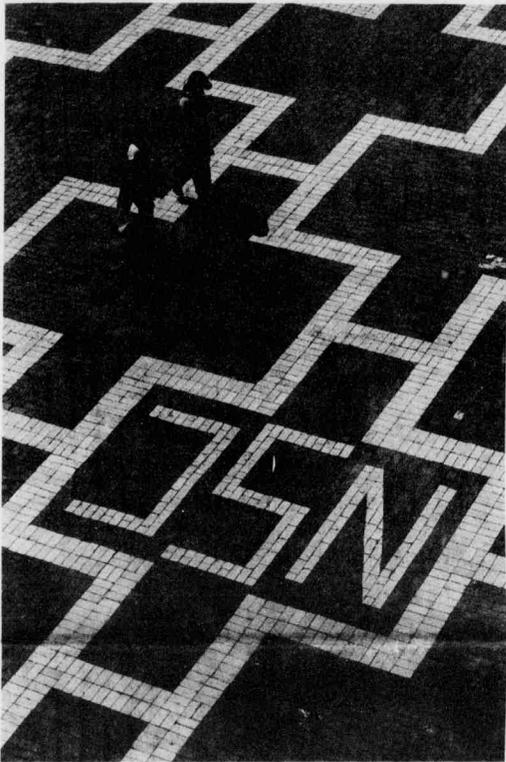
"The troubling thing was that two students told the TA that they were cheating consistently," Perry said.

The class was held in Bostian Hall, in one of the large auditorium-style lecture rooms.

The room has a seating capacity of 250, with the MB 351 class

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View from the top



ANDREW DAVIS/TUCKER/STAFF

Two students stroll through the Brickyard Tuesday afternoon.

Student ID cards may replace keys

A new system is being devised to allow students to enter campus buildings by using their AllCampus cards.

CATHY WILFONG
Staff Writer

AllCampus cards could soon get students into more than just football games.

A proposed system would use the student identification card to allow entry into buildings on campus. This system would use the on-line AllCampus network to electronically control access to buildings that would be connected to the network.

The system, similar to those used in some hotels, would utilize a key card to allow entry into a building. The student or faculty member would run his or her card through a key swipe, which would be connected to a black box inside the door. According to Randy Lait, business manager for University Dining, that black box would control all of the system's "smarts," such as who could or could not enter the building.

The black box, in turn, would be connected to a building controller, a computer about the size of a large VCR. Every building in the system would have its own building controller. According to Lait, each building controller would "talk back to" the All Campus system, located in the West Dunn

building. The building controls would operate over the Internet.

In the event that something was to happen to the building controller, the black box would still maintain control over the building since it houses all of the information.

Lait feels this proposed key card system has an advantage over one that uses ordinary keys. He used a residence hall as an example. In this case, he said, everyone who could enter the building would be given a key.

"If a key is lost, then you must change the locks, or it is a security risk," Lait said. "But with a key card, you could just 'kill' that particular card."

This plan would also act as a security system that would keep track of everyone who tries to enter a building. Alarms could be activated to show unauthorized attempts to gain access to a building. It could also be used to display doors that were propped open.

An academic building would be configured slightly differently than a residence hall.

For example, a building with public access could be set to automatically unlock its doors at 7 a.m. and lock them at 5 p.m., Lait said. It would then be electronically controlled after hours, with people using their key cards to gain access.

The problem comes with knowing who to let into the building. A computer would keep

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University completes plus/minus study

A review of the plus/minus grading system has been completed.

TIM CRONE
Staff Writer

It has lowered the GPA of more students than midnight parties; it has been called unfair, cruel, stupid, even insane. Yet the issues surrounding plus/minus grading seem more complex than one might think.

A three-year testing period of the plus/minus grading system, ordered by Chancellor Larry Monteith in 1994, finished with the passing of the last academic year. The data are in, and the results reveal many things. Or, perhaps, they reveal nothing, depending upon how you look at it.

For example, average GPA is rising, according to the report. However, GPAs tend to go up slightly when calculated without pluses and minuses. Thus it appears that the plus/minus system has actually caused a small amount of grade deflation.

Not necessarily so, says faculty senator Harriett Griffin, explaining that a borderline student who a teacher could not give a C without plus/minus grading.

"There is actually a very small rise in average GPA because of plus/minus grading," Griffin continued.

That seems to be substantiated by the survey. In most grades many more pluses are given than minuses. However, only about half as many A+s are given as A-s, so only those rare few who are consistently at the top end of the academic spectrum appear to be hurt, according to the report.

One would be hard-pressed to convince many students of that, however. Last year's Student Senate passed "A resolution concerning the university grading system" which directly stated "that more students' grade point averages were impacted negatively than positively" because of the plus/minus system, adding that the "negative effect on students' grades is super-added to other concerns." Also, they criticized the lack of fairness in the plus/minus system.

Indeed, even proponents of the grading standard admit that it is less than fair. The "non-linearity of the scale," according to Associate Provost Frank Abrams, "punishes the university's top students" by not valuing the A+ consistently with the rest of the grade values."

However, Abrams does not feel the proposal to value an A+ at 4.33 would benefit students either. Not only does he cite the possibility of grade inflation, but also the fact that such an option, when grades are normalized by prospective employers or graduate schools, would effectively deflate the scores of most students.

In short, there appears to be no perfect solution. Within the next academic year the administration of the university will have to decide whether to keep the plus/minus system in its present form, do away with it, or change it in some way to make it more acceptable to all concerned. While it is nice, according to Abrams, to use a "more precise grading scale" from which students can easily gauge their knowledge of the subject concerned, the administration is looking into "some thoughtful discussion with students and faculty this fall," Abrams says.

One possibility is to keep the current

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N.C. State remains competitive

NCSU's chancellor speaks at a high-profile education conference.

NICOLE MILLER
Staff Writer

N.C. State is in a strong position to compete in the global economy.

That was what NCSU Chancellor Larry Monteith told those gathered at the Forum on Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, held Monday at the N.C. Museum of History. The forum consisted of panel discussions that featured renowned educators from across the state.

The Higher Education Act funds the majority of federal financial assistance to college students, including Pell Grants, College Work Study, and Perkins Loans. The act expires this month.

Monteith spoke on the forum's final panel, which focused on higher education, the economy and the global marketplace. He used NCSU's growth as an example of what universities should do to develop as a research institution in order to impact the global economy.

One of the issues he pressed was the partnership between industries and

universities. "N.C. State University is an excellent example of just how strong industry feels about these partnerships. Last year, approximately \$30 million was awarded to N.C. State from over 500 industrial partners. We are currently ranked eighth nationally in dollars from industry for this kind of research alone," said Monteith.

Once industries and universities connect and research develops into results, Monteith stresses the "ownership of intellectual property." This is the only way to insure that the results will reach the global marketplace. "And, it is working!" Monteith continued. "N.C. State ranks number one among Southeastern universities in licensing patents to companies in their own state."

Monteith claimed that another result from university/industry partnerships is hands-on experience for students.

"Today, the chances [for students] of being on a faculty, or of working in a basic research lab, like I did, are less likely. In fact, chances are that today's students will go to work in a company where there is a high-tech component. Their research experience will be a primary factor in their early success," said Monteith.

Panelist Sandra Babb, advisor on workforce preparedness for the governor's office, also spoke of what graduates need to succeed in the global marketplace. Graduates must be prepared for the changing business world, according to Babb.

Babb stresses the ability for graduates to work in groups. "Work is more collaborative instead of hierarchical. Graduates must be able to take the role of either team leader or team member," said Babb.

Both Babb and panelist Bob Ingram, the president and CEO of Glaxo-Wellcome, insist on the ability for employees to not only keep up with, but improve the speed of changing technology.

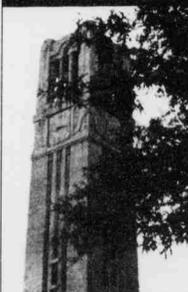
"We live in an innovation based economy," continues Babb. "Someone once defined an expert as someone who can keep up."

"I need to speed the search. I want to shorten what takes 12 years and millions of dollars to produce new medicines," Ingram said.

The panel members agreed that students need to be able to depend on themselves and adapt quickly in order to compete in

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Wednesday IN BRIEF



Study abroad established in India

Beginning in January, 15 to 20 students from N.C. State and other U.S. universities will be able to spend a spring semester studying at Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi.

The program was designed by director Afroz Taj, foreign languages and literatures.

The curriculum includes six credits of intensive Hindi language instruction and three credits each in the religions, history and fine arts of India.

The cost to students will be less than \$5,000.

For more information, call the Study Abroad office at 515-2087.

The NCSU Study Abroad office sends numerous students to universities across the world each year. The program has been commended by many who call it a good chance for students to see the world.

Technologies expo features helpful displays

New technologies continue to blend into the day-to-day work and learning lives of N.C. State students, faculty and staff.

A sampling of these technologies will be on display at the university's second annual Instructional Technologies Exposition on Wednesday Sept. 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at McKimmon Center.

The campus community is invited to see displays and demonstrations of such things as collaborative desktops on the Internet, academic journals on-line and campuswide geographic information systems.

Sarah Noell, Expo coordinator, says, "This year all colleges are exhibiting at the Expo, showing all levels of expertise in using and incorporating instructional technologies into the classroom.

The exposition is sponsored by the Provost's Office. There will be 16 presentations and more than 50 displays.

Education dissertation fellowships available

Doctoral candidates are encouraged to apply for Spencer Dissertation Fellowships for research related to education.

Students from all fields can apply, and the applicants do not need to be U.S. citizens.

Dissertation topics must concern education, and all pre-dissertation requirements must be completed by June 1.

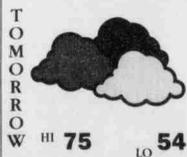
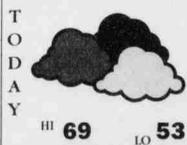
The stipend is \$17,000.

Candidates will be evaluated based on their graduate school transcript, letters of reference, a brief personal statement, a dissertation abstract and work plan for the dissertation.

The deadline is Oct. 22, 1997.

Those who want more information should contact David Shafer in the Graduate School at 515-4462 or via e-mail at David_Shafer@ncsu.edu.

OUTSIDE



Clubs clean up creek

Volunteers clean up campus waterways for National Big Sweep.

KELLEY DENNINGS
Staff Writer

Many students do not realize there is a creek that runs through campus behind the gymnasium, although it seems that most people who know about the creek see it as a trash can. Last weekend, more than 45 volunteers, including members of the Biological and Agricultural Engineering Club (BAE), the Lorax Environmental Club, the student chapter of American Water Resource Association (AWRA), N.C. State's Circle K Club, and two Meredith College groups — Angels for the Environment and the Meredith Junior Women's Club — removed litter from two waterways on campus.

This cleanup has become an annual event on campus as part of National Big Sweep. The first Big Sweep was held in 1968 on the Gulf Coast of Texas and has since spread

across the country to include inland waterways such as Rocky Branch Creek, which runs behind the gym and into Centennial Campus' Lake Raleigh.

"Even though the dam broke at Lake Raleigh during Hurricane Fran, there was a lot of garbage near the hiking and biking trails around the lake which needed to be cleaned up," Brian Crocker, a Lorax Environmental Club member, said.

According to Todd Padenich, coordinator for the Rocky Branch Creek clean up, volunteers are asked to tally the items they collect, which allows Keep America Beautiful to have an idea which items create the most problems. This data is then relayed to Lois Nixon, the Wake County Coordinator for Big Sweep.

The data collected at Rocky Branch Creek shows that the three top items found in and near the water were 398 plastic food bags, 397 aluminum beverage cans, and 358 cigarette butts.

"There was also 73 tennis balls found in Rocky Branch Creek

behind the courts and a lot of paper and plastic drinking cups were found in the creek behind the track," Michelle Gregory, a Lorax Environmental Club member, said.

While cleaning near the Centennial Campus lake, a variety of items were found.

Jeri Meecker, a volunteer with Circle K, said large amounts of styrofoam, cans, and tires were found near where the lake used to be.

"But the unusual items we collected were a lot of flower pots," he said.

According to Nixon, last year 183 tons of litter was collected from the N.C. coast and inland rivers and streams.

Jan Patterson, an AWRA member, said Rocky Branch Creek seems much cleaner since the BAE Club and the student chapter of AWRA adopted it.

"We clean the area four times a year and have noticed a significant decrease in the amount of litter, but each time we come out there is still more to pick up," she said.

Perry

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topping off at 240 students.

"The students were divided up into labs when they took their exams. One of the TA's agreed to watch these students during an exam," Perry said.

The TA was seated at the rear of the room and could see what was going on between the two students.

"She watched them and was appalled. She demanded they turn in their exams and the ospan sheets," Perry said.

Students are usually allowed to keep their exams for preparation on end-of-year tests.

"That TA is a medical student at Duke now," Perry said. "You can automatically tell what kind of person she is. She was

shocked at this matter."

This week, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution concerning the matter.

"The Board of Trustees passed a resolution defending the fact that the Board was not in need of an apology to anybody [concerning the alleged cheating incident]," Perry said. "I think it's an insult to everybody who has worked, graduated, and been affiliated with N.C. State."

Perry thought the student who won the appeal might have had a connection to one of the Trustees.

"I thought this student might have had a connection [to one of the trustees]," Perry said. "But since then, I've thought this all over, and these people are really just political appointees. They are all subject to political pressure."

The success rate of student appeals for accusations of cheating are rare. The student has to go

through four levels of appeals. Perry is looking forward to retirement. He is very active in the Olympics, specifically in track and field events. He was in Los Angeles for the '84 games, and was in Atlanta this summer for the Centennial Games.

"I handle track and field, and have agreed to handle it for the World Special Olympics being held in the Triangle in 1999," Perry said. The track and field events are being exclusively held in Raleigh.

Perry is also heavily involved in the Raleigh Relays, the prominent east-coast track event held at NCSU's Paul Derr Track.

Perry began teaching at the University of Texas in Austin, where he stayed for two years. In 1989, he was invited to teach a summer course at the University of Washington in Seattle.

Perry has taught at NCSU for 34 years.

ID Cards

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Lait emphasized that this is just one option available to enhance the security of buildings on campus. The committee could make a recommendation to try it out on these two buildings.

The main idea is to find a building that would serve as a test site for system administrators to work out all the little problems. Although the software has been purchased for this plan, there are not any building controllers on line at the present time. The university could, however, see a test building as soon as 1998, Lait said.

There are only a few other universities in the area which have a similar system. Appalachian State University has a key card entry system that also controls its parking gates. Duke University has several facilities that use a similar system.

Lait feels that this system has potential. "It has very practical applications at this university," he said. "It will be a huge step forward."

Economy

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the global economy. Universities must combine with industry to develop patents in order to compete in this "innovation-based" economy.

"It is the place where technology transfer is a contact sport, again, where scientists, students and professionals from industry all work together to play out this incredibly important research game on a daily basis," Monteith concluded.

track of those people whose schedules require them to be in the building on a regular basis, but difficulties arise with such things as meetings, common exams and other special events.

"That is one of the administration problems that we are working on," Lait said. A possible solution, he said, would be to have someone monitor one door after hours or to have a decentralized system in which each building controls its own entryways.

"The system requires extra planning for those times," Lait said. "We are still in the early stages of this."

Lait is part of a committee that plans to look at this proposed system for Gardner Hall and the new Biological Research Center.

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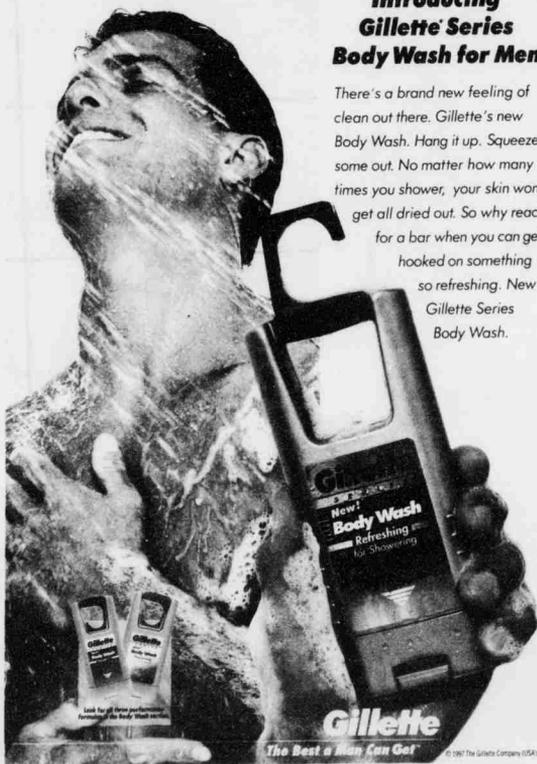
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K. Gaffney

It kills me

There are a few things that bother me.

Okay, I know, I know, there are a lot of things that bother me.

But there are a few things that really bother me.

One is when athletes think that they are above the rest of us.

I know that they are talented, and I am not going to take that away from them. I have no intention of doing anything of the sort. I fully intend to give them their due credit for throwing athletic competition in one of the toughest college conferences in the nation into the normally rigorous life of an everyday college student.

I appreciate that.

But what I don't appreciate, what disgusts me is seeing one of our female athletes park her \$20,000+ sports utility vehicle in a handicapped spot to go to her 8:05 this morning.

I know that I am the one who said that we should treat athletes like everyone else, so shouldn't they follow all of the rules that we follow?

Okay, that peeves me, but what really peeves me is the spectacle this weekend.

I went to this weekend's cross country meet at Centennial Campus.

For those of you who didn't ~~sorry - you missed out.~~

It was fun, it was exciting, and the Wolfpack romped.

The men's team totally destroyed the rest of the field. They scored 15 points. High School teams score 15 points, college teams don't score 15 points in competition, they only score 15 points in practice. No one is that dominant.

Granted, the Pack wasn't racing the top competition in the country, and granted, the Wolfpack is one of (if not ~~the~~) top teams in the Southeast, but still to see five guys in red cross the finish line one after another has to instill a strong sense of pride.

And the women?

Assistant coach Laurie Gomez-Henes said that Laura Rhoads was taking it easy in the race.

Taking it easy? The returning All-American won the race by 11 seconds. Hello.

The State women's team is so deep that one of the top freshman in the region ran in the open race on Saturday because she "might not make the top seven".

So I suppose that you are wondering where my peeve is.

There were television crews and newspapers there - to cover the high school events.

This apathy that has been extended towards Wolfpack cross country is pathetic.

Papers won't take away two inches from their football coverage to pay attention to cross country or soccer or volleyball, and radio stations that could roll out of their chairs to talk to some of the most talented athletes in the Southern don't even bother.

N.C. State is the only school ever in ACC history to win both the men's and women's cross country titles in the same year. That was 1991. They have done it three more times since.

This year's team returns four all-Americans and half of the All-ACC team from a year ago, men's or women's.

In the last 10 years, the Pack has recorded top ten finishes in the NCAA championships six times.

Even if they had to prove themselves, don't you think that they have?

Apparently cross country just isn't a tough enough sport for everyone.

K. is a junior in Communications. She can be reached by phone at 515-2411, or by e-mail at Kim@sma.sca.ncsu.edu. But beware, she is headed back to New York for the weekend soon, and is feeling very much "in her element". And you know what that means.



Row HEATHY/STAFF

State senior Megan Jeidy fights for control with a Clemson defender in the Pack's 2-1 loss.

Pack continues to struggle

■ N.C. State women's soccer drops a close one to Clemson.

S. SNYDER
Staff Writer

Method Road has not been kind to the Wolfpack women.

For the second outing in a row, the women's soccer team dropped a home match by a 2-1 score.

Tuesday, No. 10 ranked Tigers of Clemson rolled into town, and roll they did. They helped the Pack extend their losing streak to four, and moving State to 1-1 in the ACC.

N.C. State got on the board first on Lisa Boggs goal.

A ball cleared by the Clemson defense was picked up by State defender Alyssa Gamaldo. Gamaldo found an open Boggs, who dribbled through an open box, and finished the play into the goal.

"Alyssa gave me the pass, and I turned and didn't see anyone behind me, so I took it outside. I looked inside, and thought about shooting, but I saw that I had space, so I took it in and went near post," Lisa Boggs said.

The Pack had six shots at the half, and a few good opportunities to score. At the 34:50 mark forward Jennifer Marsh had a near miss from 18 yards out.

State's defense, led by Bridget Durkan and Jeanne Sullivan, swarmed on any ball around the 18, and held Clemson scoreless despite seven shots in the first half. The stats at the end of the half were fairly even, but State was a bit lucky to be ahead at the half.

"I felt that it was a gift to be (ahead). We did not play well enough, and the opponent outplayed us in the first half. We got a goal because of our spirit. Not because we outplayed Clemson, they outplayed us, and this didn't inspire them for a better second half, nothing would," coach Alvin Corneal said.

Clemson certainly had solid luck at the goal, and were led by forwards Jenny Crawford and Sher Buetter. The Tiger duo controlled the ball not only in the first half, but also throughout the match.

The second half was all Tigers. The Clemson attack jumped at

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Fall ball: advantage State

■ N.C. State women's tennis team starts fall season on home turf.

Sports Staff Report

N.C. State women's tennis team shook out the preseason jitters at home. As the Pack is set to roll through a fall schedule geared at making the 1997-98 Wolfpack Women's Tennis team the best ever, it started the season this past weekend by hosting the Wolfpack Invitational.

Blair Sutton played in the A Flight of the singles tournament, winning her first set, 6-0, 6-2 over Paige Resha of College of Charleston.

Sutton fell in the second round, 6-2, 6-2, to eventual A Flight champion Martina Nedelkova of Virginia Commonwealth.

In the B Flight, Nena Bonacic defeated College of Charleston's Liorah Levin, 6-4, 6-3, before falling to Andrea Ondrisova, Ondrisova out of VCU, won the B Flight by defeating Janelle Williams of the

University of Richmond. State sophomore Marissa Gildemeister made it all of the way to Sunday's final in the C Flight singles. Gildemeister won her first round meet over Liz Brown of UNC-Greensboro, 7-5, 6-0, and then downed Wesley Kohl of Richmond, 6-3, 6-2 in the second round.

In the third round, Gildemeister took care of Asa Elbring of East Carolina, 6-2, 6-1.

Amy Croker of Richmond took the C Flight title, defeating Gildemeister, 6-3, 6-2.

Croker advanced to the final after defeating State freshman Ramsey Roberts, 6-1, 6-1 in the first round.

In the D Flight, State's Francie Barragan defeated Vara Hartley in the first round before falling to Erin Waters, 6-3, 6-4.

Waters met up with Wolfpack freshman Sarah Benham in the fourth round, defeating the newcomer 7-5, 6-2.

Benham advance to the fourth round

with a win over Creecy Chandler of Davidson and Erin Talton of Rice.

Benham met up with teammate Brie Glover in the consolation final.

Glover had advanced from the top half of the D Flight draw, picking up easy victories over Anne Lyford of UNC-Chapel Hill and Brenna Tyndall of Davidson, and a first-round win over Siri Thyagarast of VCU.

Benham got the better of Glover in the 3-4 playoff, taking the match 6-3, 6-3.

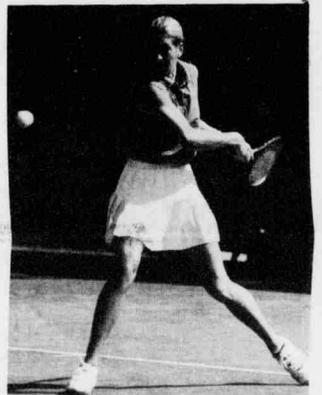
Sutton and Bonacic advanced to the semi-finals of the A Flight doubles.

The pair was defeated by eventual champions Lesia Bilak and Bridget Merrick from Richmond.

Merrick and Bilak defeated Cena Hackler and Jessica Zagayczyk of UNC-Chapel Hill for the title.

In the B Flight doubles, No. 1 seeded Barragan and Glover advanced to the

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TECHNIQUE FILE PHOTO

State looks forward to fall tennis season.

Abridged week — unabridged exposure

■ N.C. State uses this short week to prepare for a nationally-televised grudge match with Wake Forest on Thursday.

JAMES CARLE
Assistant Sports Editor

Golden opportunities come around about as often as a blue moon, especially for the N.C. State football team.

The match-up against Wake Forest is shaping up to be just that, for when 7 p.m. rolls around tomorrow night, millions of college football fans across the country will be tuning in to see coach Mike O'Cain and his troops take the field for perhaps the first time.

"It's just good to have our name, our logo, plastered up there time after time after time," O'Cain said. "Visibility. People will see us for the first time Thursday night that have never seen us play. Maybe somebody [a prospective recruit] will like what we do offensively or defensively that will get their attention. It doesn't mean, necessarily, that we'll get them, but it will generate some interest."

According to O'Cain, a big game like this is invaluable to Wolfpack football.

"Beating Syracuse has done as much for our program as anything," added O'Cain. "I haven't seen any challenges for the Pack."

In order to make a big impression for their national audience the Pack must beat a much-improved Wake Forest team. And to complicate matters even further, State must prepare for the Deacs in a much-shorter amount of time than for the previous few opponents.

The short week meant some changes from the normal practice schedule, and also presented some challenges for the Pack.

"We've got to watch a lot of film between now and Wednesday before we go down there," fullback Carlos King said Monday afternoon. "We had a



JAC Ob/STAFF

State faces off against Wake in front of national audience.

Pep band gets new digs

■ The NCSU Pep Band is thrilled about new seating.

JAMES HOPE
Staff Writer

Notice anything different about Carter-Finley Stadium lately?

The N.C. State Marching Band recently acquired new seating in the south endzone. The new bandstand is designed to give the marching band more room to play and make it easier to move onto and off of the field for the band's musical numbers. Before the band had to literally climb over fans to get to the field for the half time show.

Large ramps and wide stairs make

it easier for the percussion section to move around and set up its equipment.

Dan Holt, a graduate assistant for the band, is very excited about the new seats.

"This has been in the works for about three years," he remarked.

Holt also mentioned that in the six years he has been with NCSU's band that this was the third or fourth spot the band had been located.

The band has been moved in recent years from the 40-yard line to the end of the stadium until the new stands were constructed.

"I'm thrilled that we finally have a

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Coming into his own

■ State place kicker Chris Hensler is finding his spot in the Wolfpack.

CHIP SOUCY
Staff Writer

For the past four years N.C. State football has worried about a lot of things, but the place kicking position has not been one of them.

Steve Videtic handled the job well in 1993 and '94, selected as a first team All-ACC team member in his junior and senior years.

Last year Marc Primanti was a consensus first team All-American.

This is a new year and it brings with it a new place kicker by the name of Chris Hensler.

Fortunately Hensler is not a new name to the Wolfpack team. He is returning senior and he handled the kickoff duties last season.

During his kickoffs last season Hensler proved he has a leg strong enough to hit the long field goals. Although it is a common view that kickers have it easy, that is not the case at all. The position also comes with a lot of pressure.

So far this season Hensler has had a lot of confidence in his kicking, crediting the self-assurance to his only miss of the season, against Syracuse in the season opener.

"Missing that field goal was a blessing in disguise," said Hensler.

Knowing that he no longer had to be perfect every time out, he felt less pressure on the field.

His success could also have to do with the support system within the team, because of the Wolfpack's new-found unity, represented by the rubber bands which team members wear on their wrists.

"It brings us closer together," Hensler explains. "We're like a family."

And with that many 300-pounders in your family, helping to take the weight off of your shoulders, the pressure can seem a little more bearable.

The miss in Syracuse and the team support seem to be working.

Hensler so far this season is five for six with his

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Catch the Pack in action this weekend:

- Friday Volleyball vs. UVA 7:30 p.m. at Reynolds
- Saturday Women's soccer vs. ECU 2 p.m. at Method Road
- Volleyball vs. Florida State 6:30 p.m. at Reynolds
- Sunday Men's soccer vs. Clemson 2 p.m. at Method Road
- Volleyball vs. Maryland 5 p.m. at Reynolds
- AND don't forget!!!!!!
- This Thursday-NCSU vs. Wake Forest on ESPN 8 p.m.
- AND for those of you traveling to Winston-Salem
- Don't forget that the Wolfpack is throwing a 6:30 pep rally in Wake's house.
- That's right- 6:30 at Lawrence Joel Coliseum, home of the Demon Deacon Basketball.
- Don't forget your red and white.



Soccer

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over State, and two minutes into the half, the score was tied.

Midfielder Sara Burkett ripped a direct kick to the upper right corner of the net from 35 yards out. But the Pack came right back on the kickoff, and senior Megan Jeldy hit a shot just wide.

From that point on, State's offensive chances were far and few between. The Pack managed just three shots in the second half, while Clemson had 11 good chances. Within a two minute span, Clemson managed two corners and one shot.

The Pack was charged with 19 fouls, many of which resulted in

free kicks around the 18. The final foul call resulted in a Clemson goal. Clemson midfielder Sara Burkett took the kick from 45 yards out, and hit defender Allison Burpee who headed the ball into the bottom of the net.

State did manage a last effort with 45 seconds left. Megan Jeldy lifted a free kick into the box, but it was cleared by the Clemson defense. It was another tough day for the Pack.

"This team has been on a roller coaster ride all the time. The two games we lost on the road we have played three times better. We are going to keep fighting and keep trying," Corns said.

State will face the Pirates of East Carolina this Saturday at 2 p.m. at Method Road. This will be the first meeting between the two teams.

Congratulations to the N.C. State men's soccer team for its 1-0 win over the No.2 Nationally ranked Maryland Terrapins.

The Pack will return to Method Road this weekend to take on ACC foe Clemson. Check out Friday's paper for more details.

Preview

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practice and watched some film last night, basically, learning our assignments, how they attack blocks, and what they're going to do on offense and defense.

What the Pack sees when they pop in the scouting tape on the Deacs is a much larger football team. They outweigh the Pack in nearly every category, and tip the scales a full 30 pounds more per player on the defensive line.

Their size-up front is a concern for the Pack, considering the strength of State's running game this season. While Jaime Barnett is having a banner year at quarterback, O'Caan can't afford to have a Tremayne

Stephens or a Carlos King shut down.

"They don't have the quickness that a Syracuse or a Clemson has," O'Caan said of their defensive line. "But they are good sized. They're playing much more solid and more aggressively."

"They're just playing sound and solid."

The saying goes, "When opportunity knocks, you've got to answer the door." Tomorrow, opportunity may come to the Pack dressed in ESPN attire. It will be up to them to open proverbial passageways.

"It's going to be good exposure, because everybody really hasn't heard of N.C. State," King said. "They think it's a fluke that we're winning right now. Hopefully we can show the fans and people around the country that we're for real."

Band

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permanent place to play," Holt said.

Holt also mentioned that with the new renovations that will be coming to Carter-Finley in the future, he is glad that the band has a guaranteed spot on Saturday.

"This should make the band a even bigger part of Wolfpack football."

Among fans and band members, there are mixed emotions about leaving the stands to sit in the endzone.

After the Clemson game some

fans complained that they couldn't hear the band as well as in the past. To help fans on the north side of the stadium the band had microphones installed for the Northern Illinois game. The microphones helped, but to some members it just wasn't the same.

Some members miss being with the fans, others miss being close to the team and cheerleaders.

Most members, however, like not having to worry about stray fans cutting through the band section during halftime. In the past band members have had to call Public Safety to remove fans from designated sections.

The new section is separated from the rest of the fans by what remains of the grass hill.

Hensler

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field goals and does not appear to be slowing down.

This season hasn't brought any game-winning attempts for Hensler, but going into a game this Thursday against a tough Wake Forest team anything is possible.

"I'm always ready to go," Hensler said.

Like most Division-I athletes Hensler admits to having thoughts about professional football in his

future. "It's always been a goal of mine," Hensler said.

During the upcoming game on ESPN the stage could be set for a Hensler showcase. His intentions are not to show off his skills, but to help out the team anyway possible.

"It's all about the team," he said, and that seems to be the difference about this year's team productivity.

Although the team has struggled in the past it seems to be a proving things this year. The offense has proven itself, the defense has proven itself, and Chris Hensler seems to be doing his part upholding the strong tradition of Wolfpack kickers.

Fall ball

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finals, gaining 8-1 and 8-2 wins in the first round, before battling a team from Richmond to 8-6 for the chance to play for the championship.

Rice's Vessie Ivanova and Sarah Borwell defeated the Pack duo, 8-6 in the championship match.

While the Pack didn't pick up any individual or doubles titles, the outlook remains positive.

The point of the match wasn't to blow away the competition, but rather to allow the coaching staff and players to see on what level each other are and to acquaint the freshmen with playing on the collegiate level.

"I think that the girls did an outstanding job of supporting each other, which contributed to the team's ability to pull out some of the tougher matches in the tournament," said State coach Jenny Garry. Garry says that her team's toughest competition might just come in practice.

"It is going to be tough to decide who is playing where," said Garry. While it looks as if Sutton and Bonacic will keep hold of the top two singles spots, the rest are up for grabs — and no one is being counted out.

"I think that the freshmen are coming along well," said Bonacic. "They really played well for it being their first tournament."

"I think that everyone did really well overall, better than we have (started) in a long time," said senior Blair Sutton about the team's play in the tournament.

"I think that we are solid all the way through," continued Sutton. "I think that we have also really come together this year, we really have a sense of pride."

According to Garry, the Pack will need to work on their play during the critical times of their matches, focusing in on the game when the heat gets turned up. The Pack is also in top condition.

"I have to give credit to Wright Wayne, who is our strength and conditioning coach," said Garry. "We are in the best shape that we have ever been in at this point in the season."

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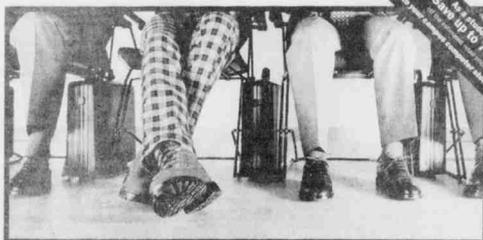
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Where do you want to go today?

Movie keeps audience "edgy"

■ New movie takes climatic drama out to "The Edge."

MONIQUE THOMAS
Staff Writer

I was literally fused to the edge of my seat, holding my breath as I watched this month's new movie, "The Edge." That was, at least, until a couple who arrived five minutes late stepped on my feet and bumped into me with their elbows to get to the empty seats next to me. Save minor bruises, this movie was quite enjoyable.

I read a brief summary about "The Edge" before seeing it, and it sounded like your typical man-against-man-against-nature action thriller. "Been there, done that, seen it before," I thought. Well, I wasn't entirely wrong. The movie had elements reminiscent of "Alive," "Cliffhanger," and "Rambo: First Blood," but at the same time it stands alone, distinguished from these by its good actors who do what they do best — act well. The movie's two stars, Anthony Hopkins and Alec Baldwin, should certainly draw audiences to the theaters. Their styles and abilities to inflate two-dimensional characters from scripts to believable, complex individuals as real as the audience were quite impressive.

So what is "The Edge" about? The movie is set against the august, breathtaking backdrop of the Alaskan wilderness. So breathtaking, in fact, that Robert Green (Baldwin), a famous fashion photographer, decides it's the perfect location for a fashion shoot. Who is the subject of Green's eye? None other than beautiful Mickey Morse, played by real-life supermodel, Elle MacPherson. The conflict arises when Elle's filthy intelligent and insanely rich husband, Charles Morse (Hopkins), goes with Green and his assistant (Harold Perrineau) to find a photogenic native



"The Edge" presents a harrowing tale of two very different men — one an intellectual billionaire (Anthony Hopkins, right), the other a fashion photographer (Alec Baldwin) — whose hidden tensions are unleashed when they engage in a desperate struggle for survival after their plane crashes in the hostile Alaskan wilderness.

for the fashion shoot, and their plane crashes. Finding themselves directionless, without food or shelter and with only a few matches, each man must battle nature, his companions and the voice inside his head that says he'll never live. Green and his assistant soon discover that Charles Morse is their only way out. His knowledge ranges from how to make a compass out of a

paperclip to making fire from ice to killing bears. One would normally question his wide range of knowledge, but the film's writer, David Mamet, made it especially clear that Charles was an extremely well-read and cultured man.

Charles' reserved, pensive character was brought to life by Anthony Hopkins, who won an Oscar for his work in

"Silence of the Lambs." Hopkins' performance fell nothing short of excellent. He was focused on staying within the confines of his character and did a wonderful job, almost as if he wasn't acting. In a press release, Hopkins admitted that, "Charles is... the closest [he's] ever been to [himself] in a role."

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Sound Advice

◆◆◆◆ Ooooooh!
◆◆◆◆ Um-hmm.
◆◆◆◆ Mmmmm.
◆◆◆◆ Uh.
◆◆◆◆ Ewwwww.

The Murrurs: "Pristine Smut" ◆◆◆◆

The so-called "women in rock" movement, a slow-burning fire lit by the likes of Janis Joplin and Stevie Nicks — and ignited considerably by the platinum visibility of Alanis Morissette and her merry maids — has given female musicians an expanded degree of flexibility in what they produce. Women have proven they can sell as much, and often more, than their male colleagues, allowing artists ranging from Jewel and k.d. lang to Cat Power and Ani DiFranco to get in their two cents.

So there is a nice niche for sassy girl groups with pop smarts and sharp lyrics to fill the demand. Listening to The Murrurs' latest record, "Pristine Smut," proves that group leaders Heather Gordy and Leisha Hatley have been paying attention. While no new ground is broken, the record is a fine and intelligent take on what it means to be a girl in '97.

Produced, in part, by k.d. lang, "Smut" is chock full of big, bouncing hooks and tight lyrics that float in and out of many subjects including lesbianism, girl-to-girl competition, and familial abuse.

The opener, "Big Talker," features one of those guilty-pleasure guitar hooks that the girls nearly perfect later. Song #4, "Toy," is every bit as infectious as Juliana Hatfield at her best, featuring the coy invite "We'll play a game of house. You be the girl, I'll be the boy." Other irresistible numbers include "Underdog," with its skating guitar; "Don't Lie," featuring maybe the group's most creative hook; and "Country Song," an interesting excursion into pseudo-country twang.

The record closes with a sprawling, yet vivid, meditation on spousal abuse and its effect on the child. While standing out and almost betraying the pomp and exuberance of the rest of the record, "Sleepless Commotion" still provides an emotional exclamation point, leaving the listener nearly floored in its wake.

While not registering completely at every turn, "Pristine Smut" does offer some very rewarding moments that fill the void nicely between Venusa Salt and Liz Phair. —R. Greene

The Nixons: "The Nixons" ◆◆◆◆

Did you run out and buy Nixon's debut compact disc, "Foma," after first hearing their hit "Sister"? And then were you surprised to find the rest of the CD a little too harsh, with only a couple of songs as sweet? Do you like their new hit "Baton Rouge" off their recently released CD, but are afraid that the rest of the CD is going to be a flop? You are not alone. That is why I was surprised to find their new self-titled CD to be pretty calm, with plenty of variety. Perhaps this is because they replaced the bassist with Ricky Wolk from North Carolina. Or maybe on their two-year-long tour, they learned what their fans really liked. Whatever it was, this new CD is easy to listen to, has a range of songs from slow to funky to heavy guitar and is a definite improvement over "Foma."

The Nixons' talent still lies in their slow songs, for they stopped me from what I was doing, and tugged at my heart. Zac Maloy's sad but hopeful lyrics intrigued me. He pleads for support to survive "the real life" in "The Fall." He promises to return to his loved one for the snow and the embered fire in "December." He sings in my favorite song on the CD, "Saving Grace," about this same distance, "aching just to be beside you, inside you, in every way."

I liked their catchy tunes "Sad, Sad Me" and "Miss USA" for the fun element in the guitar notes and the irony in their unfortunate stories. Since this type of sing-song words and beat are used sparingly in the CD, it added to the variety in the music rather than being annoying. Several songs on the CD have the same powerful guitar mixed with Zac Maloy's husky vocals as their hit "Baton Rouge." They take a series of notes, repeat them over and over throughout the song, and then expand and add to them at the end. This similar pattern and pace of the songs might seem like they would get monotonous. But the Nixons are able to add a little personality to each song, experimenting with their instruments' sounds. The diverse lyrics are interesting as well. "Screaming Yellow" questions the motives and courage of soldiers. "Butterfly" is about people changing with new information and experiences. A man promises to be everything to a girl, and never abandon her in "Leave." A girl fighting with the roadblocks in life appears in "In Spite of Herself" and "Shine." Maloy creatively puts down his guitar and plays the trumpet

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Centerfest '97

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This past weekend the Durham Arts Council hosted Centerfest '97, a three day event featuring live music, artisans, and kid-themed events. All proceeds went to the Arts Council, to support community-wide arts programs in the Durham area.



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THE MOMENT OF ZEN

Out of a Jam

Persons thankful for little things are certain to be the ones with much to be thankful for.

It was during the Great Depression, I had been laid off from the factory and could no longer contribute to the family income. Our only source of income was what little my mother could get by dressmaking for others. Then she fell ill and was unable to work. We couldn't pay our bills, so the electric, gas and water companies cut off their respective services. The kitchen cupboards were empty. We had a small vegetable garden and were able to cook some of its produce on a campfire in the backyard.

One day, my younger sister came skipping home from school saying, "We're supposed to bring something to school tomorrow to give to the poor."

Mother started to blurt out "I don't know anyone who is poorer than us" when her mother, who was living with us at the time,ushed

her with a hand on her arm and a frown.

"Jill," she said, "if you give that child the idea that she is 'poor folks' at her age, she will be 'poor folks' for the rest of her life. There is one jar of homemade jelly left. She can take that."

Grandma found some tissue paper and a little bit of pink ribbon with which she wrapped our last jar of jelly, and Sis went to school with pride of her gift to the poor.

If you have any interesting stories with a twist of Zen, send them in to the Self Knowledge Symposium website at www2.ncsu.edu/ncsu_sku_ogsksks or stop by a meeting. The Self Knowledge Symposium meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Tompkins G113 to discuss what's real.

Editor's Note: "The Moment of Zen" is a weekly feature in Wednesday's Tech Too. It will feature a Zen lesson followed by a relating story. The ideas expressed therein are those of SKS and do not reflect upon Technician. Any comments or questions can be directed to the organization through their website.

New play is dog-gone good

■ Raleigh Little Theatre's new play makes you adore — and resent — your pets.

MEGAN RILEY
Assistant Features Editor

If you've ever owned a dog, or had a boyfriend with a pet, then "Sylvia," showing now at Raleigh Little Theatre, is the play for you to see.

This comedy ventures into the emotional bond between a man and his dog. A man going through his midlife crisis picks up a dog at a park in New York City and gives it a new home in his apartment. He becomes so attached and involved with the animal that he ignores his wife's needs and often chooses the dog over her.

Sylvia, the dog, is played perfectly by Toni Watts. She has all of the actions and gestures of a playful puppy, and she says all of the words that you've always thought your dog would say if he could talk. She worships her owner, Greg, and calls him "God." She sparks the play with "adult language" when she cusses out cats, fights with other dogs, and recuperates from being spayed.

Of course the feeling is mutual. Greg, portrayed by John Murphy, thinks that Sylvia's "shit is ice cream." She changes his life and unknowingly brings him closer to nature and his caveman instincts. Greg starts questioning his job and would rather spend his days with his "pet" in the park.

Sylvia's life in her new home is not perfect. Greg's wife, Kate, an English teacher in the inner city, fights with Greg about Sylvia from the beginning. Kate, played by Nancy Watkins, gets the short end of the stick in raising the dog. She is stuck cleaning the dog's hair off her furniture. Worst of all, most of Greg's attention is directed towards the dog. Kate claims that Sylvia's presence is

worse than if Greg was having an affair. When he tells Kate to "sit" during a heated discussion, confusing his two women, she demands that they go to a counselor. Watkins and Murphy act precisely as a couple "between retirement and the first whiff of a nursing home" do, with their kids off in college and change corrupting their lives. The chemistry and friction between the couple keep you laughing.

However, the real comedy comes when actor David Britt enters the play. He plays three minor characters of different sexes. Tom is a fellow dog owner who warns Greg how naming a dog after a girl makes the man treat the dog like a wife, and about the "biophile" instincts of a man that ties him closely to his dog. Then Britt enters as Phyllis, an alcoholic friend who has many Freudian slips with sexual implications. Finally, he is Leslie, a marriage therapist "exploring the boundaries of gender identification."

"Sylvia" is a well-written script that is easy and fun to identify with. The four actors play their characters perfectly. This is such a good production that you can almost overlook how it is subtly degrading to professional women. Greg refers to Kate's job as "a phase women are going through." Kate doesn't fulfill her dream of living in England so that she can stay around the house while Greg looks for a job. It also pities women because they "suffer the consequences of male aggression," placing them on the familiar undignifying pedestal. (This play is for you sociology buffs too.)

"Sylvia," directed by Martin Thompson and put on by RL's Gaddy-Goodwin Teaching Theatre will be playing at 8 p.m., September 26, 27, 28, October 2, 3, and 4. Call the RLT office at 821-4579 for tickets or more information.

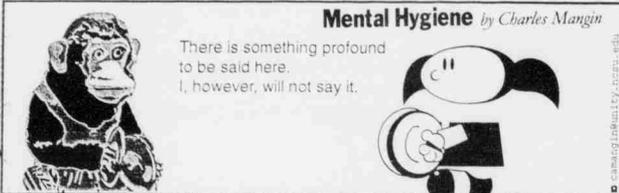
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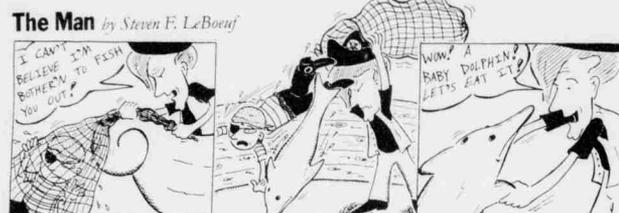


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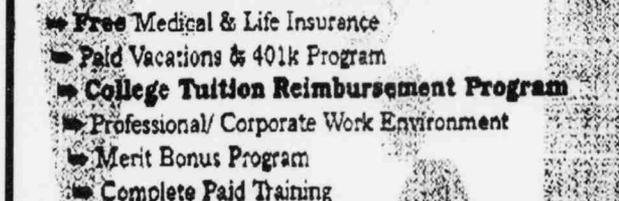
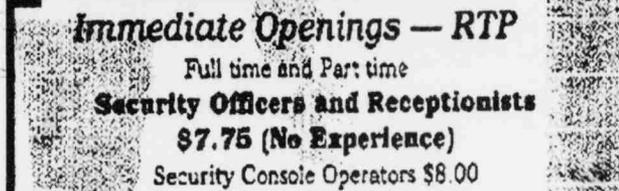
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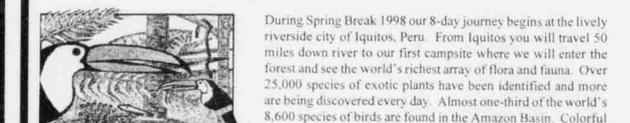
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The expedition will be accompanied by three NC State professors and a native guide. Three NC State academic credits will be offered (Undergraduate PP 495; Graduate PP 695) to students participating in the expedition and successfully writing a research paper on a subject mutually agreed upon by the professor or graduate committee. Students will need to pay for the credit option as part of their Spring semester tuition statement. This trip is being offered by NC State in partnership with International Expeditions Inc. International Expeditions Inc., has been providing high quality trips for the National Geographic Society and the Nature Conservancy for over a decade.

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Edge

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Not to be outdone by Hopkins, Alec Baldwin's performance was thoroughly enjoyable as well. Baldwin has previously displayed his acting talents in movies such as "The Hunt for Red October" and "Malice." He delivers once again in "The Edge." I would, however, have liked a bit more character development for his role as Bob. Viewers know nothing of his background, and I frankly did not "get" his character at times. All in all, his character will keep you surprised with his ever-changing personality.

The most unforgettable performance was given by a quite massive Kodiak bear. The scenes with bear attacks were savage,

unexpected and filled with horror — I loved them.

The movie keeps the audience so enthralled they won't even consider getting up to use the bathroom, not even if one of them perhaps played a game of Ultimate Frisbee before coming and then perhaps drank almost a gallon of water. Nope, not even then will she (or he) get up — trust me.

I left this movie with my head swimming with thoughts of archetypal symbols, universal commonalities, and began examining what truly is the nature of human beings and trust. But then I thought, "Who am I kidding? I don't know what any of that stuff means, all that matters is I didn't fall asleep, walk out, or have any pre-teens throwing popcorn at me." I'd say it was a darn good movie. My profoundly wise ethnic cohort, Rishi, gave it one-and-a-half thumbs, while I give it two straight up.

Sound

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to end the CD in "Shine." Overall, this Nixons CD is worth the money. However, I hope that by their third CD they are able to personalize their music and enlighten their audience with a more soul-filled sound, so they won't seem so Live-ish. Select Songs: "Saving Grace," "Shine," "The Fall," and "Baton Rouge." — M. Riley

Coming Soon: "Get to know your reviewers." Ever wondered what one of Sound Advice's all-mighty reviewers pops into their personal tape deck? Wanna find out what they're groovin' on in their spare time? Starting next Wednesday, each of our reviewers will break down their top-ten lists to show their taste in music (or complete lack thereof).

Gigs

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Saturday, October 11 Fiona Apple

Walnut Creek
Wednesday, September 24 Sheryl Crow, Wilco, Michael Penn
Saturday, October 4 Live, Luscious Jackson, Manbreak

The Brewery
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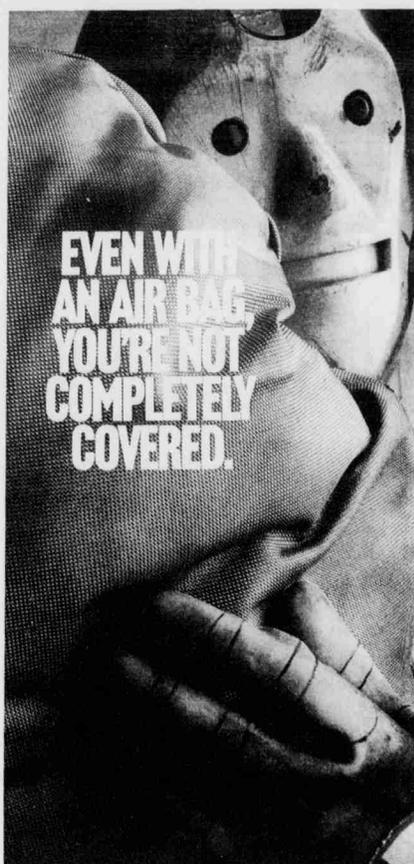
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In the case of public buildings around campus, the system would be set to allow the doors to be unlocked from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. After these hours, an AllCampus card would be required to gain access to the building.

When students feel threatened, they are less likely to go to a blue phone than they are to enter a building to use the phone. The building provides a better sense of security. Keycards can be swiped faster than a key can be entered into a lock. This would be a distinct advantage when it is necessary to enter a building quickly for security reasons. Although people would need to enter the building for legitimate reasons who did not have an AllCampus card, these people could show identification at a few centralized locations around the university and be issued a temporary card. While, this causes an added expense and trouble, this is a case of "better safe than sorry."

So, while this proposed system has disadvantages, overall it is a remarkable idea that should be implemented as soon as possible. It would go a little further in making NCU a cutting edge, 21st century university by providing security for



Working for the future

■ Reality means picking your job carefully.

In the '60s and '70s, college students protested the involvement of business in education. Today, we as college students reap the benefits of that same type of involvement. We have become more oriented to vital role business plays in our education.

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The reality is that there are only so many internships and teaching assistantships to go around. There are always more students seeking positions than there are positions open. The best and the brightest will always be the ones who get the chances. It is each individual's job to make sure that he or she is one of those lucky ones.

If you've looked in the Sunday edition of The News & Observer recently, you probably realized that the job listings that once ran as much as 15 pages now consist of about six. The longest classification

is miscellaneous. That's where the minimum wage jobs are found. It seems to indicate that the technological and professional positions just aren't out there in the abundance that they used to be.

To have a chance at getting one of these elusive positions, you need a resume that is better than anyone else's. That resume needs to have a large block of experience in addition to a good class standing and good grades.

Without experience you might as well resign yourself to looking under the miscellaneous section for your first job. Yes, it is very difficult to try to work and still keep your grades up. But people have been doing it for a long time.

The key is make sure you're working at a job that applies to the field in which you ultimately want to work. The best way to do that is to talk to your professors. They often know of jobs and internships in their fields. They can at least tell you where to go to find out.

You may have to sacrifice money for the right experience. If that is the case, look at the bottom line. Which is more important in the long run, being able to party this Friday night or being able to get a good paying job when you graduate?

If you're dealing in reality, there really isn't much of a choice.

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Affirmative action is unnecessary to society

STEVEN LEBOEUF
Staff Columnist

In the United States, the common opinion is that everyone deserves a "fair chance" at getting a job. The government has offered a solution to this problem: affirmative action.

But what exactly is affirmative action; what is its definition? I don't know the technical definition, but I can tell you exactly what it means: If you don't hire a certain percentage of a certain group of people, the government will send men with guns to bring you to prison.

This statement is stark, but true nonetheless. Why should people be forced to hire someone they don't wish to hire? And is forcing an employer to hire someone from a particular group really good for the economy? I argue that affirmative action is both impractical and immoral.

Many "minorities" support affirmative action. They view affirmative action as a tool to "even things out." To many, this view is philosophically soothing, but let's look at some of the practical problems this causes. Let's say that some auto manufacturer wants to

hire a good welder at a cheap price. Now suppose there is a Mexican who is an exceptional welder and is willing to work for \$10 an hour. And also suppose his rival for the job happens to be a black man who is not as well trained and demands \$12 an hour. If the employer is hiring free, if any, black workers at the present, but at the same time has several Mexicans working for him, then the law may require the employer to hire the black welder. So now the employer has to pay more for work of lesser quality. We all know that businesses pass

their expenses on to the consumer (they really don't have a choice). So in this case, affirmative action has limited the consumer to inferior quality autos at a higher price. How is this good for the economy? But what about the case where the black welder has proven superiority over the Mexican welder, and still the auto manufacturer wants to hire a Mexican simply because of racism? After all, shouldn't employers hire the best people for

the job, regardless of race? That's just it! In order to stay in business, employers will do just that, and they will do so even without the government's help. Furthermore, the government is not omniscient, and so it cannot possibly understand the individual problems each employer faces every second of the workday. In other words, since it is generally the employer who is most knowledgeable about his business, no one is better qualified to decide who is the best person for the job other than the employer himself.

Realize others' needs

JOSH WHITAKER
Staff Columnist

"It's my transportation, and I shouldn't have to be inconvenienced."

Lavita Haugbrook made that statement after a court decision in her favor earlier in the month. It seems Haugbrook was riding the subway on her way to work when Scott Vining, along with his way to work, took a firm hold of her arm and wouldn't let go. Haugbrook tried repeatedly to free herself from Vining's grasp, but to no avail. A co-worker finally wrestled Haugbrook free, at which time Vining, who never spoke a word, quickly exited the train at the next stop.

Vining was arrested and brought to trial two days later on an assault charge. And, as reported by Brooke Masters of The Washington Post, Vining was found guilty and threatened with a prison sentence if such an incident happened again.

A pretty cut and dry assault case at first glance. There is, however, an interesting twist; Vining suffers from epilepsy. Vining claims that the assault took place while he was having a seizure, during which he is utterly powerless to control his actions.

Those at the trial witnessed evidence from Vining's doctor and testimonies from others close to him about his condition. Vining is on medication that helps him to deal with seizures but does not cure them completely. His lawyer was quick to point out that no one was injured. Haugbrook made it to work on time and that Vining was more than willing to apologize.

But Judge Griffin T. Gernett Jr. held no sympathy for the handicapped defendant. And obviously neither does Haugbrook, who later commented, "If his medication wasn't working, he shouldn't have been on the train. I don't want to have to avoid him."

Perhaps Haugbrook is right. Why should she be inconvenienced by the reckless actions of handicapped individuals? Vining, although leading a productive life despite tremendous disability, did succeed in scaring Haugbrook even if he did not physically harm her. Why should Haugbrook have to coexist with persons who suffer from ailments such as epilepsy and subsequently endanger the safety of her daily routine?

Why? Simply because Haugbrook and Vining are both human beings. Although I don't doubt that Haugbrook was frightened when Vining took hold of her arm, I would ask her to imagine the terror Vining felt when his first epileptic seizure took permanent hold of his life. I acknowledge that Haugbrook's daily routine was jolted by Vining's actions, so does this not give her a

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Caffeine: drug of choice



Nancy Hight

C O M M E N T A R Y

drug, then it is my drug of choice. First, a brief history of the coffee bean. It was first used in Ethiopia. The story goes like this: travelers saw that the goats were very lively after eating these beans, so decided to try it and see why the goats were feeling so good. Humans found that after consuming a drink made with the beans, whatever mild ailment they had seemed to subside for a while.

The ground-roasted version was first used in Arabia in the 15th century. Because of the magical pick-me-up effects coffee had on people both physically and emotionally, the church thought it was evil, and thus banned it. At one time in history, coffee could only be obtained with a doctor's prescription. It was prescribed for everything from aches and pains to depression.

My own history with coffee has been bitter-sweet. As a child, I could not understand this fascination so many adults had with coffee. They drank a lot of coffee on soap operas, and my mom always drank coffee. I often took a sip now and then just to see what it was like. The taste and the temperature made me even more confused as to why anyone would want to drink this stuff.

One day when I was much older, a man passed through the office where I worked with a cup of coffee from the vending machine. It smelled so good, I eventually got the craving to get my own cup. So I did. After all, these people seemed to really enjoy their cups of coffee. Since then, I have been hooked.

I have become somewhat of a coffee connoisseur. I have brands I

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This is why affirmative action is not only unnecessary, but also destructive.

Employers all share one common goal — making money. The modern market is very competitive, and therefore the only way to survive is to make goods or provide services of the highest quality at the cheapest price.

Most employers will hire the best person for the job, regardless of the race or sex of the applicant. Those employers who don't hire the best person for the job are doomed to failure.

Racism and sexism are very impractical in the modern economy. Simply put, employers can't afford to be bigots.

Still, there will always be some employers that seem unfair. For example, an employer may not wish to hire a woman who is pregnant.

Businesses with our moral standards, we should stop and think about what this does to our future. After all, one day we may start our own businesses, and do we really want the government to force us to hire who it thinks is best for the job, just because a majority of voters thought so.

Many prominent black businessmen, such as Walter Williams, totally denounce affirmative action for this very reason (among others). In fact, many prominent black leaders and

businessmen are disgusted at the arrogance of the U.S. government. They believe that black Americans are quite capable of solving their own problems, without the force of the corrupt U.S. government to back them.

The solution to the current problem is to remove all laws associated with affirmative action, and to remove the government's ability to manipulate employers' choices.

Furthermore, the government should allow all residents of this country, regardless of their race or sex, to operate their own businesses as they so choose. This way, employers will be free to hire the best workers as they see fit and offer consumers the cheapest possible prices.

No one has the right to decide who is the best employee for the job other than the employer himself — after all, it is the employer's money.

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Whitaker Hight

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little insight on how epilepsy has forever altered Vining's day-to-day activities?

Instead of trying to understand the situation, Haugabrook was quite content in viewing Vining's actions in a sickening, self-centered fashion. Sympathy and understanding are tools everyone should bring with them into every confrontation.

If a blind man were to bump into her on the street, would she file criminal charges? Would the judge find him guilty and warn him to be more careful or to watch where he's going?

I bet Haugabrook would say something like, "It's not my fault the man is blind. The sidewalk is my transportation. I shouldn't be inconvenienced."

like and brands I don't like. I have my own coffee maker. I grind my own beans. I snub my nose at most restaurant and cafeteria coffee — they just don't make it right. There is a delicate mixture of coffee grounds and water that gets it just right.

I have huge thermal mugs that are with me at just about all times. I can drink it right handed or turn the top and drink it left handed. Sometimes a cup of coffee, no matter how big, just doesn't last long enough. It is rather irritating when it gets cold, especially when there is no microwave around, and it's rather depressing when you take the last sip. So, just have another cup and feel better about it.

There are sources of caffeine other than coffee. I understand that

Mountain Dew and Mello-Yello have a high concentration of caffeine. I usually only drink the brown variety of soft drinks. For some reason I associate the color of brown with caffeine. Chocolate is supposed to have a lot of caffeine, but consuming large amounts of chocolate can be nauseating, fattening and supposedly causes zits and cavities.

Getting the jitters from consuming too much caffeine is an experience all its own. People may think you are nervous about something, but actually you are feeling quite well. So, I consider caffeine a form of academic Prozac. It lifts you up and gets you through the day. It speeds up your brain. You can have it everyday, and usually need it everyday, but you don't have to have a prescription for it. I have this vision of students sitting at their desks in their rooms with IVs of caffeine hung beside them during exam week or the night before a paper is due. It'd be a dream come true.

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States have financial surplus

■ The soaring economy has left many states with unspent money, allowing them to save money or reduce taxes.

WILLIAM CLARBORE
The Washington Post

With the national economy soaring, and governments at all levels still trying to cut expenditures, many states are finding themselves rolling in extra money that they are putting away for a rainy day or giving back to voters in tax cuts.

Together, the 50 states totaled surpluses of \$14.2 billion, with some individual state governments topping \$1 billion in leftover cash, including Texas with \$1.9 billion, Minnesota with \$1.6 billion and Indiana with more than \$1 billion. Maryland reported unspent cash at the end of the fiscal year totaling

about \$634 million; a combination of a surplus and a rainy day fund. Virginia's coffers were filled with a surplus of about \$255 million.

Although most states have laws prohibiting them from running budget deficits, that was not a risk last year; only two states had zero balances.

Fiscal 1997 continued a trend that has marked the second half of the decade. For the third straight year, nearly half the states reduced their income taxes, increased tax credits or eliminated surcharges. At least 20 states used a portion of their surpluses to shore up "rainy day" accounts set aside for emergencies.

"The states are in terrific shape, which gives them all kinds of options they ordinarily wouldn't have. We couldn't be happier to see them performing so well," said Arturo Perez, fiscal policy analyst for the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL), which

conducted a budget survey of the states.

The pattern of state governments not succumbing to a temptation to spend leftover money parallels the fiscal conservatism that has been evident in Congress for several years amidst tighter spending controls and deficit reduction legislation.

Perez said the state treasuries were benefiting from a combination of the buoyant economy, which has also sent the stock market soaring, tightened controls on spending for such big-ticket expenditures as welfare and Medicaid, and more cautious forecasting by state budget makers of anticipated revenues, which has kept spending down.

"Toss it all in the mix and you have state legislators and their budget people all grinning from ear to ear. It's led to a kind of financial

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NATIONAL NEWS

40 years of racial integration in U.S.

■ This month marks the anniversary of President Eisenhower's mobilization of U.S. troops in support of integration in the schools.

WILLIAM DOUGLAS
NewsDay

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. - The dilapidated houses that faced Central High School have been repaired and given fresh coats of paint, courtesy of corporate contributions.

The exterior of the corner Mobil station has been restored to its 1957 motif, while the inside has been converted to a mini-museum with memorabilia from the city's most horrific and heroic moment: the day U.S. Army troops escorted nine black students past angry white mobs to integrate Central High.

Little Rock is striving to put its best foot forward this week as it commemorates the 40th anniversary of Central's integration, a watershed moment in the civil-rights struggle that also helped shape the views of a young Bill Clinton on race relations.

President Clinton returns to his home state Thursday to stand at the front door of the massive high school and greet the nine black students who were blocked from entering the building on Sept. 4, 1957, by an angry white mob and National Guard troops mobilized by segregationist Gov. Orval Faubus in defiance of federal orders to allow them in.

The crisis ended 21 days later after President Eisenhower called in 1,200 Army soldiers to quell the mob and escort the black students to class.

"Many people view 1957 as a black eye," said Rett Tucker, a white business leader who is a key

organizer of the event. "Many people have told me that it should be forgotten. My reaction is, acknowledge the sins of the past. In acknowledging it, we can help the city deal with it."

Clinton is expected to offer his reflections as an 11-year-old boy who attended segregated schools in nearby Hot Springs but was profoundly affected by the racial turmoil in Little Rock.

During the standoff, Evelyn Leopoulos, the mother of one of Clinton's boyhood friends, told the future president there were no gray areas when it came to race. "You know, your mother has a lot to do with how I feel about race," David Leopoulos quoted Clinton saying years later. "She was the only person who ever pulled me aside and told me how wrong prejudice was."

Clinton's speech is part of his yearlong initiative to promote racial reconciliation in America. Arkansas and Little Rock officials have launched a similar mission and hope that Thursday's ceremonies will promote discussion leading to better racial understanding locally.

While many of Little Rock's leading citizens, both black and white, eagerly await Thursday's ceremonies, others wonder whether race relations in this city of 184,000 have improved enough to warrant recognition.

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Democrats hire new fundraiser

■ Sources attribute the DNC's heavy debt to high legal bills and fewer donors making contributions.

ROTH MARCUS
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - With the Democratic National Committee's debt continuing to grow - by nearly \$2 million in just the last three months - the party is bringing in a new top fund raiser.

The new finance director, Fran Katz, deputy political director for the American-Israeli Public Affairs Committee, will replace Paul DeNino, who said he was leaving to spend more time with his two young children. "My top priority has always been my family and my other, top priority professionally has been to reduce and retire the debt. I found out you can't have two top priorities," said DeNino, who is going to be national finance director for Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev.

DNC national chairman Steve Grossman, who worked with Katz when he was president of AIPAC from 1992 to 1996, said DeNino "has done a fine job in a tumultuous environment but given the fact that Paul has decided for personal reasons to move on to the next stage of his career, I am thrilled that somebody of Fran Katz's experience in fund-raising and politics is joining us."

The "net debt" - the party's money in the bank less what it owes - is now \$15.3 million, compared with \$13.4 million at the end of March, said press secretary Melissa Bonney.

School vouchers opposed

■ The vouchers would provide some government money for private schools.

RENE SANCHEZ
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Education Secretary Richard W. Riley Tuesday denounced attempts in Congress and in states to give students vouchers for private schooling, calling them dubious plans that would greatly harm public schools at a time when many are starting to make progress.

In a harsh attack on a concept that Republican leaders in Congress want to bring to the District and cities across the nation, Riley said vouchers would take enormous amounts of money from schools struggling with record enrollments

and hardly produce the academic miracles its proponents promise.

"It's a very simplistic world view, a silver-bullet solution, and it is just dead wrong," he said. "If a school is failing, the solution isn't to give scholarships to 50 children and leave 500 behind, but to fix the problem, fix the whole school."

Riley's remarks are part of a larger offensive by the Clinton administration to derail several new bills in Congress that would sanction vouchers nationwide. So far, only two cities, Milwaukee and Cleveland, have tested the idea.

Responding to polls that suggest growing support for vouchers among parents, particularly minorities, Republican leaders have vowed to make the issue their top priority for the nation's schools.

One proposal would divide \$7 million among 2,000 needy students in the District so that they could attend private schools at public

expense. Another measure would allow the parents, relatives or sponsors of students nationwide to establish after-tax savings accounts for private elementary or secondary school tuition. Up to \$2,000 a year per child could be contributed, and the interest would be tax-free.

Riley warned Tuesday that the passage of either initiative would likely draw a swift veto from President Clinton, who has expressed adamant opposition to vouchers ever since he was elected. Both of the nation's teacher unions and many other education groups also oppose the idea.

Yet to voucher supporters, the timing and tenor of Riley's comments Tuesday suggested that the administration senses public sentiment changing. Riley has criticized vouchers in the past but never called a news conference just to make a detailed case against the subject.

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Israel identifies suicide bombers

■ Using DNA testing, the Israeli government was able to identify the terrorists as members of a Hamas and Islamic militant group.

MARION MILLER
Los Angeles Times

JERUSALEM — The Israeli government Tuesday said it had identified four of the five suicide bombers who carried out recent attacks in Jerusalem. The bombers were identified by DNA tests and they came from a West Bank village under joint Israeli and Palestinian control.

All four reportedly also had been prison mates in a Palestinian jail, where they landed during a mass roundup of suspected Islamic extremists that followed a wave of suicide bombings in Israel last year.

They escaped after six months in custody and disappeared, according to Israeli and Palestinian officials.

The men, said to be in their early 20s, were identified as residents of a village near Nablus called Aziza Shamaliya, a stronghold of the militant Islamic group Hamas.

Hamas claimed responsibility for the attacks in Jerusalem's central market and along a downtown pedestrian mall that left 25 dead, including 20 victims and the five bombers.

In an official bulletin released Tuesday night, Israel said the four names had been included in a list of 88 Hamas and Islamic Jihad militants whose arrest Israel sought after two men in business suits blew themselves up in the Mahane Yehuda Market on July 30. The list was given to Palestinian officials shortly after that attack.

Three more bombers, at least one of whom was dressed as a woman, blew themselves up on the cafelined Ben Yehuda promenade on

Sept. 4. In both Jerusalem attacks, the assailants' bodies were decimated, complicating their identification.

Hamas and Islamic Jihad used to honor suicide bombers as heroes and martyrs, with farewell videos before the fatal attacks and family "celebrations" after their deaths. But Hamas stopped the public acclaim after seeing that it helped Israel crackdown on its cells and served Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in arresting nearly 900 activists in March of last year.

Palestinian officials said they had no independent confirmation of the bombers' identity and had been kept in the dark by Israel until the information was released to the media Tuesday. The Israeli government said the bombers were Moawiya Jarara, 22; Bashir Salawah, 23; Tawfiq Yassin, 25; and Yusef Shouli, 22.

"Unfortunately, we have no information," said Marwan Kanafani, a spokesman for Palestinian leader Arafat. "We have never been part of the Israeli investigation or of Israel's effort to find out what happened. ... The fact is, if the Israeli story is true, that region is under their overall security control. It is not an area where we can send our troops."

The village of Aziza is under Palestinian civil administration and Israeli security control. It is supposed to be patrolled by combined Israeli-Palestinian units, although most of the joint patrols were suspended after clashes erupted between Israeli soldiers and Palestinian police over the opening of a new tunnel door in Jerusalem's Old City a year ago.

While the bombers came from an area still under Israeli control, Netanyahu charged that they were "activated, guided and sent from the Palestinian Authority area."

■ A recent report shows that Iran is actively seeking nuclear technology, which many countries feel is a dangerous action.

DAVID HOFFMAN
The Washington Post

MOSCOW — Vice President Gore said Tuesday that a Russian-American investigation has shown Iran is making a "vigorous effort" to obtain technology for building nuclear weapons and ballistic missiles to carry them.

Iran repeatedly has denied seeking to build weapons of mass destruction. But the United States and Israel recently have intensified a campaign to curtail what they claim is a flow of Russian know-how and sensitive technology to Iran.

Russia, which is helping Iran build a nuclear power plant at Bushehr, has denied helping Tehran with ballistic missiles or nuclear

weapons. But U.S. and Israeli officials have said that the Russian military-industrial complex, as well as quasi-governmental research institutes, former scientists and military specialists, may be contributing to an Iranian ballistic missile program.

Earlier this year President Clinton appointed Frank G. Wisner as his special envoy on the issue. Wisner, a former ambassador to India and Egypt, has traversed the Middle East and on Monday came to a remote government resort outside Moscow to report his findings to Gore and Russian Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin, who are holding their semiannual meeting here.

Wisner conferred with Yuri Koptev, director of the Russian Space Agency, who accompanied him to the meeting. Koptev, a veteran of the Russian rocket program, has previously represented the government in the nine meetings between Gore and Chernomyrdin. Gore, speaking cautiously, told reporters after the

meeting that the Wisner and Koptev investigation was "extremely thorough" and "new information has been brought to light."

Gore added refused to elaborate about the findings when asked at a news conference with Chernomyrdin Tuesday, saying the study "involves intelligence information from both countries and for obvious reasons it cannot be made public."

"But I would say in a general way," Gore added, "that one of the new lessons of this report is that it is obvious that there is a vigorous effort by Iran to obtain the technologies that it needs to build a ballistic missile and to build nuclear weapons." While Gore said the charge that Iran is seeking such technology is not new, "the kinds of details that we were able to share with one another I think it out in a new way." The source of the new information was not clear.

Gore had urged reporters on Monday to ask Chernomyrdin about the results of the investigation. But the Russian prime minister brushed

away the question today, saying, "I won't tell you anything at all."

After meeting with President Boris Yeltsin here, Gore said "there is no doubt in my mind" that the United States and Russia "share the same concern about proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and proliferation of technologies that can assist in the delivery of weapons of mass destruction, such as ballistic missile technologies."

Gore said Wisner and Koptev have started a "very intensive" process and will meet again within six weeks. "I can tell you it is a very productive process. It is making a great deal of headway."

Gore also announced signature of an agreement with Russia under which both sides promised not to restart any reactors already shut down that produce weapons-grade plutonium. In addition, Russia, with U.S. assistance, will convert its three remaining reactors so they cease making weapons-grade plutonium by 2000.

U.S., Japan expand security alliance

■ The agreement would provide more support for the United States during military conflicts.

KEVIN SULLIVAN
The Washington Post

TOKYO — The United States and Japan expanded their security alliance Tuesday to give the Japanese military its highest profile in Asia since World War II.

The new defense guidelines, announced formally in New York, were agreed despite deep reservations from China and other Asian nations that suffered from Japanese military aggression earlier this century.

The change was designed to upgrade the long-standing U.S.-Japan security alliance for a post-Cold War world, U.S. and Japanese officials said, after a review ordered by President Clinton and Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto when

Clinton visited Tokyo 19 months ago.

Under the new agreement, Japan will, for the first time since the war, engage in military activities outside its borders in military conflicts involving the United States.

Specifically, Japan would provide mine sweepers and conduct search and rescue missions in international waters, use its military ships to conduct inspections of ships at sea to enforce U.N.-sanctioned embargoes, and assist with communications and surveillance in international waters and airspace. It also would allow its civilian airports, ports and hospitals to be used by U.S. troops, and it would accept refugees from war zones and receive noncombatants evacuated from areas of conflict.

However, as required by Japan's constitution, which bans Japan's military from all but defensive operations, no Japanese forces would be required to fight or even enter areas of combat, and Japan's logistical support to U.S. troops

specifically excludes providing weapons or ammunition.

The security alliance is the United States' most important military relationship in Asia. There are 47,000 U.S. troops stationed in Japan, the largest single grouping of the 100,000 or so troops in Asia. The Clinton administration says that number of troops is necessary to protect American interests in the region, while critics have said the large American military contingent in Asia is an unnecessary holdover from the Cold War.

For Japan, the security alliance is a delicate balancing act in the increasingly important and complex three-way relationship among itself, the United States and China. Tokyo must constantly weigh its obligations to its closest ally, Washington, against how that relationship is perceived in Beijing.

Japan wants to play a more equal leadership role in policing Asia with the United States, but it does not want to arouse fears in China and other Asian capitals, where fear of a

renewed Japanese military is still visceral 50 years after World War II.

Leaders of Indonesia and other Southeast Asian countries have expressed worry about the pact. However, officials in South Korea, potentially one of the main beneficiaries of the new deal, have supported it, even though Korea suffered greatly during Japan's occupation from 1910 to 1945.

With the Soviet Union gone, American and Japanese military planners have focused their thinking on a potential military crisis on the Korean Peninsula. Many strategists in both countries say a strong alliance is also prudent in the face of uncertainties posed by the rise of China.

The new guidelines call for Japanese support for U.S. forces in conflicts in "areas surrounding Japan," but those areas are not specified. Both sides have been intentionally vague about the area covered by the pact, particularly whether it would cover the Taiwan Strait.

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But most of all, he said, the booming economy and higher than expected revenues are responsible for the larger cash balances. "Congress and the President may take credit for it, but the economy by itself is changing everything," Perez said.

Overall, the states' closing balances for fiscal 1997 was 7.3 percent of their general fund spending - money used for operating and other non-capital expenses - which is a 1.6 percent increase over the previous year, according to the NCSL. The 1997 surplus figures do not include Wisconsin, whose legislature is still deciding what to do with \$588 million left over at the end of the year.

The last time states were so flush with leftover cash was in 1980, when the surplus for all states was 9 percent of general fund spending. Following national economic trends, the balances plummeted in the early 1980s and then in the early 1990s began gradually creeping upward as a recession eased and the economy improved.

Looking ahead, the states have projected that surpluses at the end of this fiscal year will drop slightly as they boost revenue projections to

reflect the steady growth of tax collections. Still, no state expects to end the year with a deficit, according to the NCSL survey.

Conference officials noted that since 1994, most states' surplus projections have proved to be well below the actual money left over in state coffers at the end of the year.

The NCSL survey also showed that despite the rapid improvement of state finances generally, a few states - including Indiana, Minnesota, Texas, Ohio, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Florida, Michigan and Alaska - were doing especially well, and their surpluses accounted for over 60 percent of the total. Alaska's surplus, which was 132 percent of its total general fund spending, was attributed to a windfall of settlements with oil companies for uncredited royalties.

Many states have used their surpluses for one-time or extraordinary funding increases for such programs as education, environmental cleanup, economic development and economic development. Sixteen states used the leftover revenue for capital projects such as new state office buildings and highways, while others reduced their outstanding debt, gave state employees raises, delayed collection of certain taxes or boosted their reserve accounts.

Indiana plans to use \$5 million of its surplus to renovate the Indiana Pacers' basketball arena and \$10 million to help the NCAA move its headquarters from Shawnee Mission, Kan., to Indianapolis.

40 years

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outstanding achievement - the question is, can it be said that Little Rock has acquitted itself in such a way that there has been an outstanding achievement?" asked John Walker, a civil-rights lawyer who has represented some of the city's black public schoolchildren since 1965. "It's good that it is being done, but after 40 years, what is there to reconcile? You have two separate cities here, one black, one white."

Walker is not alone in his assessment. Several black leaders and business owners say there are tensions within their community over police matters, distribution of city contracts and the public schools. "I'm not excited about this commemoration," said the Rev. Bill Robinson, pastor of the Hoover Methodist Church. "We have to have more depth into the real problems we face if we are going to have reconciliation. There are those who see this event as hype to build up the city's image for the business community."

Little Rock Mayor Jim Dailey said this week's events are more about hope than hype. He thinks race relations in Little Rock are "pretty good" but added, "We still have a good road to go."

The level of mistrust between the

black community and police - already high because of a "zero tolerance" patrol policy of strict enforcement - has been heightened by the shooting deaths of three young black men by police since December.

Black business owners are at odds with the Little Rock government over the awarding of city contracts. They filed a lawsuit charging city officials with moving too slowly in establishing an affirmative action plan to ensure an equitable distribution of the contracts. City officials say they are taking their time to ensure that the program they create can withstand legal challenges.

But the longstanding racial battleground in Little Rock remains its school system. Though Thursday's commemoration is to highlight a milestone in integration, Little Rock public schools still operate under a court-monitored desegregation plan. A schools system that was 74 percent white and 26 percent black in 1957 was 67 percent black and 33 percent white last year.

Some critics of the schools system contend that although 14,000 students are bused to integrate Little Rock schools, segregation remains. "Within the schools, including Central High School, there's segregation by tracking and assignments to classes," Walker said. "They put black kids in the regular and special-education classes and put the white kids in the advanced programs."

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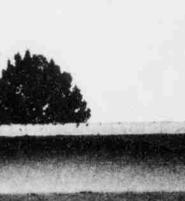
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GOLDEN Key National Honor Society general membership meeting is on Tuesday, September the 23rd, 1997 at 4:30 p.m. in Nelson Hall-room #225.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY CAMPUS MEETING TUESDAY Sept. 23, 7:30pm in Student Center, "GREEN ROOM" sign up for work and sponsoring event!

ON Wednesday September 24, 1997, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated will be hosting a career planning workshop in preparation for the Minority Career Fair. The workshop will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Bragaw Residence Hall Activity Room. Bring your resume. Professional dress required. See you there!

PRE-VECT club meeting tonight in 1404 Williams Hall @ 7:15PM. Come and learn about parasitology.

STUDENT organizations should renew their registration in the Department of Student Development at 2007 Harris Hall by September the 24th, 1997.

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ANY Electrical Engineering or Computer Science senior interested in starting a computer manufacturing company please contact Trey Bason at # 858-3858.

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