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## Reports go online

■ A new system will allow students to obtain everything from academic difficulty reports to general teacher comments online.

APRIL HARRISON  
Senior Staff Writer

Getting academic difficulty reports in the mail may soon be a thing of the past.

The University Registrar's office is putting the final touches on an online grade distribution system. The system is meant to replace and improve upon the current system of mailing academic difficulty reports. The idea began when Provost Stiles asked the Registrar's office for help.

"In the spring of 1996, the provost asked us to devise a way for advisors and faculty to communicate more effectively with their students," said university registrar Martha Welch.

This new program will be accessible to all faculty and advisors through the N.C. State web site. Faculty will be able to pull up a list of all their students and type in their own comment or quickly pick one of the listed choices. From this, an email will be generated and sent to the student.

The hope is that the new system will be so easy to use that teachers will not only relay bad information, but also relay praise or inform students quickly of their mid term grades.

"We hope that this won't just be used as an academic difficulty reporting system. We hope that it will allow more communication between students and faculty," Welch said.

Some students don't regularly check their email and others don't even know how to use it. But Welch doesn't seem to think that this will be a cause for concern.

"We don't think it will be a problem. We think that the students will learn about this and it will cause them to go check their e-mail," she said. "Besides, most colleges in the university now require an introductory computer course so students learn how to use their email accounts."

With the latest data showing that 65 percent of NCSU students have visited the NCSU web site, Welch is even more confident.

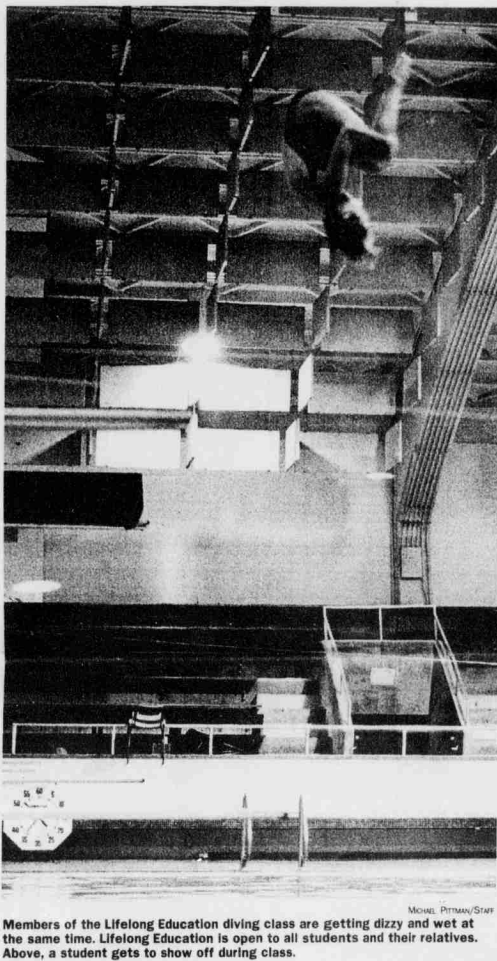
The advisors will also benefit from this new system. Every email that gets generated for a student, good or otherwise, will get placed into that student's personal file. At the click of a button, advisors will have access to this file, allowing them to review a student's progress or potential problems.

The hope is that the ease of the system will help faculty get reports out quicker, which will allow students more time to make better-informed decisions about whether or not to drop a class, Welch said.

"Registration was packed with students the last day of drop this year, and we believe it was because of the academic difficulty reports getting mailed right before drop day," she said.

The new system will be up and running sometime during this academic year.

## Hang time



Members of the Lifelong Education diving class are getting dizzy and wet at the same time. Lifelong Education is open to all students and their relatives. Above, a student gets to show off during class.

MICHAEL PITTMAN/Staff

## Officer falls victim to attack

### Suspects in assault still at large

LEA DELICIO  
Assistant News Editor

Sometimes even our protectors need protecting.

According to a police report by officer G.A. Johannessen of N.C. State's Public Safety, Patrolman Jeff Sutton, also of Public Safety, was assaulted at approximately 3:30 Monday morning while investigating two suspicious persons in the picnic area of the University Club.

Johannessen said in the report that Sutton was patrolling the University Club parking lot when he saw two suspicious persons leaning against a table in the lighted, roofed picnic area located by a wooded region of the property. He radioed in that he would be "out with the two suspicious persons in the picnic area."

Sutton did not have a chance to speak to either of the suspects before one of the subjects kicked him in the groin, the report said. Then, Sutton said, either one or both of the subjects started hitting him in the face. Sutton became disoriented and fell to the ground. The report stated that Sutton then radioed to Johannessen that he needed help.

Johannessen said upon arriving,

he saw Sutton lying face down between two picnic tables and ran to help him. He saw blood coming from Sutton's mouth. Johannessen radioed for an ambulance and notified a second lieutenant already en route to the scene. Raleigh Police units responded as well, Johannessen said.

A total of 19 RPD units, including K-9 and Selective Enforcement Unit officers soon arrived at the scene. The K-9 and Special Enforcement Unit officers conducted a 45-minute search but lost the suspects' scent about 100 yards from the scene, the crime report said.

The report said Johannessen and several other officers conducted a search of the wooded area around the University Club at daybreak but were only able to locate several possible suspects' footprints.

Sutton described the first suspect as a black male in his early to mid-twenties. He is approximately 5'11 and 150 pounds and has a medium complexion. The suspect was wearing a green T-shirt and blue jeans.

The second suspect is also a black male, early to mid-twenties. He is approximately 6'1 and 145 pounds.

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## NCSU employees share paychecks

■ State employees give a percentage of their salaries to help those less fortunate.

NICOLE MILLER  
Staff Writer

Before last spring, Jason McGlauffin never thought a class project could impact the welfare of thousands of North Carolinians.

Now he knows better. Last spring semester, McGlauffin and other students taking Leadership Program, a class required by the Fellows Program and taught by University Chair Art Padilla, changed the face of the annual State Employees Combined Campaign (SECC) that started Wednesday at N.C. State.

SECC gives state employees a chance to give a portion of their salary to their choice of 1,200 participating charities.

"We expect to send the wolf bounding up the Bell Tower in just seven days," SECC chairman Padilla said, describing a unique chart featuring NCSU's mascot that measures the amount of money raised by NCSU employees.

This year the SECC's goal is to raise \$350,000.

In 1996, the SECC exceeded their goal of \$300,000 by raising \$344,240. Close to 50 percent of the faculty participated in the campaign last year. Previously, NCSU has produced nearly 15 percent of the money raised in the state.

This year, there is an added bonus for faculty to participate.

Those donating \$100 or more are eligible to win two round-trip tickets to anywhere Midway Airlines flies, courtesy of Midway. Faculty members donating at least \$50 are eligible to win either four tickets to the N.C. State and UNC-Chapel Hill football game and tickets to the chancellor's pre-game reception, or a one-year reserved parking spot near the employee's place of work.

According to Padilla, a woman spoke at the recent SECC kick-off luncheon of the help the SECC brought her.

After receiving career training as a result of the SECC fundraising, she was moved off welfare and is

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## Respected AG and Life Sciences dean retires

■ After a number of years at NCSU, a renowned educator is calling it quits.

LEA DELICIO  
Assistant News Editor

Over 40 years ago Durward Bateman walked onto the N.C. State campus as a freshman in the College of Education. His stay in the college of education didn't last long, but his affiliation with NCSU certainly did. Effective this past Tuesday, Bateman retired from his position as dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

"I've been dean here eleven years and eight months; that's a pretty long tenure in a position of this type," Bateman said.

Bateman graduated from NCSU in 1956 with a degree in Botany. From there, he planned to go to Cornell University to get his master's degree, then return to NCSU or Duke University for his doctorate degree. However, his two-year stay at Cornell turned into 23 years, as he obtained his master's, then his doctorate, then moved through the faculty ranks to become chairman of the Department of Plant Pathology in 1970. It was not until 1979 that Bateman finally

returned to NCSU as associate dean of CALS.

Under Bateman's direction, CALS has grown and flourished since 1986, when he became dean. Two departments have been added, including a Toxicology department. Student enrollment has increased by almost one-third since 1990. Numbers in the Agriculture Institute are at a record high. Student enrollment in the four-year undergraduate program is at a record high as well.

Bateman looks back on his time at



PHOTO COURTESY NCSU NEWS SERVICES  
Dr. Durward Bateman.

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## Friday IN BRIEF

### Joyner's works at Cultural Center

The recent works of Raleigh artist Charles Joyner will be featured at the N.C. State African-American Cultural Center Gallery until Nov. 21.

The newly opened exhibit, "Cottonville: A Search for Cultural and Spiritual Realities," includes 16 multimedia works portraying images of the rural South. Joyner is a member of the faculty in NCSU's School of Design, where he teaches design and technology. Throughout his 25-year university career, he produced and exhibited his art throughout the United States. This is his first one-person show on the campus.

The exhibit reflects Joyner's research relating to traditional African-American behaviors in many facets of Southern farm life and religion. Each piece captures a "snapshot" of "Cottonville," a religious camp meeting that has been held each year since 1897.

### Color copier available at D.H. Hill

The N.C. State Libraries Photocopy Services has introduced a new service, color copying, at the D.H. Hill Library.

A color copier is located in the circulation lobby outside the entrance to the photocopy services office.

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### Recycling progress made at NCSU

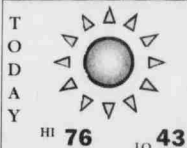
N.C. State recycled more than 5,300 tons of materials in 1996-97, an increase of about 2,500 tons over last year.

To make recycling more convenient, the university has placed more than 788 recycling containers in 119 buildings around campus and more than 39 dumpsters for cardboard materials.

The NCSU Recycling Service collects computer paper, white and mixed paper, magazines, phone books, tires, batteries, used motor oil, yard waste, corrugated cardboard, clear, green and brown glass and aluminum and steel cans. In addition, university employees are taking steps such as duplex printing, using the backs of printed forms for note pads and circulating or posting memos instead of distributing multiple copies.

For more information, call the recycling service at 515-9421.

## OUTSIDE



# Bateman

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NCSU as rewarding. "It's been a very positive experience of being vitally involved in a significant way in the N.C. State community," Bateman said. Bateman believes CALS has had a very beneficial working relationship throughout the state. He has been pleased to see cooperation across all departments in CALS, while the departments still manage to retain a traditional

departmental structure. "When I came to NC State in 1952, I could've never dreamed that I would one day be back in the role of administrator and then lead the college that I was majoring in," Bateman said. Bateman's plans for retirement are like those of many others: relaxation. "I have made a point not to get tied down to a daily routine," Bateman said. "For the next year or so it's going to be a relaxing time, I hope." He and his family plan to maintain their house here in Raleigh. He also hopes to visit his grandchildren in Wisconsin.

Next year Bateman will lead a group to Australia and New Zealand on an agricultural tour. NCSU is providing him with an office in Gardner Hall, where he says he doesn't plan to spend too much time right away. Though he does want to stay involved with NCSU. "I don't plan at this point to teach courses or get involved at that level," Bateman said. Upon Bateman's retirement, James L. Oblinger, the current associate dean of CALS, has been appointed as interim dean, effective October 1. University officials plan to recommend his permanent appointment as dean.

# SECC

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now doing well. "Each year we have an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of thousands of our neighbors," Padilla said. Through the community outreach program project students made it easier for NCSU faculty to help others and choose their charity, as well as create a campaign that was closer to home. One group changed the old thermometer that charted SECC's productivity to a wolf climbing a redder and redder Bell Tower.

"The wolf made the campaign more personal," said McGlauffin. McGlauffin's group also created a new web site for the program that gives the basic information on SECC. He also served as the technical head in creating the web site as well as adding a search engine in order for faculty to choose a participating charity. A second group surveyed faculty to find out what improvements were necessary, and another group changed the SECC applications. All improvements will go into effect this week. "Though the project wasn't direct help like Habitat for Humanity, it did help people by improving the SECC," said McGlauffin. "It is one of the most valuable things I've gained from the Fellows Program."

# Crime

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with a dark complexion. He was wearing a light-colored jacket and blue jeans. Sutton was unsure in which direction the suspects headed when they fled the scene. The report said Sutton was taken to Rex Hospital and released at 9:00 that morning after being treated for face and groin injuries. Sergeant Larry Ellis of Public Safety said that this is the first attack of this nature in almost a year. There are no further leads on the suspects at this time.

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## Class rings

Mandi Blair (left) and Josie Fletcher (right), both sophomores, browse the selection of class rings sold by the NCSU Alumni Association Wednesday afternoon in the brickyard.

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# Sports

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## O'Cain on thin ice — again.

James Curle

COMMENTARY



N.C. State football coach Mike O'Cain is in familiar territory. Unfortunately, it's a territory few coaches like to be in.

After the Wolfpack's stellar start on the gridiron this season with wins against Syracuse and Duke, things were looking up for O'Cain and his staff after two rocky 3-8 seasons.

In the span of two weeks, the Pack had turned the heads of not only Pack fans and alumni, but also the national media. State was ranked No. 25 in the USA/ESPN Coaches Poll following their win against Duke.

But two close losses, including the home opener against Clemson and a nationally televised showdown with Wake Forest just over a week ago, have raised the already-high expectations of State fans to even more stratospheric levels.

The word around the campfire is that if O'Cain can't pull out a couple more miracles (i.e., wins) against FSU and Carolina, his job is all but gone.

Is there anything wrong with this? Perhaps, but that's the name of the game in college football, or any sport for that matter. Win or leave.

But what is a shame is the fact that should O'Cain be fired, it will be the second coach in the past few years here at State that will have been fired (or resigned under outside pressure, which is basically the same thing), and that also happens to be a nice guy.

The other coach I'm referring to is State's former basketball coach and current Athletic Director Les Robinson.

If you've ever spoken to Robinson for any length of time, no matter how brief an encounter it may be, then you can understand where I'm coming from. Les Robinson could be, quite possibly, the nicest man on the planet (apologies to A.J. Carr).

"Nice", however, doesn't win ballgames, and after several sub-par seasons on the court, Robinson resigned from his position as basketball coach.

But Robinson lucked out because the athletic director's position was vacant shortly after his resignation, and he was named interim athletic director. He fit into the role perfectly and has done an admirable job ever since.

This brings us back to O'Cain. He, too, is a really nice guy, and from what I understand, is a family man first, football coach second.

I respect that a great deal. He could have easily pulled a Jimmy Johnson and neglected his family in pursuit of championships and glory.

But he seems to have kept his career in perspective and care a great deal for the ones he loves. For that, coach O'Cain, I salute you.

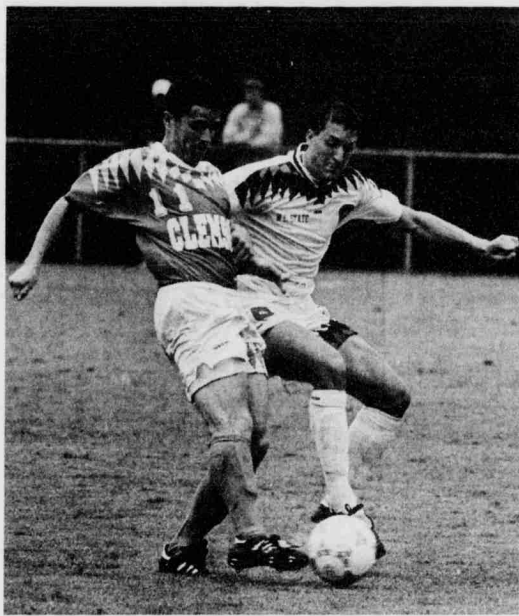
Once again, however, we have a situation of "nice" not winning games, and O'Cain's future is hanging in the balance because of it. And unlike Robinson, there aren't any vacancies (that I'm aware of) of prominent positions in the N.C. State Athletic Department that O'Cain can fill.

So O'Cain may walk off the field at Carter-Finley Stadium for the final time after the ECU game, a victim of the system. A system that unfortunately rewards the Jimmy Johnsons and tosses aside the Mike O'Cains of the coaching world.

If he should get fired, it will be a very tough decision, I'm sure. And like all tough decisions, there are no clear solutions.

To the outsider, concerned only

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Eric Kauffman fights for the ball with a Clemson defender in last Sunday's game.

■ Top-notch soccer competition finds a home in Raleigh this weekend.

K. GAFFNEY  
Sports Editor

It's the proverbial battle between No. 1 and No. 2, and this time, N.C. State has home field advantage.

This weekend's ACC soccer schedule features a match-up of the conference's two top teams at Method Road this Sunday, when the No. 1 ranked Wolfpack takes on the University of Virginia at 2 p.m.

The Cavaliers have been a thorn in the Pack's side for the past few years, as State hasn't scored a goal against perennial powerhouse Virginia, let alone picked up a win since the 1994 season when the Pack was 5-1 in the conference. State lost to the Cavaliers, 2-1 in 1994.

Then again, the Pack hasn't had such an outstanding start since that season either.

The Pack's two in-conference wins this season are more than State has compiled in the past two years combined, but according to senior Oronde Ash no one should be surprised at what coach George Tarantini's 1997 squad is doing.

"I don't think that anybody should be shocked at what we are doing," said Ash. "We have seven senior leaders who have

been through the program and know what ACC soccer, what high-level soccer, is all about. We are out there encouraging and trying to instill in the younger players what N.C. State soccer is all about."

"We have one of the best center midfielders in the country in Pablo, and a core senior defense," continued Ash. "We also have to young, proven finishers. The only surprise is what we are going to do next."

The Pack has been lead offensively by 1996 All-ACC second team honoree Chris Welling and sophomore transfer Sebastian Rodriguez. Both have collected nine points so far this

"I don't think that anybody should be shocked at what we are doing."

—Oronde Ash  
Senior on the men's soccer team

The goal, and the win, which came with only ten men on the field in sudden death overtime, sparked a 4-1 streak that has carried the Pack into this weekend. Four of the five schools have been ranked nationally, three in the top ten at the time, with the only loss coming at the hands of the No. 1 Indiana Hoosiers.

So taking on the No. 4 ranked Cavaliers this weekend will be a familiar situation.

"If we can score first and establish that we

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## Another shot for volleyball

■ The N.C. State volleyball team takes its show on the road this weekend looking for win number one in the ACC.

K. GAFFNEY  
Sports Editor

Call them the best 0-3 team in the conference, and no one will laugh.

While the N.C. State volleyball team may still be looking for that elusive first win, teams all over the Atlantic Coast Conference are keeping a careful eye on the Wolfpack.

State started its conference schedule last weekend, by hosting three home conference match-ups.

After being beaten handily by the University of Virginia and Florida State, the Pack showed what resilience is, by playing tough against last year's undisputed top team in the conference.

Last year the Maryland Terrapins were a perfect 16-0 in the conference. Forget matches, the Terps only dropped two

Last Sunday, the Terps found out exactly what it is like to be the visiting team on center court in Reynolds Coliseum.

State came out tough, and convincingly won the first two games of the match, and then was at match point before the Terps battled back to win the match in five games.

The fact that the 1997 squad appears to be struggling is deceiving. The talent that Head Coach Kim Hall has assembled on this year's team rivals the best individuals ever to put on the Wolfpack red and white.

Jennifer Peterson has already risen to the top of the Wolfpack career digs chart.

While sister Nicole Peterson is second among the career assist leaders, trailing Melinda Dudley's 4750, a record that Peterson should have wrapped up in a matter of weeks.

Laura Kimbrell, arguably one of the most dominant players in the conference, is climbing up the career kills chart for the Pack, while senior Amy Lerner holds spots on two charts. Lernerman is currently fifth on both the career solo

blocks list and the career total blocks list.

This weekend the Pack will take on two more ACC opponents, traveling to Winston-Salem tonight for a 7 p.m. match-up against the Demon Deacons of Wake Forest and taking on Duke Saturday.

The Demon Deacons are No. 8 in the conference at 0-2.

"We are supposed to beat Wake Forest," said State Coach Kim Hall. "We have to go into the game that way. If we play the way we played against Virginia, we'll lose, there is no doubt."

The Blue Devils were picked No. 1 in the preseason coaches poll in conference this year.

So far the Devils stand at No. 4 in the ACC, with a record of 1-1 in the conference and 5-9 overall.

Duke is coming off of a 3-1 win over Georgia Tech and a 3-2 loss to undefeated league leader Clemson.

Against the Tigers, Sarah Peifer had 19 kills and 33 digs, while senior Kristen Campbell contributed 63 assists.



Junior co-captain, Kaitlin Robinson and the Wolfpack look to pick up their first ACC win this weekend.

ALBERT WANGBO/STAFF

## Men's tennis takes the court

■ N.C. State's men's tennis team prepares for off-season tournament.

K. GAFFNEY  
Sports Editor

It may not be tennis season, but there will be some serious tennis taking place in Raleigh this weekend.

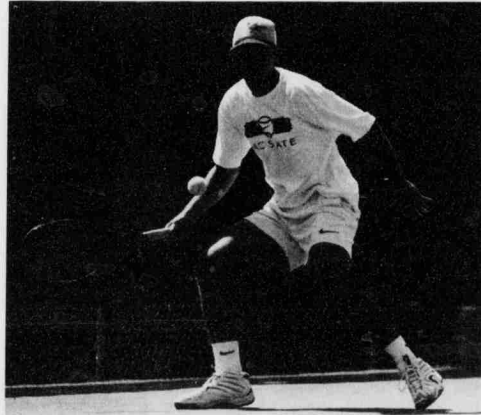
The N.C. State men's team is set to host the Nike/Wolfpack Tennis Classic this weekend.

The tournament will feature eleven other teams from around the area, including UNC-Asheville, UNC-Charlotte and UNC-Wilmington. ACC opponent Maryland and teams from Elon, Appalachian State, American, Campbell, Hampton, Richmond and South Carolina round out the field.

State, under the third year direction of Coach Eric Hayes, looks to use the tournament as a measuring stick to see where the players are individually, and also to watch how the doubles pairings are matching up.

State's No. 1 singles player, Roberto Bracone, will not be competing in either of the two singles draws.

Bracone has been invited to compete in the All-American Tennis Tournament, one



Shaun Thomas keeps his eye on the ball during tennis practice.

HICK TENAIA/STAFF

of four major collegiate tournaments held in the fall.

Bracone will compete on October 16th.

Bracone recently returned from the national Clay Courts, where he advanced to the second round with a 6-3, 1-6, 6-2 win over Dennis Lundberg of Tulane.

The Clay Court tournament was another of the four invitational tournaments. According to Hayes, Bracone is the first State player ever to qualify and receive an invitation to these prestigious events.

Bracone won't just be watching from the sidelines this weekend, though; the junior from St. Petersburg, Fla., will be teaming up with Pack newcomer Eric Jackson in the doubles tournament.

The State duo is seeded second overall in

the tournament, behind Olaf Akesson and Remy Nagle from South Carolina. The two are also ranked No. 2 and No. 3 in Draw A of the singles matches.

Both of the USC players are from overseas, as are most of the top-rated players coming into the Classic this weekend.

State is one of only three teams in the draw that does not have any players from overseas, a purposeful decision by Hayes.

In his three years here at State, Hayes has made an effort to build a program around homegrown players.

"All of these players are here because they were sold on the idea," said Hayes.

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## Cross country ready to run

■ This weekend's invitational should be much tougher than the Wolfpack Invitational.

JONATHAN NOEL  
Staff writer

It's time for a step up in the competition this weekend as the N.C. State men's and women's cross country teams prepare to visit Bethlehem, Pa., for the Lehigh Invitational.

After the relatively easy win at the Wolfpack Invitational two weeks ago, the Wolfpack must change gears in this highly competitive race.

Originally the team had planned to spend this weekend in Orlando, Fla., at the Disney Cross Country Championship. A history of heat problems on the team altered these plans, especially after the Wolfpack Invitational, where several athletes succumbed to the heat.

"The reason we changed from Orlando to Bethlehem was because of the heat problems we had in the race," coach Rollie Geiger said. "We had one athlete (pass out) on the women's side, Jackie (Coscia), and the reason we probably didn't have more was because they ran a shorter event. But we had Chan Pons in the hospital, and then Pat Joyce struggled after the race was over."

This is a relief to several runners who have had problems in the past, and who enjoy the cooler fall weather.

"The fall is my favorite time to run," Corby Pons said. "The leaves are starting to change, and there's a nice cool breeze."

"I had some heat problems," Coscia said. "I'm from New Jersey, so I'd rather run up there."

The Pack takes several key injuries into this weekend's competition.

Pat Joyce, a leader of the men's team, will not be making the trip due to a groin injury. The injury is not

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# UVa

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can go down the field and control the tempo and force them to attack, then that will set the tone," said Ash. "Getting at them first, playing aggressive, not looking like we are scared, that is important."

The Pack hasn't beaten Virginia in the regular season since 1981, and the Cavaliers come into the 1997 season after dominating the ACC for the past seven years.

Since 1990, the Cavaliers have never failed to earn a berth into the NCAA post season tournament, and have walked away with four straight championships.

Two UVa players have earned the title of player of the year in the past three seasons, including 1997 graduate Mike Fisher.

Fisher led the conference with 42 points last season, scoring 11 goals and adding 20 assists.

The Cavs are coming off of a 5-2 win over Liberty on Wednesday.

Senior forward Matt Leonard scored three goals and assisted on another, helping Virginia improve to 7-1-2 overall.

The 2 p.m. game is at Method Road Soccer Stadium, and admission is free with a valid AllCampus ID.

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"We are one of the few teams that are trying to create a successful program with only American players."

"It could be really easy to bring in a couple of foreign players and have a top-rated program with 21 and 22 year-old freshman and sophomores, but we want to do it from home," said Hayes.

According to Hayes, Harvard and Stanford are the only top rated teams in the nation who are trying something similar.

## Men's tennis will be going on this weekend at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex behind Doak Field.

The Classic kicks off at 8 a.m. today, with Keith Salmon, Shaun Thomas, Alex Eaccarino and Eric Jackson playing in the A Singles Draw.

Lone Wolfpack senior Jay Lewandowski will play at 9 a.m., and Erik Graves and Jeffery Smith will play their respective opponents at 9:30.

Also in Draw A, Devang Desai will play at 10 a.m.

In Draw B, Wayne Forester will play at 11 a.m., and Ross Meltzer will play at 11:30 a.m.

The Classic will go on through the weekend, starting at 8 a.m. today, Saturday and Sunday at the Wolfpack Tennis Complex located behind Doak Field on N.C. State's west campus.

# Curle

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with the number in the "wins" column, perhaps the decision is a bit easier.

But to see a man who follows the rules, is concerned about the well-being of his players, and still makes time to be with his family simply get kicked to the curb in favor of a future "Jimmy Johnson" hurts, simply because a good man will be getting the short end of the stick.

Try to remember that the next time you beg for his firing.

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# Run

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believed to be extremely serious, but the team wants to rest him for the more important conference, district and national meets.

The women's 1996 team MVP, Christy Nichols, is recovering from a scope to remove a cyst in her knee. She plans to begin training again on Monday for the first time since mid-May, and it is hoped she will soon be back to run for this year's team.

Besides the weather, the competition at Lehigh should be much different.

"The men's competition will be much better and the women's will not be quite as good," coach Geiger said.

On the men's side, there will be at least five or six ranked teams among the forty who will be making the trip. Mount St. Mary's looks to be a major test, as they bring a loaded team, including several top foreign runners.

"This will be a good test for us," coach Geiger said. "The Wolfpack

Invitational was just a gauge as to where we were in our training cycle. This will be a test to see what level of a team we are."

"It will be a little more competitive than the Wolfpack (Invitational) was, but the strategy still the same, though," Chris Pluchos said. "We try to run as a pack. That's what wins races."

Abdul Alzindani, who won the Wolfpack Invitational, will have additional incentive to run well. He will be facing former high school teammate Steve Shell, who runs for Michigan State.

"He's one of the main reasons I'm running now. It'll be the first time we've run against each other with different uniforms," said Alzindani. On the women's side, the Pack is aiming for a win. Georgetown stands in the way; both are ranked near each other nationally.

Laura Rhoads, an All-American last year, along with Alzindani on the men's side, was named ACC performer of the week after winning the Wolfpack Invitational. Both anticipate big races this week. "Hopefully, we'll be able to rise to that level of competition, individually and team wise," said Meredith Faircloth, as the team prepares for this weekend's meet.

# Pigskin Picks 1997

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# Music

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The Uninvited, finalists in 1995's  
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signed to N2K; Vaporhead (1996  
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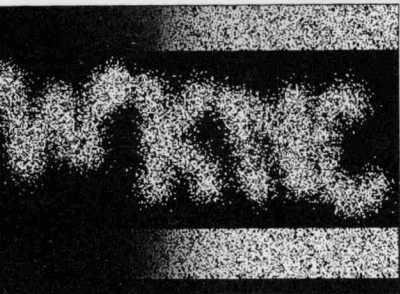
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**Apply for "Leaders of the Pack"**

WHEN: Applications will be available September 26 at the locations listed below. They must be returned by 5 p.m. on October 17 to the Student Center Activities Office Located at 3114 University Student Center.

WHERE: Applications are available on Main Campus at the Student Center Activities Office (3114 University Student Center), Student Development Office (2007 Harris Hall) and Student Government Office (307 Witherspoon Center Annex). They are available on Centennial Campus at the Activities Programs Office (3408 Textiles Complex) and Student Services Office (2437 Textiles Complex).

WHY: The "Leaders of the Pack" committee will honor two students for outstanding achievement in leadership, scholarship and university service. Winners will receive a \$1000 university scholarship and will serve as ambassadors for the university. Please note these scholarships will be awarded at half-time of the November 8 Homecoming game against Maryland.

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## Editorials

# Technology unites campus

■ Fostering communication through e-mail has many benefits.

The N.C. State Registration and Records Office will, at some point this academic year, be adding a new system that will allow advisors and faculty to communicate better with students.

The program will be accessed from the university web page at <http://www.ncsu.edu>. The new system will basically allow professors to be able to go to their computers and access a list of their students around drop time.

Once the system is up, they can then send e-mail to the student about any academic difficulties the student may be having in class. On many occasions in the past, academic difficulty reports were mailed too late in the semester for students to do anything about any problems they were facing.

The professors will be able to type in their own comments or pick from a list of choices regarding academic performance. However, the service will not be used just to tell students they are on the academic difficulty list. It will be a tool to open up the channels of communication between students and professors as nothing before has. Professors will be able to

praise their students and be quicker in giving them their mid-term grades. Also, the professor can make the "first move," so students won't have to feel embarrassed about writing instructors concerning a problem.

Another good benefit of this new system is that it will encourage students to use their e-mail accounts, which every enrolled NCSU student is issued. However, only 65 percent of students use their accounts. As on-line services such as these prosper, more and more people communicate through e-mail. Hence, more and more of our students will be prepared to live with fast-moving technology. This system will cut down on paperwork as well, since the traditional academic difficulty reports will no longer have to be mailed.

Other advantages include having all the e-mail between professors and students put into a computer file for the student. This way, the student's advisor can view any academic difficulty reports and give the students better advice regarding which classes the student should take in the future. NCSU has always been on the cutting edge of technology. This is just another way computers are being utilized to provide services once only dreamed about.

# Charity begins at home

■ Statewide, N.C. State spirit is demonstrated.

Last spring semester, N.C. State students taking Leadership Theory, a class required by the Fellows Program, changed the face of a program that raises money for charity.

The State Employees Combined Campaign (SECC) lets state employees give a portion of their salary to a choice of 1,200 participating charities. In a project, students in the leadership theory class made it easier for faculty and staff members to choose their charities as well as creating more of a Wolfpack touch to the campaign.

One group changed the old thermometer of SECC's productivity chart to a wolf climbing a Bell Tower, two of the most prominent symbols of NCSU. Another group created a web site for the program, and one group surveyed faculty to make improvements. Class members also changed SECC applications.

This year the SECC's goal is to raise \$350,000. And with incentives such as airline and football tickets, the goal should be met with ease.

The students who participated in making the campaign more personal performed a great service for the employees. Even more than that, state employees are helping those less fortunate by donating their money.

Efforts such as these happen on the NCSU campus on a daily basis. Fraternity and sorority organizations donate their time and money to many worthy causes.

Some student organizations such as Habitat for Humanity make it their entire mission to help others. Other people spend time helping out the community without the full-time commitment.

And some are participating in community service at NCSU, through the SECC. The SECC is an annual event to raise money for participating charities.

The university should be applauded for its outreach to the outside community.

REX BAJIN Times Union

# PRESIDENT CLINTON'S BOLD, NEW ANTI-SMOKING POLICY...



# Consequences of sex

DAN HOUCK Staff Columnist

One day in high school, I asked a friend of mine if she could help me with a project that afternoon. Her answer was no, and her explanation was that she had a doctor's appointment. It was a common enough answer, and I thought nothing of it. But then her face flooded with tears. This was not just any doctor visit, she explained, she was going with her boyfriend to have an HIV test. It seems that one of his ex-girlfriends had come down with AIDS and was worried that he might have contracted it. This incident really made me stop and think. Sadly enough, she did have AIDS.

Death should not be a common thought of young adults. Mortality should be several decades away. But it's not — and not everyone

realizes that it could be tomorrow. "That won't happen to me — I'm young, healthy, and strong," we think. Strange how life can be struck down by a virus that only the most powerful microscopes can see.

Twelve million new cases of sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) are found yearly, and two-thirds of these cases are in people under the age of 25. At this rate, one in four Americans will have an STD at some point in their life. Maybe even the person you are sitting beside now has or had an STD.

It is true that many of the 20 STDs are treatable with antibiotics, but there exist many viral infections that are incurable. The U.S. Center for Disease Control estimates that fifty-five million Americans suffer from an incurable STD and that they will live. That is one in five Americans! This portion of the

population will suffer consequences from painful outbreaks to chronic liver disease to cancer to death.

There are more consequences to sex than just STDs. I have seen pregnant girls in school since the seventh grade. Every year, more than a million girls under the age of 20 become pregnant in the United States. This accounts for more than one in eight births. My heart always suffers for them because, more than likely, these young women will have to work to raise the children themselves.

For the past 21 years, three billion dollars have been spent by federal and state governments to promote "safe sex." Safe sex is usually defined as using a condom during sexual intercourse.

Studies have shown that condoms have a failure rate of between 10 and 30 percent. As for preventing the spread of diseases, condoms are

not a pillar of strength. Doctors at the University of Texas reviewed 11 independent studies on condom use and concluded, "When it comes to the sexual transmission of HIV, the only real prevention is not to have sex with someone who has or might have HIV." But a condom is better than nothing at all.

"Even the young and the brave can be fooled by the shenanigans of runaway emotions." This is a quotation from Dr. James Dobson's book, "Life on the Edge." As college students, we are thrown into a world where our parents' words are our only guide. We deal with new emotions and situations for which our family life could not prepare us. Most of the time all we need to do is step back and reconsider things. Just think of the millions who wished they had.

# College can be difficult

SHUNTEIRCE JOHNSON Staff Columnist

Lately, I've been thinking that high school seniors should not come directly from high school to college. It's not that they are too immature to attend college; it's just that a year or two away from the classroom often presents more opportunities for growing up than a year in a freshman residence hall.

When I enrolled in college, I didn't feel as though I had a real commitment to education. College, in my then naive opinion, was a place to party without any parental supervision while taking a few classes in between to "broaden horizons." I thought that college would be kind of like the television show, "A Different World" — a

bunch of kids with an overwhelming amount of freedom having fun. But it's not. College is a lot harder than high school, which means you are supposed to be responsible and work harder. At the end of my freshman year, I was surprised to find that my grade point average had dropped significantly even though I spent the majority of my time at parties, sporting events, and local off-campus bars. Maybe I should have gotten a job instead of going straight to college. It would have saved my parents a whole lot of money.

I remember the day I graduated. My father took me aside and gave me two choices, "Shunteirce," he said, "You are either going to go to college or getting a job." Thinking I

was taking the easy way out, I picked college. I often replay this conversation in my head, especially on my way home from work after I have been in class all day. I went from either choice to both in a little over a year. For students who simply need to make money for school, working is not a bad option. As colleges all across the country have halted the policy of guaranteeing financial aid to those who need it, many students are choosing to sit out for a year or two in order to earn tuition money. Luckily, my parents are financially able to pick up the tab where financial aid left off. I think that if I had worked part time during high school, it would have prepared me for the hardships of college. I used to ignore my parents when they said

things like, "People who work demonstrate more of a potential for future leadership." I realized that they were right when I went to fill out an application for my first real job over the summer. It was embarrassing leaving the previous work experience section blank. I had only worked once before, but that was at K-Mart. Since I quit after about two weeks, I couldn't possibly write it down. So I did the only honorable thing, I left it blank. I think the first semester was the hardest for me to get through. I was so used to having my parents close by to straighten things out for me after I made a complete and total mess of my life that I had no idea on how to solve basic problems for

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# Burn in hell? I think not

RYAN KELLOGG Staff Columnist

bliss and one of eternal damnation, but the qualifications of who gets in. You see, I'm not a Christian or for that matter any organized religious follower. I haven't been baptized or gone through un-teen rituals in Latin. I've been to church maybe a dozen times in my life. And I haven't been "saved."

But I'm no atheist. I believe in the God of Judeo-Christian tradition, which is why for the past year I've had a need to find some sort of truth in the midst of all of the man-made doctrines and rules that make up so many of the various sects. In order to better understand what I was searching for I looked back at the historical roots of religion, with special interest to Christianity.

Religion has been around since

the dawn of civilization. Most anthropologists agree that worship of some form or another was one of the first signs of homo sapiens' culture. The mystery and fear of death no doubt were chief influences for our ancestors' early beliefs. After a while these religions grew in their scope to explain the unknown like the weather or the stars. Eventually these rituals became more structured, and as they drew larger followings they came to define the morality and ideals of a society.

No time better embodied this influence in life than the church of the Middle Ages. Rome was the undisputed source of medieval laws, politics, architecture, literature and arts. Despite its

sometimes questionable doctrines and ease of corruption, the church remained the lone source of unity for Western civilization. So, from the fall of the Roman Empire to the discovery of the New World the order of things remained this way until two important changes occurred: the Protestant Reformation and the scientific revolution. These two events brought about huge changes in Christianity, which in turn would define the role of religion in modern life.

The Reformation, of course, splintered the church into numerous sects, each with its own unique doctrine. So, while it created a new source of freedom, it also further

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added to the confusion of the human interpretation of God's word. The differences between what a Catholic believes and what a Baptist believes practically make the two appear to be different religions altogether.

If the Reformation rearranged some of the beliefs, then the scientific revolution simply blew them away. Many events once explainable by faith became hard facts based on man's observations. Copernicus' heliocentric model of the solar system and Darwin's theory on evolution took Old Testament teachings of creationism and ripped them to shreds. Although some people still hold on to the idea that the world is only 6000 years old and fossils are a trick to confuse us, the vast majority of civilization has accepted what science has revealed.

Even today the march of advancement continues with works like the human genome project and the cloning of DNA; soon even the mystery of life will be under the realm of mankind's knowledge.

So where does this leave room for God or religion? The answer is: its original role; a source of moral guidance and an explanation to the still mysterious death.

I was camping with a friend of mine last summer who was attending a private Christian school. I had never really spoken with him about his beliefs until one day when we got into a discussion about the end of the world. Amid talk of Nostradamus, four horsemen, and Armageddon he asked me if I had accepted Jesus Christ as my savior. To say the least I was a bit put off for the next few minutes, as I saw my less than angelic bud turn into a saint in his attempt to save my immortal soul from "burning in the lakes of hell."

Now up to that point, I hadn't given the idea of being "saved" much thought. The way my friend described it, though, it seemed like a good thing to do; anything beats being tortured for eternity. But the more I heard, the less I liked.

Apparently Baptists and most other Protestant sects believe that once "saved," you have a guaranteed ticket to heaven. This would hold true even if a person, were to - say - rob, rape, and kill on a frequent basis; they would still be alright,

because they've accepted Jesus Christ as their savior. In fact, it's such a sweet deal it seems you can be a veritable human scumbag your whole life and still check in at the pearly gates. But man, if you're one of those billions of hard working, moral, decent human beings who don't live in a more "enlightened" region of the planet, then BOOM...off to rot in hell.

When I first heard this, it blew me away. Maybe I'm way behind the learning curve here, but the God I believe in wouldn't send four billion people to hell simply because they didn't believe in a certain human interpretation or were of a different culture. If that's the case, the devil must have put up the no-vacancy sign long ago.

What exactly would be the point of morality and all the virtuous teachings of the Bible if there were no incentive to follow them? This laissez-faire attitude of salvation seems to me to be another excuse for people not to take responsibility for their own actions. Your average Joe can be a good Christian and go to church on Sunday while the rest of the week he can cheat on his wife, lie to his boss, and generally give less about his fellow man, but hey, it's alright—he's saved!!

It seems to me a just God (and if God is not just then what is He) would judge people based on how they lived their life on earth and how they treated their fellow man, not what amounts to be a cultural belief.

But I guess that's the inherent problem with any organized religion — in order to believe in something, everyone who doesn't share those beliefs must be wrong and consequently damned.

It makes me wonder though if those people who believe that followers of Buddhism, Hindu, Islam, and Judaism are condemned have ever considered a certain question: Do you honestly believe you would still be Christian if you were born and raised in China by Buddhist parents?

I guess that's pretty much where I stand in my progress, seeking a truth that rewards the truly good and punishes those that deserve it. Redemption is one thing, but eventually there's a point of no return, a fact that any religion I follow needs to recognize.

If you want to "save" this poor humanist or just state your own view on religion, you can e-mail him at [rpkellogg@eos.ncsu.edu](mailto:rpkellogg@eos.ncsu.edu) or write in to Campus Forum via Technician.

# Johnson

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myself. I think I spent an average of two hundred dollars per month on long-distance phone bills. While learning to be an independent young woman, I made MCI a very rich company.

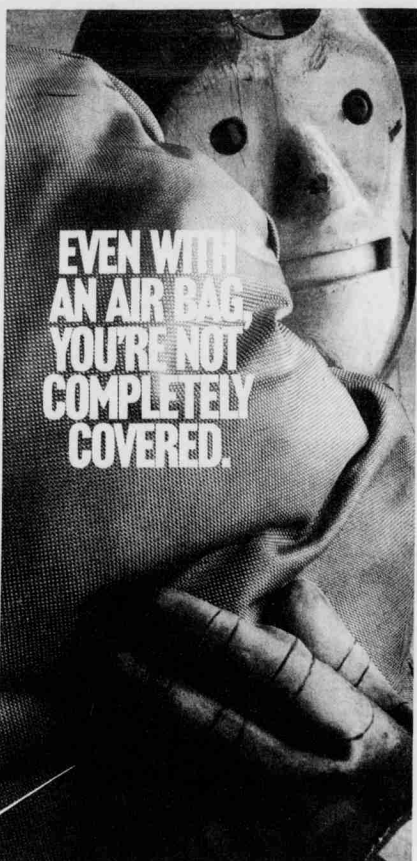
I think that one of the qualities of great leaders is that they are risk-takers. We, as a society, will only get so far by doing things the way that they have always been done. To me, taking time off is a clear demonstration of creativity and courage, which I didn't have at the time I graduated from high school. I was so worried about disappointing my family and following my classmates that I didn't give myself a chance to explore my other options. I'm not saying that I would have put off college; I just would have liked the opportunity to make that decision myself.

Had I waited to go to college, would I be a more mature and productive member of society? I'll never know the answer to that question, but maybe it would have helped me focus on my educational goals. When I enrolled as a freshman at the University of Connecticut, I was thrown into an educational program. I had less

than three months from the time high school ended to the time college started to map out my entire life. I am only a sophomore, and already I am burned out from just taking many of my core requirements. I think that if I had taken a year off, I would have been less focused on a science curriculum and more willing to explore my outside interests. I probably would have still wanted a medical career, but I also would have taken courses to build up other interests. I feel that I haven't allowed myself much room to grow into the self-sufficient adult that I am supposed to be by the time I graduate.

College isn't a decision I regret — I just wish I could have been able to base some of my decisions on things I actually believed in.

College wasn't a decision that I consciously made because, according to my father, heaven is spelled C-O-L-L-E-G-E and all of his children will go whether they want to or not. I'm not saying that I don't agree with him because during my three semesters of college I have learned a lot of things about myself that I didn't know before. I only wish I could have experienced Americorps or traveling on my own first in order to broaden my horizons before I locked myself into the class of 1999.



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NATIONAL NEWS

Vigilante mother freed, apologizes

Under a plea bargain, the mother apologized publicly for killing the man accused of molesting her son.

MARK ARAX AND MAURA DOLAN Los Angeles Times

SONORA, Calif. - Ellie Nesler, the vigilante mother who gunned down a man charged with sodomizing her son, implored others Wednesday to learn from her "mistake" and walked out of prison after serving nearly four years for the notorious courtroom killing.

Nesler, 45, was freed on parole under a plea bargain negotiated after the California Supreme Court overturned a jury finding that she was sane at the time of the shooting.

Reading from a slip of paper, her voice breaking, Nesler told a crowded courtroom here Wednesday that she regretted the shooting. "I urge anyone who feels compelled to take justice in their own hands to learn from my mistake," said Nesler, who stood shackled in a mustard-colored prison jumpsuit. "Please seek help. I can tell you, doing what I did will only compound the situation and cause more pain for your loved ones. This is from the bottom of my heart and everything in it. It's from me."

Under the plea bargain, Nesler was required to make what California Attorney General Dan Lungren called a "statement of remorse."

In complying with the condition, the once-defiant mother apologized for killing Daniel Driver during his preliminary hearing on charges he molested her son, then 7, and three other boys at a Christian camp.

"I am especially sorry to Daniel Driver's family, the judges and the American public for the pain I caused when I undermined the sanctity of the courtroom," said Nesler, who wore her her way, dark-brown shoulder-length hair

back from her face. "Although I felt justified at the time, I can honestly say I am sorry for taking a man's life."

Nesler's son, Willie, now 16, came to court wearing a yellow ribbon pinned to his shirt and clutching a pink rose for his mother. He held his arm around his sister, Rebecca, 12.

"We're ready to go on with our lives and put this behind us," said the teen-ager, now more than 6 feet tall, with brown spiky hair and a hint of a mustache.

In 1993, Nesler's son had been waiting in a witness room to testify when his mother pulled a gun from her purse and fired five rounds into Driver's back. The boy had been vomiting all that morning, apprehensive about seeing the man accused of molesting him five years earlier.

He said Wednesday he always believed his mother's promise that she would make it back to him and his sister.

"My mother has never lied to me," he said. "She is best mom in the world."

Nesler pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity during her trial for first-degree murder. Jurors found her guilty of the lesser crime of voluntary manslaughter, and in a separate sanity phase, decided she was sane during the killing.

But the Supreme Court, citing jury misconduct, struck down the sanity finding in an August ruling. Rather than retry her on her mental state, Lungren's office agreed to reduce the sentence if she pleaded guilty to manslaughter and dropped her insanity plea. The agreement made her eligible for immediate parole, more than a year ahead of her scheduled January 1999 parole date.

"I want to make clear that I am not to be lumped in with those who have cheered Ms. Nesler on through these proceedings," Lungren said in a prepared statement. "I have no sympathy for child molesters, but I have an abiding faith in our criminal justice system and trial by jury, warts and all."

NBC refuses ratings

Despite pressure from the television industry and government, NBC refuses to show TV warning labels before each show.

JANE HALL AND ROBERT JACKSON Los Angeles Times

Despite threats of government reprisal, NBC reiterated its opposition Wednesday to the new parental warning labels that the rest of the television industry has put into effect.

In a letter to Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee, NBC President Bob Wright said the network will continue its use of age-based ratings categories without adding new labels denoting sex, coarse language, violence and suggestive dialogue.

"We will maintain the use of the age-based ratings system because we feel it provides parents with the most reliable and consistent information possible," Wright said.

"We have always understood that the system you are endorsing is voluntary and that each network has the prerogative to adopt the system we believe is best for our viewers."

McCain said he was disappointed in NBC's response to his call for the network to employ the same ratings system that the rest of the industry began using Wednesday. "How can they call it censorship to add a system that everybody else in their industry has agreed to do?" he asked.

The extra letters of S, V, L and D (for sex, violence, coarse language and suggestive dialogue) were added under pressure from Congress members and parents' groups who said that the industry's six original age-based categories (ranging from the all-inclusive TV-G to TV-MA for programming intended for mature viewers) did not provide enough information to

help parents screen objectionable programming for their children. McCain said that he will meet with supporters "to decide on a course of action" in response to NBC's decision.

In a letter to Wright earlier this week, McCain said he would urge the Federal Communications Commission to consider revoking the license of NBC stations if they do not provide the enhanced ratings. He also threatened to move forward with a bill that would limit violent programming to late-night hours on any station that does not adopt a content-based ratings system.

NBC West Coast President Don Ohlmeyer told reporter Wednesday that "if you read the threats he (McCain) puts in his letter, how can anyone say this is 'voluntary'?"

Meanwhile, Rep. Ed Markey, D-Mass., said Wednesday that he will send a letter to each of the general managers of NBC's more than 200 affiliated stations, urging them to rate shows for families in their communities.

"We may be able to get a significant number of (managers) to challenge New York" on the network's policy, he said.

In the letter, Markey asks stations to consider putting the enhanced ratings on NBC's shows themselves.

"For the sake of your local audience, I hope you will do everything in your power not to balkanize the (enhanced) ratings system by simply passing through the flawed rating scheme that NBC is attempting to force you to do," Markey writes.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., also expressed support for McCain's position, but not so Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., chairman of the commerce subcommittee in the House. "This should be a matter between NBC and its viewers, not a gun to NBC's head from Congress," he said.

U.S. considers mission to Congo

The United States is attempting to break the impasse over the United Nations human rights investigation.

JOHN M. GOSHKO The Washington Post

UNITED NATIONS - The United States is considering sending a high-level mission to Congo in an effort to break a six-week deadlock between President Laurent Kabila and a U.N. human rights team that has been prevented from investigating alleged massacres of refugees.

Sources said that if Washington goes ahead with the plan, the mission would be headed by a special envoy with strong credentials for influence and expertise in African affairs, possibly a member of Congress or someone not serving in government. They said a decision was expected from Washington within one or two days.

According to the sources, Secretary General Kofi Annan has agreed to give the mission two weeks to see what it can accomplish before the U.N. determines whether to withdraw the rest of its investigating team. The U.S. mission would seek talks with Kabila and would visit other countries in the region such as Uganda, Angola and Rwanda. These countries helped Kabila's rebels in their successful campaign to overthrow longtime dictator Mobutu Sese Seko last May, and the U.S. mission would seek their aid in influencing Kabila.

The U.S. initiative arose in discussions between U.S. officials and Annan, whose difficulties in gauging Kabila's intentions about cooperating with the investigation caused him Wednesday to order the four team leaders to New York for consultations. Annan acted in the wake of reports from the Reuters news agency and an African-based agency that Kabila had called for the U.N. team to leave the country. To compound the confusion, on

Thursday Reuters issued a terse advisory saying its original report about remarks allegedly made by Kabila at the Lusaka, Zambia, airport "is wrong and is withdrawn."

Reuters said Kabila did not speak to reporters at the airport about the U.N. investigation and did not, as originally reported, say, "We request Kofi Annan to ask them to leave." The original Reuters report also quoted Kabila as saying in Lusaka: "These investigators are just issuing statements from posh hotels in Kinshasa. They have failed to go to these areas to prove that the massacres took place." That statement, the Reuters retraction said, was made at a Sept. 29 banquet. No explanation was given of why Reuters had sent out the original report.

U.N. officials said that while Annan had been concerned by the comments attributed to Kabila, the report was not the reason he had recalled the team's leaders and Thursday's retraction would not affect their travel to New York. Instead, the officials said, Annan was motivated primarily by the fact that the team has been forced to sit idly in Kinshasa for almost six weeks because Kabila's government has refused to give members access to suspected massacre sites. "He felt it was time to sit down directly with the team leaders and try to figure out what Kabila's game is and how to deal with it," said one U.N. official who asked not to be identified.

It was in that context, sources said, that Bill Richardson, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, broached to Annan the possibility of an American mission.

The U.N. team went to Congo on Aug. 24 to look into reports that Kabila's rebels, during their military campaign against Mobutu, massacred Rwandan Hutu refugees. The Hutus, apparently including many women and children, allegedly were killed by the Tutsi-dominated rebel forces in retaliation for the 1994 slaughter of a 500,000 Tutsis in Rwanda.

Japan's economy suffering lows

Japan is currently only able to support itself through exports.

SANDRA SUGAWARA The Washington Post

TOKYO - Business confidence here has plummeted, consumer confidence has done a nose dive, the approval ratings of Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto have fallen sharply, and Japan's trade surplus is not going to decline any time soon.

That's the news from the Bank of Japan, which this week released its "Tankan" quarterly survey of business confidence, and from a number of other recently published statistics and polls. Despite assurances from political leaders that the country's now seven-year-old economic downturn is near an end, the numbers keep pointing the other way.

The central bank's survey found that business leaders, whether at large manufacturers or small service companies, have grown increasingly pessimistic about their firms' prospects. Other government reports, released Tuesday, said key indicators such as housing starts, industrial production and retail sales fell in August.

Earlier statistics revealed that Japan's economy shrank 2.9 percent during the April-June period, its worst performance in 23 years.

It's all bad news for the United States as well. It wants Japan's economy to warm up, fueled by domestic demand that would draw in a wave of imports and reduce the country's trade surplus. But so far, Japan seems able to stoke its economy only through exports.

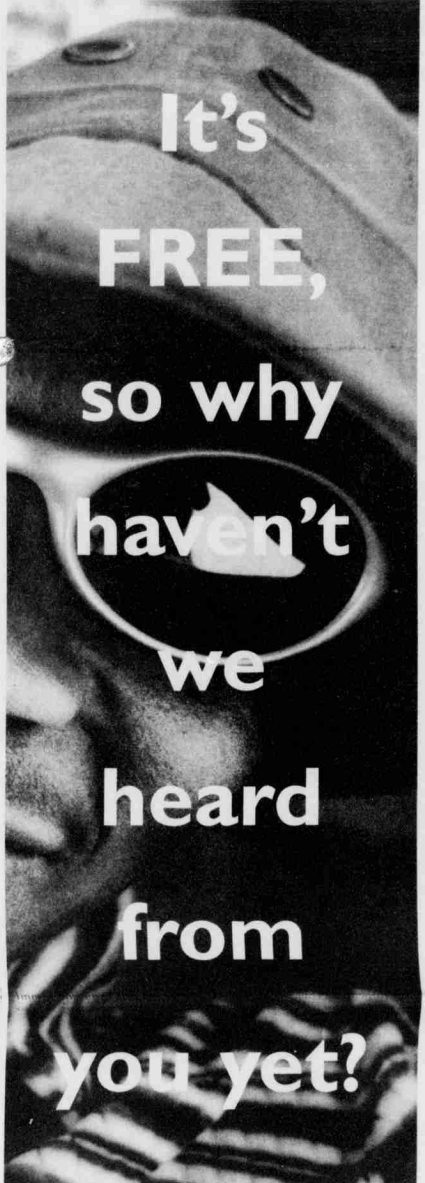
Hashimoto's falling popularity, caused by an unsuccessful attempt

to appoint a politician convicted of taking bribes to his cabinet, is also a concern in Washington. It has raised worries about his ability to win legislative support for his deregulation efforts, which U.S. officials see as key to opening Japanese markets to U.S. products.

Together, these factors have created a crisis of confidence for people like Fumishige Saito, a 49-year-old manager at an insurance company who was interviewed on his way to lunch this week. He said he is going to wait another year to buy a car, and that he goes out to dinner half as much as he used to, despite the fact that he hasn't lost his job. "I just don't think the economy is doing well."

Fed up with the downturn, Japanese businessmen are pressuring the government for tax breaks and other changes that they say would stimulate the economy. Top officials of Japan's largest business group, the Keidanren, met Tuesday with Ministry of International Trade and Industry officials to say they were exasperated with the continually upbeat assessments mouthed by government leaders.

"I hardly hear that domestic demand is getting any better," Hiroshi Saito, chairman of Nippon Steel Corp., told the officials. "It is getting worse day by day in some industries."



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