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Proposal threatens plus/minus grading

Faculty Senate considers plus/minus grading system proposal.

JOSHI JUSTIN
Assistant News Editor

At N.C. State, the plus/minus grading system has spurred every type of criticism and evasion. This type of system is advantageous to many due to difficulty of classes. However, it is a hassle to some who feel that their grade point averages are suffering.

If the proposal that has been delivered to the Faculty Senate from the Student Senate is approved, then critics' concerns could be eased.

The plan on the table is to keep plus/minus grading, but for figuring GPAs, the grade will count as a whole number. For instance, a B+ will be calculated as a 3.0 and a C- as a 2.0.

"This is a proposal that the Faculty Senate is considering," said

Frank Abrams, senior associate provost for Academic Affairs.

"The compromise will need a number of approvals, but it should happen in due time," Abrams said. The plus/minus grading system was implemented three years ago, and it was decided that an evaluation would take place at the end of a three-year period to analyze the system and assess any necessary changes or improvements.

The Student Senate appears supportive of the proposal. "A representative of the Student Senate endorsed this idea," Abrams said. "The university as a whole is still reviewing the proposal."

Although formal discussion of the future of the plus/minus grading system has only been going on since the beginning of the semester, many advocates and critics of this system have been voicing their opinions for the past few years.

"There has been lots of informal discussion since its

implementation," Abrams said. "Everybody looked at its impact."

"Student reaction to this proposal has been divided. Some are adamantly supportive; others are opposed, with an occasional few in the middle of the road.

"I don't really like the old system," said Jill Bradshaw, a sophomore in engineering. "I like this proposal, because if you get a B-, it's still a 3.0 for your GPA."

Austin Adams, junior in business management, is not an advocate of the current system. "The plus/minus system has never helped me, only hurt me," Adams said. "I think this new idea is good."

Jason Humphrey, a junior in science education with a concentration in chemistry, has never really been affected by the plus/minus system. "A lot of the classes I have taken don't use it, so I'm not used to it," Humphrey said. "However, I don't like the fact that

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Event honors many

Honors convocation welcomes a full house.

DANIELLE STANFIELD
Senior Staff Writer

A full Stewart Theatre hosted N.C. State's 12th Annual Honors Convocation on Tuesday, with the voices of NCSU's Men's Glee Club and guest speaker Henry Petroski welcoming those in attendance.

Petroski, Duke University professor and chair of the department of environmental and civil engineering, spoke on the importance of pursuing scholarship as a lifelong learning experience.

"The roots of wisdom come from a full life of the mind," he said. Petroski offered the evolution and fall of Honor Fraternity keys, like those of Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi, as an example of the lack of academic interest and pride.

Dating back to the 1920s, keys were hung on the chains of pocket watches and became part of an Honor Society member's daily dress. Petroski also explained that the similarity between the society keys and the watch-winding keys of the period was no coincidence.

However, as fashion changed and battery-powered watches became more common, watch-winding keys became less useful and less



John N. Wall provides the welcome speech during 12th Annual Honors Convocation.

fashionable; now, fewer people openly display or even carry the keys of their honor and professional fraternalities. According to Petroski, this is because of less interest in the "academic spirit."

As a solution, he urges students and members to take pride in their organizational memberships and hold them sacred. "The new millennium will equal new opportunities," he said. "Take the invitation to look beyond the utility of the object and seek connection to understand the world of ideal and the real."

Before Petroski's speech, distinguished faculty, undergraduate and graduate students were honored.

Among them were the recipients of the Holladay Medal for Excellence. This medal was established to recognize members of the NCSU faculty who have made outstanding contributions to the university through their

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Senate tables anti-trustee resolution

A reluctant Student Senate backs away from controversial bill.

JACK DALY
Staff Writer

The N.C. State Student Senate announced Wednesday that it has tabled a resolution that criticized the NCSU Board of Trustees for their "haughty disrespect" for students and faculty.

Andrew Payne, chair of the senate's academic committee, said the resolution was tabled in an effort to gather more information. "We need more information

before we proceed," Payne said. "It might come back up, it might not. We just need a lot more information, and that is where we are after right now."

Student Senate President Jim Claggett also felt the committee did not have enough information to go forward with the resolution.

"We tabled it mostly because the committee decided it did not have enough information and stuff to accurately represent the students," Claggett said. "There were some uncertainties whether or not the Board of Trustees was already limited in the ways the resolve

clause was going to limit them. Because of these uncertainties, the committee wanted to table it and do more research on it."

Claggett said the possibility remains that the resolution will come up again. He said the resolution would not have passed the senate in its current form, since some of the information in it is possibly incorrect. In the future, a less abusive but more accurate version might appear and be passed in the senate, Claggett said.

The resolution was drafted in response to the NCSU Board of Trustees' recent overturning of a

cheating conviction. It was introduced by Andrew Payne and called on the board to "amend the current appeal process to limit their review to procedural matters."

The resolution, however, also contained somewhat abusive wording. During the meeting, Trustee and Student Body President Chad Myers urged the senate to change the language of the bill to something less inflammatory. Myers also declared that Keith Harrod, chair of the trustees, is more than willing to talk to the senate.

Study: alcohol, drugs lead to lower GPAs

Students with drug and alcohol violations show lower-than-average GPAs.

STEVEN BROWN
Staff Writer

Nobody ever said it helps your grades. But until now, nobody could demonstrate that it hurt them either.

The Office of Student Conduct at N.C. State conducted a recent informal study of the effects of alcohol and drug use on student grade point averages. It showed the following results: the school average GPA is 2.78, students who receive alcohol violations have a GPA of 2.49, and students with drug violations received a GPA of 2.09.

The drug violation results were taken from 83 cases during the 96-

'97 academic year. That number has increased steadily over the past three years by about 20 cases.

The alcohol statistics were obtained randomly from 83 cases out of about 240 violations last year.

"We felt that it was fair to compare a similar number of cases for both alcohol and drugs," said Deb Luckadoo, director of Student Conduct at NCSU.

These findings show students with alcohol violations and drug violations cannot maintain a GPA high enough to be admitted into the College of Engineering or School of Design.

"There's no way that I can say that having an alcohol violation caused the student to get a 2.49 instead of an 2.78, but I think our numbers are enough to say that there has to be some kind of a relationship there," said Luckadoo. Most of the 240 violations on

campus involved simple possession of alcohol: a student who was caught drinking in the Bragaw breezeway, a student walking through campus with a six-pack in his backpack or a student walking through Fraternity Court with a beer in hand.

The results of the study only take into account on-campus violations. For example, people who were surprised by being ticketed at the Lawn Party are not part of this study.

"Students come to college thinking that it's an environment that encourages drinking," said Luckadoo.

Student Conduct put together the study to help the student body understand that the use of drugs and alcohol on campus has been associated with below average grade point averages at NCSU, Luckadoo said.

The time involved in taking care of an alcohol violation is probably what students find takes away from their assumed study time, Luckadoo said. The Public Safety officer who apprehends them first writes the student a Citation for the Court of Wake County and a Campus Appearance Ticket. They must then present themselves to Student Conduct for review of their case and to help them deal with the problem. Student Conduct then refers them to NCSU Legal Services to help them take the right steps in court so that they may be able to eventually clear their record.

They then must appear in court, where they will probably be given the option to take part in the 90-96 Program. This program costs \$150 and requires the student to appear six nights a month, for a total of

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Friday IN BRIEF

Weather forecast office recognized

The National Weather Forecast Office of Raleigh, which is located on Centennial Campus, was recently recognized for its outstanding applied research. The award comes after many years of cooperation between N.C. State's department of marine, earth, and atmospheric sciences and the office, according to John Forsing of the national weather service. He adds that the local and winter storm warning systems of the Raleigh office now rank among the best in the nation. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, which bestowed the honor, made special note of "joint severe weather operations" between the office and NCSU faculty and graduate students. The operations, notes Forsing proudly, "have done much to foster productive relationships between researchers and operational forecasters, while providing the academic community with a very valuable operational perspective of meteorology."

Pfiesteria on the web

More than 100 people call JoAnn Burkholder's office at N.C. State every day, seeking information about Pfiesteria piscicida. This toxic organism has killed millions of fish in Mid-Atlantic waters and has been linked to human illnesses.

A web site created by Burkholder, the world's foremost Pfiesteria expert, can help answer the questions of the curious.

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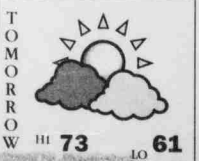
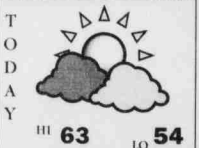
The site can be found at: http://www2.ncsu.edu/unity/lockers/project/aquatic_botany.

Burkholder has been featured in hundreds of newspapers, magazines and television shows for her work regarding the fish-killing bacteria.

Free online career guidance available

Stuck in a job you hate? Trapped in a dead-end field? Before you check out the classifieds, check out the Career Key, a free Internet site that helps job seekers and students identify careers that offer the best opportunities for them. The site is located at <http://www2.ncsu.edu/unity/lockers/users/l/lkj>. It's the brainchild of Lawrence Jones, a professor of counselor education at N.C. State. Based on the work of psychologist John Holland, the site helps job hunters identify which of six personality types best describes them -- realistic, investigative, artistic, social, enterprising or conventional. Users can then link to a list of jobs that fit their personalities and to relevant sites such as the Bureau of Labor's Occupational Outlook Handbook. A comparable service is usually available only through a school or professional career counselor.

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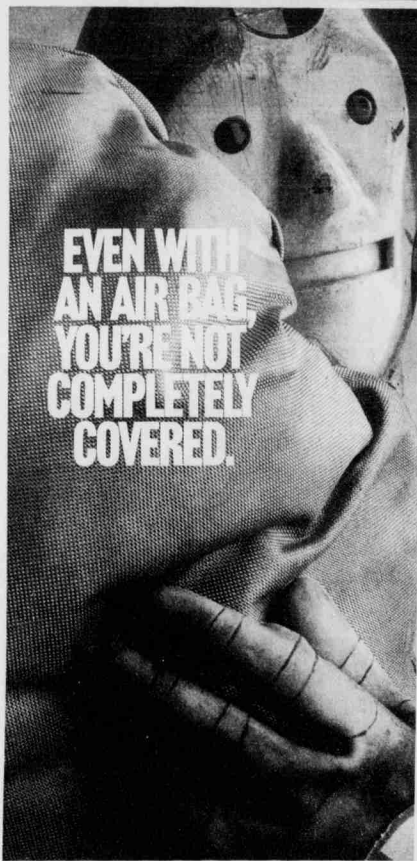
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twelve hours, at an alcohol education program at Cary High School. They can then return to the court after six months. If they have kept clean and completed the program they can have their record cleared.

During this time the student must also find a way to tell their parents and then see where they will get the \$150 fee. In some cases this might mean adding a job to the student's schedule.

This is a process most commonly used with 18-year-old freshmen. An

older student would only have to mail in a fine payment. It is important to remember that these are on-campus violations, meaning that in most cases it is younger students who live in the dorms that are involved, Luckadoo said.

"It's not a pleasant experience and it is time-consuming. So it very well might have an impact on their GPA," said Luckadoo.

The university has shown increasing concern about drinking-related problems because of the four widely publicized deaths at different colleges that were due to over-intoxication, Luckadoo said. She said University Housing is currently conducting a survey of residence halls to try and get a feel for how much neighbors who drink bother students.

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achievements in research, teaching or service, and is known as the highest award made by the university to faculty.

Other faculty awards included the O. Max Gardner Award, which is awarded to those faculty who have made the greatest contribution to the human race. The UNC Board of Governors and the Academy of Outstanding Teachers also recognized top educators.

Seniors who maintained a 4.0

grade point average received distinguished academic achievement awards; other undergraduate awards included the Barry M. Goldwater and the Morris K. Udall Scholarships.

Several graduate students were recognized as well, receiving awards from the National Science Foundation and the Department of Defense.

In acclaiming the scholastic achievements of those on campus, Chancellor Larry Monteith boasted that NCSU is the envy of our sister institutions. "This convocation confirms our exceptional talent... Our students are second to none in leadership."

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an 'A+' is the same as an 'A' since the most you can get is a 4.0. ... Yet I can see the point in the grading range of the plus/minus system."

Brian Tellman, a senior in business management, expressed concern about applying to graduate schools with plus/minus grades on his transcript. "It concerns me when I apply to graduate schools here soon, and they see these minuses and it might cause confusion because they are equal to an even grade or '+' grade," Tellman said. "I don't know why there is a broader range."

"But I do know that the system has helped many, so it should be available."

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James Curle

COMMENTARY



Tick, tick, tick. No, that's not your pocket watch (assuming people still carry those things around). That's the proverbial clock counting down the seconds left in Mike O' Cain's career.

You're now probably saying to yourself, "Oh great. Just what we need, another Technician sports writer trashing O' Cain. Why don't you guys come up with some original material for once!"

Well, the fact remains that ever since O' Cain took over as football coach here at State, our program hasn't returned to the caliber that it held during the tenure of Dick Sheridan.

Perhaps ten years ago, well before Florida State entered the league, a football team with the skills and strength of today's Pack would stand up and fare well in the conference. But the simple truth is that ever since the arrival of Bobby Bowden and his Seminoles, the Atlantic Coast Conference teams as a whole have consistently increased in size, strength and talent across the board.

In the past, it was Clemson that dominated the league. Perhaps Virginia and the Pack were contenders for the league title every year now and then, but the Tigers were consistently at the top of the standings.

Then FSU showed up and changed things dramatically. Teams that were once thought to be the premier squads in the league were utterly squashed by the "Noles" game in and game out.

It didn't take schools long to figure out that they would have to make some major adjustments to their programs just to stay close with Bowden's Boys on the field.

And, suffice to say, Carolina has made the most headway in achieving that goal. Mack Brown, love him or hate him, has performed miracles in turning around a cellar-dweller squad six or seven years ago into a national powerhouse currently ranked fourth in the country. While it remains to be seen if the Tar Heels are overrated, which in all likelihood they are, they should nevertheless be the only school this season to seriously contend the Seminoles.

But let's get back to O' Cain. The fact of the matter is that O' Cain is an ACC coach of the past. Ten years ago, before the surge in talent that the league is still feeling, O' Cain would probably be fielding a team that could finish in the top three or four of the conference, or win seven to eight games a year consistently.

But supposition won't get the Pack anywhere. And it won't erase the fact that State has lost its last three games, including last week's loss against the aforementioned Tar Heels.

What about State's close losses, you may ask. It is true that the Pack has had some close games this season, and against some strong opponents. The average margin of defeat against the Pack is a mere six points or so.

But the saying goes, "Close just don't cut it," and I think it's true in this case. O' Cain has been able to get his teams close to winning, but when the game is on the line and needs to be won, the Pack just can't seem to hold on to win.

Wake Forest was a good example of this. Despite the fact that the Deacons turned the ball over five times and the Pack was healthy throughout the game, they just fell apart — and at the wrong time. The

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Shaker Asad (4) and the men's soccer team will battle UNC-Chapel Hill this Sunday at 2 p.m. at Method Road.

UNC-CH: The last shot

The N.C. State men's soccer team has a lot on the line Sunday, taking on UNC-Chapel Hill in their final ACC match of the season.

K. GAFFNEY
Sports Editor

Three weeks ago, no one would have given the Tar Heels of UNC-Chapel Hill a chance against N.C. State's men's soccer team.

Now, after three weeks of struggling and an unexpected loss, the Wolfpack has more at stake in Sunday than anyone would have expected.

State comes into the game after a 4-1 loss to Radford and a 1-0 loss to Duke.

State is 9-4 overall, and 3-2 in the ACC.

The Pack got off to a strong start this season, going 8-1 in their first nine games.

The Pack picked up its second loss to ACC foe Wake Forest, getting shutout in Winston-Salem, 4-0.

State has gone on to compile a record of 1-3 since, grabbing a lackluster victory over Elon as its only entry in the win column.

But if the Pack is going to turn their season back around and play like the team that went on a three-game tear against the best in the conference—Virginia, Clemson and Maryland—this is the time.

The Tar Heels are at the bottom of the Conference, and State has more up its sleeve than just home field advantage.

It might prove to be enough. State has just one loss this year at Method

Road. "There is just so much pride here; this is our home," senior defenseman Jamar Tripoli said of the field after the Pack's 3-2 overtime victory over Louisville at the beginning of the year.

"We have a lot of pride in not losing here. This is our home, and we love playing here more than anywhere else."

The fact that it will be Tripoli and six other seniors' last ACC match up at Method Road soccer stadium will also play a large role.

Of the seven, all but two have been regulars on the field for two and three seasons now, with Mastroeni and midfielder Ian Hooper starting more than ten games in just their freshman

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Volleyball hits the road

State looks for wins at Clemson and Ga. Tech

TIM HUNTER
Staff Writer

When the women's volleyball team hits the road this weekend, their goal is simple: win.

However, this is something easier said than done for the Wolfpack. Coming into the 1997 season after 20 back to back winning seasons, expectations were high for head coach Kim Hall's team.

Unfortunately, State started out the season less than perfect, with nine straight losses, albeit to tough competition.

"This has been a learning experience with me, in terms of scheduling," Hall said. "I was a little over-ambitious in that respect."

The Wolfpack rebounded well after the losses, winning five in a row in the N.C. State invitational, held at Reynolds Coliseum.

Nearly a month later the volleyball team



The N.C. State volleyball team takes its show on the road this weekend.

stands at 7-16 overall, and 1-7 in the league at the halfway mark in the conference schedule.

Despite their record, the team remains optimistic.

"They have impressed me over and over again with their never say never attitude," Hall said. "They could be overwhelmed with the record, but their work ethic is incredible."

The Wolfpack is led by a talented pair of outside hitters, Laura Kimbrell and Kerry Bridenback. Blocker Amy Lernerman, setter Nicole Peterson, and defensive specialist Jennifer Peterson are as good as any in the conference at their position. The talent is obvious among this group, and the potential is limitless.

State travels south to face the Clemson Tigers today, who have the distinction as the only conference victim of the Pack. In their last meeting, the Wolfpack defeated the Tigers in a close one, winning three games to two at Reynolds.

"Clemson will be a tough match," Hall said. "They are a great team, and do a lot of things very well."

On Sunday, the Wolfpack travels down to Atlanta for a rematch against Georgia Tech, who handed State an embarrassing loss at home. The team dropped three straight games against the Yellow Jackets. They boast one of the conference's best fan followings, always "packing their little gym with a thousand or so people," Hall said. She confidently went on to say, "We can beat Tech. Our goal is to beat all the teams who beat us at home."

"This conference is a wild one this year. Besides (undefeated) Maryland, there isn't a clear-cut favorite. Everybody has been beating up on everybody else," Hall said. "A couple more wins, and we are right there in the middle of the conference."

Things certainly won't get any easier for team members, as they will play seven of their final ten games on the road.

"The second half will be very difficult, playing a tough schedule against tough competition," Hall asserted.

If everything goes as planned, the volleyball team will be able to bring home a few more wins and close out the season on a high note. With talented players, an enthusiastic head coach and the right attitude, anything can happen.

Join the soccer club

Club soccer is in full swing here at State.

JAMES HOPE
Staff Writer

Both men's and women's club soccer teams at N.C. State have already begun fall action.

Ernie Lee, coach of the men's team is looking to improve on a 16-4-3 record and the women's team is looking for more success after a 1-1-1 start. Both teams are traveling to Clemson this weekend in hopes of a successful tournament.

"We have a pretty good chance ... our dedication is up," Jennifer Roberts said, a third-year women's player.

The women's teams had success last year at the Clemson tournament, advancing all the way to the semifinals round. Although they failed to advance last spring, all the players a looking forward to this weekend.

A small team last year was part of the reason that the women did not advance further. The feeling around practice is that with a full team the squad should be able to do better this year.

"This tournament is the highlight of our season," said Alison Johnson, president of the women's team.

Due to financial and time constraints, it is doubtful that the women's team will be able to play in a national tournament this year. An entry fee is required to enter. In addition, the tournament begins in the middle of the week, taking away from class time. They still plan

on playing hard, however, and making a good show at this weekend's tournament.

The men's team is currently ranked No. 1 in the Southeast region. Coach Lee feels that outstanding play from the team should carry them through a tough 14-game schedule and to a berth in the national tournament.

Last year at the Clemson tournament they failed to advance; however, Lee and his players are optimistic.

"We have some good young talent and we have good team chemistry," Mark Stroup said. "Unless we beat ourselves I think we can hang." Michael Pedraza said.

He later mentioned that they had played some teams in the past that were tough but think they could have beaten.

B.J. Shore, listed as one of the outstanding players on the squad, stated that he thinks NCSU has the talent to do well this season. His play along with the other standout Bret Claywell should carry the Pack with the season nearing far.

With 41 players on the roster, State is forced to have two men's teams. However, when the season draws to a close Coach Lee will consolidate players from both squads onto one team that he feels has the best chance for tournament success. The final team will rotate players in to give them the best playing time possible.

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N.C. State dropped another match on Wednesday, 4-1 to William and Mary.

William & Mary buries the Pack

The Pack's defense breaks down as the Tribe hands State another loss.

JAMES CURLE
Assistant Sports Editor

William & Mary scored four times in the second half against a beleaguered Wolfpack defense shutting down any inkling of an offense the Pack could muster in a row for the Pack, and the fifth in six games.

The story of the game was missed opportunities by the Pack. Despite punching the ball deep into W&M territory several times throughout the game, the only goal for the Pack came on a free kick by sophomore Shannon Blair.

"I thought we didn't utilize the opportunities that we had," Coach Alvin Corneal said. "Simple mistakes caused goals. I don't think (William & Mary) is three goals better than us, but I think the simple errors we made caused us to pay the penalty."

"I think we handled them pretty well in the beginning, but we had a couple of lapses in the defense causing them to get some easy goals," Blair said. "We just couldn't capitalize on the opportunities we had in the box."

This became evident following Blair's free kick. After knotting the score at one apiece, the Pack was slow to get downfield on defense. This allowed the Tribe to hurry downfield, put pressure on State's backfield and score their second goal of the match less than a minute after Blair's score.

"The statistics will tell you that every time a goal is scored, the team that scores the goal for about a minute afterward is very vulnerable," Corneal said. "That was a case in point."

William & Mary Coach John Daly did a good job of setting up the Tribe's defense. It was rare when State outnumbered their opponents on either side of the field, especially when the Pack had the ball. This

allowed the Tribe to control the pace of the game and forced the Pack into giving the ball up more readily.

"Our defense, for the first time, seemed vulnerable," Corneal said. "Not so much when they didn't have the ball, but when they had the ball, they gave it away far too easily. They brought too much pressure on us."

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Alvin Corneal
Women's soccer coach

Coming up big for the Tribe was midfielder Carrie Moore. The sophomore from Roanoke, Va., scored two goals and had two assists for William & Mary, including the final goal of the game. It came with less than four minutes remaining in the match as she headed a shot past a worn-out Kat Mertz.

The Tribe out-shot the Pack 17 to 10 during the game. The Pack dropped to 7-10 overall for the season.

State takes on Cincinnati this weekend. With only three games left, the match-up with the Bearcats could be crucial for the Pack. State needs to pick up wins in all three of their games to finish at .500 for the season.

This weekend's game has been moved to



Megan Jeldy (17) and the Pack will take on Cincinnati Sunday at Noon.

Curle

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Deacs capitalized en route to a 19-18 victory in the final seconds of the game.

As I've mentioned before, O' Cain is a great guy and is not someone to hate in the slightest. But in order for the Pack to compete with an ever-competitive college football world, I feel the time for drastic changes in the hierarchy of Wolfpack football is upon us.

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Purdue at Illinois	Purdue	Illinois	Purdue	Purdue	Purdue	Purdue	Purdue	Illinois	Purdue
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Method
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seasons. All seven have been starters for Coach George Tarantini's 1997 squad. There are just two home games left on this season's schedule, and it may be fitting that the last of the ACC matches will be against the Tar Heels. NCSU and UNC have one of the biggest cross-town rivalries in all of college sports, and when it comes to soccer, it may not be as big as their grid iron or hard-wood

counterparts, but it's there, and the players know it. Last year, the pack and the Heels battled into overtime at Fetzer field in Chapel Hill. State came away with a 3-2 victory, its only conference win of the season. The Heels will be looking for revenge, with senior Carey Talley leading the way for the Heels. Talley is among the conference scoring leaders, with a total of 19 points in 14 games. On the plus side for the Pack, Heels keeper Daniel Popik is at the bottom of the conference rankings with a 0.639 save percentage and a goals-allowed average of 2.19. Carolina is also the only ACC team with a negative scoring margin, standing 0.029 points on the other side of zero. The most important thing for NCSU will be to take the Heels more seriously than they took early season opponents Maryland, Clemson, and Virginia. The Pack currently stands in third place in the Conference and needs a win to hold on to one of the top seeds in the conference tournament in Orlando, Fla., coming up in three weeks. Sunday's game kicks off at 2:00 p.m. at Method Road Soccer Stadium on the west side of State's campus. Admission is free with a valid AllCampus card.

Come catch the action this week as the Pack soccer teams take on Cincinatti and UNC-Chapel Hill. The Sunday double-header kicks off with the women's team against the Bearcats at noon at Paul Derr Track. The men take over Method Road Soccer Stadium at 2 p.m., battling the Tar Heels. Watch out for the Sports Marketing department and their free give-aways!!!!!!

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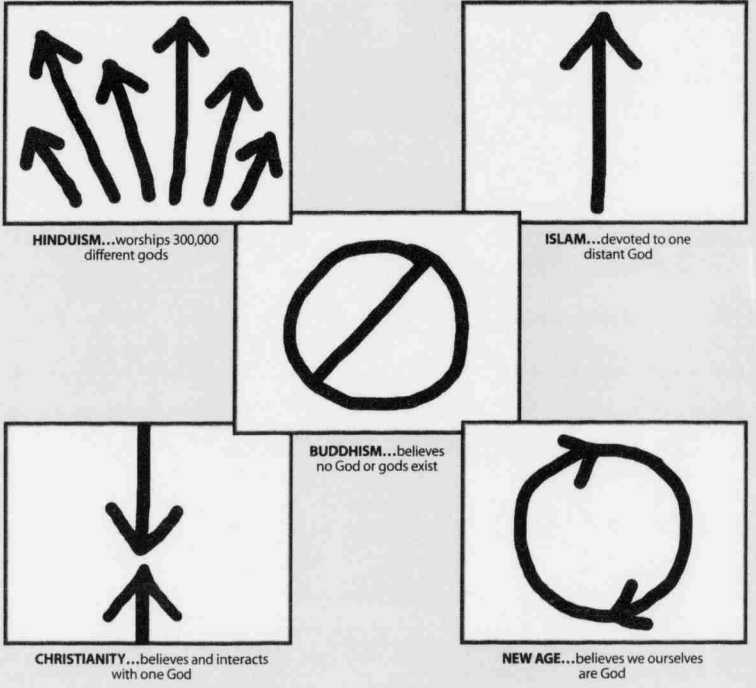
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Matchbox 20 pushes through Raleigh

■ The perfect cure for a "Long Day."
Matchbox 20 play the Ritz this Monday.

KELLY MARKS
Features Editor

Since "Push" first hit the airwaves last February, Matchbox 20 has been pushing its way up the charts. The sudden success of their debut album, "Yourself or Someone Like You" has earned the band gold records, appearances on the Tonight Show and Late Night with David Letterman, as well as the acclaim of critics and adoration of fans. However, the road to success wasn't always well-paved and the band has done a lot of growing up in the last two years to reach the point it is at today.

Matchbox 20 takes its name from a conglomerate of stickers and patches that the group's bassist Brian Yale observed and pieced together. The band members haven't always been stars. In fact, when they released "Yourself" last year, the group didn't even think that anyone would like it. As the group's drummer, Paul Doucette said, "We hoped people would like it, but you can never really know."

When the group produced the album they had been a band for a relatively short amount of time. Doucette, Yale and lead singer, Rob Thomas, had just disbanded from another group when they picked up rhythm guitarist Adam Gaynor in Miami. They found lead guitarist Kyle Cook shortly thereafter.

"We did a lot of rehearsals, so we got to know each other pretty quickly," said Doucette. "It's like you have to shove three years of a relationship into a month, so you go through the I love you, I hate you, I love you, I hate you a million times a day. And then, once you get to know somebody and you know what they're like — you've been together everyday for a couple of months — you just accept the person for who they are. Of course, we all got along great from the start, so that helped too."

In fact, the group's ability to get along on the road was the least of its worries. Three days after the release of "Yourself," the band's label, Lava Records was absorbed back into its parent company Atlantic. Suddenly, the group members found themselves faced with a blank slate — they had to

reintroduce themselves to a company that didn't know who they were and essentially didn't care.

Doucette remembers, "Lava was a great company — they were very small and for the quarter that we came in, we were the only new band being promoted. They booked radio promotions for us for an entire month, so when the time came for us to be released everyone remembered us because we had played at their stations. All of the stations were adding 'Long Day' to their playlists, so it was a great idea and we had tons of exposure and then... they closed. The president of Lava was also a Vice President at Atlantic, so he was still around and so were a couple of other people, but the majority had been fired. We had to go in and meet entirely new people who weren't really setting up our record — we weren't a priority to them because they knew nothing about our record."

The group was turned out on its own, given a small budget, and told to do whatever it wanted. What they did was tour. And tour and tour and tour. Their persistence and the crowds they attracted on the road slowly won them the attention of Atlantic Records and gave them what most bands never get — a second chance.

"It was a really scary experience," said Doucette, "but it definitely made us learn a lot about the business really quickly. We needed the touring experience. In hindsight, it was a great thing. If we had come out with the success of 'Push' when the record first came out, I don't think we'd have been ready for it at all. Not as a band, not as a team. We had time to learn how things work and become a better band. Actually, it was the best way to do it."

Now comfortable within its success, the band has the freedom to do what it wants to on the road as Doucette explains. "The coolest part of this is that we get to do the things that we want to do. When you're an opening act, you have this allotted time and you don't have the money that you need to put on the show that you want. Now, we can finally do it how we want to."

There is a downside to the group's sudden success. Matchbox 20's quick rise to fame has led many critics to lump them in the genre of "one-hit wonders." The sophomore slump is an all too frequent occurrence in today's music



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Matchbox 20 will be at the Ritz, with guest Lily Haydn, Monday, Oct. 27.

industry; bands with successful debut albums often find that their second release falls short of expectations or disappears completely. Many music insiders blame pressure from the record company to rush back into the studio to produce an album that's even more successful than the first.

"I don't think we'll ever let that affect us," says Doucette. "You can't let you have to block all of that stuff out and go into the studio like you made the first one — like there wasn't even a first one. A lot of bands give in when the record label starts saying 'we have to have another record,' or they get so bored touring on the same record that they just

have to play some new songs. We're going to take a lot of time and do it right, though."

And the group is taking its time. With no end to touring in sight, they just finished making the video for their latest single, "3 a.m.," and they recently recorded a rendition of Fleetwood Mac's "Never Going Back Again" for an upcoming tribute album. It's been a long road and there's still a ways to go, but Matchbox 20 will continue to push its way to the top.

The group will be in Raleigh this coming Monday with special guest, Lily Haydn. So get yourself, or someone like you, to the Ritz to catch the show.

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Agents of Good Roots - "Straightraour"

"Straightraour" is an interesting compact disc. Agents of Good Roots is composed of a saxophonist and three different vocalists, who have distinct pitches and play guitar, bass, and drums. This produces a wide variety of styles between their songs. They go from funky pop songs, to harder '80s rock, to jamming jazz.



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The CD starts out with what's probably their best song, "Get Me There." The men put together a catchy sound, especially with guitarist Andrew Winn's raspy vocals. J.C. Kuhl on saxophone compliments the other men's instruments lightly in the background, until the end where he plays with the notes a little.

The song "Mid-America" has an '80s pop sound, which leans to the likes of Huey Lewis and the News. The dominant instrument on "Ballad of Hobby and the Piano" is the saxophone, which tries to create an original sound, but turns out more like a song off of Sesame Street. "I'm in Love" has a newer, harder sound, with a disrupting chorus contrasting the rest of the smooth song.

Then the band does a complete turn around. It leaves its dancy groove and attempts to set a dark, deep mood with low bass strums and husky vocals in "Shortchange." Members experiment with this typical early '90s style as well in "Mercury Jones," by starting off the song with an orchestral-like warm-up and going into the song low and slow.

The band successfully creates a good, slow love song in "Lucky One." It has a nice, pleasant sound as Winn sings about the dreaminess love provokes in him.

Throughout the rest of CD, the band alternates between mediocre jazz songs and dancing fast-paced tunes. One song that stands out is "Straight" because of Stewart Myers' high voice and long dominating jams.

The problem with "Straightraour" is that while the songs are generally good individually, the album fails to capture a mood as a whole. With so many styles, it is hard to know what frame of mind you should be in to put the CD in your player. Furthermore, the CD was recorded live, capturing their long jams and all. The band just isn't experienced enough to pull off instrumentals that hold your attention.

The sax starts to sound out of place and overused, and the drums, overbearing and uncontrolled. -M. Riley

Fu Manchu - "The Action is Go" ◆◆◆◆

Speed rock is not dead. It's just taken up the name of a maniacal superhero who wants to destroy the Western world and reconstruct it in the image of the glorious Orient of long ago.

Members of Fu Manchu have been doing their own thing in the speed scene for quite some time. Their newest release on the Mammoth label, titled "The Action is Go," is a hyperactive collection of tracks that will have you running around in circles like a dog chasing its own tail.

The entire album is a collection of thickly layered grooves and rhythms. Despite the depth some of these takes have, Fu Manchu manages to assert control at all times. This is commendable, for when most bands attempt such a feat, the final product sounds less like music and more like a chaotic mix of musicians and instruments.

These four guys are from the Southern California scene, and they seem to have quite a following out there. The lead guitarist, Bob Balch, and Scott Hill, the vocalist/guitarist, play with Brant Bjork (drums) and Brad Davis (bass). They also have some ties to the skateboarding community — Santa Cruz Skateboards shows up in the credit list, and the album's cover photo is of a skater from the '70s. The image just begs for you to use the word "groovy" in casual conversation.

It's tough to say which of these songs will be released as the single from the album. My guess would be either the title track, or "Evil Eye." Both are adrenaline pumping tunes that rely heavily on quick, rhythmic utilization of the electric guitar and a full-speed-ahead pace.

"Urethane," probably the strongest track on the album, hints at some early Sonic Youth influences. The lyrics ("urethane is giving way/ breaking down just like they say") are essentially a sticky spider web of phrases; each time you listen to it, a different portion catches you. Another great song is "Trackside Hoax," whose Hendix-like guitar and slower groove serve as a welcome break after six restless songs into the album.

Despite the name, Fu Manchu probably doesn't want to destroy western civilization as we know it. But if that turns out to be an unplanned result of playing some fast rock and getting some people moving, I don't think they'd be too concerned. -M. Lequick

Circuit coming

■ Southern Circuit comes to Campus Cinema.

Tech Too Staff Report

Many students long for the movies often only played in "big cities" — places like New York and San Francisco. But, thanks to the Southern Circuit, these films are now within reach.

The Southern Circuit is a tour of six internationally recognized independent film/video artists to nine Southeastern cities. It is part of the South Carolina Arts Commission and helps to bring independent films to cities that otherwise might not have had a chance to see these movies on the big screen.

The next film in the series is entitled "Pharaoh's Army" and revolves around a backdrop of the Civil War. Adopted from an Appalachian oral-history legend, a Union Army Captain, (Chris Cooper) leads his rag-tag cavalry troop up a misty creek to a remote farm to steal enemy livestock. The farm is run by Sarah Anders (Patricia Clarkson) whose husband is away from the great armies and battlefields. A very private war erupts. The captain and Sarah are forced to make choices and come to terms with their divided loyalties. Kris Kristofferson offers a powerful a powerful presence as an Old Testament Preacher.

The film's director, Robbie Henson, will be on hand to discuss his work.



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Robbie Henson will be on hand Monday, to discuss his film, "Pharaoh's Army."

The film will be shown Monday, Oct. 27, at the Waterspoon Student Center Campus Cinema at 7 p.m. There is no charge.

The next film will be James Duesing's "Law of Averages," a film that mixes humor and complex content with computer animation. It will be shown Monday, Nov. 17, at 7 p.m.

Rock music is still kicking

■ Rock n' roll lives at Wavefest '97.

ROBERT GREENE
Staff Writer

Just a few decades ago, rock n' roll meant something. In the '60s it served as the voice for an otherwise muzzled generation. In the '70s, from Led Zeppelin to Donna Summer, the music gave people the chance to dance the night away. There was a time when rock mattered.

Somewhere along the way, though, this connection was lost. You might say that the day the first digitized rendition of Bob Dylan's "Like A Rolling Stone" rang coldly from someone's CD player that rock n' roll died. The song has not remained the same, the feeling has been lost. While the music industry has become vital again since the late '80s, with several artists truly contributing to and subsequently reshaping rock in marvelous ways, the sound has never gotten back to that Sgt. Pepper high. The

true spirit of rock n' roll is long gone. Or is it?

This past Sunday, three friends and I made the 4 1/2 hour trek to Charleston, S.C. for Wavefest, the annual all-day concert promoted by a local radio station. We had come to see a few of our favorite bands: Ben Folds Five, Son Volt, Wilco, but we knew we would have to endure a few things beforehand.

The half-mile trot through mud and snake-infested grass and painfully silly sets by rock Neanderthals Seven Mary Three and the jam-happy Cracker proved we were right. But as Ben Folds and friends took the stage our patience was quickly rewarded.

Smirking and bouncing his way through all the favorites, Folds proved to be a fun and exciting amalgam of Billy Joel and Pavement. Remember when the piano was a rock staple? Folds has revived it dramatically. The excitement and joy of Ben Folds Five contrasted starkly with the somber

and contemplative tone of the next act, Son Volt. By the time lead singer Jay Farrar was imploring us to let the wind take our troubles away, as the sun fell and the clouds rushed cool air in from the east, something became clear — we were tapping into some unknown energy.

After an overdose set by Cracker, Wilco was ready to take the stage. As the first chords of "Misunderstood" filled the atmosphere, emotion was instant and pure. Perhaps the anticipation had amplified our excitement to an unseen level. But I like to think it was just that we were witnessing one of those rare moments where expectations were actually being surpassed. We were witnessing a show for the ages.

As singer Jeff Tweedy burned and swaggered through the amazing blend of rock and country classicism, it finally hit me. How could rock be dead? If Wilco believes, then who am I to declare the spirit gone? As we made our way home, on the highway at 3:30 a.m., I could

Weekly schedule

Cinema

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Friday, Oct. 24 My Best Friend's Wedding at 7, 9 & 11 p.m.
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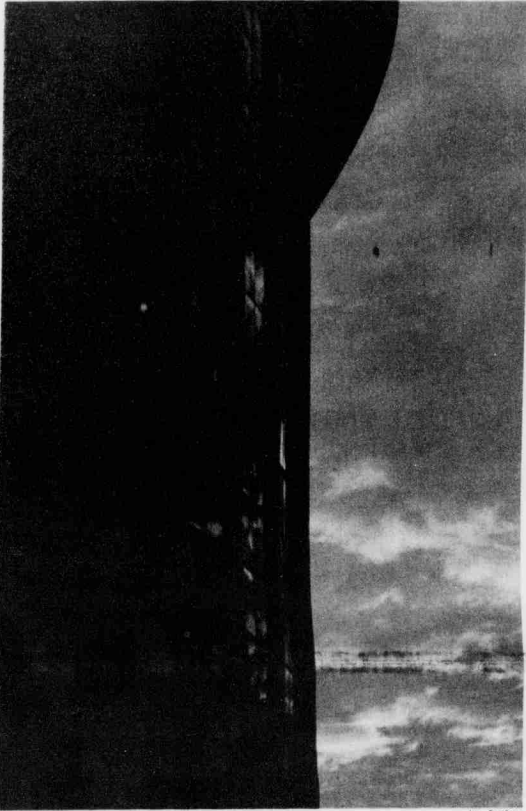
Music

The Ritz
Monday, Oct. 27 Matchbox 20
The Brewery
Friday, Oct. 24 Bone Pony, WAKE
Saturday, Oct. 25 V Roys, Big Joe
Local 506
Friday, Oct. 24 The Tender Idols
Sunday, Oct. 26 The Glenmont Popes, Smooch
Monday, Oct. 27 Retro Disco Night
The Berkeley Cafe
Friday, Oct. 24 Queen City Blues Band
Saturday, Oct. 25 Big Bertha
Cat's Cradle
Friday, Oct. 24 Vertical Horizon with Sister 7
Saturday, Oct. 25 Clarissa CD Release Party with Hobex, Mike Garrigan
Sunday, Oct. 26 Freddy Jones Band with Hipbone
The Caboose
Tuesday, Oct. 28 Balowski Family
Record Exchange - Hillsborough Street
Friday, Oct. 24 Voodoo Juice at 7 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 25 at 6 p.m.

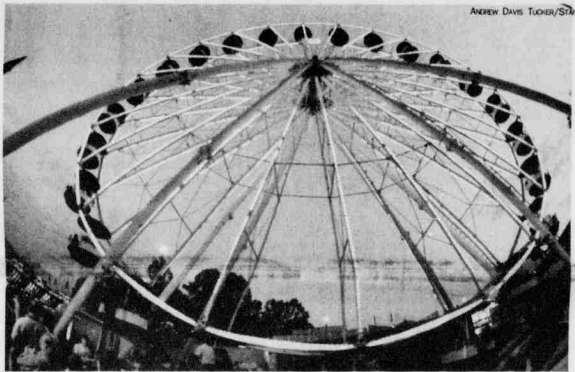
Events

Latino Night
Saturday, Oct. 25 at N.C. State Student Center Ballroom, 7 p.m.
N.C. State Fair
Friday, Oct. 24 - Sunday, Oct. 26 at the Fairgrounds
Durham Jaycees Haunted House
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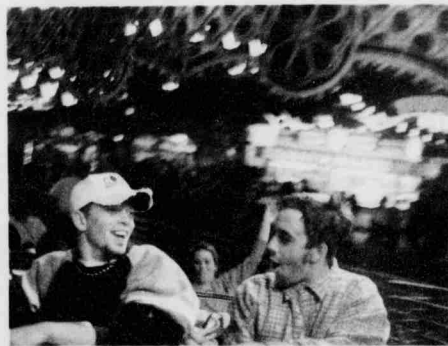




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Editorials

Needed skills

Advanced writing courses are required because they're needed.

General requirements are the worry of every college student. They teach subjects that many have already explored in high school and know they dislike. For the many engineering majors at N.C. State, the basic English requirements are often feared as being a course in which they will not perform well.

Does this mean that basic reading, writing and speaking requirements should be banned? No, of course not. Every job, from veterinary medicine to civil engineering, requires some writing and speaking.

The idea of making specific requirements for the different departments, as the Council of Undergraduate Education is doing, is the beginning of a good solution to the problem. The ability to write is important in every aspect of a major and a future career, however, some majors should not require quite as much writing as others should. For example, an English major would be required to turn in more writing assignments than a chemistry major. This is only normal.

Yes, every student should know how to write and should have to take English writing courses, but should a student who is not in the College of Humanities and Social Science have to write lengthy and difficult upper-level English papers?

No, they shouldn't, but surprisingly enough many students do not have the skills necessary to complete this type of paper. Currently, the course requirements

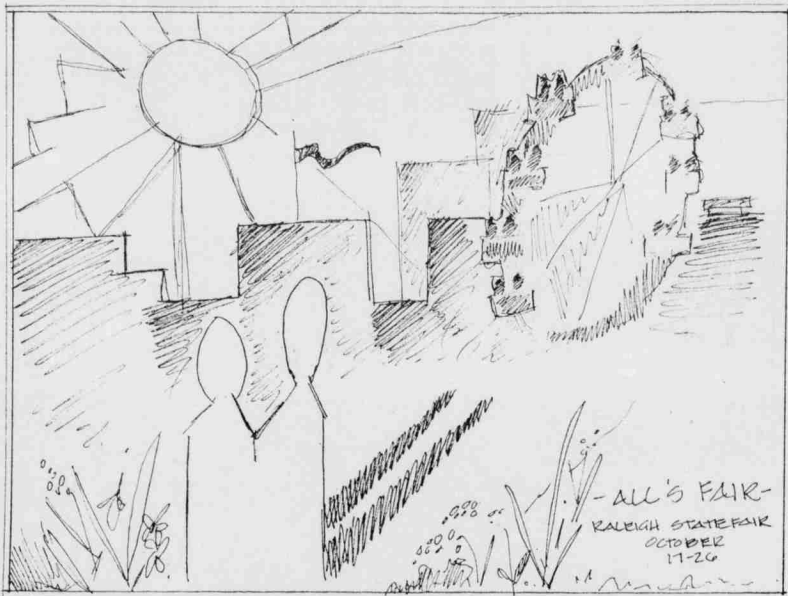
state that juniors and seniors should have to write one major paper in every curriculum the junior and senior year. Many students feel this requirement is excessive and for some it may be. Students should know how to write by their junior and senior years. In fact, this is when they should begin incorporating this knowledge into their work on a day-to-day basis.

However, this is not the case in most classes. Students are reaching graduation without being able to write coherently at a level that is acceptable in the business community.

The same is true when it comes to being able to speak in front of a group. Anyone who has had to sit through oral reports from their classmates will realize this is true. A large number of students are unable to convey their ideas orally.

The reality is that once in the work force, we will each have to provide written and oral documentation to colleagues and supervisors. If we are unable to do so, we have wasted every minute of the years we've spent as N.C. State. This is why it is important to take classes early on that will teach you about making an effective public presentation that is well-written.

If we could each be trusted to do so on our own, there would be no need for requirements. It's unfortunate that human nature leads us to avoid those things we find distasteful. It follows that many of us will avoid classes in rhetoric and public speaking if at all possible. It's for this reason that such requirements are made. It's just one of those things that's in our best interest as much as we may hate it.



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Breast cancer awareness

BRANDY ANDERSON
Assistant Opinion Editor

The month of October is designated as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. This cancer is a fast growing disease that strikes more women every day. By the year 2011, 450,000 women will have died with breast cancer. It can affect women of all ages, but particularly women who are over 40.

The main issue that young women should be aware of is that breast cancer is hereditary. There are certain lifestyle factors that can increase or reduce the chances of developing breast cancer.

I would like to take this opportunity to inform the many women readers out there about what they can or should not do to reduce their chances of developing this disease.

Alcohol consumption greatly increases a woman's chance of developing breast cancer. The heavier a drinker, the higher the risks are. In a study involving alcohol, it was proved that the more a woman drinks as a young person, the higher her risk was for developing breast cancer in the future.

Smoking was also proven to raise risks. In 1995, doctors still had many unanswered questions about the how and why. Research states that tobacco smoke contains over 500 toxic substances, many of which are eventually secreted into the breast ducts. Doctors have noted that the lungs are a common site for the spread of breast cancer.

A woman's diet is also important in preventing the risk of breast cancer. Dietary factors play a role in as many as 70 percent of cancer

cases. Breast cancer can be lessened by carefully choosing foods that are healthy. According to doctors, of all the possible ways to diminish a woman's risk, dietary change is the most important. Scientists have found that diets which include the consumption of carotene-rich and cruciferous vegetables are most helpful in preventing breast cancer. Calories, saturated fat consumption and fat calories greatly increase the chance of developing this deadly disease.

Another factor believed to be involved in the development of breast cancer is the amount of coffee and caffeine intake. Coffee and caffeine are shown as not being directly linked to breast cancer; however, studies are still being performed because coffee and caffeine are known to have a reputation for exacerbating pain

from fibrocystic breasts. Studies reveal that women who are taking the birth control pill are believed to be at a greater risk for developing breast cancer. The total months of use are the most important factor in determining the chance of developing breast cancer.

Most doctors believe that the use of oral contraceptives for many years increases a woman's risk of developing breast cancer by a factor of about 1.5 percent. This does not mean that young women should not take oral contraceptives, they should just be aware of taking them for an extremely long period of time. One way to prevent this is to switch to different oral contraceptives.

Of all the diseases that inhabit our world today, breast cancer is one of the fastest spreading. Not only does

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Ban plus/minus

Once again, plus/minus grading is haunting student's GPAs.

Plus/minus grading, since its inception at N.C. State, has been disliked by the majority of the members of the student body. Why do so many students dislike this system? In essence, because a minus can lower your GPA enough so that it's just quite, but not entirely, a 3.0.

The system was put into place three years ago, and it was agreed that at the end of a three year period, it would be reviewed.

So, the system is being reviewed. The latest idea is to let professors go ahead and assign the plus/minus grades. Then, when your GPA is calculated, the plus/minus grading will not be considered.

The one question every intelligent person should be asking is—what's the point of this? It's a complete waste of time for everyone involved. If you make an A, you make an A. If you make a C, you make a C. Why do we have a grading system that is

completely pointless? The only thing about this proposal is that if you get a B-, it is still calculated as a B when your GPA is considered. That's better than anything that has been offered previously. This may stem some student up because they worked hard for that "plus" on the end of their grade. So why even bother? Just give students an A or B and leave it at that.

Also, many students applying for graduate school worry about how this will look on their transcripts. Most other schools do not use this system, and when it is incorporated into an NCSU's students GPA, it can make their GPA look worse than it could be.

NCSU should just write off this entire system. It has yet to serve a useful purpose other than providing a committee with busy work. The loss of one committee and one ineffectual program shouldn't cause anyone a great sense of loss. This being the case dump plus/minus grading and let's get on with our lives.

HOPE BROADWAY
Staff Columnist

There's a service organization on campus that you may not have heard much about, but you've certainly seen them around. Recently, there have been articles in Technician praising service groups and fraternities for volunteering time and energy to the community.

One such group seems to have been forgotten: Alpha Phi Omega. Alpha Phi Omega (APO) is a national co-ed service fraternity with chapters all around the country. Frank Reed Horton formed APO in 1923 at Lafayette College in Pennsylvania. Since then, it has become one of the largest service organizations in the country.

APO's N.C. State chapter has been on campus since 1950, when it was formed with the help of the UNC-Chapel Hill chapter. APO members provide service to APO area groups such as The American Red Cross, Carnivore Preservation Trust (CPT), Prevent Child Abuse of North Carolina, the Raleigh Boys' Club, the Tammy Lynn Center, Foodbank, the Salvation Army Soup Kitchen, the Governor Morehead School for the Blind, and the Boys' and Girls' Scout Troops of Raleigh.

For 47 years, APO has led scouting troops at the Governor Morehead School. Projects in the area that APO members have participated in are Woodchop, campus blood drives, Blue Jay Point Park clean-ups, Adopt a

Highway, Relay for Life, the Oktoberfest (to raise money for the Wake County Hospice) and selling Girl Scout Cookies for the troop at the Governor Morehead School.

APO brothers have been delivering phone books for the Networking and Communications office for the past few years, and they were the ones handing out the telephone and Resnet packets at the beginning of the semester. They also ran the book check at the bookstore the first week of school.

APO brothers assisted in the recent Open House and helped with the planning and execution of the past UAB All-niters. They are looking forward to doing it again in the future.

With all the praise for groups doing service, APO shouldn't be

left out. For 47 years, there has been a tradition of volunteer work by the chapter on campus and in the community, and it should be recognized. Brothers have been volunteering and giving time and energy to projects and taking little or no credit for what they do. As one brother put it, "We get in, we do the project and we leave. We don't stick around."

APO brothers do service for the sake of doing service, and they deserve credit for that, especially in light of fact that other groups are being cited for their volunteer work.

For more information about APO on NCSU's campus check out the group's website at www2.ncsu.edu/stud/orgs/frat_sor/APO.

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Campus Forum

Make AllCampus cards keys

I read in Technician's Sept. 24 the article "Student ID Cards May Replace Keys." AllCampus cards usually work for meal plan and student identification, but it may be replacing key access to buildings too. This new system works like the main gate at Carmichael Gym, which a person swipes the card to access the facilities.

This system would be helpful to everyone because students would not have to keep up with a dorm key, ID cards allow you to eat and checkout books from the library. If this system works, it would save time and combine everything into one card. This would also be easier to keep up with. Most of the time you don't remember where your keys are; it is hassle trying to find

the keys and wastes a lot of time. This new system would work just like some hotels, which uses a card to unlock the doors. This is much easier and more convenient.

Have you ever lost a key to your dorm? If so, you realize you must replace a whole set at your expense. It takes time and also costs about \$50. If this system works out right, we wouldn't have to go through this pain anymore.

This system saves time, money and safety for students against those who don't have access to certain buildings. It also keeps record of all those who enter unauthorized. On the other hand, problems occur in determining which computer decides who can or can't get into the building. One suggestion I have is that doors automatically unlock at specific times for certain buildings.

This new system will require money, planning and tests, but it will make life easier and more secure for everyone—including the school. Most new programs take time for people to get used to, but as time passes on we will be able to

correct a lot of our safety problems with this new system. We should definitely change it as soon as possible for a safer school and environment.

Hueng Choi

Zoology, Pre-Dental and Pre-Medical

NCSU just as good as UNC

As an avid Wolfpack fan, I am responding to "It kills me—Part 2" which was printed in the Sept. 26 issue of Technician. I agree with James Curle's resentment toward N.C. State students who flaunt their affection toward our school's biggest rival, UNC-Chapel Hill. I understand that Carolina fans like to show their "Tar Heel pride," but not on the campus of NCSU!

The battles between the two schools in athletics have always caused a great deal of tension. It seems that when NCSU wins a particular event, Carolina tends to make excuses. NCSU never really

receives the credit it deserves for winning. Most of the time, NCSU is characterized as "just getting lucky."

It also disappoints me when I walk into a sporting goods store and find rows and rows of Carolina paraphernalia, but find only a few items associated with NCSU. I have come to the conclusion that this happens because everyone wants to be a Carolina fan. Carolina seems to be the choice of all. Therefore, sporting goods stores obey the laws of supply and demand and supply fans with all the gear they desire.

Academically, NCSU and UNC-CH are two totally different schools. I never like to hear people use the excuse of going to NCSU because they could not get accepted at UNC-CH. Being accepted at UNC-CH may be more difficult, but NCSU is well respected in the areas of engineering, textiles, veterinary medicine, and other fields associated with science and math. UNC-CH students even admit

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that NCSU is more technologically advanced by the way students are required to use computers. I do not like for people to refer to NCSU as a school you just have to "settle" for.

I am not saying that UNC is not a good school. I considered going to UNC when I was looking into other areas of interest to study. I know I should try to be more respectful toward these Carolina fans, but this resentment has been ingrained in me because I have been raised in a family with generations of NCSU graduates.

Lori Stancil
Freshman
Chemical Engineering

Anderson Schedule

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it affect and impair women's lives, but it also affects men. A man's mother, sister or wife could be diagnosed at any time.

Breast cancer affects all of us, in some way, shape or form. During this month, especially, every woman should have a routine exam, and women over 40 are advised to get a mammogram. These can be received at your local doctor's office or county health department. A mammogram is designed to detect any abnormal growth in the breasts. During Breast Cancer Awareness Month, I advise all, especially women, to be aware.

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and the Dragon" and assorted short videos. 7 p.m.

Make-a-Difference Day
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Political Rumble
Monday, Oct. 27 Debate on Campaign Funding. Dr. Michael Dimock vs. Dr. Andrew Taylor. Tompkins G109. 4 p.m.

Performances

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Page Auditorium, Duke West Campus

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Carolina Theatre, Royal Center for the Arts

Saturday, Oct. 25 "We Need Love." 7:30 p.m. \$22, \$20, \$18
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Friday, Oct. 24-Saturday, Oct. 25 "Promises and Dreams"

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7 Region	36 Morsel	4 Mercenary	14 Glop
8 Gives tem-	37 He's had	5 Follow	14 Cardinals' home:
10 Three-card	some bad	6 Cabinet	19 Festive
game	hate days	7 Dreyfus	20 UFO crew
38 Mikhail's	8 Dep't.	8 Hosiery	21 Pane
Mrs. 1979	9 Place for yourself?	9 Muscat's nation	22 Blather
39 Use the library	1 Broadway	24 Making a name for yourself?	25 Branch
40 Ultimate material	bestowals	10 Factory	26 Tummy trouble
41 There			28 Roughly a half-yard
DOWN			29 Notre Dame squad
1			30 Any of us
2			31 Mismuck
3			32 Georgia's ex-status: abbr.
4			34 Olie's pal
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