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## Commission addresses student gripes

■ Got a Complaint? Send it to a newly formed commission designed to alleviate students' problems.

JOSH JUSTIN  
Assistant News Editor

Concerns of students are always of paramount importance to the university, and this year, N.C. State moves forward with a new system of gathering student comments.

This system will be coordinated by the Commission on Quality Student Service. This commission, a 27-member group created by Chancellor Larry K. Monteith, consists of department heads throughout the University, the student body president, the Graduate Student Association president and other appointed students.

"The goal of the commission is to help departments evaluate their performance via surveys, focus groups, student comment cards and a homepage on the Internet.

"We're trying to make the climate on the campus one that delights students," said George Dixon, vice provost and director of admissions.

Chad Myers, the student body president, rallied for this system in his campaign last year and is enthusiastic about getting it started.

"This commission and what we're doing is something students need to know about," he said. "I'm excited about it."

Evaluation forms allowing students to rate a specific department's performance will be the first item estab-

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## Design school switches leaders

■ The School of Design has chosen to look internally for replacements, not outside the university.

LARRY MARSHBURNE  
Staff Writer

Where do companies look when they want to hire the best possible employees? At N.C. State, of course. So where did NCSU's School of Design look for two new department heads? Inside NCSU's departments, of course.

It was an idea that worked. They found two professors with definite ideas about the future of their departments.

When Meredith Davis, the former head of the department of graphic design, decided to return to full-time teaching, Andrew K. Blauvelt was chosen to replace her.

Blauvelt, an associate professor, has taught at the Herron School of Art at Indiana University and at Florida State University. He has a bachelor's degree from Herron and a master's from the Cranbrook Academy of Art in Bloomfield Hill, Mich.

Blauvelt came to NCSU in 1991 when the department of graphic design was formed. Previously, the department had been part of industrial design, product design and visual design.

"Graphic design is a confusing term," explained Blauvelt. "We are not the same as the graphic arts or graphic communication, although we may use the same tools and equipment. Our focus is on the creative end."

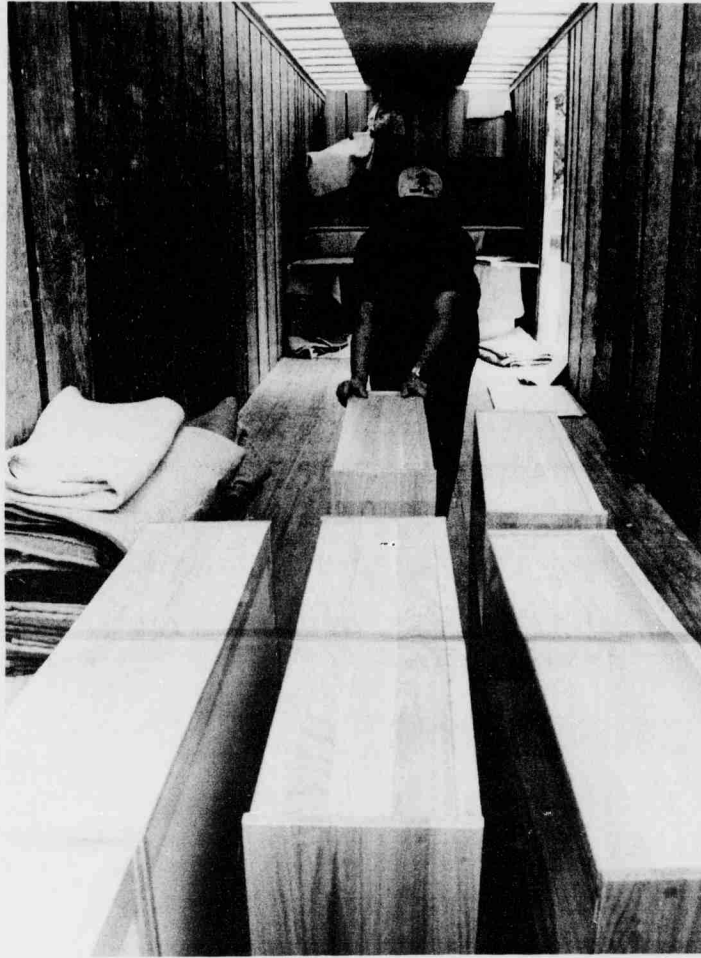
Graphics designers may use the tools of the printing trade or electronics such as animation.

The point of it all

Fine, so exactly what do graphic designers design? And where would one see their products? Just look around.

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## Desks, etc.



Ron, an employee of North American Van Line, moves 750 desk tops into Sullivan Hall Friday.

June Oh/Sprint

## Professors develop robotic arm

■ NCSU's robotics laboratory has created a device that makes lead-stripping considerably easier than manual means.

CHRISTINE OLDHAM  
Staff Writer

The dream of robots doing our most difficult jobs is slowly coming true, with one notable breakthrough coming from N.C. State's Construction and Robotics Laboratory (CARL).

A newly completed robotic bridge maintenance arm was honed over a period of three years by the NCSU lab. Currently, it is being used to strip lead paint from various structures.

The actual device that does the stripping is known as a "Cryoblaster." Developed by Oak Ridge National Laboratory, it uses pellets of dry ice thrown at the speed of sound to remove paint, grit and grease.

NCSU's CARL laboratory used "retro-fitting" to put its technology and Oak Ridge's together, resulting in an invention that will strip paint and other contaminants from structures such as water towers and gasoline cans while workers stand safely on the bridge.

Previously, this kind of work was done by a man wearing a heavy suit and holding a cumbersome sand blaster. That procedure was fairly dangerous, not only because of the fumes, but because of the stress it placed on a worker's body. The arm, said Caroline Carver, Assistant to Technology Expert at NCSU, will "take the worker into a safe place."

According to Carver, a market study has not been done on the cost of manufacturing the arm.

"Right now, we're just demonstrating," she said. But, the arm has many different uses in the commercial sense - many things could be attached to the arm besides the cryoblaster—which makes marketing it to various companies and the government feasible. "It's a universal tool," said Carver.

"Robotic devices such as our bridge maintenance arm take hu-

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## NCSU author studies ancient abortion methods

■ A NCSU professor's new book deals with the role of herbs in medieval contraception and abortion.

DAWN WOTAPKA  
General Manager

N.C. State professor John Riddle recently published a book titled, "Eve's Herbs." It isn't a book about cooking herbs or planting herbal gardens, instead it's about the historical role herbs played in contraception and abortion.

Queen Anne's Lace, a common weed

that grows almost everywhere, has been used as a contraceptive since the 17th century.

Riddle warns against running out and eating the lace.

"You've got to know what part of the plant to eat and what part of the plant not to eat," he cautions.

Queen Anne's Lace, as it turns out, is gathered in the fall and the seeds are eaten year round.

The seeds must be crushed, warns Riddle, or they will pass right through you.

"Birth control is not a product of the

19th century," he said. "It is knowledge that the ancient people had."

Riddle believes that "Lydia Pinkham's Compound," containing pleurisy root licorice, gentium and mother wort can be used to cause an abortion. While lecturing in Georgia, Riddle came across a bottle of this compound still sold today.

However, it is not marketed as an abortion liquid, but as a woman's tonic.

In his book, Riddle discusses how sexuality and reproduction have affected history as we know it.

Riddle learned that men tried to keep these drugs out of women's hands.

"It became a misdemeanor to sell any medicine to be taken exclusively by women," he said.

Therefore, women started using them in different bottles secretly and coding the terms.

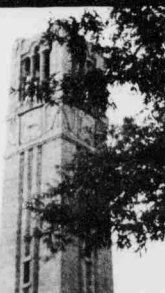
To avoid the law, some women would put the herbs on salads, knowing they wouldn't affect the men.

To the women, however, it would result in hormonal changes.

"They knew that if they did not wish to be pregnant, then that is what they had to

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## Monday IN BRIEF



### Nominations sought for Watauga Medal

N.C. State is seeking nominations for the Watauga Medal, the highest nonacademic honor awarded by the university.

The Watauga Medal, authorized by the NCSU Board of Trustees in 1975, is awarded annually to no more than three people. It is given in recognition of "unusually distinguished service to North Carolina State University."

Criteria for the medal are broadly based. The award recognizes people not on the university staff who have rendered notable and significant services for the advancement of teaching, research, and extension functions of the university.

The medal, or medals, will be presented at the NCSU Founders' Day Dinner on March 9th. Nominations by alumni, friends, and supporters of the university may be submitted to Joseph Sanders, chairman of the Watauga Medal Commission, Office of Public Affairs, Campus Box 7505.

### Cotton Field Day scheduled for Sept. 9

Pest and weed management, transgenic varieties and production innovations will be the topics of the day on September 9th at the 13th Annual North Carolina Cotton Field Day and Exhibition at the Upper Coastal Plant Research Center in Rocky Mount.

Registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. for an afternoon and evening filled with on-farm test results, field tours, exhibits, demonstrations, guest speakers and research information. Researchers and specialists from N.C. State will be on hand to discuss production issues, and informational, commercial and equipment displays will be available for review throughout the event.

Commissioner Jim Graham of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, Dean Durward F. Baetman of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at NCSU, and Alan McLaurin, president of the North Carolina Cotton Promotion Association, will be the featured speakers during the early evening program.

### A & L sciences College hosts event

On September 20th, the Wolfpack battles Northern Illinois at Carter-Finley Stadium. At that time, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at NCSU is putting on "Tailgate '97." Tailgate '97 will be a night to remember for many reasons.

The event will include a Barbecue Feast, a delicious outdoor banquet that features barbecue pork and chicken with all the trimmings. With this feast will be a "Home-Made Ice Cream Bash," where you can sample the freshest, creamiest offering from NCSU's dairy. Faculty, staff, and students of CALS will show off their latest innovations to fans, students, and everyone else who visits the event. Music and entertainment will be provided by the "Honorable Charlie Alberson and his Band." Alberson will be playing toe-tapping tunes throughout the event.

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# School of Design appoints new department heads

The street signs and the NCSU letterhead were both designed by the department of graphic design. And if the red stripe on NCSU's letterhead somehow reminds you of NCSU's red street signs, you're not mistaken. That's the idea.

While there is no central organization to unify the architecture and landscaping of the campus, graphic design hopes to become more involved.

"We're implementing the university identity," explained Blauvelt. "It's important to us as designers how the campus looks. It's not like a brand new building. What we do is more pervasive, more unnoticed. That is an advantage."

The presence of the graphic design department is felt in other ways too. They have designed logos, brochures and websites for other departments.

Undergraduates in the department also obtain professional and practical experience by providing services for outside organizations, often for not-for-profit companies.

"Our undergraduates design real projects for real clients," Blauvelt said.

As a new department head, Blauvelt said he doesn't envision making major changes. There's enough to do in following through and making minor changes.

"Part of the goal is to develop our reputation in-state, outside of the state, and internationally," he said.

## Life at the top

NCSU's graphic design department is already near the top of the public university list and is internationally well known. The faculty is also active on the national level. Blauvelt himself is on the board of directors for the American Center for Design and has served as a visiting critic for the first postgraduate design programs in the Netherlands and Mexico.

An international conference on using design concepts in education, particularly K-12, is being organized by Meredith Davis, who obviously still has duties outside of teaching.

In addition to his duties as department head, Blauvelt also still teaches "a full schedule and then some."

The design school needed another new de-

partment head because Louisiana State University, knowing where to look for a new dean for their design school, recruited NCSU's head of the department of architecture, Christos Saccopoulos.

NCSU, of course, replaced him with one of its own, Faith A. Rifki.

"My predecessor has done wonderful things," stated Rifki. "Over the next three years, I will be assessing the department. For the first year, I decided to make no changes."

Rifki who had previously served as assistant department head has some definite plans.

For example, he hopes to increase the foreign student exchange beyond the current five universities in Europe.

"I want to emphasize and enlarge the pool in the Far East and South America," he said.

Rifki has the background conducive to an international vision. After he earned his bachelor's degree in 1978 from the American University of Beirut, Lebanon, he returned to his native Cyprus where he worked for five years for the United Nations. He came to the United States as a Fulbright Scholar and, in 1985, earned his master's degree from the

University of Oregon in Eugene and joined the faculty at NCSU.

## Earning a reputation

One way the department will enhance its reputation is to host the Practice Education Summit of The American Institute of Architects, Oct. 31-Nov. 1.

"We will get together to talk about the state of the discipline," explained Rifki. "The pace is much faster now. Adjusting is difficult unless you make changes."

The department will also be in the public eye as it celebrates its fiftieth anniversary this spring with activities including class reunions.

John Reuer, who is retiring after teaching for 30 of the department's 50 years of existence, is helping to plan the celebrations. Reuer's ARC 141-142, history of design, has been popular across campus.

"We are searching for faculty to replace Dr. Reuer — or at least to teach the course," said Rifki.

Rifki plans to work with the dean's office and with alumni to make more financial aid

available. He feels more emphasis on scholarships would make the graduate program more competitive.

"I want to work on improving the graduate program," he said. "We have more to do in reaching good candidates for graduate studies."

Cooperative education is one program that Rifki definitely plans to continue. Since architecture students need a three-year internship which can include cooperative education, the time to register stays the same, Rifki said. He said the time taken away from studies for the practical experience does not lengthen the time it takes to become a registered architect.

In reflecting on the department, Rifki stated, "We have done drastic things in the past few years, but you never catch up. These are the good times. You need to be prepared for the next downturn."

Rifki also had practical words for would-be architects.

"If you are after money, there are other professions with more money for less effort. But architects tend to be happy people. Don't come here unless it's in your heart."

## Arm

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man workers out of harm's way. And they often can do the job for less money, in less time, than a human crew," states Dr. Leonard Bernold, director of the CARL Laboratory at NCSU's department of civil engineering.

To learn more about the arm and the Buried Utilities Detection System now being developed, visit the CARL website at <http://www2.ncsu.edu/ncsu/CIL/CARL>.

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lished by the commission. These will be found in departments all over campus. Yet, most of the excitement about the project is centered around the eventual internet site where students can post their comments and concerns.

"We would like for it to be a suggestions/comments page," Myers said. "Students can check the university of Florida's webpage for a good idea of what ours would be like."

"The suggestions will go to the respective department that the students'

concerns address. Students probably will not receive an immediate response due to the projected number of comments, yet it is likely that the departments will piece together forums or task forces to amend current policies and procedures.

The commission replaces the Task Force on Semester Startup Services, which had a more limited objective. From year to year, the commission will continue to address the quality of student services.

In the long run, commission members hope improved services will translate into higher retention and graduation rates.

"This is the administration's way on how we can get feedback on services we offer," Myers said.

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eat," Riddle said.

In his research, Riddle found that abortion remained legal until a couple hundred years ago.

"The English Common-law did not convict anyone of abortion," he said. "What we call abortion was perfectly legal until the 19th century."

In Medieval England, those who caused women to deliver early were not charged with manslaughter. Riddle said he searched medieval court cases and could not find a single

charge.

Twin Slayers, the landmark case of the time, came under the reign of Edward II.

"A woman was pregnant with twins," said Riddle. "A man assaulted her and she went into labor. One was born dead and one lived."

The man was not charged. The second died two weeks later, and he still was not charged.

However, in his 17th Century book "Institutes of Government," Robert Coke studied this case and wrote that it was a high crime to terminate a pregnancy after the time when the fetus could survive on its own.

"Either he was being dishonest, or he made a horrendous mistake in writing this," said Riddle.

## From Technician's Fun Fact File...

### Number 97:

When North Hall became a dorm, its first residents referred to it as the "Merry Monk dorm." Those '80s kids sure were kooky.

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## ESA: A student's perspective

Students voice their opinions on the new Entertainment and Sports Arena.

JAMES CURLI  
Assistant Sports Editor

Imagine, if you will, the middle of January. The temperature's below freezing outside of Reynolds Coliseum, but all 12,500 in attendance are sweating bullets. It's hot. Hysteria permeates the crowd of Wolfpack faithful. Old men in the top row have turned off their hearing aids in the hopes of lessening the abuse their inner ears are receiving, but to no avail. It's the Carolina-State game, and the Pack is on their way toward beating their archrival at home on national television. Now, flash forward a couple of

years. Same date, same weather, same game. This time around, however, the 21,000-plus in attendance aren't sweating. Old men can hear just fine. And the student body, while making some noise, seems eerily removed from the atmosphere of the game.

The place: The Entertainment and Sports Arena, or ESA for short. Scheduled for completion in April of 1999, the ESA is shaping up to be one of the most state-of-the-art athletics facilities in the country, as well as holding the honor of being the future home of Wolfpack Basketball.

On that fateful day when the Pack Five takes the court at the ESA, it will be the first time in nearly 50 years that the Wolfpack will be playing at home in a venue other than Reynolds

"It's one of the few places in the country where a basketball team still plays in an arena on campus."

—Seth Whitaker,



Jennifer Peterson, along with twin sister Nicole and Amy Lemmerman return for their fourth year with the pack.

## Adding some pep

Volleyball gets some help making noise in Reynolds.

JAMES HOPE  
Staff Writer

This fall the Wolfpack band is gearing up for a great season of volleyball.

No, this is not a misprint. Dr. John Fuller, director of athletic bands here at State, has recently announced that a new pep ensemble, dubbed "varsity band," will play at home volleyball games during the fall semester.

This is new to N.C. State, where in the past, pep bands only played at football games during the fall athletic season.

The varsity band will play music traditionally played during basketball games as well as some new material just purchased by the music department.

"We'll play between matches and when the ball is not in play," said Fuller.

He also stated that the band would not play if the coaches request silence.

This new ensemble is different

from the old pep band, in that the university will recognize it as a course.

Dr. Fuller mentioned that he has wanted to give participating students credit for pep band for some time now. In the past, pep ensembles were on a volunteer basis only.

"These people join pep band because they love to play and want to support their team," said Fuller.

Students will receive one credit for this "course". The NCAA has not required but strongly suggested that pep bands cover two men's and two women's sports. Volleyball has given the NCSU music department an excellent opportunity to adhere to this suggestion.

When asked about varsity band, head volleyball coach Kim Hall was very enthusiastic.

"This is one of the best things that could happen going into the season," said Hall.

Coach Hall expects the mere presence of the varsity band should make Reynolds a hard place for away squads to play. She said that way

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## Looking to improve

Coach Jenny Garrity and the women's tennis team are returning nearly all of last season's starters.

CHERRY CRAYTON  
Staff Writer

In only her third year as women's tennis head coach, Jenny Garrity is hoping to improve on last year's 8th place Atlantic Coast Conference finish.

With only one player not returning, the women's tennis team seems to have the odds swinging

her way. New faces on the squad this year will include Ramsey Roberts of Peachtree City, Georgia and Sarah Benham of the Netherlands. Highly recruited, Benham brings international experience that will allow her to make a direct impact on the young team.

With a year of college experience behind them, the four sophomores continue working hard during the off season to improve. The returning sophomores include

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Coliseum. Historically one of the toughest places to play in the country, "The House the Case Built" stands as a monument to the history of Pack basketball greatness.

But how do the students feel about

leaving Reynolds?

For those of who have witnessed a sold-out basketball game in Reynolds Coliseum, the thought of playing anywhere else seems ludicrous.

"I like (basketball) at Reynolds,

personally," junior Myra Davidson said. "It just seems like it's been a part of campus for so long."

The fact that the ESA is being constructed off campus raises

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## N.C. State's advantage

The pack volleyball team heads into the '97 season with an across-the-board advantage over their ACC opponents.

K. GAFFNEY  
Sports Editor

A home-court underdog loaded with experience.

That could be the perfect way to describe the '97 State volleyball team.

When it comes to advantages, on paper the Wolfpack is striking fear into the hearts of their Atlantic Coast Conference opposition.

In seniors Jennifer and Nicole Peterson and Amy Lemmerman, the Pack has a combined nine years of experience in ACC play, as well as three players who are climbing the ACC charts in blocks, assists, and digs.

As if that were not enough, in the three seniors, the pack has a

connection not seen often in college athletics.

The three have been playing together for close to eight years.

The trio came to State after four years and an Illinois State championship during their final season at Lockport Township High School, joining fellow Illinois transfers, head coach Kim Hall and assistant coach Greg Togami in their first seasons with the Pack.

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## Meet the Pack Day



Senior running back Tremaine Stephens is surrounded by a crowd of fans, young and old, at Meet the Pack Day at Carter Finley Stadium on Saturday August 23rd.

## Different season, same goals

Eric Hayes and the tennis team are looking towards the postseason.

CHERRY CRAYTON  
Staff Writer

Coach Eric Hayes has the same goal for this season's tennis squad that he has had for all his others since coming to N.C. State in 1995—making the NCAA tournament. Last year's squad fell a little short, but with all of last season's players returning except for one, this year's squad is sure to improve.

Hayes Calvert did leave the Wolfpack, but junior Roberto "the Machine" Braccione will return as State's number-one singles player.

Braccione ended last season at 6-2 in the ACC, with an 18-5 mark overall.

To avoid the risk of injury, Braccione will most likely not compete with the Wolfpack during their fall schedule. Instead, Braccione will be preparing for the National Clay Courts, a fierce tournament for the top college tennis players in the country.

Also joining Braccione this season will be the lone senior Jay Lewandowski who is a walk-on. Lewandowski compiled a 3-3 record during last season's fall tennis.

Rounding out those returning will be juniors David Bolik, Wayne Forrester, and Ross Meltzer and sophomores Alexandre Eaccarino, Keith Salmon, Jeffrey Smith and Shaun Thomas.

In addition to the nucleus of last year's squad, two Georgia freshmen have joined the force — Erik Graves of Atlanta and Eric Jackson

of Stone Mountain.

Both players are expected to make an immediate impact on the program, especially Jackson.

Jackson was awarded a tennis scholarship, which is a rarity. He is one to definitely keep an eye on.

With two strong newcomers and an experienced set returning, the tennis team is expected to improve from last year's eighth place ACC finish.

Before their regular spring season opens, the men will host the N.C. State Fall Classic October 3rd through the 5th, and will travel to William and Mary for a tournament September 12th-14th.

The "swarm-ups" will give Coach Hayes an idea on the direction that this year's squad is heading.

And perhaps this year it will include an appearance in the NCAA tournament.

## Only human

K. GAFFNEY  
Staff Writer

Let's not forget that athletes are human too.

It is easy to forget. We watch them on the television, or see their faces on the sports page, or read about them in a magazine. And it is easy to look up to them, and not know why.

To have this inexplicable reverence for someone, simply because he can dunk from the foul line or return a kickoff for a touchdown in the opening drive of the Superbowl.

But as a team in one of the biggest athletic conferences in the country, N.C. State students aren't only vulnerable to this mental lapse right here at Brick U.

Or we see them on campus, in the Atrium, or walking across the Brickyard, or even sitting down the row from us in sociology class.

And we don't see them. We see the girl who sank the winning basket against Carolina or the guy who played the entire ACC tournament, or the guy who scored the touchdown against Florida State on national television. We don't see them as normal people, we don't see them as students just like ourselves, and we see them as the exception.

And that is not to say that they don't deserve credit for what they have done, but they don't necessarily deserve idolization either.

Now, I admit that I forget this every once in a while. For instance, you wouldn't readily suspect that one would make a lewd comment to one of your friends in a Hillsborough Street dance club, but then you remember that they are only college students too.

But does that make it all right, and why should they be held to a higher standard in the first place? Or why was everyone shocked at the public nuisance that several members of the football team turned into after last season?

Public safety has problems with students everyday, it is just not every day. The name is recognized all across campus. But why is it those that we seem to revere so much that let us down. I mean, why do we take it personally?

Maybe we are putting the wrong ones on a pedestal. Maybe we should stop holding the athletes to a higher standard, and let them take care of themselves.

There are, you know, ones who do.

Like the guy who plays close to 120 minutes of soccer in two days in 97-degree weather while running a temperature that would keep the majority of us in bed and out of class, let alone on the soccer field. Or the volleyball player who holds a 4.0 GPA in biochemistry. Or the fact that our cross-country teams are to the ACC now what the Yankees were to baseball in the 70s.

And I would place money on the fact that these people are sitting next to you in communications class and are in front of you in line at Taco Bell, and you have no idea. So take a better look next time, not only at the person next to you, but to the person on your television screen or the front page of the sports sections. You may be surprised at what you see.

### Look inside for:

- Our women's volleyball schedule
- More on the ESA
- What's happening with our band.
- And more interesting sport facts



# ESA

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questions of convenience for the students here on campus. Underclassmen, many of whom don't have a vehicle here, find it difficult enough getting a ride to one football game a week, or every other week, during football season. Traveling twice a week off campus would only make things more difficult and is a serious consideration in the eyes of many. "It's one of the few places in the country where a basketball team still plays in an arena on campus," sophomore Seth Whitaker said. "The students can just walk to the game and don't have to worry about riding the Wolfline or whatever else. It's right there on campus in front of you." "I just think it would have been better if they had kept it here," said Davidson. "I don't think I'll drive out to see every games." But if students went to basketball

games in Reynolds just because they were "convenient," this whole ESA debate would most likely not exist. The prime arguing stance for those against the ESA is that the atmosphere, the electricity, in Reynolds is a factor in the outcome of many of the games held there. Head coach Herb Sendek mentioned this fact all throughout last season Reynolds, and the crowd within, was almost like a sixth man for the Pack. Undenably, the thought of losing that atmosphere by moving to the ESA weighs heavily in the students' minds. "That [the size of the ESA] will take away from the atmosphere," sophomore Shaun Osborne said. "With a smaller arena it's a lot louder, and the sound doesn't dissipate all over the place. We might have a chance to get more people in there, but that sounds like too many seats for that kind of atmosphere." "Obviously, the atmosphere contributes to the home team's ability to win," added Whitaker.

"[Reynolds] is noisy and the fans are always really excited and very supportive of their team. It'll be the same fans, but the new arena's going to be so much bigger that there's not going to be a whole lot of ways for people to get loud and create the same kind of atmosphere that you have at Reynolds now." But in the end, it seems that change is inevitable. The ground is already broken for the ESA, and if it turns out as planned, it should be a spectacular place to feature Pack basketball. A few of the students polled seemed to realize this fact. They felt that while the thought of no longer holding games in Reynolds was not appealing, in order to grow as a school and an athletic program, N.C. State must eventually move to the larger arena-style facility. "I think it's a good thing," sophomore Luke Zetlemoyer said. "If we're going to keep growing we need a bigger stadium." Look for the third part of this three-part series in Wednesday's issue of Technician.

# Band

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the varsity band should rally fan support for the volleyball team. There have been discussions about possibly taking a band to away games such as UNC or Duke, but there are no official plans as of yet. Any student wishing to participate in varsity band must contact Dr. Fuller and must have at least some previous high school or college band experience, but there will be no auditions. The creation of the new band will in no way take away from the existing pep band already in place for basketball or affect the Pack marching band, which plays during halftime at State's football games. "The purpose of the varsity band is not to take away from the other ensembles, but to enhance them," said Fuller.



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Despite a disappointing eighth place finish in the ACC last year, Senior Amy Lemerman (above) and the Wolfpack look forward to a Homecourt advantage in the ACC tournament.

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## Avoid getting stung during Summer fun

### Wasps the matter with you?

LINDSAY GREENE  
Staff Writer

When enjoying the outdoors, there are some things we just don't think about. The sting of the yellow jacket may be one of them. This most aggressive wasp loves to hang out where we are because they enjoy such delicacies as meat, proteins, ripe fruit, and sugary food and drinks.

With the humidity descending, Fall is a favorite time to savor these foods at outdoor events, such as cookouts and picnics.

Unfortunately, this same time of the year, because of the yellow jacket's life cycle, their colony size is at its highest.

Knowing that these pesky wasps would most like to share our meal with us, here are some practical tips on how to avoid or minimize your contact with the yellow jacket and its most commonly mistaken identity: the bee.

"Many people who get stung at

picnics often blame honey bees, but the usual culprit is the yellow jacket," says Dr. John Ambrose, a bee expert at N.C. State.

So how do you distinguish between these commonly confused enemies? Yellow jackets nest in the ground, unlike the bee. Also, visually you can distinguish the yellow jacket from bees by their thin waists. In contrast, bees have thick midlines.

What reactions can be expected? Vomiting, diarrhea, swelling and shortness of breath are all natural reactions. Anything more severe than these symptoms could mean an allergic reaction to the sting.

According to the Wilderness Medicine text, about 4 percent to 4 percent are allergic to the yellow jacket's venom and at least one half of the reactions occur within 10 minutes of the sting. Whether or not you are sensitive to bees doesn't automatically link your allergies to the yellow jacket.

What are the contents of their venom? Mixtures of polypeptide toxins, enzymes, histamine,

serotonin, acetylcholine, and dopamine are all present.

If you are stung by a yellow jacket there are several means of treatment. Applying ice offers some relief and Benadryl is also helpful. If you are concerned about the sting, Student Health Services is another option. Located on Cates Avenue at Pullen Road, the center is fully equipped and ready to help. EpiPen, which is a highly effective kit they carry, costs \$32.00. After experimenting with the trainer, I discovered it is easy and direct.

Any exposed area is at risk of a sting, but because yellow jackets favor sugary foods, they often are found in soft drink or beer containers and can sting the mouth, pharynx, and even the esophagus.

Dr. Ambrose advises, "Consume beverages from clear or glass containers so that you can see if insects are using your drink as a swimming pool before you bring the cup to your lips. Public picnic areas and campgrounds pose the greatest hazard because these insects are conditioned to expect a

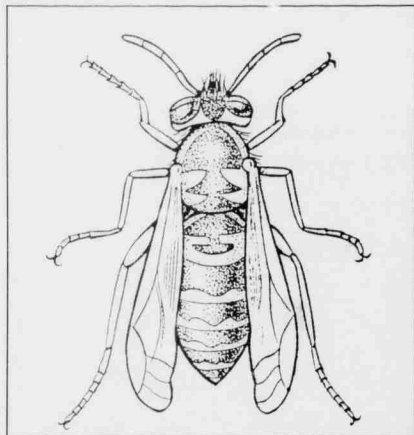
food source, such as soda cans or food leftovers in trash receptacles there. Try to keep your meal as far away from trash cans as possible and keep food items tightly covered."

When considering the ways mentioned by Dr. Ambrose or other methods, keep in mind that yellow jackets are also beneficial. They keep pest control in check. Some feed on nectar while others prey on insects and spiders. The colony remains active until the end of fall and the nest is not used again until the following year.

So until winter comes, try to enjoy the duration of the autumn coolness without the extra 'sting.'

Student Health Services hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Source: American Entomological and Phytological Society  
Yellow jackets are distinguished from bees by their narrower waists.



## Garden "jewels" pose real threat

### Japanese beetle season has arrived.

MEGAN RILEY  
Senior Staff Writer

Have you noticed your carefully planted roses in your backyard suddenly have brown petals? Have you noticed that the pink flowers on the crepe myrtle shrubs on campus are looking a little ragged? Have you noticed glimmering green and gold jewels dangling off the chewed leaves?

Don't let their attractive appearance fool you. These "jewels," otherwise known as Japanese Beetles, may be the culprits of this plant damage. They attack foliage, fruit trees, and grapes, attracted to the plants' chemical odors. As Stephen Bambara, an extension specialist in the N.C. State Entomology department, says, the bugs can do a fair amount of damage on your softer vegetation.

Bambara says these beetles originated in Japan where they have natural predators such as tiny wasps and flies, to keep plant damage under control. But in the United States, man is their major enemy.

The beetles were first spotted in a New Jersey plant nursery in 1914. Since then, they have migrated into warmer climates, where they thrive best. Bambara fears that the pests will travel to California where they can do extensive damage to its sweet foliage.

Most of the beetle's life is spent under the surface of the soil, living off turf roots. In late spring, when the soil temperature rises, it makes its appearance. It becomes an adult, feeding on our luscious flowers. Around late summer, they lay eggs in the soil with high amounts of moisture to start the cycle again. Irrigated lawns are often the homes of these new eggs.

The best way to eliminate the beetles is to treat the turf while the bugs are still in the grub stage and attached to the roots. This is done in commercial fields where funds and equipment are available.

For homeowners, there are several other creative remedies that can be implemented. The chemicals sevin and malathion are safe for the homeowner to use. Spraying your plants will keep them safe up to a week, unless rain washes the chemicals off.

For those who have a strong stomach, you can make your own concoction to combat the creatures. Simply pick as many beetles as you can, add a little water, and mix it in a blender to create a "bug cocktail." Then spray the mixture onto your plants. Hopefully the bugs will smell the scent of their dead friends and avoid your yard.

You can also use the power of sexual attraction, by placing a pheromone trap away from your garden. The chemical scent of the beetle in the trap will stimulate the others, and they will be sidetracked from your plants. Remember to keep the trap far away from your trees and flowers, for the traps attract the bugs. For best results, empty the dead beetles from the trap every one or two days.

Of course you can simply handpick the beetles off of the shrubs and squash them with your shoe. However, this method is laborious and not very effective.

The best way to get rid of these pesky critters is to be diligent in treating your yard. Start spraying and picking the beetles at the beginning of the season and continue until the end.



## Vegetarian wiener envy

CHRISTINE OLDHAM  
Associate Tech. Staff Editor

"My biologist has a first name, it's O-S-C-A-R. My hologna has a second name, it's M-E-Y-E-R. I love to eat it every day, and if you ask me why, I'll say...Oscar Meyer has a way with B-O-L-O-G-N-A."

Many children and quite a few college students gleefully chant this little ditty every time they get the chance. Those chances come quite often considering the popularity of Oscar Meyer products, often represented on television with a little scowling joyfully biting into a juicy hot dog. The Wiener-mobile is also a staple of those popular advertisements. Viewers see the Wiener-mobile cruising across the screen in the background

but soon, that little scamp enjoying his pork-by-product will have no more, and the wienermobile may have to cruise alone.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, (PETA), a group known for its drastic measures regarding the treatment of animals, has vowed to disrupt Oscar Meyer's attempt to draw children into its promotion of "cruel intensive pig farming and slaughter." The "pig" has been arrested at several venues for his protesting, once going so far as to actually climb on top of the car with a sign reading, "Meat is Murder."

According to PETA, pigs suffer greatly to provide hot dogs and other meats. They are packed together into such small spaces that they sometimes bite off each other's tails and ears because of stress. They are fed hormones, pesticides

and antibiotics to keep disease down and profits up. Each year in the United States, more than 90 million pigs are castrated and have their tails cut off without anesthesia before being shipped in hideous conditions to slaughter. This alleged mistreatment has led PETA members to take drastic action.

As many know, a hot dog contains all those "leftover" parts of the pig. But, as indicated by the large sales of hotdogs, this doesn't faze very many people.

Will these children of the future be affected? We have yet to see. Although, according to PETA president, "Kids would lose their lunch if they actually knew what went into a wiener." Especially if that lunch was a hot dog.

## Your Horoscope

**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** - An important family matter requires your attention. However, finances are not the concern this week. This matter deals with inner-family spats.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** - Your judgement is right on the mark this week. Beware of a jealous coworker, or even worse, someone who could be conniving to ruin your personal life. Justice wins out in the end.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** - Listen carefully to the advice given you by a close friend. This person really has your best interests at heart. On the home front, family members rally this weekend.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** - Confidence is the key to dealing with children this week. Loved ones in general are supportive. Your financial picture looks brighter by week's end.

**All My Children:** After Edmund told Skye he worried that Dimitri would want to be a part of Maddie's life, she told him the truth about the paternity tests. Adam challenged Liza to prove he's the father of her unborn baby. Skye took Edmund to the crash site where she found her note (about the paternity test) in the sand. Trevor told Jack how he feels about Janet. Wait to See: Liza admits she loves Adam.

**Days of Our Lives:** Bo found Billie in Rome, but she refused to return to Salem with him. Jack was ordered to return to jail. Meanwhile, Stefano refused to tell Kristen if a cure for Roman really exists, but instead that if she follows his plan, she might yet reunite with John. Later, Celeste told John and Abe that Stefano will be freed by one of his enemies. Austin proposed to Sami as Kate fumed that she had allowed Sami to blackmail her. Wait to See: Kate makes a decision that could affect many lives.

**Another World:** Nick was found guilty of raping Toni. Amanda conspired with Alexander against Carl. Rusty elaborated on the sexual harassment charge he brought against Donna. Grant bought Cindy's loyalty with a string of pearls longer than those he gave to Lila. Josie reviewed the rape testimony with particular interest in the belt buckle the rapist wore. Wait to See: Carl gets disturbing news.

**The Bold And The Beautiful:** To Brooke's dismay, Ridge suggested she remarry Grant since she seemed so happy with him. Eric told Lauren to stop pursuing him since he's committed to marrying Stephanie. Mike questioned Sheila's reasons

**LEO (July 22-Aug. 23)**

Turbulence early in the week on the home front clears up later on. Some look into redecorating or painting projects. Communication is the key to happiness this weekend.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** - Long-distance romances are a no-no. Be smart and stick with your career and/or studies in school. You must concentrate on your future and the long-term repercussions.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** - Your concern for the children in your family is a bit overdone. However, this resolves itself by week's end. Guard against over-spending this weekend.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** - Monetary success is on the horizon. Gambling is not the answer. Your creativity is. Avoid risky ventures

and think things through.

**SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22-Dec. 21** - It is not a good time to consider a career change. Instead, focus on friends and family. Be sure to tend to any unfinished business this weekend.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** - Your creative skills could be a tad off. However, by midweek, your instinctive creative juices lead to an absolutely stunning revelation. Share this with others.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** - You are somewhat shy about getting a very important point across to a close friend. However, do speak up. This will enhance that life-long friendship.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** - Don't be surprised if there's an error on your banking or credit statements. Look over the invoices carefully. While your financial picture is a mystery, all will be fine.

## Soap Opera Update

for helping Amber get the babysitting job with James and Maggie. Taylor told Eric she decided between Ridge and Thorne. Wait to See: Taylor tells Thorne her stunning news.

**General Hospital:** Stefan admitted to Alexis that Katherine's mother resembled Mikko's mistress. Elizabeth plotted to get closer to Lucky. Carly felt miserable about leaving an apparently intoxicated A.J. outside their apartment. Charges against Sonny, Brenda and Jax were dropped. Brenda had an emotional

reunion with Mike. Sonny proposed to Brenda. Wait to See: Elizabeth gets disturbing news.

**Guiding Light:** Michelle "told" her dead mother, Maureen, she's in love with Jesse. Annie blamed Reva for her new problems, but it was Amanda who was responsible. Stunned by what Reva told her, Cassie tried to get out of her deal with Alan, but he reminded her about her daughter, Tammy. Josh noted similarities between Reva and Cassie. Wait to See: Annie has a new plan of "vengeance."

**The Young And The Restless:** Nick responded to Sharon's concern that Grace was the cause of his moodiness. Victor's "business trip" with Diane turned out to be a flight to Nevada for their wedding, followed by a flight to Greece for their honeymoon. Back in Genoa City, Jack was concerned that he wasn't able to contact Diane. Nick was jolted when he found a note from Sharon saying she had taken Noah and Cassie on a trip because she and Nick needed some time apart. Wait to See: Veronica makes a decision.

## Peanuts on parade

### SPECIAL TO TECHNICIAN

Get out your top hat, cane and monocle. It's peanut time. The 45th annual Peanut Field Day will be held at 10 a.m., September 4 at the Peanut Belt Research Station near Lewiston.

Among the activities will be the annual membership meeting of the N.C. Peanut Growers Association, featuring updates on peanut marketing and promotions, plus a keynote address by Dean Durward

F. Bateman of N.C. State's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

After a noon luncheon (peanut butter and jelly, anyone?), participants will tour research station fields. From scientists with the N.C. Agricultural Research Service and the Cooperative Extension Service at NCSU, they will learn more about peanut variety development, integrated pest management and reduced tillage production systems. A tillage

equipment demonstration will also be conducted.

The event will conclude at 3:30 p.m. NCSU, the N.C. Department of Agriculture and the Peanut Growers Association sponsor the field day. For information, call a county center of the N.C. Cooperative Extension Service or Dr. John Havlin, head of NCSU's Department of Soil Science at (919) 515-2655.

NATIONAL NEWS

Sex harassment case plagues Army

Domestic violence on the rise in the U.S.

According to America's emergency rooms, 17 percent of injuries treated are a result of domestic violence.

GEORGE LARDNER The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Emergency rooms at hospitals across the country are treating more than 1.3 million people a year for injuries caused by violent attacks...

Sixty percent of the victims were men and 40 percent were women. More than nine of every 10-94 percent were injured during an assault...

Women were more likely than men to have been injured by someone with whom they had an intimate relationship - a current or former spouse, boyfriend or girlfriend...

The findings were based on emergency room visits in 1994 at a nationwide sample of 31 hospitals that provide 24-hour service and have staffs trained to record the cause and circumstances of every injury...

The first of its kind, the survey showed that approximately 243,000 people, or 17 percent, were treated for injuries inflicted by an intimate. "This was four times higher than the

estimates of the number of such crime victims treated in hospital emergency rooms as measured by the National Crime Victimization Survey...

The annual crime victim survey is based on interviews with victims themselves who might not regard the attacks on them as criminal...

In addition to the 1,335,900 confirmed victims of violence, the study said there were 81,700 who turned up at the hospital with "injuries that had probably been - or were suspected of having been - sustained from acts of violence."

The total of 1,417,600 represented 3.6 percent of all injury-related emergency room visits in 1994. The study found that almost half of the victims of violent injuries were under age 25...

Only non-fatal injuries were counted. About three out of five were inflicted without the use of a weapon, most often the result of a punch or a kick...

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The outcome of this case depends on two factors: the military's fear of embarrassment and its concern that it is not too lenient.

PAUL RICHTER Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON - Plodding along in a usually obscure corner of Washington, the Army proceeding has made history: None like it has ever gone nearly so long...

Yet as the pretrial inquiry into the alleged sexual misconduct of Sgt. Maj. of the Army Gene C. McKinney stretches into its ninth and probably final week...

Facing allegations from six servicewomen, McKinney and his

lawyers are betting that their best chance lies in convincing the Army that it can even less afford to proceed with a court-martial than can the decorated 29-year veteran...

To drive home its point, the defense has worked to extend the painful spectacle of the hearing for as long as possible...

It has, in a word, put the Army on the spot once more, in a year when the military already has seen its fair share of bad publicity...

But while senior officers have privately acknowledged that they would prefer to quietly dispose of the McKinney case outside of a court-martial...

The Army leadership "knows this is a hot potato," said Michael Gaffney, who practices military justice law in Washington...

For its part, the defense is in a hot spot as well.

Its efforts to crank up political pressure are controversial even among other military justice lawyers...

McKinney, the first black to hold the prestigious post of the Army's top enlisted man, faces accusations

that he sought sex with half a dozen women, using varying degrees of pressure and sometimes touching the women...

The pretrial hearing is aimed at deciding whether there is enough evidence to send the case to a court-martial.

McKinney has denied all wrongdoing. He is insisting on an honorable discharge that would preserve his rank and retirement pay.

In lengthy cross-examinations, McKinney's defense team has sought to bring out inconsistencies in the accusers' stories...

Last week, for example, defense attorneys wrested an acknowledgment from Sgt. 1st Class Rita Jeczala that in an alleged encounter

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Teamster president asked to step down

Teamsters President Ron Carey was asked to resign amid allegations of embezzlement.

JAMES GERSTENZANG Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON - With his seemingly revitalized union embroiled once again in controversy and allegations of corruption, Teamsters President Ron Carey faced a demand Sunday from his defeated rival that he abandon his post...

Two days after a federal motion court said the union's 1996 presidential election must be re-run because the Carey campaign received illegal contributions, challenger James P. Hoffa said Carey should be disqualified...

Offering Sunday television viewers the rhetorical equivalent of Mike Tyson vs. Evander Holyfield, Hoffa and Carey angrily, and heavily-handedly, attacked each other's leadership at a time when the

Teamsters are on the cutting edge of efforts to recapture the power and prestige organization labor had lost in recent decades.

But even though their arguments centered on the union election and this month's successful strike against the United Parcel Service...

Hoffa, appearing on three news interviews, said on "Fox News Sunday": "Carey should step aside - be removed and disqualified from the race because this is a burgeoning scandal and right now he is an illegitimate person in the position of president...

"This is the most egregious conduct we've ever seen - wide-scale, broad scheme of embezzlement that was intentional to put this money in his campaign," Hoffa said in another appearance on ABC's "This Week."

Carey, meantime, said Hoffa is "a real pro in terms of smear and distortion."

And, Carey said, Hoffa, a union lawyer, has "never negotiated a contract, he has never walked a picket line, he's never been elected to any position in this union..."

As for the allegation of money laundering and illegal contributions, Carey said: "You have people you trust and in every organization you have those that step over the line..."

Hoffa said his opponent should have been more on top of the union's operations, if he indeed was not aware.

Carey, running for re-election after his upset victory as a reform candidate in 1991, defeated Hoffa by fewer than four percentage points in balloting concluded last November...

On Friday, Barbara Zack Quindel, a court-appointed labor monitor, ruled that Carey operatives obtained \$221,000 in illegal contributions, including some from union accounts, to pay for pro-Carey mailings to many of the union's 1.4 million

members. She also found that Carey's campaign manager, Jere Nash, spent some working afternoons during the union campaign as a consultant to President Clinton's election organization.

The report took the shine off Carey's triumph in leading what had been hailed as a successful strike against UPS and a settlement in which the package delivery company agreed to reduce its reliance on part-time workers and give up its effort to wrest control of the workers' pension fund from the union.

Quindel said Carey has cooperated with investigators and she refused to remove him from office.

That, coupled with the comparatively modest scale of the irregularities, demonstrates how much the Teamsters has changed.

When Hoffa's father, James Riddle Hoffa, ran the organization, the union's problems centered on a long history of multimillion-dollar financial irregularities, including schemes to defraud its pension fund, as well as strong, well-organized crime and hilder.

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## Commission seeks student comments

■ New commission's program will let students' complaints and comments get to departments easier.

A 27-member group created by Chancellor Larry Moreith has been set up to help departments evaluate their performance. Through surveys, focus groups, student comment cards and an Internet homepage, departments will find out what students think of them.

The Commission on Quality Student Services will coordinate the effort to make sure that all student suggestions are properly channeled to the different departments.

For N.C.State, this new commission is the best way for departments to find out how they are seen through the eyes of those they serve — the students. Students pay for the use of university services, but often their opinions are not heard. Too many times it is the vision of the administration that takes precedence over that of the students. This makes it seem as if the administration does not consider the needs of students. However, with the creation of the new commission and its program, students' needs and opinions can be addressed.

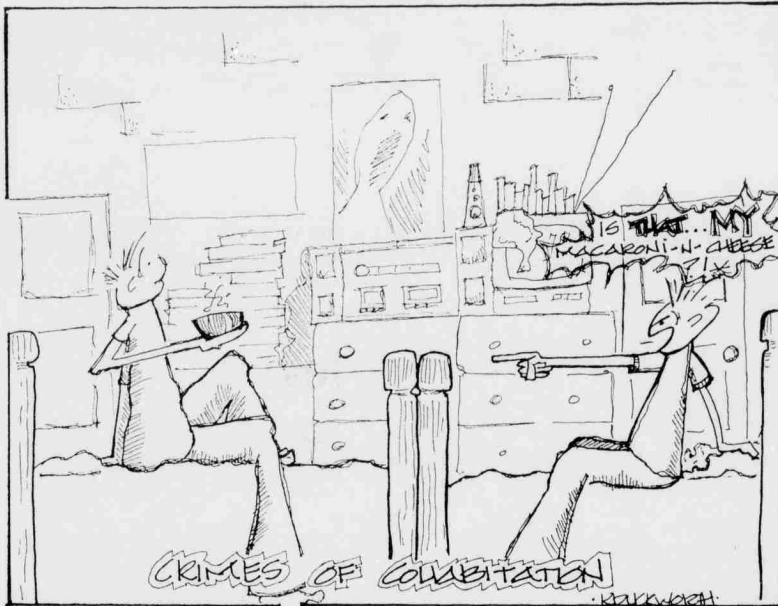
For a long time, NCSU students have tried to get their messages of

change to the administration and departments. They fill out faculty evaluation forms at the end of each semester and student leaders talk at the Chancellor's Liaison meetings, but change seldom occurs at the pace or in the way students hope for.

It may still take some time to get changes made, but the program is a step in the right direction. Students will now have a direct method of giving their comments in many different venues. If students participate in the commission's program there will be no way the university cannot consider the wishes of students. More important it will be obvious if the administration chooses to ignore those wishes.

The administration should be commended for creating a way in which students can voice their concerns. By including the students, the administration has shown that the students matter to the livelihood and further development of NCSU.

Ultimately, the responsibility for this program falls on the students. We must make sure that our suggestions, no matter how small, are given. Change cannot take place if the need for it isn't shared and discussed between the parties involved. One person's comment can make a world of difference.



## The writing on the wall

JASON COTTER  
Staff Columnist

I've been on campus for less than a week and the statement with the most impact thus far has come from the so-called "Free Expression Tunnel". This abomination is nothing more than the campus's loudest expression of conformity and should never be confused with free expression. Free expression has a variety of that the hateful and degrading statements that stain this tunnel's walls lack. But this — unknown to the intentions of its vandals — is a poetic example of the dawn of a new age and the extinction of the past. The information age is represented on the walls of the tunnel while the industrial age of our past is held between the ties on the train tracks

above. Our society is littered with internet pornography, illegitimacy, high divorce rates, rising drug usage, and countless groups competing against the norms of a society that is better remembered within the pages of history books never written than practiced. New methods of communication open opportunities and possibilities that I dare not imagine and bring with them a hoard of new ideals, values, philosophies, and cultures. Perhaps there's nothing wrong with that, some may say, but I seriously doubt that most people in our society are prepared to be as objective as we give them credit for.

One can entertain new beliefs that challenge his own as long as he is familiar enough with his values to

realize he is being challenged. I am concerned that far too many college students have never truly had to defend the values they claim to believe in. In the shroud of intolerance or even the excuse of "multiculturalism," students will avoid taking and defending strong moral stances on issues.

Many people who are pro-choice say they are so because they think abortion is wrong, but simply can't make that choice for someone else. What they are really saying is that they are afraid to take a strong position on the issue.

Would they say the same thing about slavery — the last time in our history when certain people treated others as property? Would they say that they are personally opposed to

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## Habits for life

■ Don't let freedom go to your head.

Starting classes on Monday instead of Wednesday resulted in the longest first week of the longest semester in recorded history, or at least it seemed that way. Most of us found ourselves actually doing homework last week. It was not a pleasant experience, but we made it through.

This semester, we once again embark on the great voyage toward ourselves. Through the course of this semester each of us will change as we move closer to maturity. However, the freshmen will feel the greatest change.

College represents an end to childhood in many ways. Mom and Dad are no longer there for you at the end of each day to make sure you are being fed, doing your homework, or getting that stain out of your shirt.

For the first time in your life, you are completely alone among thousands of strangers, and you have to survive. Right now things may seem very exciting, or you could be completely overwhelmed. Either way, you have to find a way to cope.

The best advice anyone can give you now is don't let the freedom go to your head. There is no one to check up on you. You have to do

that yourself. Now is as good a time to start. Make a schedule for yourself. Set a time each day to do homework and don't leave it until midnight. Get the work done first, and then go play.

Keep in mind what time your first class is in the morning. If you're the type of person who required eight hours of sleep when you were in high school, you are not going to change suddenly into a two-hour-a-night person just because you're in college. Get the amount of sleep you need to function the next day. You can't sleep through your classes and get decent grades.

You may think this advice sounds an awful lot like your parents talking and you'd be right. The truth is that the same rules apply to getting and keeping a job out in the real world. You need to develop the habits it takes to succeed out there while you're still in college.

College is the proving ground of real life. A number of you who started classes last Monday won't be with us when spring semester begins. Others won't be back next fall. Whether or not you're one of the ones who makes it back is entirely up to you and how seriously you take your classes. There are too many potential students out there for the university to let students who goof off stay in school.

Succeeding in college or in the real world is entirely up to you. If you develop the habit of success now, it will follow you through life. The choice is yours.

MATT HAMBY  
Staff Columnist

Since 1970, assorted nut cases known as environmentalist wackos have been making all kinds of apocalyptic predictions about the future of the world. On Earth Day 1970, it was predicted that humans were goading the earth into another ice age. Another prediction: ocean fish kills were to be so rampant that coastlines would have to be evacuated because of the stench of dead fish.

So, the environmentalist wackos were forced to backtrack on the ice age prediction.

Now they are spouting the global-warming myth. The theory goes that increases in carbon dioxide and other gasses will result in heat

absorbed by the sun to be held in instead of dissipating. Then, the polar ice caps are supposed to melt and sea levels are supposed to rise.

These are only predictions, but if one asks for more evidence, the usual response is "Waiting for such evidence is too dangerous if we are right." In reality, there has not been significant climatic temperature change in either direction. (Source: "The True State of the Planet," Ronald Bailey.)

Another folly of the environmentalist wacko movement was the attack on the chemical treatment plant. The Natural Resources Defense Council, an activist organization known for its quality lawyers rather than its quality science, was the perpetrator in this fiasco. It all started with a segment

on the television program "Sixty Minutes." The allegation was that the chemical alar posed a carcinogenic hazard to humans.

Apples were treated with this substance in order to slow the ripening process and keep the apples from falling off the tree prematurely. This was actually good because it allowed apples to be available year-round. It isn't alar itself that is claimed to be carcinogenic but a degradation byproduct. In the experiments with lab rats which "proved" alar was carcinogenic, the rats were given a quantity of alar so large it would have been the human equivalent of consuming 50,000 pounds of alar-treated apples a day for a lifetime. It

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## The world is not ending

## Misunderstanding cultures causes offense

MARTY MCKITTRICK  
Staff Columnist

As I was leaving Technician after my first trip to the offices and got an elevator to go down and back to "dormworld", I noticed a sticker on the ceiling of the elevator.

It read: The secret to success: to offend as many people as humanly possible.

My first thought was that this was just another attempt by someone to make a Dennis Miller style joke, which they probably were. But the message on the sticker goes much further than that. Things like this have a key importance in a time such as this, in a university community. To simply offend as many people as possible can occur on many levels. In fact, for many incoming freshmen, offending someone is as easy as not being aware of who they are around. Is

this offense really necessary? Most certainly not.

This problem is not only limited to the freshman, but also the upperclassmen among us that may have new suitmates, roommates, or resident advisors. It is necessary to discern the "culture" of each individual person, and learn to live with it.

In a community such as this one, each group of people who know each other entering the semester can be viewed as a different cultural entity, with their own traditions, icons, and rituals. The solution to making the campus community a better place to live and learn is to promote an understanding and harmony among these many groups.

This especially holds true with the merger of people from different "cultures" into the same room or suite, forced to live together cooperatively (hopefully) for an entire

semester.

But how do these different groups manage to offend one another? Offenses can occur in many ways, but the most common is from a lack of understanding. This lack of understanding can be easily overcome by simply getting to know your roommate, suitmates, and others. The things you and your friends always used to do or say, the things that you talk about, can be accepted and understood by other people. When this happens, it is much easier to get along and to enjoy the entire campus experience.

Yet still, I found myself thinking that this had a good application in the proverbial real world. Given that the first article I saw pre-publication at Technician was Dawn Wotapka's opinion on racism, I really got to thinking about the ramifications of stickers such as this one beyond the scope

of campus life. Is this some sort of backlash for all of the multiculturalism that has come to dominate our world today?

I don't think that there is any doubt that this is indeed some sort of backlash, but is this backlash justified? I really don't think so. I am a white male, and I am not really a big part of the new multiculturalism, but I think it is an incredible thing to have so many different resources to draw from and things to learn.

I may not ever know exactly why Muslims celebrate Ramadan, or why death is viewed differently in Mexico. But how can a single person not respect the people who live like this, simply because of the culture that they come from? It must be seen that there really cannot be one American culture -- to say that there should be is to ignore the beauty of America.

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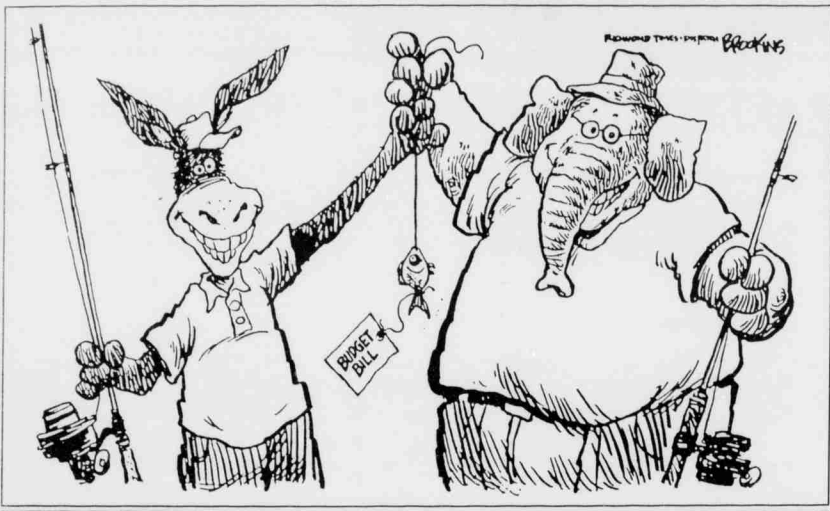
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## Cotter

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slavery but wouldn't make that moral decision for a slave holder? What about segregation? Would they say they are personally against segregation but wouldn't stop a state from employing it?

I will be the first to say that abortion is murder, the holocaust and slavery were immoral, and competition and capitalism are excellent systems that I am not afraid to champion to anyone who will listen.

I will also say affirmative action is racist as it is just as immoral to give something to someone based on race as it is to take it away based on race.

But I'm concerned that I'm in a minority in taking firm positions.

Now don't go off and start thinking I'm close-minded just because I have definitive opinions. Being open-minded simply means that you can rationally examine and question someone else's ideals in an attempt to understand not simply what they think, but why they think it.

Too many among us believe that one can't stand strongly for or against something without being a bigot or being close-minded. This is the product of simply having too many ideals in society all crashing down on people who are not prepared to carry the weight.

A bigot will take a can of spray paint to the tunnel and prove that he can't be objective while a neo-open-minded-person will say that every attitude, belief, and practice

is just, to avoid having to take definitive beliefs. Values are constants. Compromise is not, but core values must never be lost.

Students, afraid to defend their own beliefs while objectively entertaining other beliefs, are often too easily influenced by the new information revolution.

This brings us back to the tunnel under the tracks.

Relieved of the burden of social norms, those who partake in the desecration of the tunnel are little different from those who scar the internet with anonymous and harmful information. Too much information has caused our society to dilute its values in order to adopt all of the ideals into our society.

When ideas were carried only as fast as the train could move across the tracks and communication was most often exchanged with family and community, we had more social responsibility and were taught to stand and respect certain values. Our role models had to be our parents or those close to us.

Today, our role models can be as diverse and varied as the technologies that allow them to influence us will allow. Until we question everything, we will never be able to survive in the information age.

However, there is no need to trace in your computer to get your culture back. As long as we don't confuse the meaning of open-mindedness and soon find the courage to own our opinions again, then we will be able to survive the transition, and our new generation will certainly find its meaning beneath the route laid down by another.

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## Hamby

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was also found that the rats in the experiment were suffering dehydration before the experiment began. However, people like actress Meryl Streep had nothing to gain by telling the truth. (Source: Apocalypse Now, Ben Bolch and Harold Lyons)

Raleigh's own News & Observer was guilty of environmental myth-making when they wrote the series on swine farms. The series entitled "Boss Hog: The Long Smelly Summer" suggested swine farmers were to blame for environmental degradation. In the series of stories, The N&O claimed to have uncovered large numbers of overflowing and overfilled lagoons while scouring the eastern part of the state in a rented airplane. If the N&O journalists would have actually taken the time to look at the lagoons from the ground, they would have found that many of the lagoons were fine and that some of them hadn't been in used in decades. Some of the lagoons even had fish and tadpoles swimming in them. The ironic thing is that the

N&O won a Pulitzer Prize for a series of stories that were full of manure.

What is really significant about the swine-farm fiasco is what the N&O didn't report. About 30 N. C. municipalities discharged human waste into the state's public rivers during the same time. This is significant because untreated human waste is far more dangerous than hog waste as human waste contains a wider variety of chemicals, garbage, and diseases. The municipalities exhibited a worse discharge record than animal farms. Approximately 5.7 percent of the state's municipalities dumped waste into rivers while 1.3 percent of the state's farms did. As reported by the October-November '95 issue of Carolina Journal, a publication of the John Locke foundation, the city of Raleigh was responsible for the fish kills on the Neuse River in 1995.

It can be plainly seen that much of the environmental movement is merely a veiled attack on capitalism. These people cannot reveal their true agenda, to simply come up with these imaginary problems and blame their straw dog, American industry.

## Marty

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can all make the world a better place simply by understanding each other. The message that was on the ceiling of that elevator simply is not the way to go about accomplishing this.

Rather, the way to go is through education, one of the most powerful tools of all time. Once people know why certain groups have a particular tradition or ritual,

certainly it will become easier for them to respect it. The same should apply to the different pseudo-cultural groups that we live with each day in dorms and apartment complexes. Once the rituals or the habits of groups are seen and understood, the residents can almost certainly be happier.

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# Pack

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But if there is anything their experience has taught them, members of State's senior class realizes that what looks good on paper doesn't always come through. "We are literally taking it one game at a time," Jennifer Peterson said of the Pack's outlook for the ACC season. "We haven't really looked ahead to the ACC, our first match is against Georgetown, and that is what we are focusing on."

Not thinking too far ahead may be the right approach for State.

The Pack finished just one place out of the ACC cellar last season, and will face tough competition, including a Maryland team that breezed through the conference with a 16-0 record.

The Terrapins have lost three seniors from their 1996 roster, but return ACC Tournament MVP Elizabeth Efron, a 6-foot right side blocker.

Eden Kroeger also returns for the fourth season as Maryland's No. 1 setter. A first team All-ACC selection last season, Kroeger's 3,878 career assists place her at number six on the ACC all-time career list.

The Duke Blue Devils have been

given the preseason nod from the conference coaches to finish atop the league this year.

Seniors Kristin Campbell and Maureen Reindel lead the return for the Devils, who are looking to regain the title that they won in 1994.

The Devils have struggled through the past two seasons, but have rebuilt the team and look to attack conference foes with a strong front line. In addition to Reindel, the Devils return outside hitter Sarah Peifer and middle blocker Megan Irvine.

And while the Pack returns without the services of lone All-ACC selection Pam Sumner, State has what is possibly the greatest advantage of all in the ACC.

As part of the conference's attempt to draw bigger crowds to the post season tournament, the ACC has taken the tournament on the road, moving it from its spot in Myrtle Beach to coliseums and arenas around the league.

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The Pack not only has home court advantage, but also has a new look at Reynolds, as the volleyball court has moved to center stage.

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# Tennis

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Francie Barragan, Marissa Gildemeister, Brie Glover and Elizabeth Perry. Perry was the lone walk-on on the team and made a pleasant addition to the program as well as others.

Barragan is considered to be one of the hardest workers on the team; and as such, she has established herself as an all-around player.

As a top recruit out of high school, Gildemeister brought a big forehand with her to fill in the middle of the lineup.

Glover competed in both singles and doubles last years.

Juniors Carey Causway and Nena Bonacic fill in the middle and bottom of the lineup. Both dedicated their off-season team to improving their game. Bonacic continues to develop into one of the team's top players.

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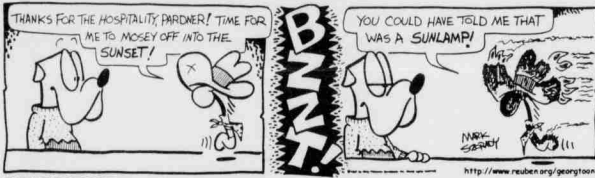
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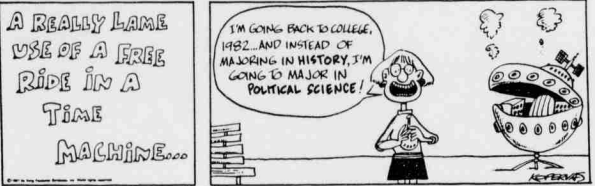
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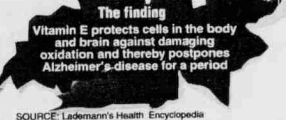
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# Latin summit spotlights rivalries



# Pope draws crowds at Paris youth festival

■ Many South American countries are focusing on defence and security, a result of political tension between neighboring regions.

ANTHONY FLOLA  
Washington Post

BUENOS AIRES. Argentina - Brazil wants a seat on the U.N. Security Council, Argentina wants special defensive ally status from the United States. Chile is shopping for F-16 fighter jets. Peru already has bought Russian MiGs. And throughout the region, each country is growing suspicious of others' motives.

For a continent at peace, witnessing an unprecedented level of economic cooperation, South America has become increasingly focused on thorny issues of defense and security. The measures have reignited some long-standing regional rivalries and created mounting political friction that is the hottest issue at a summit of Latin American heads of government this weekend in Asuncion, Paraguay.

Experts say recent developments indicate a new phase in the South American renaissance of the 1990s. Already, economic reforms and the creation of the Mercosur alliance - a sort of European Union of countries in South America's Southern Cone - have dramatically increased the continent's economic clout.

A string of state visits by French President Jacques Chirac, German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and others have underscored the quest to wade the continent's up-and-coming free-market economies. "Our economy has become normalized, and we've grown in (economic) strength," Sebastiao Barros, Brazil's deputy foreign minister, said in a telephone interview from Brasilia. "It's only just that we should have more recognition and be allowed to contribute more to the international community."

But in seeking more global prominence, they are stepping on each other's toes - and the United States has found itself right in the middle.

Chilean officials, for instance, have voted strong opposition to the designation of Argentina as a "non-NATO ally" of the United States. The designation - reserved for

America's closest allies outside the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, such as Israel, Japan and South Korea - is expected to be bestowed when President Clinton visits Buenos Aires in October.

The prospect of Argentina's anointment as the United States' strongest strategic partner in Latin America has Chileans suspicious and its officials crying foul. U.S. State Department officials declined comment.

"It was a remarkable error in international policy for the United States and Argentina to move toward non-NATO ally status," said Rosendo Fraga, a military analyst in Buenos Aires. "Such a designation generally exists in regions where the U.S. has enemies. But it has no enemies here, and the rest of South America is angry that Argentina is being singled out."

But the most dramatic example of mounting political tensions erupted this past week. Argentine President Carlos Menem voiced opposition to Brazil's bid to become the region's first nation to hold a permanent seat on the powerful U.N. Security Council, should permanent membership be expanded beyond the current five nations. Menem argued that the seat should rotate among Latin American nations instead.

Even as Menem and Brazil's foreign minister sought to cool the controversy before their arrival in Asuncion for the summit this weekend, Menem's statements about Brazil's membership on the Security Council provoked a bitter war of words between the two neighbors that made front-page headlines throughout South America.

Former Brazilian President Jose Sarney accused the United States of being behind Argentina's opposition, telling the Senate in Brasilia that "the United States has decided to destabilize (partnership among South American nations)... breaking the strategic balance in the region with serious implications, sowing the seed of division and mistrust."

There will be an attempt to smooth out those differences this weekend during private meetings among presidents and high-ranking diplomats.

■ Twice as many people showed up for Mass Sunday as were expected.

CHARLES TRUBEHART  
Washington Post

PARIS. Pope John Paul II celebrated Mass Sunday morning before a crowd of more than 1.1 million mostly young Roman Catholics, according to police estimates - nearly twice as many as had been forecast for the climax of this papal visit to Paris for the 12th World Youth Days.

Three-quarters of a million pilgrims who flocked here for the Catholic youth festival spent the night on the 136-acre infield of the Longchamp racetrack and in the nearby woods of the Bois de Boulogne after the pope led a candlelight vigil Saturday night.

When he returned to Longchamp this morning, exuberantly acclaimed once again as he

traversed the crowd in his glassed-in Popemobile, John Paul had drawn several hundred thousand more for the open-air Mass.

Police said as many as 200,000 people watched the event on big screens outside the racetrack, and countless more followed the ceremonies on live television in France and around the world.

"Echoing a theme of his messages during four days in France, John Paul, who returned to Rome after the ceremonies, called on the young to 'go forth now along the roads of the world, along the pathways of humanity, while remaining united in Christ's church.'"

Sheltered from the punishing sun by white umbrellas, the pontiff addressed the massive congregation in 12 of their languages, directing a special message to the dispossessed of war-ravaged central Africa: "Dear friends, we know what hardships your peoples have

experienced. With your friends in Paris, I say to you, remain courageous and remain the creators of reconciliation and harmony."

The pope, who is 77 and underwent cancer surgery last year, showed both feebleness and stamina as he led his 79th foreign trip as head of world Roman Catholicism. "The longer we live," he said at one point Sunday, "the more we realize how precarious life is, and the more we wonder about immortality."

Standing at his side Sunday and during much of his visit to Paris was the city's Roman Catholic archbishop, Cardinal Jean-Marie Lustiger, who has been mentioned as a possible successor.

The six-day World Youth Days festival that concluded Sunday was the last before 2000, when one will take place in Rome as part of the Vatican's commemoration of 20 centuries of Christianity.

# White House to back U.N. sanctions against Angolan rebels

■ The United States plans to sell military aircraft to the Angolan government.

THOMAS W. LIPPMAN  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - In a long-shot effort to salvage the shaky peace in Angola, the Clinton administration will support new United Nations sanctions on longtime rebel leader Jonas Savimbi and his UNITA movement and is prepared to sell military transport planes to the Angolan government, according to senior officials.

The sanctions, which U.S. officials expect to be imposed by the U.N. Security Council this week, and the aircraft sale reflect the administration's exasperation with Savimbi, a former Cold War ally whom Washington holds largely responsible for the growing tension in Angola.

Washington's view was hardened

earlier this month after U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan issued a blistering report accusing Savimbi and UNITA of "totally unacceptable" practices - including failure to demobilize troops - that threaten to restart Africa's longest civil war.

During the Cold War Savimbi was Washington's proxy in a struggle against the government of Jose Eduardo dos Santos, which was backed by the Soviet Union and Cuba. But Savimbi has long since outlived his usefulness to Washington, and U.S. anger at his tactics has been apparent since October.

But both moves have come under

bipartisan fire from key members of Congress, who said they would uniformly punish UNITA while failing to recognize violations of the Lusaka agreement by the dos Santos government, and would undermine U.S. credibility as a neutral mediator.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and African Affairs subcommittee Chairman John D. Ashcroft, R-Mo., wrote Secretary of State Madeleine K. Albright that "it would be extremely unwise for the United States to abandon its policy of neutrality in Angola and become militarily involved on the side of the (dos Santos) government."

They said it is dos Santos and his MPLA party who are preparing to resume the war, hoping to take advantage of the downfall of Savimbi's longtime patron, Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire, to gain the final military victory that has eluded them for 20 years.

# Army

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McKinney had seized her around the waist, not around the shoulders, as she had said in an earlier sworn statement.

The defense lawyers have challenged the motives and personal records of other accusers, using testimony to portray one as a manipulator and others as nurturing grudges against McKinney and the Army.

Yet the defense does not want to rely on narrow factual arguments alone, as it has demonstrated in its declarations that McKinney is a victim of a racist double standard in military justice.

Such accusations have a political potency. While some black leaders have conspicuously hesitated to embrace McKinney as a cause, in other quarters - including among some senior officers at the Pentagon - support for him is strong.

The defense sought to turn up the heat further by putting the Army leadership's personal probity at issue.

On Aug. 13, during a frustrating day for the defense, McKinney's lead lawyer warned that he and his colleagues would point fingers at senior officers if McKinney didn't receive the treatment they wanted.

"We will open up all the Army's dirty laundry if this case goes to trial," said Charles W. Gittins, lead defense counsel. "If we go to trial, this is war."

David Brahms, a military law practitioner in San Diego County and former Marine general, said Gittins' hard-knuckle tactics might be a worthwhile way to signal the Army that it will have "a high price to pay" if McKinney is punished.

Some lawyers argued that Gittins had overplayed his hand with this threat, which, they said, would make it even more difficult for the Army leadership to allow McKinney an easy out.

One lawyer, who asked not to be identified, said of Gittins' threat: "This last blast is the end game. (McKinney's) got nowhere to go."

# Violence

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police "in the line of duty" were not counted.

The study also found:

- Seven percent of the victims - 1.8 percent of the men and 15.9 percent of the women - were injured by a spouse or ex-spouse.
- Ten percent - 2.7 percent of the men and 20.9 percent of the women - were hurt by a current girlfriend or boyfriend.
- Eight percent - 6.6 percent of the men and 9.5 percent of the women - were attacked by a parent, child, sibling or other relative.
- Twenty-three percent - 25.2 percent of the men and 20.4 percent of the women - were injured by some other friend or acquaintance.
- Twenty-three percent - 28.9 percent of the men and 14 percent of the women - were the victims of strangers.
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