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## An evening of elegance

NCSU provides students with a high-class lesson in manners

CATHY WILFONG  
Staff Writer

The candles glow faintly in their holders, upbeat Muzak plays softly in the background and your perspective future employers gaze at you intently. Mustering a look of intense concentration, you watch the waiter serve the shrimp cocktail. You then look down and realize that, to your horror, your place setting has more silverware than can be found in your entire apartment.

As corporate interviews start to move out of the office and into a restaurant setting, some students have realized that their formal dining etiquette is less than adequate. In hopes of remedying this problem, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Career Services and the University Career Center presented "What to Do with All Those Knives and Forks" Wednesday in the University Student Center Blue Room.

Many students tremble at the words "dinner interview." In addition to the already-high pressure of an interview, the students must also endure the intricacies of dinner conversation and sterling silver. With this in mind, CALS Career Service Coordinator Marcy Bullock and Carol Schrader, the associate director of the University Career Center, presented "tips on how to interact in a professional meal setting." The evening, sponsored in part by Nabisco, offered the opportunity to practice just such an interaction.

Approximately 50 students braved the wind and rain Wednesday night to learn the ins and outs of a six-course meal. What they got was a crash course in the



Kelly Jones, a junior in biological and life sciences, is taking her time to learn proper dinner manners during this event.

"Sterling 13," appropriate conversation topics and foods to avoid. And they learned that eating is not such an easy thing.

Seated at tables replete with place cards and fancily folded napkins, the students were given a brief overview—complete with overheads—of formal dining etiquette. As told to Julia Roberts in "Pretty Woman," the dinner napkin is "placed gently in the lap"—approximately 30 seconds after you sit down, crease toward you. Need to be excused? Murmur politely and place your napkin in your chair as a signal to the waiter that you will be returning.

And then comes the hard part—the silverware. The man thing to remember, according to Schrader, is to "begin from the outside and work your way in." And, for heaven's sake, don't put the soup spoon in your

mouth. Sip the soup from the edge of the spoon. No slurping.

Then there is, of course, the age-old question of when to use your fingers. Schrader told students to take their cues from their host and to use common sense.

"When in doubt, cut it," she said. "But forks and knives can seem like child's play compared to some of the embarrassing situations that may arise. Take, for example, that particle of pasta that gets stuck in the back of the throat."

"The way it went in is the way it comes out," Bullock said. So, according to etiquette rules, if it went in on a spoon, it should come out with one.

"You don't want a big blob in your napkin," she

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## Market lapse hurts students

Asian financial woes could spell disaster for some international students.

TIM CROSE  
Staff Writer

Many N.C. State students recently found that they had much less money than they thought.

Last July, the Asian stock markets began falling. As the Malaysian currency lost its value, consumer confidence began dropping; the stock market suffered; confidence dropped; stocks dropped; exchange rates soared; confidence dropped. The cycle began the recent fiscal woes of many in Asia, causing company closings, layoffs and a whirlwind of headaches.

While the International Monetary Fund and other organizations stepped into loan capital to the money-hungry nations, the collapse, nonetheless, has affected many who still live in the area, and many who, either temporarily or permanently, have come to the United States.

J.Y. Park, a NCSU professor and faculty advisor of the Korean Students' Association, said the large amount of money involved has caused "very many people to tighten up their belts."

While quick to point out that he knew of no specific instances at NCSU in which a student was financially forced to return home, Park said he had heard of such cases at other universities.

Because tuition was due some time before the collapse of most of the now-strapped nations, this type of incident is expected. Park, however, said that some

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## NCSU tries to revive lake

The restoration of Lake Raleigh's dam after Hurricane Fran is underway.

DAMIEN HAZEL  
Staff Writer

It was over a year ago that Hurricane Fran hit the Carolinas, but its effects are still with us.

Lake Raleigh, constructed in 1914 by the damming of Walnut Creek, served as the water supply for the citizens of the city of Raleigh for several years before being granted to N.C. State as part of the Centennial Campus project. Then, on Sept. 5, 1996, Hurricane Fran hit, bringing strong winds and 10 inches of rain with it.

"With no place to go, the water along with the velocity of winds caused over-trapping of the existing dam," Steven Boston, facilities planning and design project manager.

After the storm, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) looked over the damage and agreed to commit to pay \$275,000 to reconstruct the dam, according to Lisa Philips, finance and business facilities operations project coordinator. However, to re-construct the dam in compliance with new government safety standards, NCSU engineers estimate that they would need \$2.4 million, Philips said.

So, where will this money come from? "We expect FEMA to commit to more money," Philips said.

Although Philips believes that FEMA will commit to more money, this issue has taken longer than expected. "Unfortunately, this is characteristic of FEMA," Philips said.

"FEMA will not fork over money for anything

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## Students shoot at peers

Last Thursday wasn't the best day to walk past Tucker Residence Hall.

JACK DAILY  
Senior Staff Writer

Usually target practice is reserved for paper targets or clay pigeons.

However, this was not the case last Thursday as two students in Tucker Residence Hall decided to use the unconventional target of humans. Ryan Tysor, 18, and Hunter Burger, 19, were charged with possession of a BB gun and a crossbow,

according to an NCSU police report.

This was the second firearms violation reported last week, as a loaded semi-automatic pistol was also found in North Residence Hall on Jan. 26.

According to the police report, the incident at Tucker began when Resident Adviser Spencer Anderson heard "two sounds that appeared to be coming from an air pistol. Anderson located the area from where the sound was coming and noticed a subject in a red shirt handing the other subject items while the other subject was shooting

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Strong rain and wind have been occupying this campus since Tuesday morning, causing people to struggle with their umbrellas.

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## Trashy day

## Faculty votes to revamp grading

Plus-minus grading tops the agenda at the faculty senate meeting.

MICHAEL COOKSON  
Staff Writer

Of two new resolutions approved by the faculty senate, the institution of the new plus-minus grading policy is perhaps the most controversial of the two.

The new plus-minus resolution was instituted by a 15 to 11 vote, after heavy debate between faculty members.

A+ grades will now be given 4.33 point credit. This will change the old policy, which went into effect in Fall 1994. The maximum GPA will remain at 4.0, but the numbering system will change for plus and minus grades. The second resolution passed during this session was a bill concerning recognition of Outstanding Extension Faculty Professionals. This resolution provides for recognition for the work of professionals in research and supporting roles, in addition to faculty in teaching positions.

Jenny Chang, a member of student government, delivered her findings concerning the online teacher evaluation program, which will make it possible for students to fill out an online evaluation of their teachers each semester. This program has been tested for use over the past three months and will have a URL location on the internet by late February or early March.

Chancellor Larry Monthie opened the session with remarks concerning the new fiscal year budget and the expected enrollment increase for later this year.

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## Friday IN BRIEF



## New editions to North Carolina Writers Series

The North Carolina Writers Series will celebrate its 10th anniversary this semester with lectures by Kaye Gibbons, Allan Gurganus, Jaki Shelton Green, Alan Shapiro, Sarah Lindsay and G.D. Gearino.

The lectures will include readings, followed by receptions and autograph sessions.

All lectures begin at 7:30 p.m. starting Feb. 17 at N.C. State's Thompson Theater. Series tickets are \$30 for Friends of the Library members and \$40 for nonmembers. Single event tickets are \$10 for members and \$12.50 for others.

Gibbons will begin with readings from her forthcoming novel, "On the Occasion of My Last Afternoon," Gurganus from his new latest collection "Conjure Blues: Poems," Shapiro from his "Virgil and Mixed Company" and Lindsay from her collection "Primate Behavior."

For more information, call 515-2841.

## Speakers join Emerging Issues Forum

Two speakers have been added to the list of distinguished lecturers at N.C. State's Emerging Issues Forum, Feb. 26 to 27 at the McKimmon Center.

William Friday, vice chairman of the N.C. Progress Board and former president of the UNC system, and Camille Cates Barnett, chief management officer for the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, will address the forum.

"People and Planet: A Fragile Partnership." This year's gathering will focus on the issue of sustainable development and offer perspectives on such issues as global warming, water and air pollution, bio-diversity and the preservation of our oceans and the creatures that live there.

Cost of the conference is \$150, which includes all meals and conference materials.

For information or to register, call (919) 515-7741.

## NCSU awarded computer supplies

Hewlett Packard Company has donated computing equipment and accessories valued at \$250,727 to support undergraduate education in N.C. State's colleges of Engineering and Physical and Mathematical Sciences.

The equipment, which includes HP OmniBooks, Vectra and Pavilion PCs with options and accessories, will be used to support NCSU's Student Centered Activities for Large Enrollment University Programs (SCALEUP).

SCALEUP is an initiative designed to enrich educational opportunities for engineering and physics undergraduates by using collaborative, computer-rich interactive learning environments.

The equipment grant was one of 26 awarded by the company as part of its university grants program. More than 80 institutions competed.

Mitchell led NCSU's effort to win a grant. He and Robert Beichner, assistant professor of physics, are the principal investigators for the project.

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at Mr. Spanbauer." After the RAs determined that Tysor and Burger were shooting at people, Public Safety was called in to assist Spanbauer and Anderson. In searching the room, Public Safety found a BB gun belonging to Hunter Burger, and a hand crossbow belonging to Ryan Tysor. According to the police report, both subjects were cited and "other actions were taken."

At North Residence Hall on Jan. 26, Public Safety was originally called in to investigate a possible marijuana violation, according to a Public Safety report filed by Lt. Runner.

While searching the room, Runner "found a yellow ammunition box with .380-caliber rounds inside." After questioning the occupants of the room, Runner secured the weapon, a .380 semi-automatic handgun, which had a "loaded magazine inside as well as one in the chamber."

According to the police report, Virgil Banner, 20, was then taken to the Wake County Public Safety Center where he was charged with "felonious possession of a firearm on campus, and released to the custody of the Wake County's Sheriff Department."

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students who were "financing their education strictly from home," or whose parents became unemployed, would likely run upon hard times when the time came to visit home or pay next semester's tuition. Kwong Chung, advisor of the Chinese Students' Association, said that "some [Asian students] might have difficulty sustaining their education. It's like doubling their tuition in a year."

While the crisis did not affect China as much as it did some other nations like South Korea and Malaysia, Chung nonetheless pointed to a devaluation of Chinese currency as a potential problem for many students who had not yet changed their money.

Park mentioned the same problem, however, he added that

the exchange worked both ways. Students with dollars from before the crisis suddenly found that their money was worth more to their relatives.

"Everything in Korea became much cheaper," said Park, adding that many people with relatives in Korea are sending money to help during the crisis.

Many have urged that the United States send money to help bail out the crisis. According to Park, this bailout is a financially sound investment for several reasons.

First, he highlighted the fact that Asia is one of the largest purchasers of the U.S. consumer goods and food products. For the area's populace to be unable to afford these goods could leave many American producers in the cold and forced to rely on the markets of Europe to take up the slack.

Park also mentioned that Asia, as a competitor with the United States, can now sell its goods much more cheaply. While the crisis may have caused many companies to reduce

their output, the lower cost of goods may mean that the United States will be unable to compete. Similarly, the uniqueness of Southeast Asia, both as a symbol of the triumph of capitalism over communism and as a militarily strategic location, would mean that the United States should assist Asia.

Also, many Japanese banks fear collapse on account of the backlash of the downturn of the rest of Asia. Fortunately for Asian students and residents, many believe that the worst is now over. After a strong showing in many Asian stock markets within the past week, many economists feel that the worst is now over. While there will probably still be financial troubles for a while, quick pecuniary support helped to quell most of the worst, according to the New York Times.

Said Bill Clinton in last month's State of the Union Address, "... This is about more than economics. By expanding trade, we can advance the cause of freedom and democracy around the world."

**Food**

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added.

And as far as food selection goes, avoid anything that can become an unwieldy obstacle course. In other words, stay away from red sauce, oversized sandwiches, broccoli (not straight and paid careful attention to what they were doing. And they weren't even in an actual meeting.

"It's a good thing that they're putting this on, because interviews

conversation: the job interview. She told students to take their cue from their host as to when to begin—usually after the main course is ordered. She reminded them that the food was secondary to the interview, so "don't go there hungry."

Also, she added, "Stay away from controversial topics, like the president's latest sex scandal."

Despite reassurances from Bullock that there would be "no etiquette police," students sat up straight and paid careful attention to what they were doing. And they weren't even in an actual meeting.

"It's a good thing that they're putting this on, because interviews

are stressful," said Desiree Morgan, a junior in textile apparel management. "I'm still not sure which fork to use."

Many students in attendance said the myriad of suggestions were helpful, but more applicable to social situations than business interviews. Most agreed that "you wouldn't go to a dinner this formal until after you were hired," as one engineering student put it.

So in the hopes of actually getting hired in the first place, perhaps it would be in students' best interest to brush up on their dining room manners. It would be a shame to lose a job over a salad fork.

**Dam**

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unless the improvements are justified in great detail. FEMA goes through with a fine-tooth comb," Phillips said.

If the money doesn't come from FEMA, it will have to come from NCSU funds.

However, "No money will come from student fees," said William Mitchell, assistant to the Director for budgeting and operations research.

According to Mitchell, the university has a capital improvement fund. This is government money given for operating expenses. The money is divided up between such things as salaries,

heating and cooling and emergency expenses such as this. This is where the money will come from. In fact there is \$300,000 carried over from last year that can be added to the amount given this year from the government, Mitchell said.

The reconstruction of the dam has been in the design phase for about a year. There are plans to begin reconstruction in May. The project is estimated to take about 11 months, Bostian said. Bostian hopes that the dam reconstruction starts soon because in September this reconstruction will become a wetlands issue, and then this process will start all over again.

Independent of this issue, plans for the opening of the Centennial Campus complex, which includes a large convention center, hotels, shops, restaurants and a golf course, is still expected to open in the year 2000.

**Grading**

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Monteith announced that NCSU would host the Special Olympics in 1999 and would need efforts to make the campus more handicap accessible by that time. He set several goals to be instituted during and after his expected retirement in the spring of this year.

Monteith also addressed diversity issues, the need to attract out of state students, and the continued need to pursue fiscal concerns.

The 44th session of the NCSU Faculty Senate met for its 11th meeting on Tues. Feb. 3, 1998 in the Senate chambers on the second floor of the Eryldal Cloyd library.

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## Wolfpack says good-bye to legend Dornburg

State students and fans recognize the loss of a dear member of the Wolfpack family before tip-off.

RYAN KELLOGG  
Staff Writer

Wednesday night in Reynolds Coliseum just wasn't the same. The band still played the fight song, the championship banners still hung in the rafters and the students were as rowdy as ever. But every Wolfpack fan at the coliseum must have felt a sense of emptiness from the loss of their good friend, Garry Dornburg.

Dornburg, a radio announcer for N.C. State athletics for 25 years, passed away Monday morning after a two-year battle with melanoma and leukemia. With him went one of the most recognized and

beloved personalities in Wolfpack radio history.

In a statement released to the press, Governor Jim Hunt said of Dornburg: "For me and so many other fans, he was the voice of the Wolfpack and played such an important role in bringing life, enthusiasm and color to N.C. State athletics."

For Garry, his love for NCSU began early as an undergraduate student in 1967, a passion that would influence much of the rest of his life.

After graduating with an English degree in 1970, Dornburg joined WPTF-680 as host of "SportsLine" where his expertise in area athletics was constantly put to the test. But for a man like Garry such challenges were almost second nature.

"His IQ was probably higher than just about anybody I know," commented Don

"For me and so many other fans, he was the voice of the Wolfpack."

— Governor Jim Hunt on Garry Dornburg

Curtis, president of Curtis Media group, which owns WPTF. "He was about as sharp as they come."

But for Pack fans it will always be Garry's color commentary that will be most remembered.

Since 1974 Dornburg was truly the verbal embodiment of the Wolfpack, giving in-depth play-by-play analysis during NCSU

basketball and football seasons for two decades. During his career, Garry witnessed and informed fans on some of the most memorable people and events in Pack history.

"Garry was a link to the past," said Garry Hahn, Dornburg's on-air partner for eight years. "He was a link to Wally Osley, Jim Valvano, Norm Sloan... he'd been there."

For Hahn, the loss was especially difficult. Garry admits that it was hard to keep his mind on Wednesday night's broadcast against Wake Forest.

"I think I was able to keep up pretty well with the ball game, but he was on my mind some tonight and probably will be in the days and weeks to come," said Hahn after the game.

During his two-year struggle, Dornburg, like the late Jimmy V, fought with amazing fortitude against the ravages of disease.

Often pushing back the pain, Garry would continue to cover Wolfpack events on and off all the way up to the January 5th game against Florida State.

"He loved N.C. State so much and he loved the N.C. State fans and being part of their life on radio so much that he didn't want to give that up," Hahn said. "He was willing to take it down right to the last second."

With Dornburg's passing, Hahn realizes that things will never be the same on Wolfpack broadcasts, but at the same time he knows that Dornburg taught everybody a lesson in courage.

"He had a lot of courage and a lot of strength. I'll probably remember that more than anything. Hopefully if my time comes in that way, I can be as dignified as he was," said Hahn.

N.C. State will miss you, Garry.

## Rivalries in the water

The Pack faces the Tar Heels tonight on the road in a tough swimming and diving match.

JAMES HOFF  
Staff Writer

Tonight, the N.C. State swimming and diving teams will travel to Chapel Hill to take on archrival UNC.

And unfortunately for the Wolfpack, this will be an uphill battle.

The Tar Heel men have earned a national ranking of 18th, posting a 6-2 (4-0 ACC) record. UNC is rolling after handing Maryland its first loss of the season, giving the Tar Heels a five-game winning streak coming into tonight's match. Carolina has dominated the 800-yard relay and the 200-yard medley relay, leading the ACC with times of 6:44.18 and 1:30.11, respectively. A win tonight will clinch the ACC title.

The UNC women aren't too shabby in the water, either.

They, too, are undefeated in ACC matches. Just like their male counterparts, the women are ranked No. 15. UNC swimmers either hold the top spot or are near the top in every women's category in the ACC. If they pull off the win against the Pack, the lady Tar Heels will have clinched the ACC title.

State has not been quite as successful.

The Wolfpack men have struggled this year, with a record of 4-5 (2-3 ACC). State is fifth in the conference, however, despite losing three of its last five meets, and can have a .500 record with an upset tonight. The men are hot off a spanking of Clemson, which broke a two-game losing streak. State blew out the Tigers by a score of 152-91.

If the Pack is going to upset UNC tonight, it will be on the diving boards. State's freshman sensation Andy Johnson is leading the ACC in the three-meter dive with 509.10 points and is currently third in the one-meter dive with 489.30 points.

The women take a dismal 2-6 (1-4) mark into tonight's match-up. The women have finished near the bottom in every ACC category so far and are now next to last in the ACC standings. The only swimmer who has made any waves for the Pack is Cindy Schuster, 10th in the 100-yard butterfly and fifth in the 200-yard butterfly.

Another bright spot for the women is the diving boards where, in the individual standings, Marica McKeel holds the top spot in the one-meter dive followed close by Wolfpack teammate Shelly Cavaliere. Cavaliere is also third in the conference three-meter dive standings. Kelley Melton and Korney Schell have both placed in the top 10 in the one-meter dive.

The meets will begin at 4 p.m. for the women's meet and 7 p.m. for the men.

Tomorrow, the Pack will take on UNC-Wilmington at the Willis Casey Aquatics Center on N.C. State's campus.

The State women have just these two meets this weekend before traveling to Charlottesville, Virginia for the ACC Championships next weekend.



Arch Miller (11) hit on all three of his three-point attempts in the first half. He finished the game with 14 points before fouling out.

## O'Kelly propels Wake

The Pack fails to a strong Wake Forest backcourt.

JOHN NOEL  
Staff Writer

Home, sweet home? Not quite. Four days after a climatic 82-80 overtime victory against Clemson, the Wolfpack returned home to friendly Reynolds Coliseum only to be handed a 68-62 loss by longtime foe, Wake Forest.

Before the tip-off, all signs pointed toward N.C. State.

While the Pack came in riding the momentum from a thriller in Littlejohn Coliseum, the Demon Deacons had just experienced a tough, heart-wrenching 79-73 loss to the No. 2 ranked University of North Carolina, a game in which the Deacons had led by 16 at one point in the second half.

The Pack was also facing a team without a significant inside presence, with sophomore center Loren Woods out for the year, and a lineup without an upperclassman, as the Deacons became the first ACC team to start an all-freshmen squad.

State's anchor all year, a strong defense, struggled to contain the strong Wake Forest backcourt, led by freshman Robert O'Kelly and senior Tony Rutland coming off the bench.

O'Kelly led the Deacons in the first half as the Deacons shot a staggering 63.6 percent from the field against the normally stingy Wolfpack.

Despite the youth on both teams, it was clutch performances by several key seniors that decided the game as the clock ticked down.

Rutland led the Deacons down the stretch with 12 points in the second half, including a critical three-pointer, and his composure on the free-throw line was critical as Wake Forest held off a late-surging State team.

Rutland sealed the game with five key free throws and a dunk after N.C. State closed a 61-50 to 62-60. After a pair of free throws from O'Kelly, C.C. Harrison led the charge for the Pack with another clutch late-game performance. With a driving jumper in the lane and a steal and layup by Harrison the lead was 61-54 before a free throw by Rutland gave the Deacons an eight-point lead.

After a wasted possession by the Pack, senior Isha Benjamin, who finished with 10 points, went full court for an easy layup after a midcourt interception.

Sophomore Tim Wells then took advantage of a Wake Forest turnover with a short jumper in the paint to pull the Pack to 62-58.

Harrison delivered again after another Wake Forest turnover to give the Pack the ball. With a hard drive to the hole, Harrison put in a key layup and the Pack was within two with less than a minute left to play.

Just when it appeared that Wake was going to fold, however, Rutland hit several crucial free throws. The Pack could only manage a layup by Benjamin the rest of the way, dropping by the final 68-62 score.

State's backcourt led the way, keeping the Pack in the game until the last minutes. As Harrison dropped in 19, the trio of Benjamin, Harrison and freshman Arch Miller combined for 43 of the team's 62 points. Miller continued his torrid stretch of shooting, hitting four of the Pack's three-pointers.

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## Gunning for 'The Cup'

The Pack will try to keep the momentum going this weekend in Maryland at the Governor's Cup.

JAMES CURLE  
Assistant Sports Editor

After a strong competition against the No. 1 team in the country last weekend, N.C. State hopes it will keep the ball rolling against the teams of Maryland, Towson State and UNC in the annual Governor's Cup meet, held this year at College Park, Md.

It's the second away meet for the Wolfpack and the first competition in which it will face more than one opponent at the same meet.

It also marks the first of two meets in a row in which State will battle against UNC. The Tar Heels have posted some

solid scores so far this season and appear to be stronger this year than in years past.

"I've heard that UNC is good this year," freshman Kara Charles said. "They've gotten some really good team scores lately, so we have to be worried about them, especially since they're our rivals."

Carolina has posted scores above 190,000 in its past two meets, including a team-high score of 191,550 last weekend against Radford. It's been especially strong on the balance beam event, with four of its gymnasts having posted high scores of 9.8 or higher on the apparatus.

As far as all-around gymnasts are concerned, the Tar Heels are led by Brooke Wilson. The freshman from Sumter, S.C. leads the team with an average all-around score of 38.058. Her strongest event is vault, where she's averaging a score of 9.700 through four meets.

But the competition for the cup won't be simply a duel between the Pack and the Tar Heels. Towson State and Maryland are also very strong teams, and either could post strong team and individual scores.

"There's not a bad team there," Coach Mark Stevenson said. "I think we've got the highest score in the group with a 192.7, but Carolina has a 191.55 right behind us, and Towson has a 191, and Maryland's a 190. So there's not a bad team on the floor."

The Terrapins are led by senior Stacy Breidenbach, who averages a score of 37.975 in the all-around. Her highest score in the all-around so far this season has been a 38.325. Towson also relies on the all-around performance of their top senior, Liane Williams, who averages 37.856

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Kara Charles and the Wolfpack gymnasts will be one of the teams representing the state of North Carolina in this year's Governor's Cup competition.

## Wolfpack NOTES



### Pack Nine readies for first home game of '98

N.C. State's baseball team will dive into its home schedule this weekend.

The Wolfpack will take on Campbell today at 2 p.m. on the road and then will follow up the game with a 1:30 p.m. match-up at Doak Field on State's west campus on Saturday.

The Pack last met Campbell in the 1996 season. The Pack picked up back-to-back wins over the Camels that season, outscoring Campbell 12-2 and 9-2, respectively.

State is 27-1 all-time against Campbell.

State's last win to the Camels came in 1983, when the pack fell, 3-6. State rebounded to beat Campbell the next day, 16-13.

The Pack is coming off a 2-1 weekend at the ACC Disney Baseball Blast in Orlando, Fla. State picked up a win over Notre Dame but fell to Ohio State and Tennessee.

The Wolfpack Sports Marketing department will be giving away free posters and schedule cards at Saturday's match-up.

### Indoor track team heads to Virginia - again

N.C. State's track team heads to Virginia once again this weekend, this time taking part in the Patriot Games in Fairfax, VA.

State's men's and women's teams are both coming off second-place finishes last weekend at the Navy Game in Annapolis.

Lashawnda McKinnon won the 200-meter dash over 24 other competitors, and Monique Jenkins won the high jump, while Sherlane Armstrong won the triple jump. Laura Rhoads and Meredith Faircloth picked up second place finishes.

On the men's side, Eric Riddick was a double winner, while Theodore Chavis, Kevin Blair, Brendan Rodgers and Jason Perry each picked up wins.

The Wolfpack has one more meet next weekend before traveling back to Virginia for the ACC indoor championships.

Next weekend, State will compete at Virginia Tech, which is the same site that will host the Conference's indoor meet in two weeks.

### No. 1 vs. No. 2 ends with Devils on top

The North Carolina - Chapel Hill basketball team handed Duke its first conference loss of the season in a 24-point drubbing of the No. 1 team in the country last night.

The Tar Heels won the contest 97-73, and secured their place atop the conference standings with a 9-1 record against the ACC and 23-1 overall. The Blue Devils now have a 9-1 conference record and a 20-2 mark overall.

The leading scorer for the Tar Heels was junior Antawn Jamison. The forward scored 35 points — just one shy of his career high. He came into the game averaging 22.3 points a game.

The Tar Heels exploded to a big lead in the first half, and would never trail from that point on. Duke would draw within four points at one point in the second half, but the Tar Heels quickly expanded that lead back out to 24.

With the win, the Tar Heels are certain to take over possession of first place when the next polls are released.

## ACC

1. Carolina	9-1
2. Duke	9-1
3. Maryland	6-4
4. Florida State	5-5
5. Wake Forest	4-5
6. Georgia Tech	3-6
7. Clemson	3-7
8. N.C. State	3-7
9. Virginia	2-8

### N.C. STATE v. CLEMSON

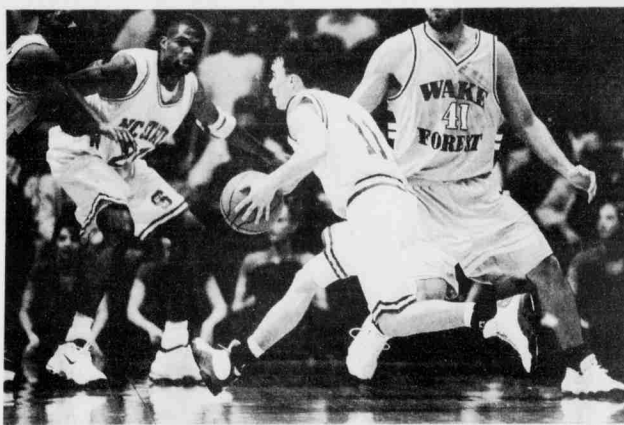
Game time: 7 p.m. at Littlejohn Coliseum in Clemson, S.C.



**Clemson at a glance:**  
**Coach:** Jim Davis (Tennessee Wesleyan '70)  
**Career Record:** 241-116  
**Record at Clemson:** 222-108  
**1996-97 Record:** 19-11 overall  
**Conference Regular Season Finish:** 6th (8-8)  
**Starters Lost:** Laura Cotrell, Jaci Stimson, Caliesha Corder  
**Starters Returning:** Itoro Umoh, Jeanette Davis  
**Series Record:** 34-16 (advantage Wolfpack)

**Last Meeting:** In early January, the Wolfpack defeated the Tigers by 22 points to gain sole control of the top spot in the ACC. N.C. State led by 11 at the break and showed no signs of letting up in the second half. The Pack had trailed in few categories after the first 20 minutes but played inspired ball in the second, sending a definite message to the Tigers and the rest of the conference that the Wolfpack would be the team to beat in the ACC this season.

**What to watch:** Control of the ACC standings is once again at stake. The Pack is in control with just two losses to conference opponents so far this season. A win could put the Pack in an unreachable position — at least for the time being — while a loss would even things out, tying up the Tigers and State for the No. 1 spot. What State did right in the last outing that it will have to do again is put a defender on long-range shooter Amy Geren all over the floor. What will Clemson have to do? Guard everyone. Six different players have come through as the Pack's leading scorers so far this season.



Arch Miller (11) has been on fire lately for the Pack, averaging over 12 points in the last five games. The freshman has also provided a boost on the court, commanding the offense with authority from the point-guard position. The Pack will face a tough test on Sunday when they play host to Duke. The Blue Devils will look to complete the sweep of the Pack this season.

## Basket

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The 25 fouls the Pack committed presented a large problem for a team short on players and offensive playmakers. The Pack was able to stay close in the first half when the Deacons were a miserable 4 of 11 from the line, and State went 12 for 13.

## Cup

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through four meets. The Pack has put up some strong numbers of its own so far this season. Stephanie Wall leads the team with the highest all-around score (38.675) and also has the highest individual marks for both the balance beam (9.825) and the uneven bars (9.7). Speaking of bars — that was the Pack's nemesis last year at the Governor's Cup, State fell apart

around on the line in the second half, going for 19 for 23. State was forced to match them basket for basket. With the loss of Tim Wells and Archie Miller to fouls, the Pack lacked the offensive power to stay with the Deacons, and had to play tentatively on defense in which Harrison, Benjamin and freshman Cornelius Williams all hindered with four fouls. "We fouled entirely too much," Coach Herb Sendek said. "Especially given the fact that they're such a good foul shooting team."

The Pack suffered a beating down low. The team scored only 17 points in the post, and was beaten 38-24 on the boards by the inexperienced Deacons.

"One of our challenges right now is that we don't get many field goals in and around the basket off of post-ups," Sendek said. "We don't cause a lot of rotations with our inside game. That really puts the spotlight on the driving and the shooting." This was reflected in the Pack's 40.8 percent shooting for the game.

the event as each of the gymnasts struggled to stay on the apparatus. By the end of the meet, State found itself licking its wounds from a 190.200 performance and losses to each of the three schools present. To keep that from happening again, the Pack will have to get strong performances from all of its gymnasts, not just the seniors. "Last year, we went into the thing highly favored to win it and lost it because we blew bars," Stevenson said. "It's early in the season, and it's just one of those meets where we have to go out and perform really well if we're going to be in the meet."

### N.C. STATE v. DUKE

Game time: Sunday at 3:30 p.m. in Reynolds Coliseum on N.C. State's campus.



**Duke at a glance:**  
**Coach:** Mike Krzyzewski (Army '69)  
**Career Record:** 493-209 (23 years)  
**Record at Duke:** 420-150 (18 years)  
**1996-97 Record:** 24-9 overall, 12-4 ACC  
**Conference Regular Season Finish:** 1st  
**Starters Lost:** Jeff Capel  
**Starters Returning:** Trajan Langdon, Steve Wojciechowski, Roshown McCleod, Chris Carrawell, Ricky Price.

**Series Record:** 94-111 advantage Duke

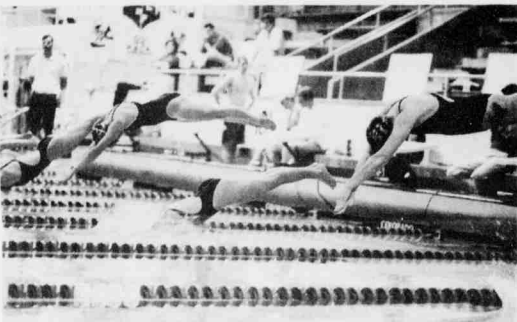
**Last Meeting:** In Durham in early January, it was not a pretty sight — at least from a shooter's standpoint. Neither team shot better than 42 percent from the field, with Duke grabbing the win, 64-50. The Wolfpack kept the game close for 30 minutes but then let the Devils jump out to an 11-point lead with just over 10 minutes left to play. Kenny Inge scored 16 points for the Pack, while Chris Carrawell led the Devils with 14.

**What to watch:** The Devils will be looking for a team to beat up on following last night's loss. The biggest problem for the Pack might be the bench. State played 10 different guys in the first match-up and now doesn't even have 10 to dress. The Duke bench took charge in the January game, scoring 33 of 64 points, and playing 84 minutes. State is coming off a 68-62 loss to Wake, while the Devils are looking to bounce back from the 97-73 loss against UNC.

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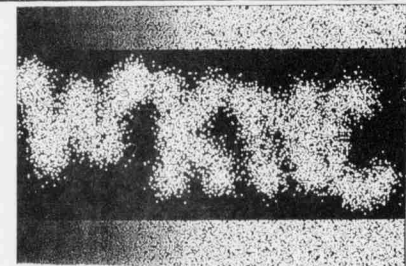
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## New movie measures up

Surprisingly, "Desperate Measures" doesn't leave you desperate for the end, but mildly content.

MONIQUE THOMAS  
Staff Writer

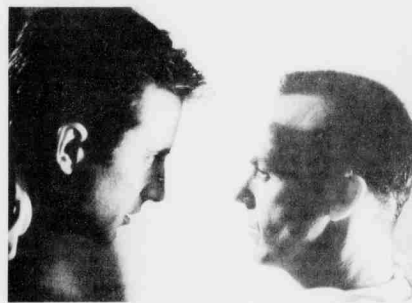
"Desperate Measures" is one of the more acceptable films I've seen this year. It made no pretense of being an overly sentimental film or an unforgettable billion-dollar blockbuster, so I didn't build up high expectations. But the movie was surprisingly entertaining.

Andy Garcia plays Frank Connor, a San Francisco police officer who tries to find a bone marrow match for his dying son, Matt. Garcia eventually finds a match in Peter McCabe, played by Michael Keaton. The only problem is that McCabe is a homicidal sociopath in prison. Garcia arranges for McCabe's bone marrow to be extracted at his son's hospital, but like all prisoner movies, McCabe succeeds with an elaborate escape plan. This portion of the movie seems trite and overdone. There is an excess of movies about prisoners

cleverly escaping and the law pursuing them. This film fell right in line with the rest.

The only thing that saved it was that it had a bit of a twist. In order for Garcia's son to live, he has to receive a viable bone marrow transplant, and the only way the bone marrow will remain viable is if Keaton stays alive. So while the entire police department is pursuing an escaped convict through unbelievable lengths trying to protect Keaton from them. It was an interesting plot development that made the movie worthwhile.

It took a little while to get used to seeing Michael Keaton as a murderer in this film. After all, he is the man who made "Gung Ho," "Beetlejuice" and "Multiplicity." He's cute and funny, that's all. It was difficult accepting him as a vicious sociopath with a country accent. I am well aware of the fact that actors like to choose from an array of parts, but unfortunately, I think Keaton has been typecast as a nice, funny guy. He does a good job getting into his character in the film, but I wasn't comfortable with



Police Detective Frank Connor (Andy Garcia, left) finds a compatible bone marrow donor for his son in Peter McCabe (Michael Keaton), an escaped multiple murderer, in "Desperate Measures".

him. He isn't a villain whom audiences love to hate. The movie would have been more effective with an actor who traditionally plays a bad guy.

Andy Garcia gives a good performance as a cop and father. He has a wonderful ability for bringing compassion and concern to his character. Like most great actors, you can't tell that he's acting.

Marcia Gay Harden plays Matt's physician. Harden's character is confident and competent. She doesn't spend the entire movie waiting for the big strong man to

save her. It's refreshing to see a woman in a movie that is intelligent and not merely hired for her looks.

The most memorable actor in the movie is Joseph Cross who plays Garcia's son. He's a newcomer, but he acts very well in the film. When he smiles at the end of the film, everyone in the audience sees why his father would risk life and limb to save him.

Overall, the movie was pretty decent. It was entertaining, well acted and sufficiently killed two hours that would otherwise be spent doing homework.

## A swell performer



Photo Courtesy of Concord Jazz Inc.

As part of this weekend's "A Swell Weekend" series, N.C. State will be welcoming jazz vocalist Carol Sloane. Sloane injects spirit, character, elegance and style into her songs. Boasting six albums on the Concord Jazz label since 1992, her most recent pays tribute to Ella Fitzgerald, Louis Armstrong, Frank Sinatra and Carman McRae. Recently, she has been performing around the world, but she gained her reputation right here in Raleigh. She'll be travelling "home" on Fri., Feb. 6 to perform at Stewart Theatre, featuring Bill Mays on piano, Keiran Owers on bass and Ron Vincent on drums. The show will begin at 8 p.m. and tickets will be \$15. Call 515-1100 for information.

## Behind the scenes

From "Sarajevo" to "Spiceworkd," the Union Activities Board Film Committee has assembled a fine lineup of films.

ROBERT GREENE  
Staff Writer

If you haven't made it to a film at the Campus Cinema this semester, it is likely you will before you've packed up for summer vacation. No doubt, this is true every year. The \$1.50 experience is one that fulfills many duties—from providing cheap first dates to giving a stress-free alternative to frat parties to giving students a chance to see films they otherwise wouldn't.

This semester, though, may be very special. Not only has the 10-member Union Activities Board Film Committee assembled perhaps the best group of movies in its history they have also set up a collection of nine film series that nicely capture the essence of diversity, quality and fun in modern cinema.

The assistant director of the Student Center, Larry Campbell, attributes the quality of this semester's picks mostly to the abundance of good films released toward the end of last year. "This was an unusual year with so many films being released," he said. "It gave us a lot to choose from."

His statement is certainly true. There is a marked return of the great story—the unique idea—that culminated in last year's Oscar-induced celebration of such smaller, more independent films as "The English Patient," "Sling Blade" and "Fargo." These movies, however, are not the entire reason for the

quality of the selections.

"The committee itself should get much of the credit for actually making the right choices. 'There were so many films,' explains Campbell, 'with little or no merit that we had to really pick through.'"

So how did the committee go about choosing such a striking collection?

"We looked at five minute trailers for about 40 movies," explained chair Carla Cathey. "Each committee member had a list and they checked off the movies they liked. We found the ones we had in common and then just figured out where we wanted to put them."

Well, first, most of the obligatory big-budget crowd pleasers and other well-known films share an uncommon quality this semester. The biggest of them all, "Titanic," is undoubtedly the most emotional and intellectual event picture in years. Oscar contender "LA Confidential" is also stunning at times. Other recognizable hits with uncanny depth include "Seven Years in Tibet," "Jackie Brown" and "Scream 2."

Where the committee really prevailed however, was in its selection of some of 1997's lesser-known gems. The widely praised choices of "The Full Monty," "Ice Storm," "The Sweet Hereafter" and "Boogie Nights" provide this semester's cinema schedule with a startling effective range of emotional and intellectual depth. The quality of these films is truly unlike anything MCSU has seen in a long while—and it's all for a buck fifty.

Yet, all was forgotten as Bio Ritmo took the stage. From the very first beat on the bongos, the 8-piece crowd whipped the crowd into a chaotic dancing frenzy that had people running into one another and accidentally assailing each other with their elbows. Bruised though they were by the end of the evening, no one seemed to care. The music was that good, too. They have a tremendous stage presence, from their well-oiled percussion section to the flashy dance moves of bandleader, Rene Herrera, and back-up vocalist, Gustavo Riccio. Even the horn section pined in with well-choreographed foot

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## Weekly Schedule

### Cinema

**Campus Cinema**, \$1.50 with Student Identification, \$2 without  
Fri., Feb. 6 "Soul Food" at 7 & 11 p.m.; "Eve's Bayou" at 9 p.m.  
Sat., Feb. 7 "Soul Food" at 7, 9 & 11 p.m.  
Sun., Feb. 8 "Invasion of the Body Snatchers" at 7 p.m. FREE  
Thurs., Feb. 12 "Mrs. Brown" at 7 & 9 p.m.  
**N.C. Museum of Art**  
Fri., Feb. 6 "American in Paris" at 7 & 9:15 p.m. \$3 & \$2.50  
**The Rialto Theatre**  
Sun., Feb. 8 "Dersu Uzala"

### Music

**The Brewery**  
Fri., Feb. 6 emit swimming  
Sat., Feb. 7 The Backsliders  
Wed., Feb. 11 Loud Stem Daises, Albert Hill  
Thurs., Feb. 12 El Buho, Omnious Seapods  
**The Berkeley Cafe**  
Fri., Feb. 6 Snake Oil Medicine Show  
Sat., Feb. 7 Lil' Dave Band  
Tues., Feb. 10 Acoustic Open Mic from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.  
**Cat's Cradle**  
Fri., Feb. 6 Jupiter Coyote \$6  
Sat., Feb. 7 Polvo  
Sun., Feb. 8 The Silver Apples  
Wed., Feb. 11 Jump, Little Children, Guster, Patti Griffin \$6  
Thurs., Feb. 12 P God Street Wine \$8  
**Lizard & Snake Cafe**  
Fri., Feb. 6 Mail Order Bride  
Sun., Feb. 8 Isaac Green & the Scholars, Patriot  
Mon., Feb. 9 Ben Jakes  
Thurs., Feb. 12 X-Rayons  
**Record Exchange - Hillsborough Street**  
Fri., Feb. 6 Inflicted Spoon at 7 p.m.  
Sat., Feb. 7 Three Piece Suit at 7 p.m.  
**Raleigh Memorial Auditorium**  
Fri., Feb. 6 & Sat., Feb. 7 Pops Concert Bravo Broadway at 8 p.m. \$21-\$36  
**Nelson Music Room, Duke East Campus**  
Fri., Feb. 6 Phong Nguyen Ensemble Concert, a Vietnamese musical at 8 p.m. \$14, \$12, \$8

**Carolina Theatre, Rialto Center for the Arts**  
Sun., Feb. 8 Durham Symphony Classical Concert: Bridges to the Future at 7 p.m. \$12, \$8  
**The North Carolina Symphony**  
Fri., Feb. 8 "Play with the Pros," Participatory Concert in Cary Community Center at 3:30 p.m. FREE

**Events**  
**N.C. State Fairgrounds**  
Fri., Feb. 6 Draft Horse Pull in Hunt Horse Complex  
Sat., Feb. 7 & Sun., Feb. 8 Flea Market 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Thurs., Feb. 12-Mon., Feb. 16 Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus in Dorton Arena. Call 834-4000.  
**Mind's Eye Theater Club**  
Fri., Feb. 6 World of Darkness Live Action Role Playing Game at 7 p.m. in Caldwell Lounge  
**The Durham Art Guild**  
Sat., Feb. 7 Sweet Arts Auction, proceeds to benefit Guild, from 8-11 p.m. in CCB Gallery, Durham Arts Council Building, 120 Morris St., Durham. \$10  
**Kerr-Lee Community Center**  
Sat., Feb. 7 Forum for the Triangle's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender community from 1-4 p.m. at Durham's Eno River Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. Call 403-0609.  
**Department of Psychology Colloquium Series**  
Mon., Feb. 9 Christopher Todd Ernst, M.S. on "An Island of the Future in a Sea of the Industrial Past" at 3:30 p.m. in 636 Poe Hall.

### World Without Walls: A Multi-cultural Experience

African music with Braima Motwa  
Mon., Feb. 9 North Durham Branch, Riverview Shopping Center, North Roxboro Rd. at 7 p.m.  
Wed., Feb. 11 Parkwood Branch, 5122 Revere Rd. at 10:30 a.m.  
Thurs., Feb. 12 Bragtown Branch, 3200 Dearborn Dr. at 4 p.m.  
**College of Management Wachovia Executive Lecture Series**  
Thurs., Feb. 12 William Cavanaugh III, president and chief executive officer of CP&L, will speak at 4 p.m. at 240 Nelson Hall.  
**N.C. Museum of Art**  
Thursdays through March 5 "From Pyramids to Postmodern" lecture at 11 a.m. \$4 for single tickets.

### Performances

**Charlie Goodnight's**  
Fri., Feb. 6 & Sat., Feb. 7 John Capener at 8:30 & 10:30 p.m. on Friday, 8 & 10:15 p.m. on Saturday  
**Art's Center**  
Fri., Feb. 6 Improv Comedy: Transactors Experimental Theater at 8 p.m. \$3  
Sun., Feb. 8 Open Jazz Jam with Wilton Dubois at 7:30 p.m. \$3  
**Raleigh Little Theatre**  
Fri., Feb. 6-Sun., Feb. 8 "Forever Plaid" at 8 p.m. on Friday & Saturday; 3 p.m. on Sunday. \$10  
**Paul Green Theatre, UNC-CH**  
Feb. 6-March 1 Playmakers presents "Master Class" at 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays & 2 p.m. Sundays, Saturday matinee at 2 p.m. on Feb. 28. \$9-\$32. Call 962-PLAY.

### Opportunities

**Raleigh Little Theatre**  
Mon., Feb. 16 & Tues., Feb. 17 Auditions for "Death and the Maiden" at 7:30 p.m. in the RL.T Studio, 301 Pogue Street. Call 821-4579  
**Raleigh Ensemble Players**  
Mondays, Feb. 9-March 30 "Character Interviews: Characterization for Actors" from 7 p.m.-9:30 p.m. in Artspace, Downtown Raleigh. Call 832-9607 to reserve space. \$150  
Tues., Feb. 17 & Wed., Feb. 18 Auditions for "A View from the Bridge" from 7-10 p.m. in Artspace, City Market, Downtown Raleigh. Call 832-9607.  
**Study Abroad Scholarship**  
The deadline is Feb. 23. Applications are available in the Study Abroad Office.  
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### Exhibitions

**African-American Cultural Center**  
"A Diaspora of Commonalities" through Feb. 28. 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays. FREE. Reception on Sun., Feb. 8 from 2-5 p.m.  
**The Crafts Center Gallery**  
Triangle Basket Weavers Exhibition through March 1; 2-10 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays; 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays; 12:30-5:30 p.m. Saturdays & Sundays.  
**Art's Center**  
Gallery Exhibit "Remembering Rubin" through Feb. 24  
**Duke University Museum of Art, Duke East Campus**  
"50 Years of Graphic Art" through March 22. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays; 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. 2-5 p.m. Sundays  
**Louise Jones Brown Gallery Bryan Center, Duke West Campus**  
"Eye Gumbo Vol. II: Tomatoes, Peas & Okra" through Feb. 28.

## Salsa band burns up the stage

Bio Ritmo brought its Afro-Caribbean flavored music to Carboro last weekend and taught the Cradle how to dance.

KELLY MARKS  
Features Editor

It is a rare occurrence that you go to a club to hear a band and find everyone in the place dancing.

Now by dancing I'm not referring to the whole move your head-from-side-to-side phenomenon or the hop-up-and-down-for-three-hours variation. I'm not even counting that favorite standby move known as "the shift-your-weight-back-and-forth dance." I mean dancing, as in actual foot movements in an intelligible pattern. More specifically, I mean the salsa.

What kind of a show was this, you ask? Well, this past Friday, the

Cat's Cradle was alive with the sounds of Bio Ritmo, Virginia's own premiere salsa band.

That's right. A salsa band. Now, I consider myself pretty diverse in my musical tastes, and I'm not ashamed to admit I have a pretty respectable collection of compact discs that fall dead into the genre of "Lounge" music. And I'm currently enrolled in Social Dance, with the sole purpose of learning some dance steps I see a little more complicated than "To the left, to the left, to the right, to the right."

However, regardless of how interested I was in entering into the magical world of Latin-American rhythms and grooves, I set off to the show a little wary of how much fun I'd have listening to all salsa, all night long. Truth be told, was it not for my traveling companion's insatiable crush on the timbales player, I may have backed out of

the whole thing altogether.

Let me say now how thankful I am for said crush. The evening was not only enjoyable, but also a terrific aerobic workout.

Kicking off the evening was a funk band known as The X-Periments. They did a tremendous job of pumping up the crowd as the Cradle filled with the most eclectic assortment of people I've ever seen in one building at one time. From the faux-fur-trimmed swingers to Gap poster wannabes to crutchy grana types, all walks of life were well represented. Of course, this was Chapel Hill.

The crowd was already in full throttle after an extended jam from the X-Periments, featuring the oh-so-meaningful lyrics of "Throw your hands up in the air! I wanna see your armpit hair." The only complaint that could be registered against these fine, especially

energetic young men was that their extended jams extended on for a little more than the extent of the audience's tolerance levels.

Yet, all was forgotten as Bio Ritmo took the stage. From the very first beat on the bongos, the 8-piece crowd whipped the crowd into a chaotic dancing frenzy that had people running into one another and accidentally assailing each other with their elbows. Bruised though they were by the end of the evening, no one seemed to care. The music was that good, too. They have a tremendous stage presence, from their well-oiled percussion section to the flashy dance moves of bandleader, Rene Herrera, and back-up vocalist, Gustavo Riccio. Even the horn section pined in with well-choreographed foot

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**Taurus (April 20 to May 20):** This should be a notable week regarding career interests. A raise, a new job offer, a promotion or a success is likely. The weekend accents matters of the heart.

**Gemini (May 21 to June 20):** Delays in connection with work could upset you this week. However, you may be making an important business contact socially. The weekend favors having guests over.

**Cancer (June 21 to July 22):** You'll have a clearer perspective about a matter from your childhood. Early week domestic upsets will be quickly resolved. The weekend finds you very much in love.

**Leo (July 23 to August 22):** Problems in parenting may arise early in the week. However, in romance, feelings will deepen. You may receive a social invitation from a business colleague.

**Virgo (August 23 to September 22):** It's a week that promises you financial gains through business interests. However, relations with a co-worker may be sticky. The weekend is especially romantic.

**Libra (September 23 to October 22):** You may feel that someone has let you down early in the week. Later, you'll have luck with collaborative ventures and intellectual work. Your personality shines this weekend.

**Scorpio (October 23 to November 21):** A person you've helped out in the past comes to you for help once again. This is the week to make deals and buy and sell. The weekend favors romantic and social get-togethers.

**Sagittarius (November 22 to December 21):** The early part of the week finds you nursing a resentment, but you'll snap out of it later when you meet with a wonderful romantic or social opportunity. The weekend is pure fun!

**Capricorn (December 22 to January 19):** This is a topsy-turvy week for you in business. A setback could be quickly followed by a triumph. This weekend you're at your very best socially. You'll attract romance.

**Aquarius (January 20 to February 18):** Difficulties could arise with a friendship, perhaps due to a financial concern. However, romance is a plus, and you may become very much involved.

**Pisces (February 19 to March 20):** Extra funds will become available to you this week. Something could depress or anger you early in the week, but by the weekend, you're cheerful, charming and content.

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**Soap Opera Update**

**All My Children:** Liza and Tad searched for the mystery woman who, unknown to them, was moving through the passage ways in Adam's home. Believing he had rats, Adam called for an exterminator. Later Adam consulted a psychic. Erica blasted Dimitri for offering too little, too late to help Bianca. Brooke prepared to visit Laura in Boston. Meanwhile, Hayley and Mateo joined forces to get the goods on Jim. Edmund had a surprise visitor.

**Wait to See:** David is hooked by deception.

**Another World:** Unaware that Cindy palmed the listening bug, a suspicious Joe cracked open the butterfly pin and found it empty. Gary ran into a dead end in his investigation of the fire at Paul's home. Cass and Felicia argued over Wally. After confronting Rachel on why she hadn't tell him Amanda was Hadley, Carl left for New York. Donna and Michael grew closer as they watched Nick and Sofia plan their wedding. Lila turned to Matt after Shane again rejected her.

**Wait to See:** Vicky finds herself too close to Shane.

**As The World Turns:** Lucinda was upset with Kim for becoming Molly's "guardian angel." Lily threatened to have Steve charged with conspiracy unless he testified about the videotape. Holden turned down James' deal. With Kirk distracting Teague, Ben and Lucinda found a clue in his apartment. Barbara saw James coming from Kirk's hearing and slapped him.

**Wait to See:** James pulled another trick on Sam.

**The Bold and the Beautiful:** Mike and Maggie caught up with Sheila. A shaken Brooke told Ridge she had suffered a miscarriage. Ridge, Taylor brought her son to Ridge and Brooke's home where she again warned Brooke she'll tell Ridge the truth if Brooke isn't really pregnant. Lauren called the Rush look-alike was Rush's twin, Jonny. Eager to get Rick to finance her demo tape, Amber planned to make herself indispensable to him. James followed Marty to a darkened house.

**Wait to See:** James makes a disturbing discovery.

**Days of Our Lives:** Unaware Jennifer, Jack and Abby really were in Dayton, Laura sent Peter there believing she was putting him off their trail. Hope told Mike she felt Bo betrayed her when she learned of Billie's pregnancy. Vivian, Ivan and Jonesy arrived in England where she planned to wed Jonesy. Later, Susan saw Ivan and Vivian and worried they might take baby Elvis back to Stefano. Realizing Roman knew the truth about her and John, Marlena cautioned him about his "friend."

**Wait to See:** Kristen's desperation deepens.

**General Hospital:** Rejecting help from Helena, Nikolas asked Emily to be his speech "therapist." Stefan learned Luke moved Laura to a new location. Bobbie helped Jason prepare the baby's christening with Mike and Emily as his godparents. The Quartermaines were upset when Jason named the baby for Sonny. Carly arrived as the baptism was in progress. Felicia was confused by James' kiss.

**Wait to See:** Carly decides it's time for the truth.

**Guiding Light:** Annie and Alan's wedding came to a halt when someone from her

past turned up. Amanda resisted Beth's attempt to get back into the Spaulding family. Dinah warned Cassie that Hart would leave her one day. Despite Alan's reaction to her, Annie was sure she could still triumph. Roger and Holly came to a startling realization. Matt feared he's caused Vanessa too much stress.

**Wait to See:** Annie begins to play her cards.

**Sunset Beach:** Ben promised Meg they'll be together forever. Later, Tim urged Meg to believe Ben planned to kill her. While posing as a nurse at Cedar Oaks, Virginia learned Vanessa's mother, Lena, has "Martin's Syndrome." Tim told Meg to prove Ben the killer by checking his leg for the wound (like the one on Megan's body) that Tim inflicted on the island. Del in Hell advised Annie on how to get Olivia out of Gregory's life. Annie later told Caitlin she has a baby for her, but didn't tell her it would be Olivia's baby. Cole got a warm welcome from the daughter of his construction chief.

**Wait to See:** Ben could be implicating himself.

**The Young and the Restless:** Victoria walked into a surprise birthday party where she later danced with Tony while Cole danced with Ashley. Diane told Victor she spends her time with Jack because he helps her deal with Nikki. Paul told Chris they should consider having a baby. Danny, meanwhile, told Gina that he and Chris shared many memories the night before. Tricia worried about Ryan's delay in filing for his divorce. Sharon told a delighted Doris that Cassie was her granddaughter.

**Wait to See:** Grace makes a decision about Cassie.

**Cinema**

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On top of the great features, the committee (with Campbell heavily involved) has gathered together some truly great and fun mini-series. The tribute to African American women, which went on this past week, was varied and inspirational. The Passport International series features some of the best foreign pictures ever shown on campus, including the highly acclaimed "Welcome to Sarajevo."

The Southern Circuit Film/Lecture series features the six selections from a committee that Campbell serves on. The movies are screened, and then the filmmakers give presentations on them for no admission price. The films come from all over the country and the world and give

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students the chance to experience fully some of the best films around.

Other series such as the World War II series, the Horror series (presented in conjunction with a film class) and the Sean Connery series provide enough options that just about everybody can find something they enjoy. There is even a "Starship Troopers"/"Alien Resurrection" weekend that will surely please the sci-fi heads.

"It's a huge university," added committee member Scott Litzelman. "We want to please as many people as we can—there is really some great stuff this semester. Oh, and a little trash."

A little trash? "We're throwing in something light for exam time," explains Cathy. "We're going to show 'Spiceworld' to end the semester."

Just try to keep in mind the amount quality picks this semester when you go see the finale, because the film committee is banking that you'll go see it all.

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## Editorial

### A death watch

Approximately 150 protesters gather in groups to wait outside the North Carolina state penitentiary at 2 a.m. on a blustery Friday morning.

What could possibly bring so many onlookers to brave the cold and somber surroundings at that time of day?

Last Friday, at approximately 2 a.m., Ricky Lee Sanderson was executed at North Carolina Central Prison for the March 1985 murder of 16-year-old Sue Ellen Holliman. Sanderson submitted his request on Jan. 26, 1998 to die by lethal gas because he felt the punishment would be more painful to him and more surting the nature of his crime.

But does the death penalty really represent a fitting punishment for the heinous crimes committed in this country every year? Those who protested outside of Central Prison on Friday morning were, in truth, ignoring the question.

The question is not whether or not we have the right to play God or decide the fates of others. The real question here is whether or not the punishment fits the crime.

The crime is that Sanderson raped and killed Holliman by stabbing her to death.

But what about the punishment? Sanderson was convicted of this murder in 1985. Assuming he was on death row at Central Prison since 1995, he has been fed three meals a day, had his own cell with bed and lavatory, been allowed to enter a day room, complete with television, stainless steel tables and showers, from the hours of 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., and been escorted outside two days per week for a little recreation time.

But now it's Jan. 28, 1998 and Sanderson has been moved to the death-watch area, a set of four separate cells just off the execution chamber, to wait out the final days before his execution. Barring the recreation time, the day room activities and the fact that he cannot leave his cell, Sanderson still has the same amenities as other death row inmates.

Surely this treatment does not hold up to the rape and murder of an innocent 16-year-old? But there's still the execution to come.

It's now Friday morning, Jan. 30, around 1 a.m., and preparations finally begin for Sanderson's execution. The inmate is taken into

an airtight room with the same chair used for electrocution, securely fitted with constraints to hold him in the chair and covered with a mask to hide his face from the witnesses who will be watching through the glass.

Sound like something out of a horror movie? Or maybe being raped and then stabbed to death by a total stranger is worse?

It's now 2 a.m., and time for the execution to begin. The chair itself is equipped with a container that holds approximately one pound of potassium cyanide, while another canister sits on the floor beneath the chair holding approximately five pints of sulfuric acid. When it's time to begin, the executors turn three keys on a control panel outside the chamber that drop the cyanide into the sulfuric acid, which produces a lethal gas.

Inhalation of this gas renders the victim, in this case, Sanderson, unconscious and death usually occurs in about six to 18 minutes.

So, basically, Sanderson raped and then stabbed to death an innocent 16-year-old Sue Ellen Holliman and for his crime received the punishment of being rendered unconscious before he died.

Sounds fair. Since 1953, when the Bureau of Justice Statistics began a yearly total of the number of prisoners under the sentence of death, the numbers have jumped from 131 on death row to an astounding total in 1996 of 3,219, all having committed murder.

During this investigation in 1996, the bureau found that among inmates under sentence of death, who had available criminal records, two in three had a prior felony conviction and one in 12 had a prior homicide conviction.

If the punishment were to truly fit the crime committed in this case, as well as others, it quickly becomes clear that these numbers might not be so high and that criminals might be sent to state prison as the establishment of equal justice that it is meant to be.

Death is always terrible, no matter how it happens. But dying from fatal stab wounds will never be the same as dying from inhaling lethal gases that render the person unconscious before dying. In this case, the punishment doesn't even come close to fitting the crime.

be gused, none of them moved to the end of the line, and another 10 people who would have gotten on were left standing in the cold. I have one thing to say to these inconsiderate and/or ignorant people: YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE. GET IN LINE.

Dana Calistri  
Senior, English

### Men do the little things, too.

This letter is a reply to Brandy Anderson's Feb. 4 column "Men, do the little things." I'm sure by now you have already received many responses about your column here. YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE. GET IN LINE. I just want to be added to the long list. When my friends and I read this, we were astounded at such accusations against men — about how we don't appreciate all the little things that women do for us. Where do you come off saying that "men don't seem to understand the importance and significance of the small things" that women do for guys? I will admit that I don't have a fit over three little cookies with "I love you" written on them, but I do appreciate the little things that a woman does.

I, along with most of the guys I know of, do a lot of the little things for women, most of the time for no apparent reason. It's not just on holidays when guys do something special for a woman — holidays are meant to really show her your care. I'm the type of person who doesn't have a lot of money to spend on a woman to make her happy, but I know how to do simple things that

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### THE GREAT CHANCELLOR SEARCH CONTINUES....

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## Trying not to obsess

DAWN WOTAPKA  
Staff Columnist

A friend once gave me a button that read, "I will not obsess. I will not obsess. I will not obsess." You know the type. It's supposed to be funny. Someone had taken a serious problem and turned it into a silly little button. This button really hit home for me.

I have some sort of obsessive disorder. Whew. It feels good to finally admit it. This isn't to say that I wash my hands 10,000 times a day or that I will only sit on, say blue couches. It's not like that. But, I do obsess.

The first time I noticed the problem was when I got a bad haircut about three years ago. For some bizarre reason, hair was all I ever thought about. I was a regular in front of the mirror. My two "best friends" turned their backs on me.

One called me a freak. The other told me that I could no longer discuss hair in her presence. How could I not discuss what I considered the most important thing ever? It really hurt when of them told me she couldn't live with me because I was too obsessed with my hair.

I didn't understand what was going on. But other people thought they had it all figured out. They thought I was vain and conceited. After all, who thinks about their hair all the time?

But my hair served only to mask the real problem. In the dorms, you can't really leave appliances or lights on. Someone will find them and turn them off. In an apartment, no one will. So, the bad hair grew out and the new fears grew in when I moved into my own apartment.

Now I worry about appliances being left on. The panicked-worry feeling is a bummer. My heart

paces, my pulse quickens and I tense up. I can't think about anything except what will happen if something is left on.

I've called the fire station to make sure that no fires have been reported in my neighborhood. I once reported a few noises as a "prowler" because I was so afraid he'd get in if my door wasn't locked.

Jay, my first neighbor, had to check my stove and my curling iron for me every day. I had a key made just for him. He got a break when he moved across the state.

Now, it takes me 10 minutes to leave my apartment if I'm alone. I have a semi-schedule. I check the curling iron. Then I check the iron. Then I look at the stove, even if it hasn't been used in weeks. I make sure the heat is off and my blow dryer is not to fall onto the ground and turn on. (I really worry about this happening.) Then I try to leave. It never works. I have to put my stuff in the car. Then I go back to check and be sure the door is locked.

Maybe I can leave. But first I have to re-check everything in the apartment. Twice.

Finally I get to Western Boulevard and can come to school. Wrong. At least three times a week I turn my car around and go back to check. I have gotten all the way to campus and turned around.

The closest Wolfline stop to me is about 1.5 miles away. I once walked to the stop and then turned around to check the curling iron. For the first time in my life, it was on. This is the one and only time that my checking worked out. I will tell you that it is worth it just because of that one time.

There's more. I went to Chicago last semester. Everything was fine until I got over Cincinnati. I panicked because I was not sure if I had turned off the iron. Fortunately,

American Airlines has nifty phones in the plane (for about \$3 a minute). I paid the money. Honestly, I would have paid all the money I had to make that call. It wasn't on. To this day, I am glad I made that \$9 call.

I was in class last week and all of a sudden became panicked because I was sure I'd left my curling iron on. I kept telling myself that nothing was on — after all, I had checked. Finally, I walked out of the class and went to the department office to use the phone. They wouldn't let me use the phone. By that time I was panicking and demanded (in the meanest tone I've ever used) that I use the phone. Nothing was on.

Sometimes people can be understanding. My manager this summer once let me go home to make sure my door was locked. My friends often turn around and let me re-check my appliances. Sometimes they're irritated, but they put up with it. This summer, I went to dinner with a friend and couldn't eat because I was so stressed out about whether or not my curling iron was on. I ran home and saw people standing outside. I ran up to them and said "What's wrong?" They were like: Uh, nothing, freak.

Sometimes I ask my boyfriend to check things for me. He always tells me right away that nothing is on. How does he know? Once in a while, he'll drive over and use the secret key to check for me. Even that's not enough. What if he is wrong? What if the door was locked when he checked, but unlocked after he left? These thoughts really go through my head.

Maybe I should just buy stuff that automatically shuts off. This would solve my problems, right?

Wrong. I read about microwaves that turn on automatically once in Dear Abby. Another fear to add to

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## Cheap labor profitable

STEVEN E LEBOWITZ  
Staff Columnist

"Those Mexicans are flooding our country with cheap labor!" We've heard organized labor whine about this for years now, and though I don't deny the validity of this statement, I fail to see why this is such a problem.

The fear that cheap labor will destroy the American workforce is simply a myth: American capitalists have been using dirt-cheap labor for centuries now, and it has never managed to destroy our economy. In fact, cheap labor is essential to our continued economic growth.

Politicians use elaborate political jargon in order to make the world seem like a complicated place that only they can understand. Don't be fooled. It is impossible for labor in

a free market economy to get "too cheap." The concept is simple: businesses need to pay us well so that we can afford to buy their goods and services.

I would like to pause here and state the obvious immorality of forcing employers to pay their employees a certain salary. In a purely capitalistic system, no one is forced to work for a certain business. By nature, people only work when the payment is worth their efforts, and if they are not satisfied with the paycheck, they can always seek out another job. If a laborer's work is of good quality, then he can demand a high salary. If his work is of poor quality, then he is doomed to low wages (that is, if he manages to find a job at all). But since morality is no longer an issue in this country, I will focus on

practicality. The argument given by organized labor is that cheap immigrant workers would be "unfair" competition for American laborers, and this would mean lower salaries for Americans. I do not deny the possibility of lower wages for Americans, but I do not see the problem with allowing Mexicans to compete. Being able to work in the United States is obviously a great thing for Mexicans because minimum wage is like winning the lottery compared to life in nationalist Mexico. Is this unfair?

Though American salaries may decrease with immigrant labor, purchasing power is bound to increase. Cheap Mexican labor is a blessing for consumers. It does not take a doctorate in free market

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mean a lot that please her even more so. These simple things usually consist of random phone calls, just to let her know how I feel, a simple walk around campus and yes, I even cook for her. I love to cook, and I think that cooking for my special someone is a lot more romantic than taking her to a restaurant. My friend Mike cooks for his girlfriend at least two nights a week, so how can you say that all men don't know how to cook? I also have another friend of mine, Brian, whose girlfriend goes to another school in another state, yet he can still let her know without saying anything that he loves her.

So how can you say that men don't do anything special for their women on normal days? I have just given you three prime examples of men on my hall who do these "little" things everyday. Valentine's Day is when they break out the savings to show her just how much

more they care for their girl. I'll admit men aren't all perfect, but girls are just as bad, if not worse, at times. I know I can treat a woman right and can keep her happy 24/7. Don't assume that all men are unappreciative, because they all aren't, just the two that you are talking about in your column.

Shawn Seaburger  
Sophomore, Mechanical Engineering

## War is not the answer

I believe in peace and am disturbed that the United States is threatening to wage war on the citizens of Iraq. It is not clear to me why the president and Congress are so eager to act this way. It makes sense to me that the making of chemical and biological weapons should be discouraged — presumably to make it more difficult for the leaders of one

country to arrange the deaths of so many citizens of another country. It does not make sense to me that the way to achieve this goal is to kill many Iraqi citizens. So, what can be done about these 'rogue nations' that threaten international stability? Clearly, withholding food and medicines and isolating them from the world community is an unsuccessful strategy. Why not bombard them with food and medicines instead? I sometimes wonder why our very rich country is so often fighting in very poor countries? I ask who is it that benefits from these very expensive conflicts, who initiates or exacerbates them and who is the loser in times of peace?

As students, we are in a very privileged position. While ostensibly preparing for our future, there are many ways that we can work for peace now. If you value peace or non-aggression, find a way of putting those sentiments into action and then do so.

Vito Di Bona  
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them upon entry to this nation. Politicians boast that these regulations are for the so-called "common good" of the immigrants. But, despite Clinton's claim of the contrary, legislation can't create wealth. Finding many of these mandates too troublesome and expensive to deal with, many landlords simply leave the business, thereby reducing the availability of housing in the areas enforcing the mandates. Interestingly, the regions in which these apartment standards are enforced always seem to be middle-class neighborhoods. This forces many poor immigrants to move to the slums or to live in the streets. (Is it just me, or do I smell covert government-aided segregation here?) Xenophobia is only natural, and I realize that it can never be totally removed from the hearts of individuals. Still, there is no reason to fear the quality labor associated with immigration from poor nations. That is, unless you're afraid you can't compete.

*Don't be fooled. Steven isn't really a wacky Cajun columnist. He's a Mexican nationalist hired to destroy the U.S. economy.*

# Government headache: year 2000

■ Time is running short as the \$3.9 billion project to save the federal government's programs gets underway.

STEPHEN BARR  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - President Clinton created a White House council Wednesday to lead the government's effort to prevent widespread computer problems that could disrupt federal programs when the year 2000 arrives.

He named John A. Koskinen, a former deputy director at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) who specialized in "crisis management" as a private sector executive, to chair the President's Council on the Year 2000 Conversion.

"The American people expect reliable service from their government and deserve the confidence that critical government functions dependent on electronic systems will be performed accurately and in a timely manner," Clinton said in an executive order setting up the council.

His order reflects growing concerns inside the administration that

agencies are moving too slowly, operate too many outdated systems and may not be able to test all the software fixes to ensure computers will work as expected. OMB's latest report, published in December, showed the government had completed repairs on only 10 percent of its "mission critical" systems.

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OMB's estimate for fixing the government's computers is \$3.9 billion.

Reps. Constance A. Morella, R-Md., and Stephen Horn, R-Calif., who co-chaired a hearing Wednesday on the Federal Aviation Administration's handling of the year 2000 problem, welcomed Koskinen's appointment and the formation of the council.

"Bringing in John is going to be the thrust that we need," said Morella. Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-

N.Y., who also has urged a more intense effort in heading off the computer glitch, said, "I should warn Mr. Koskinen that with fewer than two years remaining, he faces what looks to be the 13th labor of Hercules."

Koskinen, who received telephone calls from Clinton and Vice President Gore two weeks ago asking him to tackle the problem, said he will start work March 9.

"I've always felt that the government will be able to meet this challenge," Koskinen said. But some agencies "have very intractable problems, and it will take a lot of time and energy and creativity and resources."

Clinton's executive order directs federal agencies to assist state and local governments with the conversion and calls on the federal government to cooperate with the banking, telecommunications, transportation and electric power industries in addressing the problem.

Koskinen said the "interface" issue must be one of the administration's "bigger challenges." "It won't do us any good if the federal government is up and running and the (nonfederal) systems they relate to aren't," he said.

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economics to realize that cheap labor means businesses can (and will) reduce their prices in the highly competitive American marketplace (that is, as long as the government doesn't get involved). And as we all know, cheaper prices effectively increase the purchasing power of every consumer in the country. So even though the average American salary may drop, Americans still will be able to buy more with the money they've earned.

There is one obvious benefit of cheap Mexican labor that every demopublican in government has ignored: cheap labor is great for small businesses. So even if Bubba and Leroy who worked at the chicken ranch down yonder were replaced by Juan and Emilio from Mexico, it's now possible that these two good-old-boys can afford to combine resources and hire the labor needed to start their own chicken business.

Blessed with some of the most

fertile soil and richest mineral deposits of the Western hemisphere, Mexico is a country loaded with economic opportunity. If a capitalistic marketplace could be sustained in Mexico, the rewards to America and Mexico would be endless. For this reason, it is in the best interest of every American who enjoys spending money to support unbridled capitalism between Central America and the United States. But this dream cannot be realized until Mexicans are allowed to immigrate freely into the United States and until the minimum wage laws that hinder this immigration are revoked.

Also, Mexicans must be allowed to pay for housing without any government restrictions. Interestingly, one of the hidden ways in which governments segregate immigrants is by forcing landlords to provide unaffordable living accommodations. These forced "quality standards" sound good to the average American voter, but politicians fail to mention that these standards cost money to maintain. And though these accommodations are affordable to the average American, most Mexicans could not possibly afford

# Wotapka FTC considers cigar warning labels

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my list. That's just great. Thanks a million, Abby.

My mom once casually asked if my car lights were on. That time they weren't, but she started something. Now, for some reason, I check my headlights when I get out of my car. When I'm watching television and a commercial comes on, I casually go outside, just to check. I worry about them accidentally being on during the day. How would I ever know if they were? What if I accidentally switch them on as I exit the car?

Maybe this is so bad for me because I try to hide it. Very few people know about my problem.

To the people that turned their backs on me, I have one thing to say: You missed out on a great person. Sure, I may check and re-check my appliances, and I may constantly worry about the dumbest things under the sun. But for good and bad that's who I am — and I, finally, am OK with that. (If my iron isn't on right now, but maybe it is, I checked — I think.)

■ The \$5 billion industry may soon show warnings similar to those of cigarettes.

ALICE KLEIN  
The Baltimore Sun

Ending decades of government neglect, the Federal Trade Commission is now investigating whether cigars should carry a U.S. surgeon general warning label to alert consumers about the product's deadly consequences.

The inspector general's office of the Department of Health and Human Services also is launching a two-pronged inquiry into how cigars escaped federal regulations and how teen-agers and young adults are being lured to smoke cigars and other tobacco products. Policy recommendations are expected to follow.

Never before has the federal government focused so keenly on cigars, a tobacco product riding the

crest of a national boom at the same time the cigarette industry is under unprecedented fire. U.S. sales of individual cigars rose 26 percent to 4.49 billion over the past five years, led by expensive premium cigars, which nearly tripled to 270 million.

Health advocates expect more federal action to come. "I am sure that warning labels on cigars will come out of whatever legislation goes through Congress this spring because everybody in the public health community is well aware of it, and it's been included in everything we've written to Congress," said Dr. C. Everett Koop, the former surgeon general.

Cigarettes and smokeless tobacco are already required to have strict federal warning labels on their packaging. Most cigar makers have voluntarily adopted a weak California warning label, which says that their product "contains products, chemicals known to the state of California to cause cancer ..."

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# Israel doesn't rule out retaliation

■ The Jewish state says it will not re-adapt the pacifist stance it took in 1991 when it was hit by 39 SCUD missiles.

LEE HOCKSTADER  
The Washington Post

JERUSALEM - Israel is giving signs that it would not again exercise the same restraint it did in the 1991 Persian Gulf War, when the Jewish state yielded to U.S. pressure and held its fire in response to Iraqi Scud missile attacks.

The issue was raised Wednesday evening by Defense Secretary William S. Cohen, who, speaking on Cable News Network's "Larry King Live," strongly urged Israel not to retaliate against Baghdad even if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein answers U.S. airstrikes by attacking the Jewish state.

In response, the Israeli government said in a statement Thursday that "Israel retains its right to self-defense and will operate according to its security interests. This position has not

changed." The statement, issued by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's office, did not say it would take Washington's concerns into account.

Israel's apparent reluctance to accede to the U.S. request this time around comes at an awkward time for Washington. The United States is trying to line up enough international support for a military strike punishing enough to force Iraq's compliance with the U.N. arms inspection regime, if diplomacy fails to achieve that goal. Arab states have expressed lukewarm support for the U.S. threat against Iraq and would not be threatened by the prospect of Israel joining in the fray.

In 1991, Israel was hit by 39 Iraqi SCUD missiles, which killed two people and did serious damage to some residential neighborhoods. The country refrained from launching a counterattack at the behest of the United States, which feared Israel's involvement would threaten the solid backing of Arab states, which the Bush administration had assiduously courted.

This time, the thinking among

many Israelis goes, there is no such solid Arab coalition to worry about. And many Israelis are pointing out that they were opposed to the decision not to retaliate seven years ago. Among them is Moshe Arens, defense minister at the time, who said Israel was on the verge of retaliating against Iraq when Bush ended the war - prematurely, in his view.

Hirsh Goodman, editor of the Jerusalem Report, a respected biweekly, urged in the current issue of the magazine that Israel be included in all planning and decision-making leading to an attack on Iraq and be given a free hand to act independently.

"With all due respect to the American and European flotillas being sent to the gulf, neither New York, Washington, London, Helsinki nor Stockholm is in imminent danger, like Tel Aviv, of being 'blown away,'" he said.

Cohen, however, suggested Washington is as determined to keep Israel on the sidelines as it was in 1991.

Asked if Washington wants Netanyahu "not to fight back" if



Iraq strikes again, Cohen said on CNN. "Yes, the United States would prefer - very strongly urge - the Israelis not to ... even if attacked."

He added, "We believe that we have the capability of dealing with this matter, and we will be there to help protect Israel, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia - all those in the region."

The Israeli newspaper Haaretz reported this week that Netanyahu gave Secretary of State Madeleine K. Albright the cold shoulder during her visit to Jerusalem last weekend when she asked him not to respond if Baghdad attacks again.

However, government spokesman David Bar-Illan said Thursday he had checked with participants in the meeting, who said Albright had not raised the matter.

Government officials have assured Israelis that an Iraq attack - let alone one using biological or chemical warheads - is highly unlikely. Nonetheless, people here have flocked to gas-mask distribution centers for the past week.

# Buffett's golden touch turns to silver

■ The former richest man in America could cause a plummet in silver prices if he sells his nearly \$1 billion worth of the precious metal.

JERRY KNIGHT  
The Washington Post

Reluctant to buy stocks at today's record prices, legendary investor Warren E. Buffett has decided there are better places to put his money.

While other investors continue to chase the stock market, pushing it to another record high this week, Buffett has been amassing out-of-favor government bonds and the world's biggest stash of silver, a metal tarnished since the silver market went bust two decades ago.

Buffett's reputation for impeccable timing has extended to the bond market. The \$2 billion in bonds he bought in August jumped 15 percent in value by October when interest rates slumped.

And his purchase of 129.7 million ounces of silver over the past few months, which was disclosed this week, also appears to have paid off quickly and mightily. The metal hit \$7.02 an ounce Wednesday, its highest price in more than nine years.

But the steady climb in the price of silver - from \$5 an ounce last summer - is largely the result of Buffett's buying spree. If he tried to cash in his profits by selling his silver - an amount roughly equal to a quarter of the world's annual consumption of the precious metal in film, silverware, jewelry and industrial products, worth \$910 million at current prices - the price could drop just as fast as it rose, silver market experts said.

Buffet did not announce his big bond purchases, but on Tuesday Berkshire Hathaway Corp., his holding company, took the unusual step of disclosing his silver investment, providing a surprise answer to the question silver traders have been asking for months: Who's buying all the silver?

The announcement said Buffett's firm had made all of its purchases in London, where the London Metals Exchange and big private dealers dominate the world market. Berkshire said it owns 87.5 million ounces of silver bullion and has

contracts to buy another 42.2 million ounces for delivery over the next few months.

The soaring price of silver already had provoked a lawsuit alleging that silver prices on New York's Comex market were being manipulated because silver was being shipped out of the country, reducing the supply and driving up the price. The lawsuit was filed on behalf of a Canadian trader who lost \$164,000 by Christopher Lovell, a New York lawyer who has handled landmark cases involving manipulation of the potato futures market and the Nasdaq Stock Market.

The complaint filed in federal court in New York said the names of those allegedly rigging the market could not be determined but identified them as clients of Phibro Inc., the commodity-trading affiliate of Salomon Smith Barney. That firm is part of Travelers Group Inc., of which Berkshire Hathaway is the biggest shareholder.

Lovell was careful Wednesday not to accuse Buffett of rigging the silver market. "If anybody in the financial markets is due a presumption that he did things in a responsible way, it's Warren Buffett," he said. "In the stock market, his track record and reputation have been above reproach."

The lawsuit alleged that shipments of silver out of the United States "exceed commercial demand" for the metal and could have been made to boost the price.

"The mere fact that he (Buffett) is engaging in transactions of size is not inherently unlawful," cautioned Dennis Klejna, former director of enforcement for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, who is now an attorney in the Washington office of Vinson & Elkins. "It is very difficult to establish manipulation under the law."

Klejna brought the CFTC's successful case against Nelson Bunker Hunt and his brother Herbert for manipulating the silver market in 1979.

The Hunts went broke when the silver market crashed because they had borrowed heavily to speculate. Berkshire Hathaway doesn't need to borrow to buy silver.

# Yeltsin: Russia will not allow U.S. military strike

■ Yeltsin warns that the offensive by America may spark World War III.

DWID HOFFMAN  
The Washington Post

MOSCOW - President Boris Yeltsin strongly warned the United States again Thursday against using force in Iraq, saying Russia "would not allow" a military strike and reiterating that it could lead to "world war."

The Foreign Ministry added that Russia would not "resort to extreme measures" in response to President Clinton's order to increase troop levels in the Persian Gulf.

"We should not allow an armed strike, an American strike, whatever the circumstances," Yeltsin told journalists on the eve of a planned visit to Italy and the Vatican. "I told Bill Clinton that we would not allow that," he added. "The most

important thing is that we assumed a firm stand: not to the settlement through the use of force. It is impossible; it will mean a world war."

Russia for months has tried to broker a diplomatic resolution of the tension over Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's refusal to allow international inspections of locations where Iraq is believed to harbor weapons of mass destruction.

But Russia has taken a higher profile in recent days with Yeltsin's blunt, public warnings against a military strike, which were in marked contrast to the earlier diplomatic initiatives that skirted any collision with the United States. Yeltsin used the "world war" formulation Wednesday as well, and aides scrambled afterward, saying it was not a threat of military retaliation.

Yeltsin's warnings dovetail with

criticism of American actions from Russia's nationalists and Communists in parliament. Unlike the confrontation with Iraq in 1990-91, there are few voices here arguing for cooperation with the United States.

The Iraqi news agency INA reported Thursday from Baghdad that the National Assembly had invited a group from Russia's lower house of parliament, the State Duma, to visit some of the disputed sites - the presidential palaces from which U.N. inspectors have been barred.

Yeltsin said Thursday he saw the crisis easing slightly. "I am an optimist," he added. "We still cannot say with confidence that everything is all right, that another heightening of tension is out of the question. Nevertheless, the recent peak of tension was brought down a little. Tension is on the way down, and this is very important."

Yeltsin claimed Russia's position had attracted support from France and Italy. "Britain is still somewhat hesitant," he said, but added that in a telephone call Wednesday, Prime Minister Tony Blair had promised not to send more military equipment to the Persian Gulf.

Russia's Foreign Ministry issued a statement saying the threat of U.S. military action remains. "Unfortunately, the United States is not particularly receptive to political and diplomatic steps for settling the Iraq crisis," the ministry said. "Therefore, it is premature to assert that the threat of using force in resolving the crisis has been ruled out."

Yeltsin's envoy, Deputy Foreign Minister Viktor Posuvalyuk, remains in Baghdad, where he has been negotiating with Iraq's Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz.

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